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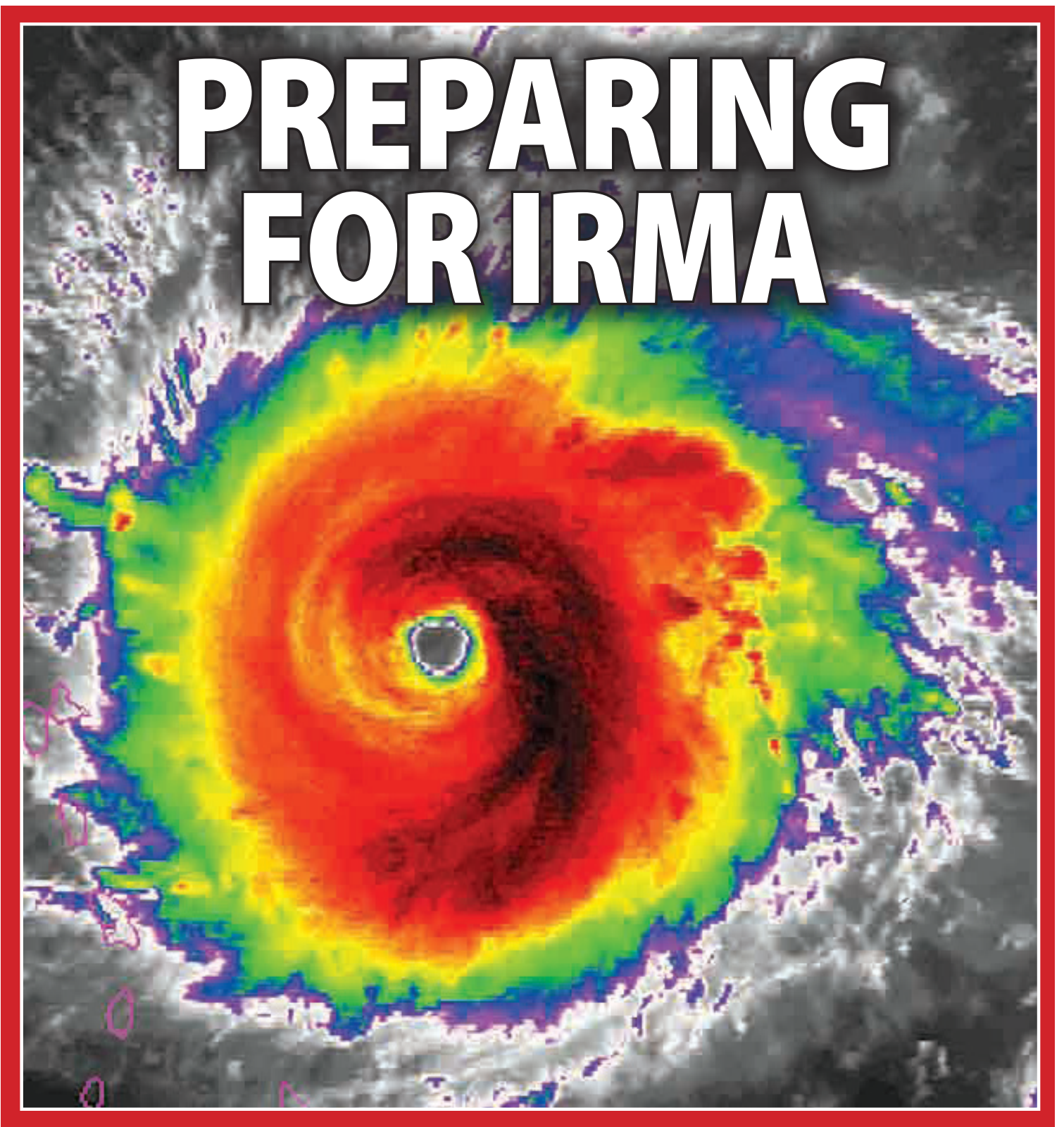


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20 readers correctly identified last week's photo as Mainstream Boutique. Good job, everyone! The winner of the random drawing was **Denise Smith**. Congratulations, Denise – you may pick up your prize at the Recorder office during normal business hours.



ADOPT A PET

CAT OF THE WEEK

My name is Snickers, and I am a 1-year-old female cat who was brought to the pet center as a stray. As this animal was a stray, there may be some traits that are unknown at this time. Come visit me today here at the pet center! #39481



DOG OF THE WEEK



My name is Skye, and I am a 6-year-old female dog who is looking for a new home. I was brought to the pet center as a stray. As this animal was a stray, there may be some traits that are unknown at this time. Come visit me today here at the pet center! # 39678 (Skye is heartworm positive so a portion of her treatment, as well as her adoption fee, are sponsored by the Friends of the Pet Center.)

Any new pets being introduced to a new home will need time to adjust to their new environment. Please reinforce house training and behavioral training, and be mindful of interacting with other pets.

St. Johns County Pet Center

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

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HURRICANE IRMA

American Red Cross offers hurricane tips

By Benjamin Naim

In an interview with the Recorder, American Red Cross Northeast Florida Chapter Communications Director Amber Bierfreund offered preparedness tips for area residents as Hurricane Irma inches toward Florida.

“It would be awesome if every family had a preparedness plan in case they had to evacuate at any time,” Bierfreund said. “Definitely hurricane season is the time that everyone should really start paying attention to it and stock up.

“The first thing that families want to do is decide whether or not they’re in a house that they’d want to stay in or if they have to evacuate,” she added. “And that depends on where you live if you’re in an evacuation zone, if the area floods, the type of structure you live in and so on.”

Bierfreund noted that families should create their own disaster supply kit and stock up on life’s essentials such as extra food and at least a gallon of water per person, per day. The American Red Cross communications director also said

residents should gather important documentation and take photos of their private property for insurance purposes.

“I like to compare [preparedness] to camping; if you’re planning a camping trip, nobody is going to the woods with no supplies with them,” explained Bierfreund. “Basically, planning to evacuate is almost exactly the same as planning a camping trip. You’re going to have to take bedding with you, you’re going to have to take your medications with you, you’re going to have to take food and all the things you’re going to need to go camping is what needs to be in your disaster supply kit.”

The communications director stressed that evacuation notices should be taken seriously.

“Definitely, if somebody tells you to evacuate, please do so,” Bierfreund said. “If they’re telling you to evacuate, then it’s absolutely necessary that you evacuate. If you have the opportunity to leave a little bit sooner, that’s always better.”

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HURRICANE IRMA

Checklist: Hope for the best, prepare for the worst

By Samantha Logue

Less than a year after Hurricane Matthew pounded Florida's Atlantic coast, Gov. Rick Scott has once again declared a state of emergency.

Although the exact path of Hurricane Irma has yet to be determined, the storm is currently categorized as a life-threatening Category 5 hurricane, and all Floridians are encouraged to make preparations in case of impact.

Know your zone

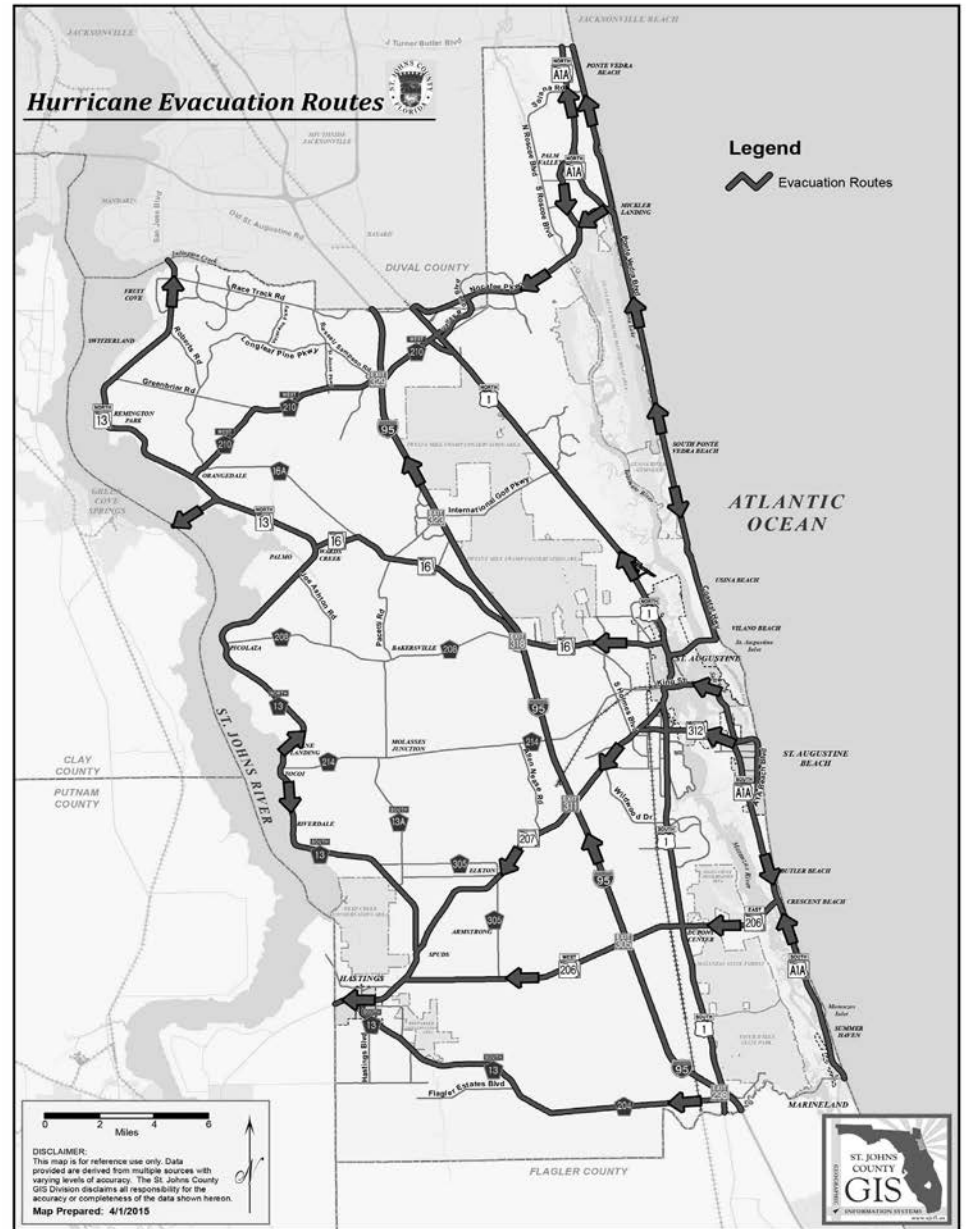
Potential impacts of Irma could include strong winds, heavy rainfall, dangerous rip currents, elevated surf, coastal flooding and beach erosion. Should weather conditions escalate to the point where evacuation is necessary, St. Johns County residents should be aware of whether their homes fall in evacuation zones. It is also important to remember that, while possessions can be replaced, lives cannot. If a mandatory evacuation order is issued, please follow it.

Be prepared

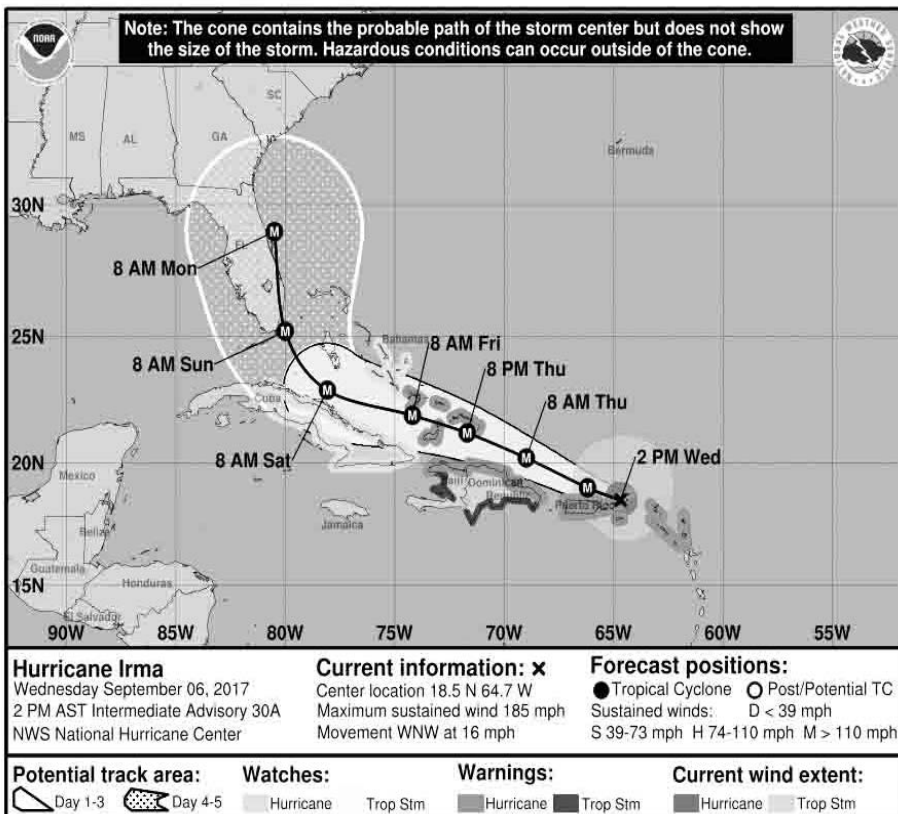
Those who are not in an evacuation zone and plan to ride out the storm should still be prepared for any circumstances. According to St. Johns County Emergency Management, residents should make sure they have the following items on hand:

- Non-perishable foods
- Drinking water
- First aid kit

- Medications
 - Cash and credit cards
 - Flashlight and batteries
 - Battery-operated radio
 - Manual can opener
 - Extra baby supplies (if needed)
 - Games, books, etc.
 - Fire extinguisher
 - Phone (non-portable)
 - Tub filled with water for sanitation
 - Porta-Pot | Well water users
- In addition to the above (where applicable), evacuees are encouraged to pack the following necessities:
- Important documents
 - Road maps
 - Jumper cables
 - Tire repair kit
 - Blankets and/ or sleeping bags
 - Pillows
 - Toiletries
 - Pet food, supplies (if needed)
- Those headed to a shelter should also include:
- Three-day supply of water
 - Three-day supply of non-perishable foods
 - Specialized supplies, medications
 - Small cooler for insulin (if needed)
 - Pillows and blankets
 - Sleeping bag or egg crate mattress
 - Cot or lawn chair
 - Important papers, identification
 - Extra clothing
 - Caregiver (if needed)
- For additional information, contact St. Johns County Emergency Management at (904) 824-5550 or visit <http://www.sjcemergencymanagement.org/>.



Courtesy of St. Johns County Emergency Management



Courtesy of the National Weather Service

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Additionally, Bierfreund warned that the effects of a hurricane can be felt for “very, very long periods of time” after it dissipates or leaves the area.

“A lot of people think that the hurricane is over right after it happens,” she said. “You can be without power for a very long time, you can be disconnected from your roadway, maybe you can’t get out of your neighborhood.”

“So that’s another thing that people need to take into consideration when they’re thinking about whether or not to stay in their homes,” she continued. “If you stay in your home, maybe your structure is physically safe and your area doesn’t flood, but you may be out of power for a few weeks after a storm and are you wanting to deal with that?”

The American Red Cross is currently “all hands on deck,” Bierfreund said, as the Northeast Florida chapter readies for Hurricane Irma.



Photo by Susan Griffin

HURRICANE IRMA

Important local sources for updates

While it is often easy to get caught-up in the national news, or even regional media, in times of emergencies, it's important to get your information close to home. Information specific to St. Johns County is most readily available from the below local sources.

St. Johns County Emergency Management

- Website - www.SJCEmergencyManagement.org
- Facebook - www.Facebook.com/StJohnsEOC
- Twitter -- www.Twitter.com/StJohnsEOC

St. Johns County Fire Rescue

- Facebook - www.Facebook.com/SJCFireRescue
- Twitter - www.Twitter.com/SJCFireRescue

St. Johns County Sheriff's Office

- Website - www.SJSO.org
- Facebook - www.Facebook.com/StJohnsSheriffOffice
- Twitter - www.Twitter.com/SJSOPIO
- Instagram - www.Instagram.com/sjsopio

National Hurricane Center

- Website - www.NHC.noaa.gov
- Facebook - www.Facebook.com/NWSNHC
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- Instagram - www.Instagram.com/noaa-hurricanes

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FLVBEOC offers tips for business owners amid possible hit by Hurricane Irma

According to the Florida Virtual Business Emergency Operations Center (FLVBEOC), taking the steps to build a business disaster plan and encourage employees to create a family emergency plan can reduce the impacts of a disaster on a business. The organization is providing business owners with the following tips amid Hurricane Irma.

