

# Smooth Sailing

Alongside skipper Johnny Fewell are the helpful crew of Will Newton, Robert and Philip Fortson and Skip Allcorn. The team skillfully navigated the J24 Fleet 55 Summer Sailing Series on the St. John's River.

## Groundskeeping women's work at Holy Trinity Anglican

Leslie Ramsey, Virginia Kirby, Ray Martin and Jane Peer put the finishing touches on spring cleaning of the grounds at Holy Trinity Anglican. Earlier in the morning, a group of men demolished an old concrete sign in preparation for a new one at the corner of Glendale and Eloise streets. The Anglican congregation of 150-200 members bought a 1927 Methodist Episcopal church after its members left it in 2010. "They just up and left everything," said Kirby. "Hymnals, kitchenware, everything – it was kind of eerie." In the meantime, the small but mighty congregation took out a five-year loan of \$100,000 to renovate the second floor and then paid the loan off in just 13 months. The renovated area will serve as a distance learning computer lab, home school center and resource center for Empowered Parent. Father David Austell has been the rector at Holy Trinity for four years.



## Water taxi future uncertain

BY KATE A. HALLOCK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Over in Ortega, along Roosevelt Boulevard, the Sea Charm I sits on blocks while her sister ship is supposedly on the way to Jacksonville, both in wait for ownership and eventual operation.

When Brooks Busey, owner/operator of Sadler Point Marina, took delivery of the first water taxi last month, he probably did not anticipate that the boat would linger at his facility and then take up valuable boat repair lease space in the yard for more than a day or two.

The smaller of the two water taxis, with a capacity for 49 people, arrived on June 12, a week later than the City had hoped to receive them. The larger taxi, capable of holding 102 people, is on the way according to most recent reports, despite a stern letter sent to Trident Pontoons, Inc. from the Office of

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## Local men make cut for finals in national redfish tour

Ortega resident Jesse Rain, son of Anne Burpee Rain, and his fishing partner Luis Jaramillo took second place in the East Coast Inshore Fishing Association Redfish Tour last month. Using shrimp as bait, the pair caught 12.46 pounds of fish. This local win in a national tour landed them a spot in the finals in Louisiana.



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## Keeping the crown in the family

Avondale resident Sally Glenn Evans didn't know she would pass along some pretty special genes when she was crowned Miss Lee High 1955, but that's just what she did. Sixty years later, granddaughter Madeleine Storm Waters bore the crown as Miss Lee High Class of 2015.

Evans grew up on Barrs Street in Riverside and still "runs the show" for the Class of 1955's annual reunions. Her daughter, Allison Evans Waters, said "They have been featured on the Lee High Reunion page recently and we have gotten a lot of calls about how neat it is to have two Miss Lee Highs in the family." Madeleine, who is a dancer and has danced for 14 years with No Limits Dance Studio, was also crowned Most Talented for her dance routine.



Above: Madeleine Waters, Miss Lee High of 2015

Right: Sally Glenn Evans and granddaughter Madeleine Waters



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editor's note

Dear Readers:

Whether you live on the river or blocks away, you can't ignore the most valuable – and perhaps the most neglected – of our natural resources. The St. John's River provides a venue for fun and entertainment from lazy summer days fishing and boating to the thrill of high-speed racing or the tacking of sailing. But the river is also the source of political hot potatoes, from the water taxi debacle to port deepening concerns and challenges. You'll find stories in this issue about many of these issues and we invite you to share your thoughts about them, too. Do you have an opinion about the water taxi or the proposed St. John's channel deepening? Send it to editor@residentnews.net.

On a lighter note, next month we want to know about our residents' interesting summer vacations. We are also planning an August issue packed full of stories and information you can use about pets.

Every pup has a story... we want yours!

August – popularly known as the “dog days of summer