- Purchase a stock of supplies, materials and equipment needed to run your business in the event of a disruption of delivery.

- Maintain a list of employee and customer phone numbers that you can access from outside the business. Ensure key staff have the same information in the event employees are unable to return to the business location.

- Back up business data daily and maintain that information at an offsite location or on a portable storage device.

- If your business uses a voicemail system at the office, consider designating one number to use to record important messages for employees to access. Provide the number to all employees.

- Identify a phone number for customers and program call forwarding to one number. If you are unable to access the business, you can call in and reprogram to a remote location.

- Use UL-listed surge protectors and battery back-up systems in the event of

power loss.

- Have a disaster supply kit on hand for the business to include, but not limited to, flashlights with extra batteries, a first aid kit, tools, water and nonperishable food in the event you are unable to leave your business.

- Discuss business continuity or business interruption insurance with your insurance agent. Discuss flood insurance with your insurance agent since most policies do not cover flood insurance. For more information visit www.floodsmart.gov.

- Designate one employee per shift as safety coordinator to make decisions relating to customer safety and safety of the business if the owner or manager is not on site.

- Encourage employees to develop a family emergency plan and a disaster supply kit.

- Create an emergency contact list for all employees and maintain offsite.

- Inform employees about your business emergency plan and review with them on a regular basis.

- Identify an internal shelter area in the event authorities advise to "shelter in place."

- Document employees' job function and identify back-up support in the event an employee is unable to access the business location.

- Create a phone tree and designate individuals who will initiate the communications process.

- Maintain a copy of customer records offsite.

- Identify an alternative worksite to use to communicate to customers during response and recovery.

- Install emergency lights that turn on when the power goes out. They are inexpensive and widely available at building supply retailers.

- Install NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert feature in business locations.

- Secure tall bookcases, file cabinets or display cases to wall studs.

- Use plumbers tape or strap iron to wrap around a hot water heater to secure to wall studs.

- Contact a professional to install flexible connectors to appliances and equipment fueled by natural gas.

- Install shutters to protect windows from debris blown by high winds.

- Install automatic fire sprinklers.

For more information, visit <http://flvbeoc.org/>.

St. Johns County provides tips for preparing pets for disasters

St. Johns County Emergency Management officials are encouraging residents to organize disaster supply kits for their pets so that every member of the family is prepared for the storm.

According to the county, pet disaster kits should include the following:

- Food and water for at least five days for each pet, as well as bowls and a manual can opener if you are packing canned pet food
- A pet carrier or crate in which your pet can stand and turn around in comfortably, as well as bedding for comfort
- Litter box, litter, scoop and garbage bags for pet waste
- Sturdy leashes and harnesses
- Medications your pet may require...If your pet is on a special diet and/or medication, check with your vet to see if you can obtain an additional supply to have on hand in your emergency kit.
- Current photos and descriptions of

your pets in case you and your pets become separated

Evacuating Other Types of Pets

According to county staff, identification, medical records, and proof of ownership is just as important for other types of pets (birds, reptiles, amphibians and small pets).

Transportation may require additional attention and care to decrease chances of stress-induced illness and death. It is important to keep pets from different sources as separate as possible and to maintain hygiene in order to decrease the transmission of disease.

County staff says when preparing pets for an evacuation, "exotics" (primates, snakes, spiders, insects, etc.) are not permitted at shelters.

For more information on evacuating other types of pets, visit www.sjcemergencymanagement.org/petiyp.html.

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Aimee Boggs is the senior vice president of investments for BOGGS-HUFFMAN Wealth Management Group of Raymond James, which is in the Veranda Building on A1A. A Ponte Vedra resident, Boggs is also Volunteers in Medicine's Women with Heart honoree for the month of September.

Aimee Boggs

By Jon Blauvelt

Can you please tell us about your background?

I was the fourth generation to grow up in Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Pittsburgh. I am the fourth of five children who all had a passion for snow skiing. Three of us attended the University of Colorado in Boulder, and I was the only one to venture to Northeast Florida. Upon completing my major in accounting, I began my career in Jacksonville as a CPA with Ernst & Young back in the days of the "BIG 8" public accounting firms. The PGA Tour was a client, and from 1988 to 1991, I was an assistant controller. After a total of 12 years in accounting, I was introduced to the wealth management industry, and I've been thrilled ever since having found my true "calling" as a financial advisor in 1996.

What do you enjoy most about your work at Raymond James?

I joined Raymond James in 2013 with my business partner, Dave Huffman, and we are grateful to be BOGGS-HUFFMAN Wealth Management Group of Raymond James. Together we enjoy the opportunities to work with wonderful clients and share in the most personal and important aspects of their lives. We receive tremendous satisfaction when we provide meaningful council so that their life goals are achieved. Additionally, Raymond James is a wonderful community partner, and I am tremendously appreciative of the support they provide which allows me to give back to the community.

Can you please tell us about your involvement with Volunteers in Medicine?

I first became aware of Volunteers in Medicine (VIM) last year when at a luncheon I reconnected with Cindy Cooper, VIM chief development officer. I was seated next to Mary-Pat Corrigan, executive director of VIM, and we learned that we had several connections through previous community involvements. Cindy invited me to tour the clinic in Jacksonville, and I was thoroughly impressed by the doctors and nurses volunteering to provide health care to the working poor of Northeast Florida. As it unfolded, I learned that Dottie Dorian was a co-founder, and I also knew several other doctors and board members working toward this meaningful mission. I've experienced illness in my immediate family, and I realize the toll that illness takes on the entire family

What makes Volunteers in Medicine so special to you?

The opportunity to raise awareness of the valuable work they do AND for those who want to give back to the community, how they may support their mission...that's what makes the organization so special to me. In fact, during this month of September, I am honored to be recognized as a Women with Heart honoree by VIM. I am one of 12 women nominated in February, and each of us has a month to wear the stunning "Heart of Jacksonville" diamond necklace donated by Beard's Jewelry. The idea is for the necklace to be a conversation starter and allow me the opportunity to tell the Volunteers in Medicine Story daily. During this month, I have planned a community yoga event to take place Sept. 23 at the TPC Clubhouse Lawn. Additionally, I have begun a campaign to do 1,000 sun salutations in September (33 each day and 34 on the last day of September) to demonstrate my commitment to the cause.



Aimee Boggs

What brought you to the First Coast?

My wonderful husband of 34 years. It was an unlikely destination for both of us having met as ski instructors in the Northeast. Although we thought we would be in Florida temporarily, the community grew on us and we redirected our love of skiing into cycling just as that sport was taking off in the early 90s. We have both built businesses in Northeast Florida and now have roots that are deep with family and friends being our best anchor.

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

I have the ultimate good fortune to live AND work in Ponte Vedra Beach, which I affectionately refer to as "The Neighborhood of Make Believe." The ability to have an active lifestyle and outside the majority of the

time is unbeatable. When we host friends and family, they always want to know why anyone would need to take a vacation away from this paradise. So, when we do, it's to get to the higher elevations and likely to ski.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

I love many forms of exercise and strive to incorporate something into every day. For decades, bicycling was a huge part of our lives. Slowly, that has shifted and now the focus is yoga. Both my husband and I got certified as yoga instructors. But undoubtedly my favorite thing is to host family and friends in what has become known as Camp Boggs. This usually includes surf camp, with everyone playing in the ocean, surfing, paddle boarding, kayaking or riding bikes. We love to share the best parts of our slice of heaven and so far, everyone wants to come back.

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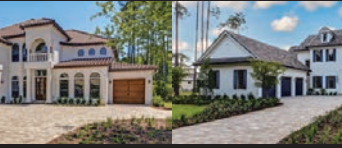


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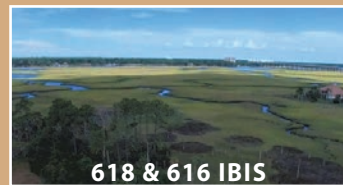
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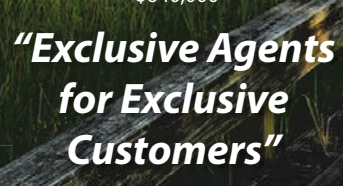
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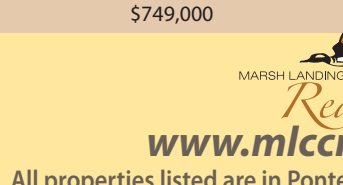
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Houston resident Chris Stroud, PGA Tour offer support for Hurricane Harvey relief

PGA Tour professional and Houston resident Chris Stroud recently pledged his support for those affected by Hurricane Harvey and the resulting flooding.

Stroud committed \$10,000 toward the relief efforts and plans to add an additional 10 percent of his earnings from the recent Dell Technologies Championship in Norton, Massachusetts.

Hurricane Harvey hit the Texas coast on Friday, Aug. 25, and torrential rainfall has submerged thousands of homes and forced unprecedented evacuations.

“It has been a tough week, but in some ways a very rewarding week,” Stroud said.

He is one of the more than 30 players on the PGA Tour, PGA Tour Champions and Web.com Tour who live in the Houston community, and the area is also home to the PGA Tour’s Houston Open and the In斯perity Invitational on PGA Tour Champions.

“To see all the people and organizations around the country eager to pitch in and help is inspiring,” Stroud said.

“I hope the efforts of the PGA Tour and my fellow players will spur more people to join in and help make a difference to those who are in need.”

Fans wishing to assist in the relief and recovery efforts can make donations through PGA Tour Charities’ “Together, anything’s possible” website by clicking on the red “GIVE” button.

Additionally, fans can make donations directly through the American Red Cross by visiting www.redcross.org or by texting HARVEY to 90999 to make a \$10 donation.

“Our thoughts are with all of those impacted by this terrible storm and flooding caused by Hurricane Harvey,” said PGA Tour Commissioner Jay Monahan, who pledged \$250,000 on behalf of the tour to the American Red Cross. “We hope our collective efforts help bring comfort and aid to the victims and that it will spur our players, tournaments and fans to join the cause and help out.”

The Red Cross helped provide food and shelter in the immediate aftermath of the storm, and continues to help victims by offering emotional support,

health services and distributing emergency relief supplies such as comfort kits and cleaning supplies.

“Red Cross plays a critical role in helping families and communities get back on their feet and we are very grateful for PGA Tour’s support,” said Anna Trefethen, vice president of humanitarian services for the Red Cross’ Southeast & Caribbean division.

“Together, anything’s possible,” is the PGA Tour’s charity platform that brings together all the tour’s stakeholders – players, tournaments and sponsors, volunteers, charities and fans – to tell the story of the impact that their collective efforts are having on communities throughout the world.

Since the first donation of \$10,000 was made in 1938, PGA Tour events have generated significant funds for local charities. In fact, the PGA Tour, Champions Tour and Web.com Tour have surpassed the \$2.46 billion mark in overall charitable contributions.

To learn more about tournament and player charities and how to donate to these causes, visit the PGA Tour’s charity web site at www.pgatour.com/together.

Roman Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine to accept donations for Harvey victims

Bishop Felipe J. Estevez will take up a special collection to support the victims of Hurricane Harvey and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses the weekend of Sept. 9-10 at the Roman Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine in Jacksonville.

The hurricane affected southeast Texas, including the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.

“Our hearts and prayers go out to the families that have lost loved ones and to all who have lost homes and businesses along with their sense of peace and normalcy,” said Bishop Estévez. “We also stand with our brother bishops in the region who have the difficult task of providing pastoral care in these most trying times while also managing their own losses.”

Funds given to the collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA.

“We are grateful to the first responders and countless volunteers who are assisting the Gulf Coast region in countless ways and keep them all in our thoughts and prayers,” Bishop Estévez said.

For more information, contact Catholic Charities at (904) 899-5500, email ahassell@ccbdo.org or visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org. The Diocese of St. Augustine is located at 11625 Old St Augustine Road.

Jacksonville Armada owner donates ticket sales to Hurricane Harvey relief

Jacksonville Armada FC Owner Robert Palmer announced last week that he would donate 100 percent of the revenue from the team’s online ticket sales between Aug. 28 and Sept. 2 to the Red Cross to assist with relief efforts for those devastated by Hurricane Harvey in Texas.

“My purchase of a professional sports team was never about profits,” Palmer said. “It was about creating a vehicle for positive change in our society. We’re proud to stand with those affected by the storm in Houston and the surrounding areas.”

Palmer’s personal experience with hurricanes contributed to his desire to help those struggling in Texas.

“I was personally affected by the three hurricanes that crossed Polk County, Florida, in 2004,” he said. “My family in Southern Mississippi and Louisiana were devastated by Katrina in 2005. Healing these kinds of wounds takes time, and I wanted to do my part to help.”

Palmer took to social media to encourage other Florida businesses to follow his example.

“I challenge other business owners



Photo courtesy of Jacksonville Armada FC

to take similar action to support those affected in Texas,” he wrote. “As Floridians, we know too well the devastation a hurricane (and flooding) of this

magnitude can cause.”

Tickets for the remaining home matches this year can be purchased online at www.armadafc.com.

Jacksonville business to donate portion of bracelet sales to benefit victims of hurricane

Original Piece, a clothing store located at the St. Johns Town Center in Jacksonville, will help flood victims affected by Hurricane Harvey by offering 50 percent of all sales from the company’s faith bracelets to the Samaritan’s Purse, an evangelical Christian humanitarian aid organization.

“As a local business owner of Original Piece located at the St. Johns Town Center in Jacksonville, I lived in Houston, Texas for years,” Tami Oakley, owner and founder of Original Piece, said to the Recorder via email. “We are spreading the word to help our fellow Americans in this trying time. Being from Houston, seeing all the photos is heartbreaking and through our Hurricane Harvey Gbead, we are raising as much as we can to help.”

Oakley also said the handmade Gbead bracelets stand for prayer for the Texas flood victims who were rocked by the late-August hurricane. The bracelets will be available in-store or online at www.shoporiginalpiece.com.

OBITUARIES

Christopher Gavin Moore

Christopher Gavin Moore, 48, died Aug. 27, 2017 in Jacksonville Beach. His kind and generous heart stopped beating in the early morning hours. Gavin is survived by his parents, Suzanne McCormick Taylor (Robert) and Charles Newberry Moore; grandmother, Jean Haden McCormick; brothers, Travis Alexander Moore (Erica), Mark Allen Moore (Erin) and Rhyann Derring Taylor; nieces, Alexandra Keller Moore, Taylor Julia Moore and Ellis Jean Moore; two goddaughters; and his large, loving family.

Born June 30, 1969 in Cincinnati, Gavin attended Christ Church Preschool, Beaches Episcopal School and The Episcopal School of Jacksonville, graduating in 1987. He earned his Bachelor of Science in mathematics and computer science at Sewanee: The University of the

South, where he was a proud member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Returning to Jacksonville, his first job was designing and installing Apple computer labs in three Northeast Florida public school districts. After earning his MBA at the University of Florida, Gavin worked for Internet startup LookSmart in San Francisco, and Meridian Solar in Austin, where he helped guide the company through a period of expansion to become the leading solar contractor in the state. At the time of his death, he owned and operated San Pablo Realty in Atlantic Beach, as a licensed real estate broker.

Gavin's legacy includes his innate ability to make and keep friends. He touched countless lives with endless smiles and laughter, a knack for telling good, long stories and a determination to stay in touch. He was an avid live music enthusiast who shared this love with friends. A committed community volunteer, Gavin's activities included playing Santa Claus



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Salvation Army to hold Red Shield Ball Oct. 14

The Salvation Army is holding its fourth annual Red Shield Ball Saturday, Oct. 14 at the University of North Florida to benefit the organization's Red Shield Lodge, which provides shelter and support to women, children and families in crisis.

To be held at the Adam W. Herbert University Center from 6:30 to 11 p.m., the fundraiser seeks to raise \$200,000, which will go directly toward providing clean and safe shelter, nutritious meals and case management for resident families. The Salvation Army also plans to raise an additional \$50,000 during a "Fund-A-Need" portion of the night that will be used to renovate 10 family rooms at the shelter. Founded in 1987, the downtown-Jacksonville based Red Shield Lodge provides shelter and support to approximately 150 families each year, serving more than 400 children on average.

This year's gala features prominent, local philanthropists Michael Ward and Jennifer Glock as honorary chairs. Ward, the former CEO of CSX, and Glock have provided The Salvation Army with significant support, as well as several other charities and nonprofits in Jacksonville.

The Red Shield Ball will also feature dinner, live music by The Faze Band, dancing, live and silent auctions and inspiration from people who have found help and hope through the Salvation Army's shelter.

Tickets are now on sale for the event.



Photos courtesy of Francesca Rutherford

2016 Red Shield Ball Emcee and Salvation Army former Board Chair Mike Buresh throws the mic after announcing the results of the 2016 "Fund-A-Need."



Local philanthropists Michael Ward and Jennifer Glock are the honorary chairs of the 2017 Red Shield Ball.

General admission tickets are \$150. Tickets for people ages 35 and under are \$100. Tables of eight can be purchased for \$1,200 (\$800 for a table of people ages 35 and under). For more information, visit <http://www.salvationarmyflorida.org/jacksonville/red-shield-ball/>.



Major Rob Vincent congratulates former shelter resident Wendy Shaw at the 2016 Red Shield Ball on her success since graduating from the program.

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at the Beaches Museum & History Park Christmas gathering, cooking for hundreds to raise money for charity and responding to anyone needing a hand.

Gavin enjoyed travel, participated in exchange programs in France and Italy and loved scalloping and kayaking. Aside from his top priorities of family and friends, his lifelong passions were the Georgia Bulldogs and the family's circa 1873 homestead and ranch in Palm Valley. He grew up hunting and enjoying the outdoors with his family and late grandfather, J.T. McCormick. Gavin regularly hosted at the ranch Thanksgiving gatherings, weekend afternoons of Georgia football and feasts for large crowds. His brisket, pulled pork, turkey and Minorcan-style pilau (perlow) and cheesecakes were legendary.

Gavin's brilliant mind, wit, and expansive spirit left a positive impression on everyone he met.

Services will be held on Friday, Sept. 8, 2017, at 11 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, 400 San Juan Drive, Ponte Vedra Beach. A private family burial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made in Gavin's name to the Jean McCormick Founders' Fund of the Beaches Museum & History Park, 381 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville Beach, Fla. 32250 or the "Lead the Way" Campaign to benefit the McCormick Sports Complex at Episcopal School of Jacksonville, 4455 Atlantic Blvd, Jacksonville, Fla. 32207. Arrangements by Hardage-Giddens Funeral Home, 1701 Beach Blvd., Jacksonville Beach.



Bette Argeris Blanc

Bette Argeris Blanc, 92, of Ponte Vedra Beach, died Aug. 29, 2017. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalle.com.

James E. Delaney

James E. Delaney, 87, of Jacksonville, died Aug. 30, 2017. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalle.com.

Woody's Supporting MS Society, Bike MS event

Woody's restaurant in Ponte Vedra Beach is offering a "round up" and dining discounts to benefit the North Florida Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Society and jump start the 31st annual Bike MS: PGA Tour Cycle to the Shore in the effort to assist those suffering from multiple sclerosis and to find a cure for the disease.

Through Oct. 15, Woody's customers who mention multiple sclerosis or Bike MS—the two-day bicycle ride from Ponte Vedra Beach to Daytona Beach and back on Oct. 14-15—will receive a 10 percent discount on food and beverages. In addition, diners will have an opportunity to "round up" their check, with 100 percent of the increase benefiting the National MS Society.

Bike MS annually attracts more than 1,500 cyclists who raise more than \$1 million to help create a world free of MS. For more information regarding the event, call (904) 332-6810 or email Sydney.Henderson@nmss.org.

Woody's is located at 226 Solana Road, Suite 1, in Ponte Vedra Beach.



Photo courtesy of Bruce Reid

Ponte Vedra Beach resident Murray Beard rides for Big Bananas team, which helps those suffering from multiple sclerosis through the annual Bike MS event.

'Proprioceptive Input' changing classroom setting on Bolles Ponte Vedra Beach Campus

Through the use of Hokki stools, size-appropriate wobble chairs, chair air cushions and standing desks, the Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus is providing students with new ways to practice "proprioceptive input."

A method of learning using appropriate classroom movement to engage the body and brain, the concept supports classroom use of standing-biased desks, cushions and moving stools for students who function best at school when they are given opportunities to move. The Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus has embraced this idea as a priority – adding stools, cushion and standing desk options this school year for nearly every classroom. One fifth-grade classroom has nixed traditional desks and chairs altogether, opting instead for a complete set of stand-biased desks and high stools.

"Just a little bit of movement helps connect your brain to your body," said Peggy Campbell-Rush, head of the Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus. "If you don't give kids a way to move, they're going to find it on their own: you'll see kids leaning back in their chairs, or



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wiggling or sitting on top of their feet. In here, we don't have that. We have real, complete attention because we have resources for appropriate movement in the classroom."

The new classroom furniture and resources, delivered this summer, include:

- Hokki stools- ergonomic seating that allows students to move multiple directions while sitting still

- Wobble chairs- helps young students engage their core muscles while sitting

- Air cushion/wiggle seats- bumpy or smooth plastic cush-

ions that help students fidget in place

- Standing desks- adjustable and ergonomic desks that allow students to stand, bend and move

Campbell-Rush referenced studies by authors Marcus Conyers and Donna Wilson, co-developers of the Brain-Based

Teaching degree program at Nova Southeastern University. The researchers have noted in their work that even small movements and slight classroom exercise can help students' brains better develop in classroom settings. Calling exercise "like 'Miracle-Gro' for the Brain," one article by the authors said physical movement increased oxygen to the brain that may enhance its ability to learn.

Teachers said some of the school's youngest students decided on the first day of school which movement resource worked best for them and have continued to use them into the second week of school. Carol Quattrano, the fifth-grade teacher whose classroom has been reoutfitted with standing desks, said the higher learning areas make it easier for her to address students and their work without bending over.

Campbell-Rush is a big believer in the science behind the movement tools. She looks forward to implementing additional resources as they become available. Currently, every classroom on campus has two to four standing desks, and most classrooms provide options for cushions or stools.

Bolles PVB Campus is going gaga for gaga ball

Thanks to a school gift from last year's fifth-grade students, the Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus has a new physical education resource. School leaders applied the funds, at the students' request, to the purchase of a gaga ball pit.

Gaga ball is similar to dodgeball, but in a confined setting where players aim below the knee. The game was developed at Jewish camps during the 1970s and means "touch-touch" in Hebrew. According to GaGaBallPit.com, the object of the game is to "eliminate your opponents by striking the ball and having it hit them below the knee or waist while trying to avoid being hit yourself."

On the Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach campus, the gaga ball pit is currently set up in the multipurpose room. Coach Melissa Stone said students

have been enjoying playing it as one of the first physical education units this year. Once the unit is over, the set will be disassembled and stored for a later opportunity.

The game can be played by a whole class of students at once and involves animated running, jumping and aiming skills.

It is tradition on the Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus for "graduating" fifth-grade students to raise money for a campus gift. Students usually raise funds with a Valentine's Day bake sale and by selling campus parking spaces during THE PLAYERS Championship. In previous years, students have helped the school acquire everything from an underwater-themed mural in Ponte Vedra Hall to a large bronze plaque at the center of the campus flag pavilion.



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Students at the Bolles Ponte Vedra Beach Campus play a game of gaga ball in the school's multipurpose room.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Anthony-St. Clair engagement announced

Together with their parents, Emily Kate Anthony of Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, and Jacob William St. Clair of Muse, Pennsylvania, announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Andrea Woodley Anthony of Ponte Vedra and Malcolm Anthony of Ponte Vedra Beach. Maternal grandparents are Neil and Sue Woodley of Estes Park, Colo-

rado. Paternal grandparents are Bobbie Neundorfer of Neptune Beach and the late Harry Malcolm Neundorfer.

The groom is the son of Joe and Cathy St. Clair of Keen Mountain, Virginia. Maternal grandparents are Lee and Helen Price of Abingdon, Virginia, and the late William James Buchanan Jr. Paternal grandparents are Jean St. Clair of Keen Mountain and the late Edgel St. Clair.

The bride-to-be is a 2009 graduate of Episcopal School of Jacksonville and a

2014 graduate of Florida State University with a Bachelor of Science in accounting and Mandarin Chinese. She is a CPA and is an accountant with Caterpillar Global Mining America in Canonsburg.

The groom is a 2013 graduate of Virginia Tech with a Bachelor of Science degree in mining engineering. He is a production control operator for CONSOL Energy's gas division in Canonsburg.

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Ponte Vedra Wellness Center to hold annual wellness fair Sept. 14

For the fourth year in a row, the Ponte Vedra Wellness Center will be hosting a wellness fair on Thursday, Sept. 14, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Ponte Vedra Wellness Center in cooperation with the First Atlantic Bank, the event also celebrates the Wellness Center's 13th year of operation in the Ponte Vedra community. The event is free and open to the public and will benefit Mission House of Jacksonville Beach.

In addition to food and music, this year's wellness fair will feature a variety of local wellness and health care providers. Each wellness table will offer a complimentary service or special offer to those in attendance, such as chair massages, postural screenings, fitness evaluations and more.

Metro Diner and Peterbrooke Chocolatier of Ponte Vedra Beach will be offering treats, and Kona Ice will be on hand with fruit-flavored shaved-

ice. Once wellness fair guests visit all the table-top displays, they will be automatically entered to win raffle prizes, donated by local businesses. While food, services, and raffle tickets are complimentary, a donation to benefit Mission House is requested.

"I am honored to be celebrating 13 years, and I know that our success is due to the support of this community and of our patients," said Ponte Vedra Wellness Center owner Dr. Erika Hamer. "This is the fourth year for the wellness fair, and we are really excited about the diversity in wellness services this year. This family-friendly event is a great way to connect with the local health care community as well as highlight that there are many paths that lead a person to wellness. We are thrilled to have the support of First Atlantic Bank, allowing us to hold the event in their parking lot and excited to have Metro Diner and Peterbrooke offering food and samples

this year. Everything will be free of charge, but we are hoping those attending will be inspired to give a donation to Mission House as a way to give back to our community."

This year's wellness fair participants include Balini Mind and Body, Connect Hearing, CrossBarre, Eccela, Full Circle Women's Care, Healing Massage of Ponte Vedra, Health Partners LLC, Podiatry Associates of Florida/Beach Division, Ponte Vedra Eye Associates, Ponte Vedra Training Company, Ponte Vedra Wellness Center, PRP Wine International, SJC Chamber of Commerce/PVB Division and First Atlantic Bank.

The event will be held outside the Ponte Vedra Wellness Center office, which is located at the First Atlantic Bank building at the corner of A1A and Palm Valley Road. The address is 100 Corridor Road South, Ponte Vedra Beach. For more information, call 904-273-2691.

Coast Guard Auxiliary to offer boating safety courses

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's Jacksonville Beach Flotilla 14-04 is offering three boating safety courses over the next several weeks.

The first course will take place Sept. 9 at Sea School, which is located at 14180 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville. The next available class will be held Sept. 30 at the Palm Valley Community Center at 148 Canal Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach. The third and final course to be offered in 2017 will also be held at Sea School on Oct. 28. All classes are held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Titled "About Boating Safety," the eight-hour class includes demonstrations of boating basics and covers such topics as navigation, in-water survival, knot tying, state and federal boating laws and regulations and more. A Florida and federal course examination is given at the conclusion of the course.

Successfully passing the course will earn participants the Coast Guard Auxiliary Course Completion Card and Florida Boating Safety Education ID Card.

The fee for the course is \$25 (cash or personal check), which covers training materials. Two students can share course materials for a total registration fee of \$30. Participants can enroll as an individual or with family members and/or friends. Attendees should bring lunch and refreshments with them.

For more information and to enroll, please contact Bill Vaughan at 904-955-7077 or at Boatsafety04@gmail.com.

Florida RV Trade Association State convention to be held in Ponte Vedra

The Northeast Florida Chapter of the Florida RV Trade Association (FRVTA) is hosting the state's annual convention from Thursday, Sept. 7 through Sunday, Sept. 10 at the Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort and Spa in Ponte Vedra Beach.

"It's been nearly a decade since the Jacksonville area has played host to the convention, so we're very excited to show off Northeast Florida to our colleagues throughout the state," said local Chapter Board President Ken Loyd. "We'll host more than 200 attendees, who will be visiting our area and taking part in workshops over the four-day conference, so the convention represents a significant economic impact for the area, as well."

The theme for the 2017 annual conference is "RVs – The New Frontier," with the FRVTA using space-themed activities throughout the conference. Attendees include keynote speaker Jason Hewlett, who will deliver a message on keeping "The Promise," along with RV Dealers Association President Phil Ingrassia and Recreation Vehicle International Association President Frank Hugelmeyer, who will both provide their respective RV industry updates.

Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam, who is an announced



Lance Wilson

Republican candidate for next year's governor's race, will make a special appearance during the Friday morning session and provide a legislative update to attendees.

According to FRVTA Executive Director Lance Wilson, this annual convention takes place as the RV industry is enjoying a resurgence in sales and the growth of younger buyers.

"I'm sure the tone will be very upbeat among the RV dealers and RV vendors as well," Wilson said. "Nationally, sales surged to 430,000 units last year, a 40-year high, and the fastest-growing customer demographic is 35- to 44-year-olds – which bodes well for the future of our industry."

For more information or for registration information, visit the association's website at www.frvta.org.

Area RV dealers and vendors will be taking part in the St. Johns County

RV Show from Oct. 12-15 at the St. John County Fairgrounds in Elkton. Northeast Florida RV dealers will also host the Jacksonville RV MegaShow at the Jacksonville Equestrian Center in February.

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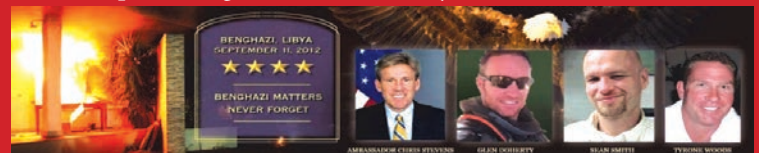
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Visitors at the 2016 Ponte Vedra Auto Show take a look at some of the cars on display at the Nocatee Town Center Field. This year's event will again take place at the Nocatee Town Center.

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Ponte Vedra Auto Show to return to Nocatee

By Samantha Logue

Local car enthusiasts are shifting gears to prepare for the 15th annual Ponte Vedra Auto Show, which will take place Sunday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Nocatee Town Center.

Organized by the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce Ponte Vedra Beach Division, this will be the second consecutive year that the event is held in the heart of the Nocatee community. An event that in past years has attracted thousands of attendees, this year's auto show will feature close to 200 collectors' cars, both classic and new. En-

trants will compete for trophies in 30 different categories, including awards for the "Most Outstanding Mustang," "Best Exotic" and "Best in Show Classic."

"Each year we strive to bring different elements to the show," said Sandy Kavanaugh, special projects manager at the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce. "Along with the intriguing and artful collection of cars on display, we will feature the 'Tribute to the Vintage Motorcycle,' where an exciting array of motorcycles will be featured."

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Once again, the Ponte Vedra Auto Show will boast plenty of dining options for visitors at this year's event, including a wide selection of food trucks. Photos by Susan Griffin

Show

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In addition to enjoying the show and watching the Jaguars thanks to MDM Commercial, attendees will have numerous options for lunch. Like last year, food trucks will be onsite throughout the show, but with the recent additions of Tijuana Flats and Starbucks to the growing list of Nocatee

restaurants, spectators will have an even greater variety of vendors to choose from. Automobile registration for the 2017 Ponte Vedra Auto Show is \$35 per vehicle, but the event is free and open to the public. Nocatee Town Center is located at 460 Town Plaza Ave. For more information, visit www.pvautoshow.com or call the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce Ponte Vedra Beach Division at (904) 285-2004.

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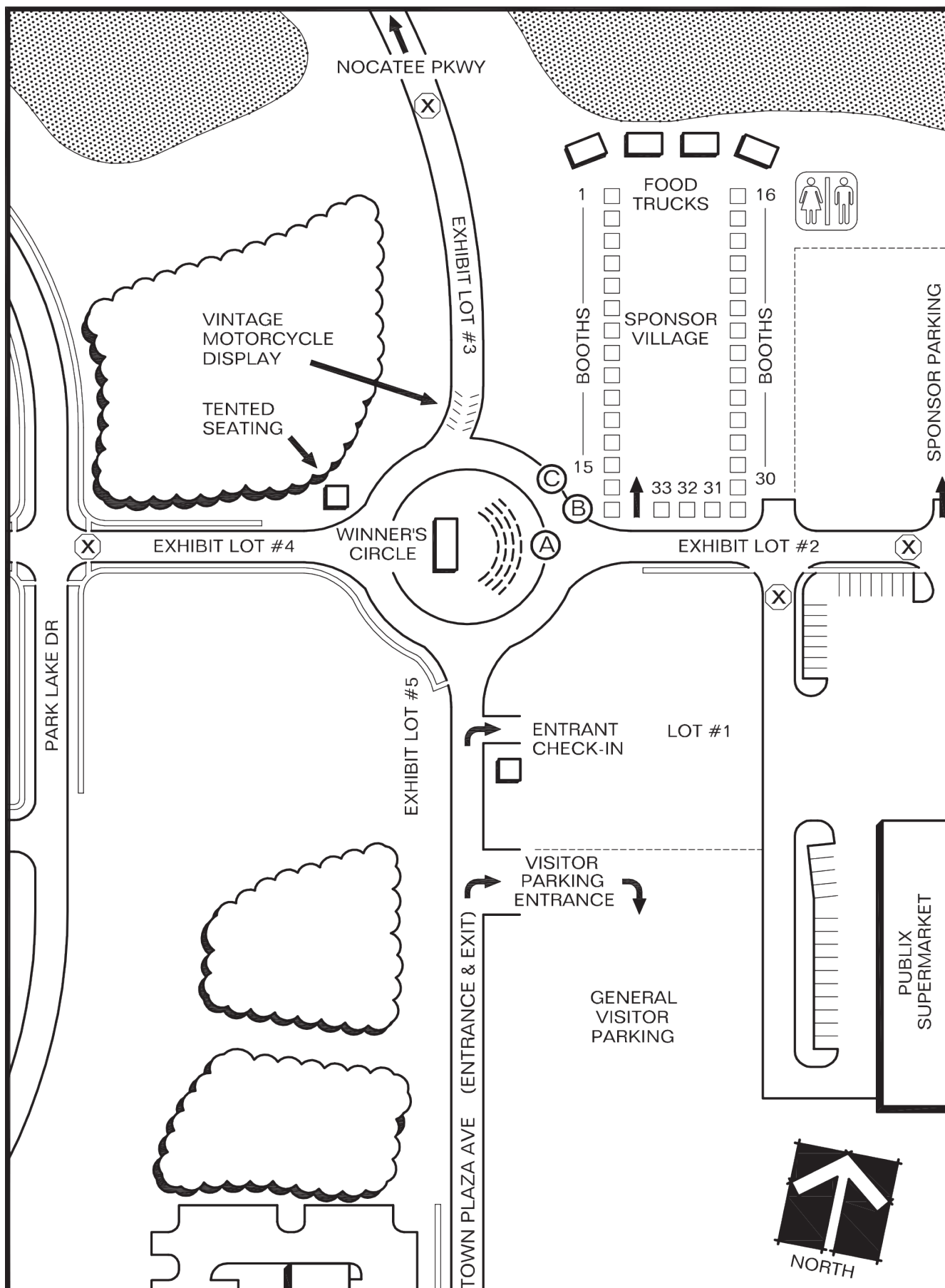
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 Auto Show opens
 Vintage motorcycle display (Lot 3)
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 Auto Show concludes



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Photos courtesy of Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

The 2018 Porsche Panamera Turbo (in volcano grey) has a lot of power and can go from zero to 60 in 3.2 seconds with a top speed of 192 mph.

Fields Auto Group returns as presenting sponsor for Auto Show



The interior of the 2017 Porsche Macan GTS boasts a lot of bells and whistles, including standard eight-way power sport seats and thicker side bolsters.

Newer model sports cars, luxury cars will be on display – and some will be available to drive.

By Paris Moulden

Want to know what it's like behind the wheel of a brand new, super-sleek Porsche?

That will be just one of the highlights presenting sponsor Fields Auto Group will be bringing to the 2017 Ponte Vedra Auto Show on Sunday, Sept. 24, at the Nocatee Town Center.

This will be the second year in a row the company will serve as presenting sponsor of the auto show. Fields Auto Group also sponsored the event last year following the acquisition of previous sponsor Brumos Automotive in December 2015.

"Fields Auto Group is proud to partner with the 2017 Ponte Vedra Auto Show," Garry Redig, vice president of operations of Fields Auto Group, said on the Auto Show's website. "This will be an exciting event showcasing some of the best in the history of the automotive industry."

Brandon Starks, general manager of Porsche Jacksonville, a member of Fields Auto Group, said the group was very

impressed with last year's show.

"Everybody was pretty amazed with the turnout and how much spectators seemed to enjoy the show," Starks said. "We were extremely pleased with how it went."

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The 2016 Porsche 911 Carrera S Cabriolet (in silver) has a 3.0-liter six-cylinder twin-turbo engine.

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The relationship between Fields Auto Group and the Ponte Vedra Auto Show has been mutually beneficial.

“The partnership makes a lot of sense from both sides,” Starks said. “It’s a good way to get to know people in the community. It’s a good way to support the car community. The auto show also benefits

from the enthusiasm of the (Fields Auto) Group.”

Some highlights for 2017

Like last year, visitors to the auto show will have the chance to test drive a variety of new Porsche models. Those interested in test driving the new Porsches can preregister by clicking on the events tab at porschejacksonville.com, and select

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Fields Auto Group — which represents BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Maserati, Land Rover, Lexus, Volvo, Rolls-Royce Moto Cars, Bentley, Lamborghini, Jaguar, Infiniti, MINI Cooper, Volkswagen, Jeep,

Sprinter, Porsche, Ram, Chrysler, Dodge, smart and Cadillac — will also have many newer model sports and luxury cars on display. There will also be a hospitality tent for refreshments, gift bags and car specialists on hand to answer questions or provide additional information about the vehicles on display or carried by the Fields Auto Group.

Starks expects another impressive showing at this year's event and an enduring relationship with the Ponte Vedra Auto Show.

"St. Johns County [Chamber of Commerce] is a wonderful partner," he said.

For more information on the Fields Auto Group, go to fieldsauto.com.



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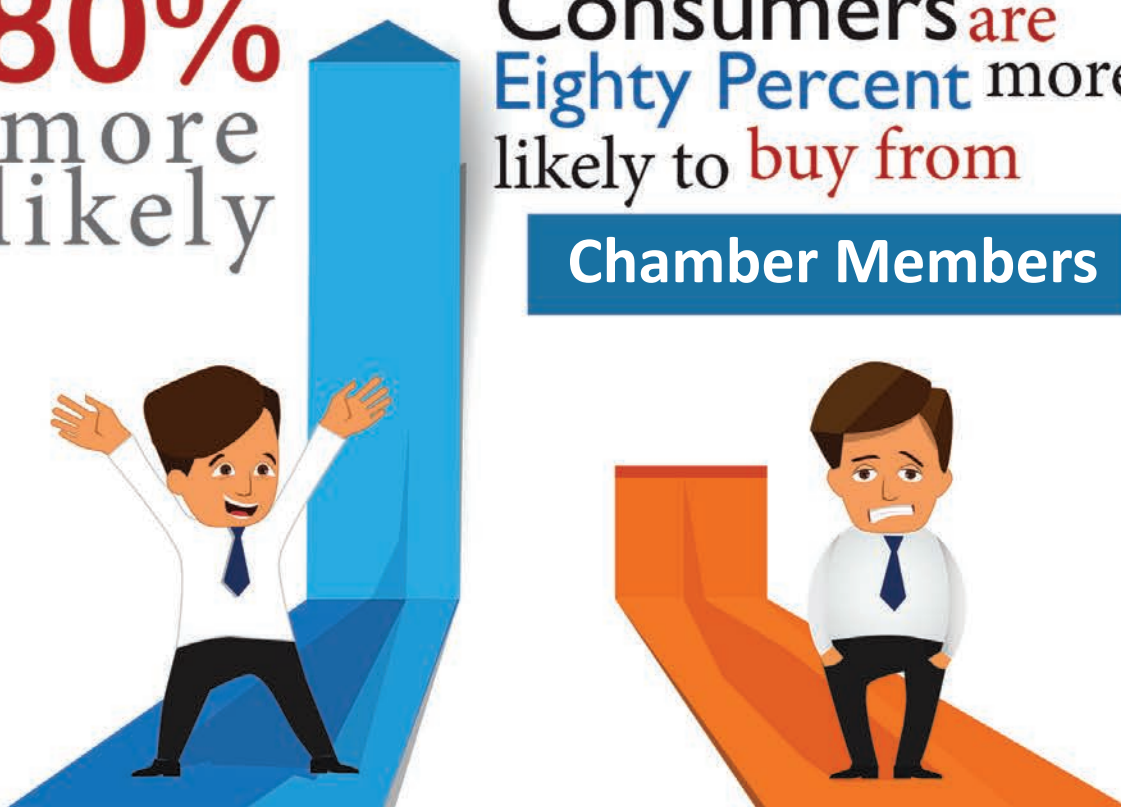
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MDM Commercial has entertainment covered at the 2017 Auto Show

By Paris Moulden

Can't decide between going to the Ponte Vedra Auto Show or watching the Jaguars on Sunday, Sept. 24?

Well thanks to MDM Commercial, you won't have to.

The Ponte Vedra Beach-based company is serving as the entertainment sponsor for this year's Auto Show. MDM was created in 1990, and initially based out of Jacksonville Beach. The company relocated its headquarters to St. Johns County 10 years ago, and MDM CEO Steve Austin said he thinks it's a good idea to be involved with the local community, which led to the partnership with the Auto Show.

"It's a good opportunity to meet people in other professions," Austin said. "It's nice to keep it close to home and get involved on a local level."

MDM Commercial does most of its business nationally, working as the largest LG commercial television dealer in the country. The company has also recently expanded to the health care industry,



Steve Austin

providing specialized televisions and services for hospitals and other health provider facilities. Its goal in the health care industry is "solutions made simple," which includes patient education and

increased entertainment and personalized options.

For Austin, getting involved with the community isn't just business though, it's personal. His mother, Patricia Austin, formed the first advisory board for the Ronald McDonald House. After starting MDM, Steve Austin became involved in the Ronald McDonald House, and has continued to support the charity in honor of his mother, who passed away in 1996.

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MDM employees work on the DirectTV headend that was donated by MDM Commercial to Ronald McDonald House in Jacksonville.

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Call (904) 209-0355 or email kussia@sjcfl.us to register.</p> <p>Modest Mouse Live at St. Augustine Amphitheatre Modest Mouse, an indie rock band formed in Issaquah, Washington, is coming to the St. Augustine Amphitheatre Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. Modest Mouse's latest album, "Strangers to Ourselves," debuted at #3 on the Billboard 200 and at #1 on the rock, alternative, vinyl and Internet charts the week it was released. Tickets cost \$48 and gates open at 5:30 p.m. Call the reception office at (904) 209-3746 for more information or visit www.staugamphitheatre.com.</p> <p>Wild Things: The Art of Nurturing Boys Christ Church in Ponte Vedra Beach welcomes best-selling author David Thomas, L.M.S.W., the Director of Family Counseling at Daystar Counseling in Nashville. In this parenting seminar, David will help us guide boys down the path to healthy and authentic manhood, as he addresses what boys need for their spiritual and emotional development at each age and stage. He'll also discuss the importance of ritual, ceremony, and rites of passage in the lives of boys. This will take place Sept. 7 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, located at 400 San Juan Drive, Ponte Vedra Beach.</p>	<p>Coastal Wine Market wine tasting Coastal Wine Market hosts Friday wine tastings from 6 to 8 p.m. at 641 Crosswater Parkway, Suite B, Ponte Vedra Beach. Taste six wines for \$10. For more information, call (904) 395-3520.</p> <p>Cannon Firing Demonstration at Castillo de San Marcos National Parks Service volunteers and personnel demonstrate a cannon firing at the Castillo de San Marcos museum / monument every Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Rangers and volunteers will demonstrate the weapons and relate the experiences of the colonial Spanish soldier of 1740s St. Augustine. Firing times are subject to change depending on weather conditions and staff availability. Castillo de San Marcos is located on 1 South Castillo Drive in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Sing Out Loud Music Festival The Sing Out Loud Music Festival, which will be held for three weekends in September, is the largest free music festival ever held in St. Johns County. Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Sept. 24, music venues throughout St. Augustine will host various musical artists in a range of genres. Artists will include Steve Earle, Lake Street Dive, Wolf Parade, Dirty Dozen Brass Band and more. For the full schedule of performances and events, visit www.singoutloudfestival.com.</p> <p>Fins and Freedom Sail At Fins and Freedom Sail, presented by Schooner Freedom Charters and Marineland, guests will be offered a chance to hear from Marineland educators about the world's first oceanarium. The boat departs at 2:15 p.m. from the St. Augustine Municipal Marina and lasts two hours. Ticket costs are \$60 adults; \$45 youth under 16. Additionally, guests will learn about dolphins and conservation efforts at Marineland. Complimentary beverages included; passengers may bring snacks or a picnic. Ticket price includes the sail and admission into Marineland.</p>	<p>MOSH boat tours St. Johns River Taxi and MOSH host a St. Johns River boat tour every Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. The tour features a history host who explains the historical significance of the river and various landmarks in Jacksonville. Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$12 for children. MOSH is located at 1025 Museum Circle in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Old City Farmers Market The Old City Farmers Market features fresh produce, baked goods, handcrafted items and plants along with live entertainment. Fresh seafood in season will be available for purchase as well. The farmers market takes place every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre on 1340 A1A South. Admission is free.</p> <p>Run With the Flock The Run with the Flock 5K (starting at 8 a.m.) and 1 Mile Fun Run (starting at 9 a.m.) will be held Sept. 9. Tickets cost \$15 for the 1 Mile Fun Run and \$30 for the 5k. All proceeds will be donated in support of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS). The event will take place at 604 Riverside Ave. Visit www.flamingocharities.com to register.</p> <p>Willie Barcena at the Comedy Club of Jacksonville Willie Barcena, a comedian who has appeared on The Tonight Show w/ Jay Leno, will appear at the Comedy Club of Jacksonville Sep. 8 at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. and Sept. 9 at 10 p.m. The show will feature mature content. The Comedy Club of Jacksonville is located at 11000 Beach Blvd. Visit www.jacksonvillecomedy.com or call (904) 646-4277 for more information.</p> <p>Family seining Hosted by the GTM Research Reserve, participants can learn how to collect fish and crabs, pull a seine net and learn about habitats and the environment. Waders and boots will be provided. The program is included with regular admission to the reserve and takes place from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Environmental Education Center, located at 505 Guana River Road, Ponte Vedra Beach.</p>	<p>Sandals, Shorts and Steel Drum Service Every Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to noon, St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church invites guests to put on sandals and shorts for a more casual worship service featuring the tropical sound of steel drum music. The church is located at 465 11th Ave. N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Life Enrichment Group The Life Enrichment Group is designed for those with memory changes who want to remain mentally, physically and socially active, while giving caregivers and loved ones some free time for themselves. The program is offered daily, serving the Jacksonville Beach and Ponte Vedra area. For more information call (904) 417-7354 or email life_enrichmentgroup@yahoo.com.</p> <p>Ordinary People Exhibition by Don Trousdell This 450th commemoration exhibition (running through Oct. 1) at the St. Augustine Art Association features paintings by the late Don Trousdell, which highlight the first settlers who founded and built St. Augustine during the 16th century. The exhibition is free and open to the public Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. The St. Augustine Art Association is located at 22 Marine St.</p> <p>Sing Out Loud Festival presents Have Gun, Will Travel, Fond Kiser, Shea Birney and Wild Shiners This free event, taking place at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre, will feature Have Gun, Will Travel, Fond Kiser, Shea Birney and Wild Shiners as part of the 2017 Sing Out Loud Festival. The event is open to the public with free parking according to St. Augustine Amphitheatre's official website. 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<p>MOSH Daily Programs Join Jacksonville's Museum of Science and History for its Daily Animal shows. On Monday at 2 p.m., explore "Skin and Scales" in the Florida Naturalist's Center, during which guests learn about the cold-blooded world of reptiles and amphibians. Prior to the program at 1 p.m., museum-goers can witness the exploration of space in the Bryan-Gooding Planetarium during "Astronaut," an interactive venture led by a test astronaut named Chad. For tickets and additional information, visit www.themosh.org.</p> <p>'Friends for the Arts' Get involved in the arts by joining a team of fellow art supporters at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach. Help develop and support fundraising projects and help initiate special projects to benefit and promote the Cultural Center and the arts in our community. For more information, visit www.ccpvb.org/friends-for-the-arts.</p> <p>Steve Anderson Art Exhibition at the Villa Zorayda Museum The Villa Zorayda Museum hosts an art exhibition of Steve Anderson's paintings Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anderson, who is visually impaired and has less than 10 percent of his sight, highlights St. Augustine's architectural heritage in his work. View this exhibition at 83 King St., St. Augustine. General admission to Villa Zorayda Museum is \$10 for adults and \$4 for youth.</p> <p>Evian Championship Week at the World Golf Hall of Fame Starting Sept. 11 at 10 a.m., visit the World Golf Hall of Fame during the women's last Major Championship of the year, the Evian Championship, and learn about Hall of Fame Members who are past champions. The broadcast will be shown throughout the museum during the week. The World Golf Hall of Fame is located at 1 World Golf Place, St. Augustine.</p>	<p>Free Admission at Cummer Museum Every Tuesday, the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens offers visitors free admission to its galleries and gardens, for its "Florida Blue Free Tuesday" promotion. The Cummer Museum is located at 829 Riverside Ave., Jacksonville.</p> <p>The Art of Susanne Schuenke The public is invited to view artwork from international artist and St. Johns County resident Dr. Susanne Schuenke. The exhibition is on display through Sept. 21 at the St. Johns County Administration Building at 500 San Sebastian View in St. Augustine. Visitors must pass through a security station to reach the building's main corridor. The facility is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.</p> <p>Yoga on the Beach Each Tuesday morning through September, join yoga fitness instructor Emily Johnson as she leads a free yoga session on St. Augustine Beach at 978 A1A beach Blvd. at 8 a.m., weather permitting. The yoga sessions take place at the Ocean Hammock Walkover. Donations are accepted.</p> <p>Jax Beach Art Walk The Jax Beach Art Walk takes place the second Tuesday of every month from 5 to 9 p.m. along 1st St. from Beach Blvd. N. to 5th Ave. N. The event showcases the talent of local artists and businesses in the community. Participating businesses will provide live music and specials throughout the walk.</p> <p>Fantasy Farms open house Fantasy Farms Animal Preserve will host an open house Sept. 12 from 10 to 11 a.m. and 3 to 4:30 p.m. at 194 South Roscoe Blvd., Ponte Vedra Beach. Fantasy Farms is a non-profit dedicated to protecting domestic and exotic animals. It boasts four event areas (two indoor, two outdoor) with bar areas, dance floors and an abundance of wild and domestic animals. For photos and more information, visit www.fantasyfarmsevents.org.</p>	<p>Toastmasters Club Toastmasters Club #5199 of Ponte Vedra Beach meets every Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. at THE PLAYERS Community Senior Center. These meetings will help attendees improve public speaking and gain leadership skills. The senior center is located at 175 Landrum Lane in Ponte Vedra Beach. Email Lucy Reep at lucyreep@gmail.com for additional information.</p> <p>Music by the Sea Concert Series The "Music by the Sea" concert series returns to the St. Johns County Pier for its 15th year, bringing free weekly concerts in a variety of genres from 7 to 9 p.m. every Wednesday. Visitors are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket. Dinner is offered for \$10 or less beginning at 6 p.m. The Sept. 13 concert will feature Mr. Natural. The St. Johns County Pier is located at 350 A1A Beach Blvd. in St. Augustine Beach. For more information, visit www.sabca.org.</p> <p>'The Dixie Swim Club' at the Alhambra The Alhambra Theatre & Dining will present "The Dixie Swim Club" through Sept. 24. Starring Morgan Fairchild, the comedy follows five southern women, who met on their college swim team, through 33 years of friendship. A three-course dinner will be served starting at 5:50 p.m. and the show will follow at 7:50 p.m. The Alhambra is located at 12000 Beach Blvd., Jacksonville. For more information, call (904) 641-1212, or visit www.alhambrajax.com.</p> <p>Newcomers of the Beaches This club is for women who have recently moved to the area or have gone through a major life event. The group's first luncheon will take place Sept. 13 at Sawgrass Golf Country Club at 11 a.m. Visit www.newcomersofthebeaches.com to make a reservation.</p> <p>St. Johns Solar Co-op Locals in St. Johns County have formed a non-profit co-op to get a discount through bulk purchasing. This information session, to be held at Village Church at 4229 Pacetti Road, St. Augustine, will allow visitors to ask questions and learn more about the co-op. The event starts at 7 p.m., visit www.flsun.com/st-johns for more information.</p>	<p>Snow Falling on Cedars at the Corazon Cinema and Cafe "Snow Falling on Cedars" will be playing at the Corazon Cinema and Cafe Sept. 14 at noon. The film is about Carl, a fisherman in the waters off Washington state, who drowned in his own nets and was found with a serious head wound. The Corazon Cinema and Cafe is located at 36 Granada St., St. Augustine.</p> <p>Flagler Forum on Government and Public Policy This lecture series takes place at Lewis Auditorium at Flagler College and begins at 7 p.m. It is free and open to the public. On Sept. 14, Nick Johnston, editor at Axios, will deliver a lecture on government and public policy. The Lewis Auditorium is located at 14 Granada St., St. Augustine.</p> <p>NocaTour The NocaTour, taking place Sept. 14 at 10 a.m., is a personal golf cart tour on Nocatee's Greenway Trailway System, Nocatee Community Park, Coastal Oaks and Del Webb. Participants will return to the Welcome Center for a walking tour of Splash Water Park and the fitness club. This event is weather permitting, email WelcomeCenter@Nocatee.com to re-register if the tour is cancelled due to weather. The Nocatee Welcome Center is located at 245 Nocatee Center Way, Ponte Vedra.</p> <p>Ponte Vedra Wellness Center Wellness Fair For the fourth year in a row, the Ponte Vedra Wellness Center will be hosting a wellness fair on Thursday, Sept. 14, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. The event will be held outside the Ponte Vedra Wellness Center office, which is located in the First Atlantic Bank building at the corner of A1A and Palm Valley Road. The address is 100 Corridor Road S., Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Free calendar listings for community groups and nonprofit organizations are published at our discretion on a space-available basis. Send your event at least 10 days before publication. Submit events to recorderintern@opcfcla.com, post online at www.pontevedrarecorder.com using the automated form or call (904) 686-</p>



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ST. JOHNS COUNTY CHAMBER PREPARES FOR ANNUAL AUTO SHOW



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The Ponte Vedra Beach Division of the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce held a committee meeting this summer at the TPC Sawgrass Clubhouse to prepare for the upcoming annual Ponte Vedra Auto Show, which will be Sept. 24 at the Nocatee Town Center.

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Judges for the 2017 Auto Show

Winners of the 2017 Ponte Vedra Auto Show will be selected by a panel of 20 judges, who consist of auto enthusiasts, collectors and experts from up and down the First Coast.

Larry Weisman

This year's head judge, Weisman is a financial advisor and self-described car nut who also holds a Bachelor of Science in aeronautical engineering. Weisman worked on flight tests for commercial and military aircraft before becoming a financial advisor 21 years ago. Just over 10 years ago, Weisman owned an interest in an automotive performance and restoration shop in Jacksonville. He has been sponsoring and volunteering with the Ponte Vedra Auto Show for 13 years

Bob Barren

Born and raised in Jacksonville, Barren has been a member of the Florida Crown Region and Porsche Club of America (PCA) for nearly 20 years. He volunteers for club races at Roebing Road, Daytona and Sebring, and has participated in many PCA Concours events at the local, regional and national levels. Barren has served on the board of directors for Florida Crown Region and on the national staff of PCA as a Zone 12 representative for the state of Florida. He also volunteers at the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, serving as a co-chair for several years.

Jimmy Britts

Britts is a past ARCA racecar driver, chassis builder and painter. He is the main racecar mover at the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, and he has been judging with the Ponte Vedra Auto Show for five years.

John Duss

Duss is one of the original founders of the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, for which he has served as a chief judge of the motorcycle category. He has been an active motorcyclist for over 40 years and has participated in several clubs, including the Antique Motorcycle Club of America. Duss serves on the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance Foundation board, for which he serves as foundation attorney.

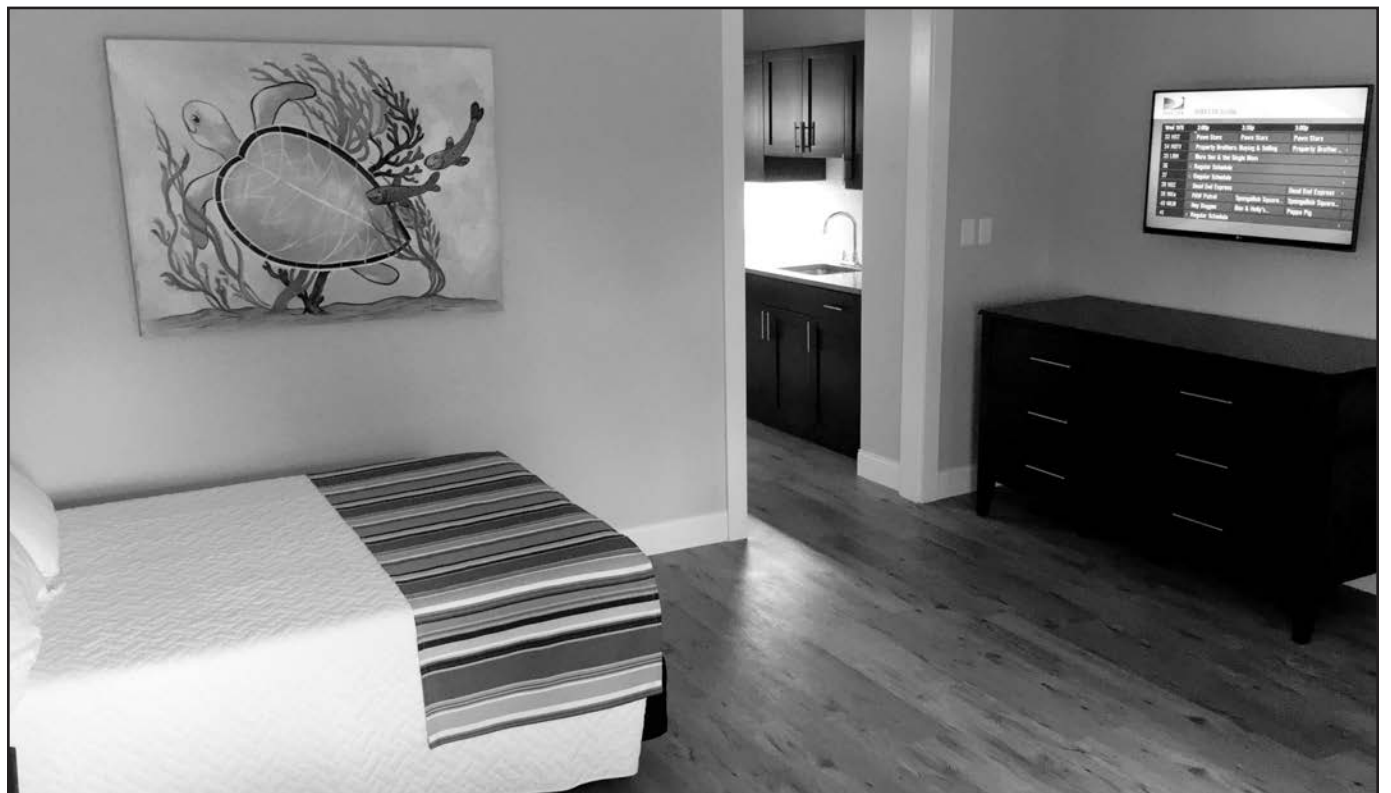
Mike Ferran

Ferran has been repairing, modifying and restoring vehicles professionally for 40 years. He is an ASE master technician and has owned Ferran Automotive since 1991. Ferran is also a Ponte Vedra Auto Show sponsor.

Steve Giambra

A huge car enthusiast, Giambra collects American, American muscle and British sports cars. He has been a Ponte Vedra Auto Show judge for the past seven years.

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A renovated guest room at Ronald McDonald House in Jacksonville features televisions and DirecTV services donated by MDM.

MDM

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"We wanted to help in a bigger way," Austin said.

The company provides dinners for the charity and donated all the TVs to the location on Children's Way in Jacksonville, as well as gave out gift cards to families during the holidays. MDM is also involved with Habitat for Humanity in Jacksonville Beach and with the St. Johns County Chamber, so making ties with the community is nothing new for MDM.

Meredith Fordham Hughes, director of marketing for MDM, sees the Auto Show as a good way for the company to network and to introduce itself to the Ponte Vedra Beach community.

"We have a great history of working with really good organizations," Fordham Hughes said. "I think we're Ponte Vedra's hidden gem."

In its role as entertainment sponsor for the Ponte Vedra Auto Show, MDM will have a large tent set up along with two 65-inch TVs that will be streaming live sports events, including the Jaguars' 9:30 a.m. game against the Ravens in London.

There will also be food trucks, and MDM's director of technical sales, Chase Natoli, will be on hand to answer technology-related questions.

"It's just a way for people to chill and relax and watch TV," Fordham Hughes said.

The company has seen enormous growth in the 27 years since it was started and considers itself all-in-one solutions provider, particularly in the hospitality industry. Despite its dominance on the national scale,



A Jacksonville Beach family celebrates its new Habitat for Humanity home, built with funds and labor from MDM.

MDM is more than ready to continue to build ties to the St Johns community through other events and opportunities.

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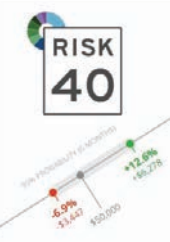
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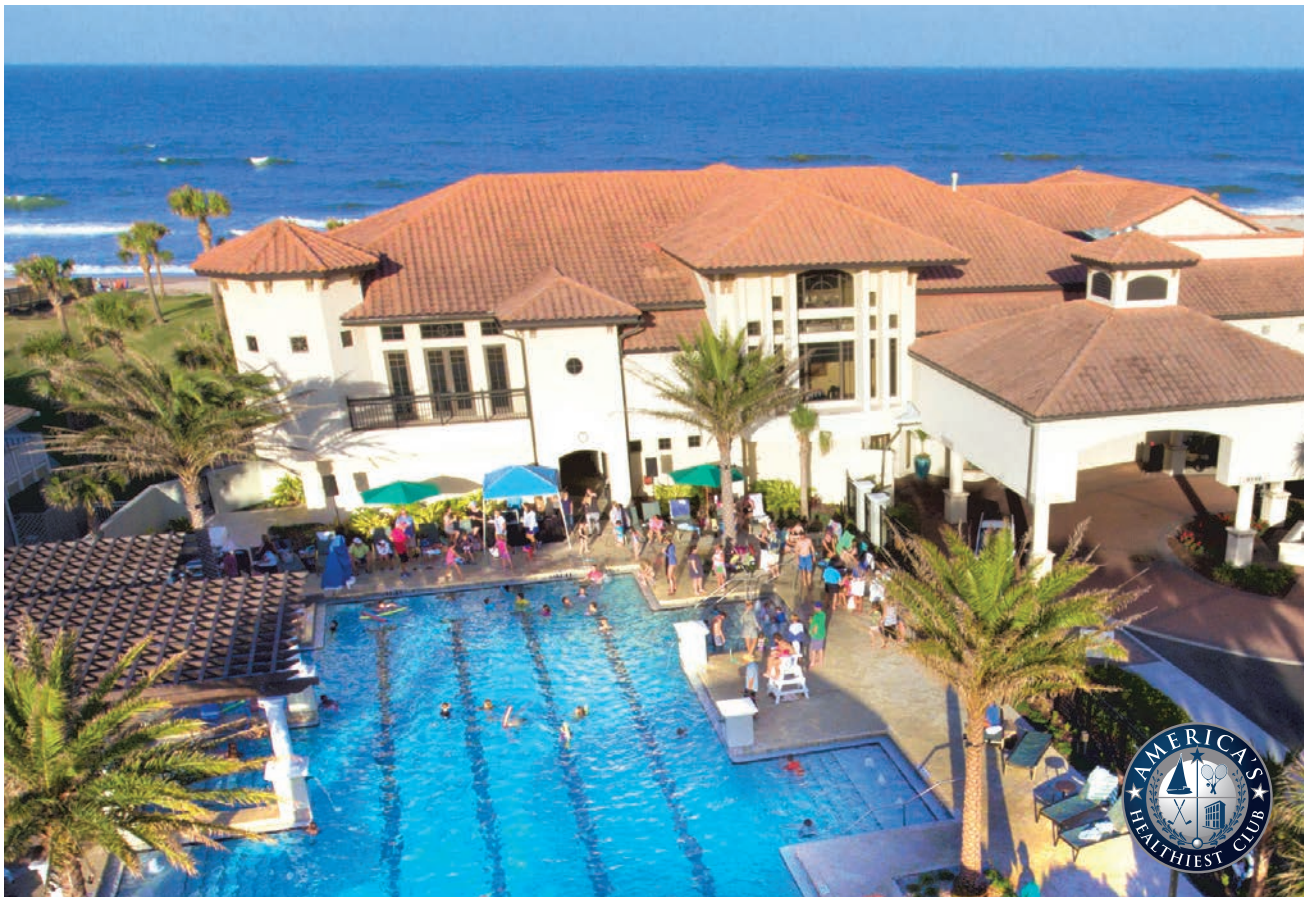
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LOOKING BACK: 2016 AUTO SHOW RECAP

1954 Cadillac El Dorado won 'Best in Show Classic'

By Samantha Logue

Automobile lovers of all kinds converged upon Nocatee Town Center last year for the 2016 Ponte Vedra Auto Show.

Organized by the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce Ponte Vedra Beach Division, the event featured nearly 200 classic and new cars in a variety of models. While a total of 30 trophies were awarded in various categories, the star of the show was a 1954 Cadillac El Dorado. Owned by Ed Schenk, the pristine red convertible drove away with the coveted Wells Fargo Best in Show Classic Award.

The event also had a somber note to it, as it marked the 15th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. A special memorial tribute was made to commemorate the first responders who rushed to help and the thousands of lives lost during the tragedy.



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Ed Schenk's 1954 Cadillac El Dorado took home the Best in Show Classic trophy at the 2016 Ponte Vedra Auto Show.

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People look at a classic car during the 2016 Auto Show.



The Red River Band performs at last year's Auto Show.

Judges

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Mike Gray

Gray is a guest judge for this year's Auto Show. He is the marketing director at Auto Metal Direct, and he previously was the general manager at Goodmark Industries. He also was a marketing director at YearOne. He is regularly interviewed on shows such as "American Muscle Car," "Dream Car Garage," "Detroit Muscle," "Chop Cut Rebuild" and "Graveyard Carz." Gray has also been featured in many car magazines, such as Collectible Automotive, Hemmings Muscle Machines and various others.

Malcolm Hogan

The publisher of Automotive Addicts, Hogan has seen his work printed in many automotive publications, including the Drive section of the Florida Times-Union. He is also the founder of the monthly Automotive Addicts Cars and Coffee event in Jacksonville.

Mark Laszlo

Laszlo has been judging at various car shows since 1972. His favorite marque is Porsche.

Hans-Dieter Mandt

Mandt served as a crew member of a Porsche racing team, racing in the IMSA series and 24 Hours of LeMans. He has also served as treasurer of the Porsche Club of America (PCA), Florida Crown Region. For over a decade, he has been on the Porsche Club board. Mandt is also active in the Porsche Club driver education programs and club races.

Dick Messer

Messer was executive director of the Petersen Automotive Museum for 12 years. Located in Los Angeles, the museum is one of the world's largest and most prestigious automotive museums. Messer, a lifelong car collector who is well connected in the collector car community, was the first to hold the museum director post. He served in the role until June 2010.

Ken Perry

Perry currently serves as chief judge at the Festivals of Speed and has previously served on the board of Porsche Club of America (PCA). This is Perry's fifth year judging at the Ponte Vedra Auto Show.

Mike Ross

Ross holds a mechanical engineering degree from General Motors Institute. He also attended Harvard Business School. As an executive with GM from the late 50s to the late 90s, Ross was the head of the Fisher Body Division operations, which consisted of 28 plants and 100,000 employees. In the 80s, Ross moved to Europe to become the head of Passenger Car Europe (Opel and Vauxhall) operations, which had volume at the time of 1.6 million units and

consisted of 100,000 employees. Ross returned to the United States to head up Truck Group operations, launching the Chevrolet Tahoe and GMC Yukon before retiring.

Dan Scanlan

A 29-year resident of Jacksonville, Scanlan has worked in local television and radio; handled election campaign advertising accounts for a circuit court judge and a clerk of court race; and opened a local comedy club before coming to the Florida Times-Union 20 years ago. Scanlan is the main writing contributor for the Drive section of the TU.

AJ Tasker

Tasker is an attorney at law specializing in criminal DUI. He is a member of the First Coast Modified Mustangs Club and has been judging the Ponte Vedra Auto Show for the past seven years.

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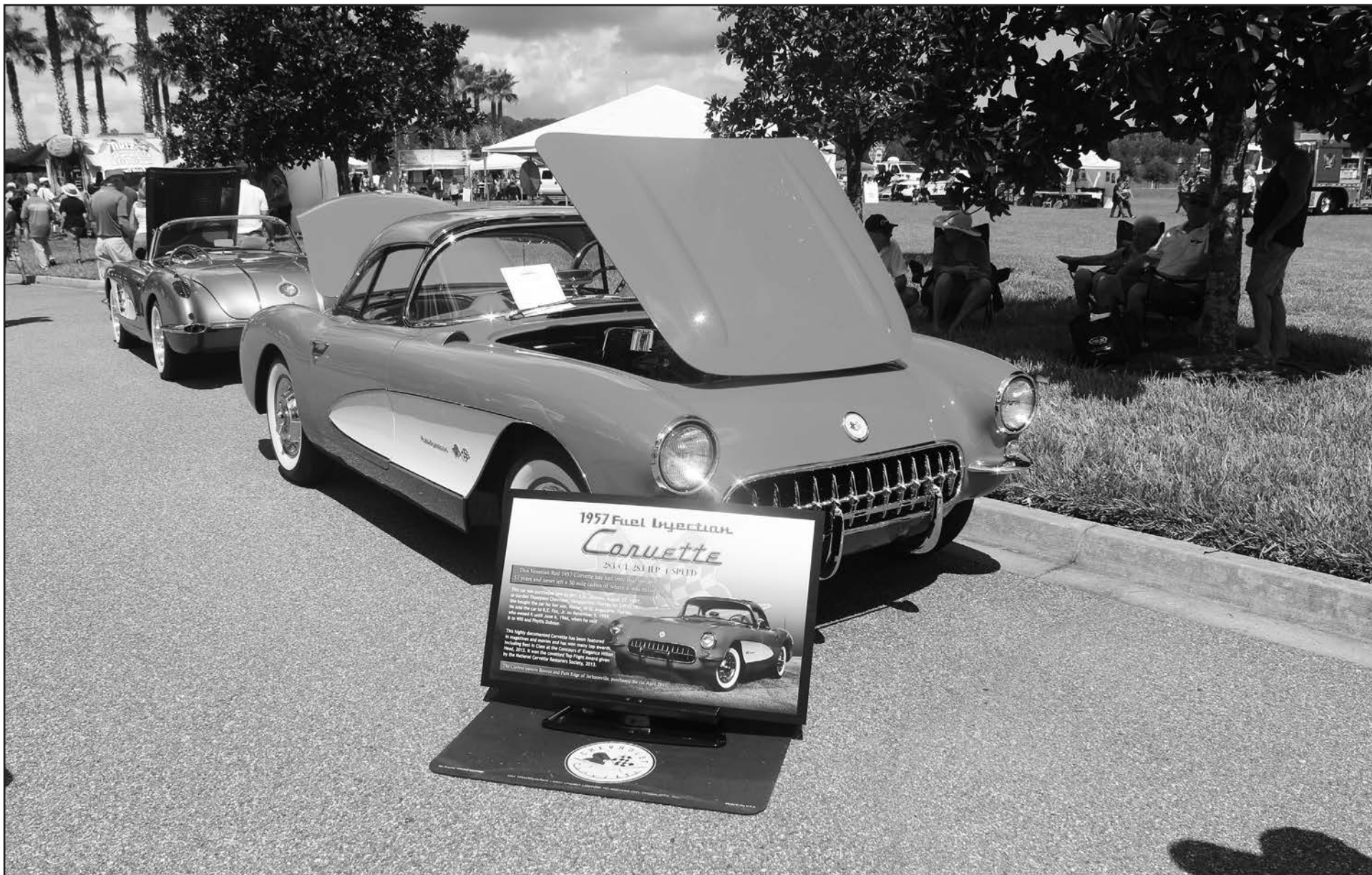
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Checkered Flag Racecar: Erez Wolf, 2009 Porsche Cayman S

Most Incredible Exterior: Gary Crull, 1972 Volkswagen Fridolin

Most Outrageous Interior: Preston St. John, 1951 Mercury Custom Coupe

Chamber Choice: Alexander S. Watkins, 1945 Ford GPW

Best New Off-Road: Elfrick Gonzalez, 2011 Jeep Sport Wrangler

Future Classic Best New Corvette: Fred Porter, 2016 Chevrolet Corvette

Future Classic Best New Muscle: Derek Yungkurth, 2009 Pontiac G8

Future Classic Award – Euro: Alan Dickerson, 1971 Toyota Crown

Porsche Future Classic: Cynthia Brooks King, 2015 Porsche Boxster GTS

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Local boy's dream comes true with visit to Jay Leno's garage

Jake McGuire checks out one of the classic cars at his dream party at Classic Storage of St. Augustine.

By Jon Blauvelt

A 9-year-old boy from Atlantic Beach with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) recently had his dream come true when he visited Jay Leno's garage in Los Angeles — a dream that was achieved after experiencing significant adversity throughout his life.

Jake McGuire, a Dreams Come True of Jacksonville child and car enthusiast, was diagnosed with DMD at the age of 6 years old. Four months after his first adoption from foster care, he was badly mistreated and tortured and literally caged like an animal for years. In February 2015, Jake and his sister Rylee were removed from this first adopted home.

"This is when Jake and his sister (Rylee) were brought into our home in the middle of the night," said Tammy McGuire, Jake's adopted mother. "Jake couldn't trust anyone, and it broke our spirit to see such an angry, sad and empty soul of a child."

One week later, Jake went to the MDA Clinic in Gainesville, where the McGuires were told that his DMD was passed down from his biological mother. They learned there is no cure for the disease, and Jake will most likely be wheelchair-bound by age 10, with his life expectancy reaching somewhere in his early 20s.

"Reality hit, both Jake and all of us on how real his diagnosis truly is," said Tammy. "It brought great sadness each time a new doctor or specialist came into his room."

"He asks so many questions about driving and what car we will buy him when he gets old enough to drive. His true love for cars has never wavered."

Tammy McGuire
Mother of Jake McGuire, who has Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

Tammy said Jake knows he will not walk forever and that he will need a wheelchair and a special van for the wheelchair. As a result, she said he always points out Mercedes vans and other cars, emphasizing his desire to somehow get behind the wheel one day.

"He asks so many questions about driving and what car we will buy him when he gets old enough to drive," she said. "His true love for cars has never wavered."

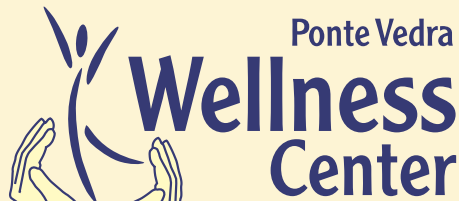
As a result, it was this dreamer's greatest wish to visit Jay Leno's garage and take a tour of his extensive collection of classics. On Aug. 19, Jake learned that his dream would be coming true at a party held at Classic Storage of St. Augustine that was attended by family, friends and supporters of his dream.



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The McGuire family enjoys a day at Knott's Berry Farm.



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Jake McGuire sits in one of Jay Leno's classics with the television icon standing by his side.

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Sidney Hobbs, the owner of the St. Augustine garage, sponsored Jake's dream and garnered the necessary support to make it a reality. In celebration of the McGuire family's upcoming trip, Hobbs and supporters of Jake's dream gathered at the party and displayed a variety of classic and

luxury sports cars for Jake and members of the community to see. Hobbs' efforts raised more than \$7,500 in support of the trip.

Jake and his family ultimately made the trip out West at the end of August to see the television icon's array of cars. On the day of their visit, Leno just so happened to be there so the family also was able to meet him.

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Jake McGuire stands in front of one of Jay Leno's sports cars.

Dream

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"For us to create this was magical," said Ashley Smith, dream manager for Dreams Come True of Jacksonville.

In addition to visiting the garage, Jake's dream included a trip to Knott's Berry Farm to enjoy the dozens of rides, shows, roller coasters and other attractions at the theme park. The McGuires also experienced a behind-the-scenes tour of Hallmark Channel's "Home & Family" set at Universal to provide Jake with insight into one of

his other primary interests, television.

"It was amazing," said Tammy. "The dream was beyond any memorable occasion that anyone could hope or imagine."

Moving forward, the McGuires are hopeful that a cure will one day be found for their son, who they know was brought into this world for a reason.

"We love our little guy," said Tammy. "He has had to endure so much at such a young age and what very few others ever had to deal with. But, we know he was put on this earth to make a difference, touch lives and give our family a forever purpose."

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Classic World War II-era jeep to be displayed at Ponte Vedra Auto Show

By Benjamin Naim

A 1945 Ford GPW described as a “rolling museum” by its owner will be on display at the Happy Trails 4x4 booth Sept. 24 at the Ponte Vedra Auto Show.

The vehicle is one of about 280,000 World War II jeeps built by Ford Motor Company under contract with the War Department from 1941 to 1945. The four-wheel drive vehicle contains a four cylinder, flat head motor with 60 horsepower. The jeep is equipped with various squad and crew-served weapons (inert display pieces), including a M2HB Browning .50 caliber Heavy MG, a Browning Automatic Rifle, an M1 Garand, a M3 “Grease Gun” and numerous Mark II fragmentation and smoke grenades.

The GPW’s owner, Alexander Watkins, said he got the vehicle from a mechanic who restored jeeps during the Korean War.

“That’s where I got it from, that was his last jeep,” explained Watkins. “He probably had 25 to 30 jeep projects during the years.”

According to Watkins, the vehicle was built late in the World War II era, and it would have been used for a Japanese invasion had President Harry S. Truman refrained from dropping the atomic bomb. What makes the jeep unique, Watkins said,



is that it has remained intact all its life.

“Everyone knows what a jeep is and they know it from history, from movies, any number of sources,” Watkins said. “It’s an iconic piece of American his-

tory, it’s the vehicle that won the war.”

Additionally, the jeep owner revealed that the vehicle’s development cycle was short.

“It was advanced [for its time] in the sense that it was the first

four-wheel drive vehicle,” Watkins said. “In actuality, it was conceived and developed and put into production in a very short period of time...about an eight-week to ten-week development cycle.”

The owner also noted that the

Ford GPW was “a lot of fun” and a vehicle that “brings a smile to a lot of people’s faces.”

The Ponte Vedra Auto Show will take place at the Nocatee Town Center, which is located at 460 Town Plaza Ave.



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A 1945 Ford GPW will be one of the unique vehicles on display at the 2017 Ponte Vedra Auto Show. The jeep models were built for use in World War II.

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Reliving memories through classic cars

By Sidney Hobbs

Special to the Recorder

I am enormously blessed to be living the dream of owning classic cars.

Like most of us, regardless of age or the economic status we grew up in (mine was modest with very little, other than the bare necessities in a 650-person small town), I have always had a love for classic cars. What causes that love is what I'm writing about today, and it is different for most people. However, there seems to be one common thread that I've realized the last few years.

As I take cars to car shows or have random people stop by my shop to see cars, I'm constantly amazed at the enthusiasm and interest level that people have for classics, whether they own one, want to own one or just want to admire them. I've always wondered what motivates hundreds and thousands of people to come to a car show in the heat, just to walk around and look at cars. It's not an amusement park with rides; it's not the theatre; and usually it's not because of the great food. It's typically for one simple reason: to look at the cars. But there's something else, and this is what I've realized.

People love classics because they are not just cars. Classic cars are memories or represent memories and trigger times in our lives that we like to relive. Seeing and talking about a classic car provides a vivid trip back in time, sometimes so clear that we can see the past, smell the smells, hear the sounds and almost relive the past for a brief moment of time.

Proof of this is when people come up to me and talk to me about my cars, mostly at my shop where it's more intimate and less time restrictive. Without fail, everyone that comes by looks around and usually lands on one particular car. After landing on that car, the story takes shape.

As a result, I have realized that cars



A 17-year-old Sidney Hobbs stands in front of his beloved, old Trans Am.

Photo courtesy of Sidney Hobbs

are not just cars. They are memories or memory makers, and that is what lingers in our lives. I cannot count how many times people will wander over to a car and just stand there for a moment. I've seen people smile, laugh, cry and almost get lost in a moment as they stand there.

Then they start talking. It starts with "I remember..." and then the story unfolds about how this was the car he drove when he met his wife. Or it's the car she rode to church in when she was a kid, or the one he took vacations in to Daytona Beach. Maybe it's the one her grandpa owned on the farm and taught her how to drive in a cow pasture. Reading this, you know exactly what I am talking about because you have the same stories of your own. Some of the stories are truly amazing, and I wish I had written them down over the years as I've heard them.

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My memories

I have memories as well. There are way too many to write here, but I will share one.

As you know, this is the 40th anniversary of the movie “Smokey and the Bandit.” As you read on, you will understand the significance of that movie. When I was 15 years old in South Georgia going to high school, I dreamed of owning my own car — any car — to drive when I turned 16. We had no money, but my dad would save up enough to help us (my siblings and I) buy an old used car if we worked and made some money to contribute.

My first one was a 1968 Volkswagen bus with no seats, except for the driver’s seat, and more rust than metal. But I was driving, and it only cost me \$300. Then one day in 1975, while I sat in the library at high school, I was reading a car magazine, and there it was!

In a small corner article about 5 inches wide was a write-up about a new car Pontiac was launching soon. It was a 1976 black Trans Am with the gold bird and accents, the first year for the color black ever. It was love at first sight.

I tore the article out of the magazine, took it home and taped it to my dresser mirror, dreaming about that car every day and night. A few months later, the car came out, and the Pontiac store in the neighboring town got one on the lot. I saw it after baseball practice one day and could not wait to get home to start begging my dad for it.

He didn’t see the need for me to own it. It took a few days of constant begging, promising and everything else to get him to go with me to the dealership. But I finally won, still never thinking he would allow me to have that car, much less knowing we could never afford it.

Anyway, to make a long story short, that’s the day my selling career got off the ground because I convinced him to put \$1,000 down and co-sign with me to buy the car. Why he did it, I don’t know, but I truly think my Dad saw himself in me, loving cars like he did. We drove it off the lot for \$6,000 and financed \$5,000 for three years.

I made every payment and paid for gas and insurance. I had three jobs in high school to pay for that car. Now, here’s the memory part. I was NOT a cool kid in high school...quite the opposite. However, on prom night, we always went to a movie before going to the dance in the high school gym. Well, guess what movie was featured for our prom night



Photo courtesy of Sidney Hobbs

Within the last few years, Sidney Hobbs bought another Trans Am to recreate the memories of his youth.

movie? Yep...“Smokey and the Bandit!” Although the 1977 Bandit Trans Ams were not out yet, my 1976 Black TA was pretty darn close. I pulled up to the front door of that theatre and dropped off my girlfriend that night, promptly did a small burnout and for one night in my life I was cool!

I had to sell that car when I went to college, but I finally relived that dream

and bought and restored another one a few years ago. When I climbed into that Trans Am for the first time after restoration, a flood of memories came over me that literally overwhelmed me. Most of you reading this have probably experienced the same thing. Before I restored that car, I was the one always walking up to owners of Trans Ams, telling THEM my story of owning one and the memo-

ries I had. I was fortunate to be able to recreate that memory for myself.

So, my point is I believe the affection, interest and sometimes addiction to classic cars is because they are not just cars. They are memories, and we all love reliving those wonderful times.

Sidney Hobbs is the owner of Classic Storage of St. Augustine.



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Ponte Vedra resident's startup named one of America's fastest-growing companies



Aaron Rosenthal

By Samantha Logue

For many, tax season can be a nightmare—that's a fact Ponte Vedra resident Aaron Rosenthal knows all too well.

Co-founder and director of marketing for the online tax preparation company E-file.com, Rosenthal strives to remove as much of the anxiety and stress from the

tax-filing process as possible. Judging by the numbers alone, he must be doing something right.

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"We are proud to be recognized with such a prestigious group of companies," Rosenthal said. "It is

not only wonderful recognition for E-file.com, but it also helps demonstrate that North Florida is a great area for starting a business."

A graduate of the University of North Florida College of Business, Rosenthal co-founded E-file.com with fellow graduate Robert Reynard in 2013. Rosenthal said that it was his own frustration with other online tax preparation companies

that gave him the idea to start his own.

"I've had a few startups, and this is the latest," he said. "Another of my businesses had been for years referring customers to TurboTax, and each year it seemed like TurboTax became more and more difficult to work with. At one point,

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Is happy the new rich?



Harry Pappas
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By Harry Pappas

Special to the Recorder

“Don’t brag about your lightning pace, for slow and steady won the race!”

We all know the story about the “Tortoise and the Hare.” Akin to the slowpoke, I argue that an unskilled but diligent, reliable and persistent person will eventually overtake the talented but unconcerned, inconsistent and complacent person.

Perhaps like you, I am a tortoise. I am not naturally gifted, and I never had the raw talent to compete. However, I am an intensely curious perfectionist, who obsesses with personal and professional growth. Additionally, I am not a patient person, and I have a strong and inflexible conviction on certain issues.

In the end, I mistakenly believed that happiness orbited around success: that if I worked hard enough and long enough, I will be “successful.” Moreover, I thought that only if I was successful would I become happy. Yep, this leatherback was often too dumb to quit and too stubborn to back off, which ultimately proved the notion that the fire that fuels often consumes.

Too many people, like me, want happiness, love and money, but we want it yesterday! I call it the “disease.” Far too many people believe that having more money is the key to a better life, but it is not.

What I find thought-provoking and perhaps incredibly sad is that so many of us have to learn this lesson the hard way. In other words, our endless dedication and commitment to excellence, along with the never-ending demands that we place on ourselves, arguably takes its toll on our body and mind.

It is only when we are downtrodden when we wonder: What is the point to all of this craziness? Yep, it took me excessively too long to grasp the arguable fact that success does not lead to happiness. Instead, happiness creates success!

Nevertheless, while I became “successful” by industry standards, I put forth that career success is how people who care about us the least evaluate our worth as a person. Furthermore, I am no longer impressed with one’s net worth, apparent importance or possessions. Instead, maybe like you, I find value with the handicapped, the sick and the poor. I learned far more from these folks than I have from the well-to-do.

Now that I am a mature 57-year-old who carries his “black and blues” proudly, I have finally evolved on this money/happiness issue. The way I see it, success and happiness have very little to do with making a lot of dough. Instead, it is about having more time, which means freedom to do what I want, when I want.

No matter how many research reports I read concerning money and happiness, the conclusion appears to be consistent: once our basic needs are met, money and other accolades do not make us happier. Of course, just as more money does not necessarily bring more happiness, there is nothing inherently wrong with working hard and making a lot of money. However, earning more greenbacks does not automatically earn us more happiness, as research clearly indicates that the happiness that money offers does not keep improving. Instead, it plateaus. In the final analysis, a lack of money often brings unhappiness, but an overabundance does not have the contrasting effect.

I regularly reflect on the “Tortoise and the Hare” fable, but not in a way that one might imagine. I remind myself how productive it would be if I could consistently apply the reliability and persistency of the slow and steady to that of the fast and talented. The fact is that I am a chronic and recovering overachiever who continues to obsess with winning the race. Simply stated, I often wonder what it would be like to be both the tortoise and the hare! As you can see, I am still a work in progress.

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Heather Quick

Heather Quick named Woman of Influence by Jacksonville Business Journal

Heather Quick, the CEO of the Quick Law Group, has been named a Woman of Influence by the Jacksonville Business Journal.

The award recognizes Quick’s involvement in shaping the Jacksonville business community and the surrounding region by her contributions to nonprofits and the public sector.

Over the course of her career, Quick stymied Senate Bill 668, which would have removed permanent alimony for women and mandated a 50/50 timeshare split. Locally, she has advocated for women through the divorce process, and she has worked with the Hubbard House to offer legal advice for female victims of domestic violence.

“I am humbled and honored to receive this recognition,” Quick said. “It is my passion to work with women so they may find their voice and their freedom. Life isn’t about finding yourself, life is about creating yourself.”

The Quick Law Group, divorce and family law for women, is located at 4312 Pablo Professional Court, Jacksonville. Visit TheQuickLawGroup.com for more information.

Rosenthal

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I said to myself, ‘Is there a way for me to do this and provide a top-quality solution at a lower cost?’ That’s kind of what got us involved in online tax preparation.”

While his company is like other online tax-filing programs, Rosenthal said that cost is one factor that sets E-file.com apart from its competition.

“Our software is only offered online via the Cloud—we don’t offer any sort of discs or downloads,” he said. “We don’t

have that production cost involved, which means we pass along that savings to the customers, so we can offer our software at about 50 percent lower cost than many of the other companies that provide online tax software.”

In addition to the lower cost, Rosenthal said that E-file is dedicated to protecting its customers’ privacy.

“There are other companies in the space and they tend to resell their customer information to third party advertisers,” he explained. “One of the things that we’ve done is we’ve taken the stance that we are never going to sell any of our customer

information to third party advertisers. We want to provide an affordable software solution, but also protect the privacy of our customers, so I think that’s something that certainly helps us to stand out.”

Even with the company’s current success, however, Rosenthal said there is still room for growth.

“We’ve been one of the fastest-growing companies in the country, but we still really just have a fraction of the overall tax preparation market,” he said. “Right now, we only provide personal income tax preparation. In the future, we could always provide tax preparation services to busi-

nesses as well, and I think that’s something that we’re looking forward to.”

Having made North Florida not only his personal home, but the home of his business, Rosenthal said that he is honored his company can represent the First Coast on a national level.

“I think it’s great for the company, but it’s also great for North Florida to be showcased—especially in a national publication like Inc. Magazine,” Rosenthal said. “I love this area; I’ve been here for a very long time and I’ve chosen to raise my children here. I love the exposure that the area gets just as much as the awards themselves.”

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Davines Brand Manager Rebecca Weeks displays an array of her company's products at The Spa at Ponte Vedra Inn & Club's second annual "Around the Spa" event Aug. 24, which allowed guests to engage with the spa's vendors and learn about their products and special offers.

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RiverTown announces new homesites in The Landings neighborhood

RiverTown, a Mattamy Homes Community, has announced the opening of new neighborhoods in the community and the final release of rear lane garage homesites at The Landings.

“With Mattamy Homes’ award-winning home designs and the community’s world-class amenities and lifestyle, homebuyers are drawn to the thriving neighborhoods in RiverTown,” said Jason Sessions, vice president of land acquisition and development at Mattamy Homes. “RiverTown residents enjoy thoughtfully designed homes, a scenic location along the St. Johns River and a wonderful setting for outdoor activities and recreation. I encourage everyone to visit us soon and see all that we have to offer.”

Homes in The Landings range from 1,840 square feet to 2,660 square feet on 60-foot homesites. The community’s amenities include a kid-friendly



Photo courtesy of RiverTown

More than 30 home designs by Mattamy Homes, including the Charleston, are available at RiverTown.

zero-entry recreational pool with a corkscrew slide, a junior-sized Olympic lap pool, lighted tennis courts, a fitness center and more. Residents can also enjoy miles

of trails that wind along the riverfront, a scenic riverfront park and a kayak launch.

RiverTown’s signature riverfront amenity and second ame-

nity center is scheduled to open in early 2018. Located directly on the St. Johns River, The RiverClub will feature an expansive clubhouse, zero-entry pool,

playground, boardwalk with river views, additional kayak launch, amphitheater and more. A new roundabout will give residents direct access across State Road 13 to The RiverClub.

More than 30 home designs priced from the \$240,000s are available at RiverTown. Located within the St. Johns County School District, the community offers a variety of single-family homes with floor plans for all types of families and lifestyles. Homes range in size from 1,700 square feet to more than 3,500 square feet and feature open floor plans with spacious front porches and covered lanais.

RiverTown has six model homes and a new welcome center, which offers information on RiverTown’s neighborhoods, home designs, amenities and the community’s lifestyle. The RiverTown welcome Center is located at 90 Lanier St. in St. Johns. For more information, visit www.mattamyrivertown.com.

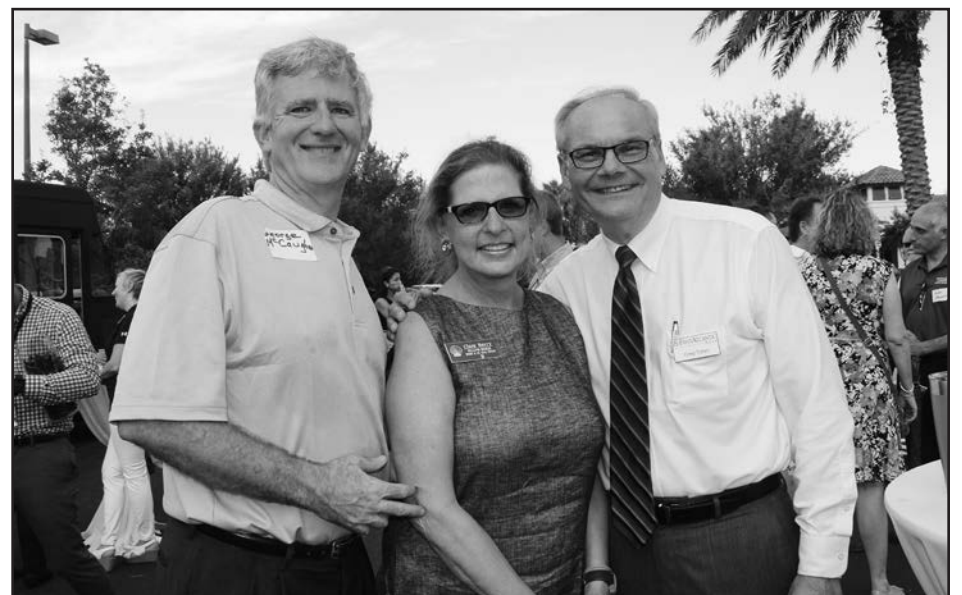
Pivot CPAS hosts Chamber ‘After Hours’ celebration

Pivot CPAs hosted an “After Hours” networking event for the Ponte Vedra Beach Division of the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce Wednesday, Aug. 23

Attendees enjoyed food and drink from food trucks and Victory Beer and St. Augustine Distillery, as well as music from Jim Kelly.



Brian Anderson, Jennifer Belisario and Mark Berman



ABOVE: George McCaughan, Clare Berry and Greg Totten



LEFT: Kim Osteen and Jill Fennessey

Photos by Susan Griffin

Ballet Palm Beach to perform 'Snow White and Other Works' in St. Augustine

Ballet Palm Beach will perform its first-ever ticketed touring performances with the production of "Snow White and Other Works" at the Lewis Auditorium in St. Augustine. The shows will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23 and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 24.

"I'm thrilled to be mounting our first touring performances in St. Augustine, which, like Palm Beach County, enjoys such a rich history and close association with Henry Flagler," said Ballet Palm Beach Artistic Director Colleen Smith. "When my sister, a math professor at Flagler College, showed me the wonderful Lewis Auditorium, I just knew we needed to bring this production here."

"Snow White" is an original work by Smith, premiering in October 2016. In the production, a beautiful, exiled princess finds refuge with an unlikely band of heroes, and a jealous queen plots.

In addition, Ballet Palm Beach is performing Balanchine's charming "Who Cares?" This work portrays an exuberance that is both broadly American and charged with the distinctive energy of Manhattan. Guest Principal Dancer Joseph Gatti — a former principal dancer at Corella Ballet in Spain and Cincinnati Ballet and currently a highly-acclaimed guest principal dancer with Orlando Ballet — will perform with the rest of the company. This will be the second time Ballet Palm Beach has performed a Balanchine work. Philip Neal, a former principal dancer with New York City Ballet, will set the work on the dancers.

Also on the bill is "Talisman Pas De Deux," a dreamy, dazzling display of virtuosity and beauty. Steven Melendez — protégé of David Howard and guest principal dancer of New York Theatre Ballet — joins Ballet Palm Beach again this season partnering with ballerina Lily Ojea Loveland.

Finally, "Space Between Words," an emotional contemporary piece by Floridian choreographer Donna Murray will be performed.

Starting at \$19, tickets are available by calling (561) 814-5598 or by visiting www.balletpalmbeach.org.

Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras name three new assistant conductors

The Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras (JSYO) has named three new conductors for the upcoming 2017-2018 season. They will be under the direction of Deanna Tham, Jacksonville Symphony assistant conductor and JSYO principal conductor.

David Song, a native of Jeon-Ju, South Korea, will conduct the jump start strings ensemble at the Florida State College of Jacksonville's South Campus. Song began studying violin at the age of 10 and has performed extensively as an orchestral, chamber and solo violinist. He made his solo debut with the Southwest Florida Orchestra and currently serves as an assistant principal violinist for the Savannah Philharmonic. He received his Bachelor of Music in violin performance from Stetson University and pursued a Master of Music in violin performance at Baylor University.

Helen Morin will conduct both encore strings and premiere strings. She earned her Bachelor of Music from Trinity College of Music in London and her Master of Music in violin performance with Lucia Lin at Boston University. Morin has been in St. Augustine since 2010 and often plays with the Jacksonville Symphony, as well as freelances with local chamber orchestras in St. Augustine.



David Song



Helen Morin



Rose Francis

Photos courtesy of the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra

She teaches at R.B. Hunt Elementary School in St. Johns County, where she has established an after-school strings program, which is now in its fifth year.

Rose Francis will head up foundation strings at the Florida State College of Jacksonville's South Campus. Francis earned her bachelor's degree in music education and a Master of Music degree in conducting from the University of North Florida. She is involved as an educator and conductor throughout Northeast Florida serving as the string orchestra director at Pine Forest Magnet School of the Arts in Duval County; an adjunct professor in upper string techniques and pedagogy at the University of North Florida; and conductor of the Civic Orchestra of Jacksonville.

These conductors will be joining Tham, Naira Cola and John Wieland as

instructors for the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras, helping to serve more than 300 young musicians from all over Northeast Florida.

"We look forward to their contributions as part of the JSYO family," said Kathryn Rudolph, director of education and communication engagement for the Jacksonville Symphony. "We hope you will come out and meet them at our first concert on November 19th."

The Jacksonville Symphony is North Florida's leading music nonprofit offering live performances at Jacoby Hall in the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts and other venues throughout the area. In addition, the symphony provides music instruction for youth and operates the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestra. For more information about the Symphony, visit JaxSymphony.org.

Jacksonville Symphony offers discounts to St. Johns County Public Library card holders

The Jacksonville Symphony is offering all St. Johns County Public Library card holders a 20 percent discount to select concerts for the 2017-18 season to celebrate September's National Library Card Sign-Up Month.

In addition, the symphony is offering card holders a \$25 discount for the opening night of its season on Saturday, September 16. To be held at 8 p.m., the organization's opening performance is "Fanfare!" a red carpet event that features violinist Charlie Siem, Courtney Lewis and the Jacksonville Symphony.

Card holders are encouraged to call any St. Johns County Public Library branch for codes that can be used online to obtain the discounts.

If you don't have a card, you can visit any of the county's six branch libraries or two Bookmobiles to register for one.

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Bestselling author Jim Fergus to hold book signing at Neptune Beach BookMark

Bestselling author Jim Fergus will be at The BookMark Saturday, Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. to discuss and sign copies of his long-awaited new novel, "The Vengeance of Mothers: The Journals of Margaret Kelly & Molly McGill."

The author of several fiction and nonfiction books, Fergus has had his work featured in numerous national magazines and newspapers. His novel "One Thousand White Women" (1998) won Best Book of the West and has sold over 1 million copies both in the U.S. and France. Almost 20 years later, Fergus now continues the intriguing tale of the U.S. government's controversial, assimilation-oriented "Brides for Indians" program in his new novel.

The story begins in March 1876 with the diary of Margaret Kelly, an Irish lass who, along with her sister, Susie, married Cheyenne warriors and became immersed in the tribe's culture. When the

sisters' village was attacked by the U.S. Army, they both lost their husbands and baby daughters.

When a fresh contingent of white women arrives, Maggie and Susie are enlisted to help integrate them into native life. The newcomers include Molly McGill, who had been imprisoned at Sing Sing for murdering the man who killed her daughter. She starts her own diary, and in chapters alternating between her voice and Maggie's, Fergus recreates all that happened leading up to the Battle of the Little Bighorn that June, including how the Kelly sisters finally avenge the loss of their babies. It's a gripping tale—a history lesson infused with both sadness at the violence perpetuated against the Cheyenne and awe at the endurance of this remarkable group of women.

The BookMark is located at 220 First St. in Neptune Beach. For more information about the event, call (904) 241-9026.

Lineup for Beaches Museum Fall Chapel Concert Series announced

The Beaches Museum and Lazzara Family Foundation have announced the lineup for the Fall Chapel Concert Series, which includes returning artists as well as acts new to the Chapel stage.

These acts boast an award-winning musician and producer in the world's blues and roots music scene; a Nashville favorite and winner of the Charlie Daniels' Talent Roundup; and winners of top honors at Music Video Asheville.

Here's a look at the lineup:

- Sept. 25: Antsy McClain
- Oct. 30: Victor Wainwright
- Nov. 20: Jon Stickley Trio

■ Dec. 18: Celtic Christmas Series tickets are available through Sept. 25 at a cost of \$80 for all four concerts. Individual tickets are also available for each concert at a cost of \$25 in advance or \$30 the day of the show. The concert series will be held in the historic Beaches Museum Chapel located at Pablo Historical Park, 381 Beach Blvd., in Jacksonville Beach.

To purchase tickets or for more information, visit BeachesMuseum.org or call (904) 241-5657. Beaches Museum & History Park is operated by the Beaches Area Historical Society.

St. Augustine Youth Chorus now open for new members

The St. Augustine Youth Chorus is open to all singers between the ages of 8 to 18 who would like to arrange an audition.

The organization sings for several occasions in the St. Johns area, including the community chorus' annual Christmas show, shows at Disney World and Sea

World and for the St. Augustine Romanza Festivale of the Arts.

For more information, interested singers can visit www.staugustineyouthchorus.org or contact Director Kerry Fradley at (904) 806-7781 or Kfradley@staugustineyouthchorus.org.

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Ponte Vedra wins turnover battle on last-second field goal

By Jerry Norton

Playing on the road without starting quarterback Jack Murrah, the Ponte Vedra Sharks used a stout defense to defeat the Palatka Panthers 10-7 Friday, Sept. 1 in a turnover-plagued game.

A pair of underclassmen, sophomore RJ Glod and freshman Jacobi Myers, replaced Murrah, who is expected to miss several games due to a knee injury.

The two replacements spent the better part of the evening handing the ball off to running backs Zack King, Mark Calvin and Collin Magill. While the Sharks rushed 33 times compared to just 11 passes, they scored their only touchdown of the evening on Glod's 19-yard strike to a leaping Jarrett Stepp in the end zone with three minutes to play in the first quarter.

The Panthers wasted little time tying the score. Two minutes into the second

quarter, Palatka's speedster Markell Rasher reversed field on a sweep, slipped several tackles and raced 69 yards for the tying touchdown. From that point on, neither team could mount or sustain a drive.

The Sharks earned a first down on a Glod pass to Kyle Barker and another on a Glod to Rani Toma throw to put the ball at midfield, but Ponte Vedra was forced to punt three plays later.

The hosts couldn't do any better and punted the ball back to the Sharks. Stepp's long punt return was nullified by a block in the back penalty, and Ponte Vedra's next drive started on their own 23-yard line.

Glod threw to Barker for 7 yards, and Calvin's run gave the Sharks a first down at their own 37-yard line. Reese Russi made a nifty catch at the sideline. Then



Photo courtesy of Jerry and Chris Norton

Ponte Vedra wide receiver Jarrett Stepp (1) pulls in a pass with one hand for a big gain during last Friday's game against Palatka.

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Nease revises game plan, runs over Orange Park

By Paris Moulden

Nease overcame the loss of its starting quarterback and had to revise its game plan on the fly in its decisive 47-16 win against Orange Park last Friday.

The day before the game, the Panthers found out Preston Staples would not be able to play because of an injury that will likely keep the junior quarterback out for several weeks. The loss of Staples didn't seem to slow Nease's offense, which focused on its run game and benefited from its nearly flawless defense.

Senior Ashton Wood took over the quarterback duties, and he and standout running back Jareem Westcott ran over the Raiders' defense, combining for 268 of Nease's 349 rushing yards.

"Ashton and Jareem have played a lot of football for us the last couple of years, and for them to be able to step in and execute something that was kind of different than what we've done and play really hard, was really fun," Nease coach Tim Krause said.

Wood started out slowly, throwing an interception in the end zone midway through the



Photo courtesy of Jeff Heinemann/The Image Caddy

Nease's Ashton Wood (11) runs against Orange Park during last Friday night's game. Wood rushed for 119 yards in the 47-16 win, replacing injured starter Preston Staples at quarterback.

first quarter. But the Panthers quickly got the ball back when Trey Ragin intercepted a pass by Orange Park's Vinny Walker. Westcott then began his attack,

scoring on a 26-yard run. After a blocked extra point attempt, the Raiders' offense continued to struggle, and Westcott and Wood continued to overwhelm the

Orange Park defense.

Wood scored on a 26-yard run late in the first quarter to put Nease up 12-0, before a missed extra point attempt.

Nease got good field position early in the second quarter thanks to a blocked punt, and the Panthers took full advantage. Starting at the Raiders' 39-yard line, Westcott put Nease at first-and-goal, and Wood finished the drive with a 10-yard touchdown pass to Zach Sheffer.

Walker put Orange Park on the board in the second quarter with a short TD run that made the score 19-7, but Westcott and Wood continued their dominance. The Panthers drove down the field with big runs by both players, and Wood closed out the scoring drive with a 12-yard pass to Nic Bunkosky, who had impressive performances on both sides of the ball.

Holding onto a 26-7 lead after halftime, Westcott overcame an early fumble that was recovered by Sheffer. After the defense stopped the Raiders on fourth down to take over, Westcott scored again on a 6-yard run, giving Nease a 33-7 lead.

Krause was pleased with how his team adapted to the change of game plan on such short notice.

"That's a completely different

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ABOVE: Ponte Vedra's Collin Magill (28) runs for a gain behind the block of Gunnar Goetz in last Friday's game against Palatka.

RIGHT: Ponte Vedra's Zach Sommers (40) recovers a Palatka fumble for the Sharks.

Photos by Jerry and Chris Norton



Sharks

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Glod went deep to Stepp, drawing a pass interference penalty good for a Ponte Vedra first down on Palatka's side of midfield. Three plays later though, the Sharks were forced to punt.

Again, the Panthers went three-and-out against the resilient Shark defense led by Duncan Van Kouteren, Peter Merlini, Tommy Zitiello, Cole McCormick, CD James, Gibson Pardue, Stepp, Daniel Lichlyter, Sam Barnhard and Carson Shoals. The half ended with the score tied at 7-7.

Palatka continued to struggle offensively despite abundant substitutions by Shark coach Matt Toblin. Twenty different players on the swarming Ponte Vedra defense produced 103 total tackles/assists in the game. In addition, the Shark D recovered three fumbles and intercepted three passes.

As the game progressed, turnovers became a critical factor for both teams. A third quarter Ponte Vedra drive saw the Sharks move from their own 19-yard line into the Panthers' red zone before an interception changed possession. On the next play, however, Zitiello returned the favor by picking off a Panther pass. When Ponte Ve-

dra could not move following the Zitiello pick, Riley Robbins' precision punt pinned Palatka inside its own 10-yard line.

The interception bug was unrelenting as CD James intercepted for Ponte Vedra on the third play of the final quarter. Then moments later, Palatka picked off another Shark pass.

The teams exchanged punts, eating up more than five minutes of the final quarter. Still the turnovers persisted; first Palatka intercepted a Shark pass, then Zach Summers recovered a Panther fumble. With the ball on the host's 35-yard line and a chance for the Sharks to move into scoring position, the Panthers came up with their fourth interception of the game.

However, this change of possession did them more harm than good because they immediately fumbled the ball away for the third time—this time at their own 9-yard line and with only 55 seconds left in the game. McCormick recovered the football for the Sharks.

Three rushes by King moved the ball to the Palatka 1-foot line and on fourth down with three seconds on the clock, Robbins booted the ball cleanly between the uprights to give Ponte Vedra the win. It was Robbins' second last-second, game winning field goal of the season.

Panthers

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offense really than we usually run; it uses blocking schemes and some things we do in our regular offense, but it's pretty much a key change from, at least in the beginning of the year, what I thought our identity would look like," Krause said. "I'm just really happy for the kids for executing it, and stepping up to the challenge of doing something new."

Midway through the third quarter, it looked as if Orange Park was about to turn the tide. The Raiders recovered a Wood fumble at Nease's 22-yard line, and Walker marched Orange Park to first-and-goal territory. But Walker fumbled the snap, which was recovered by Bunkosky and returned 92 yards for a touchdown.

Krause said it's been a benefit to have players like Bunkosky, who can contribute offensively and defensively.

"It's a challenge to work



Nease's Jareem Westcott (4) runs against the Orange Park defense during last Friday's game.

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through, but our kids have done such a great job with it," he said. "The kids who do play both ways work really hard in conditioning

and how they work drill-wise and how they practice. It's been great for us to get guys involved on both sides of the ball."

The Raiders scored in the fourth quarter on a 5-yard run by Terrance Johnson and converted a two-point conversion, but

Nease answered with 48-yard touchdown run by sophomore running back Joe Bradshaw for the final points of the game.

Without Staples, Nease will likely continue to use its stellar run game in Thursday's matchup at home against Bishop Kenny.

Although the game plan will have to change based on Staples' absence, the Panthers will have more time to prepare for Bishop Kenny than they did for the Raiders, which may be bad news for the Crusaders.

"We kind of put this game plan together in a matter of hours, really," Krause said. "There are things that we had and elements that we had, and now we just have to adapt and change."

But he also thinks change can be good, and something the coaches embrace.

"I think it will be a fun challenge," Krause said. "It always wakes you up a little bit to get out of your comfort zone and learn, and try to do something different."



Jake Beber-Frankel hits a putt on the 17th hole during the final round of The Junior Players Championship on Sunday at the Players Stadium Course at TPC Sawgrass. Beber-Frankel posted the low final-round score of 5-under 67 to advance to the playoff.

A LOOK AT THE JUNIOR PLAYERS

Shuai Ming Wong, of The Woodlands, Texas, defeated Logan McAllister, of Oklahoma City, and Jake Beber-Frankel, of Miami, in a three-hole aggregate playoff to win The Junior PLAYERS Championship over the Labor Day weekend at THE PLAYERS Stadium Course at TPC Sawgrass.

Wong had a tournament total score of 71-71-70-212 and made a 15-foot birdie putt on No. 18 hole to force a playoff with McAllister and Beber-Frankel.

In the playoff, Wong made par on No. 18 after being tied with McAllister through holes 16 and 17, and earned his first American Junior Golf Association title.

McAllister, who had an 18-hole tournament record of 9-under-63 in the second round, and Beber-Frankel, who made five birdies in the final round, finished tied for second.

The AJGA and TaylorMade-adidas Golf each pledged \$10 per birdie from the tournament to benefit victims of Hurricane Harvey.



ABOVE: Junior Players competitors hit shots on the green during the final round.

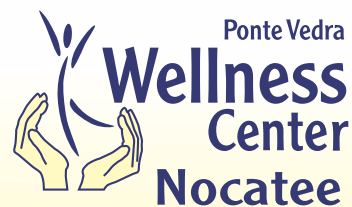
RIGHT: Fred Biondi hits out of the sand on the No. 17 hole during Sunday's final round of The Junior Players Championship.



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Sports Spotlight: Nic Bunkosky

Nic Bunkosky is a junior defensive back and wide receiver for the Nease football team. Bunkosky made several big plays on both sides of the ball for the Panthers in Friday night's 47-15 win over Orange Park. He not only scored a touchdown on a pass play on offense, but also returned an interception 92 yards for a score on defense.

What was the emotion after scoring both offensively and defensively on Friday night?

I never really thought about it, to be honest. I just wanted my team to win. I was in the right place at the right time. My teammate Kevin Boose made a big block for me to set up the touchdown on the interception return.

Do you prefer playing offense or defense?

I really love them both. I love being physical on defense. I appreciate coach Krause giving me that opportunity. I've played both since Pop Warner, so the fundamentals have just stuck with me.

How is training and preparation different to play both sides of the ball?

On defense, you work on (interceptions) and fundamentals. On offense, it's running routes, practicing, learning my stuff. I go to lunch with my offensive coach and learn the plays.



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Nease's Nic Bunkosky runs with the ball after making an interception against Orange Park last Friday. Bunkosky returned the interception 92 yards for a touchdown.

Are there any particular players you admire or try to model yourself after?

Of course, the Florida greats, like Tim Tebow. And also Derrick Henry. Tebow and Henry are great role models.

What are your plans after high school?

I would love to play college football at some level. And academics are also very important. I'll just have to wait and see.

What has been the most challenging, and most rewarding, thing about playing football at Nease?

The challenge is preparing for games each week, watching film on opponents. The rewarding part is playing with my team, the coaches — and winning on Friday nights. Just playing with my team.

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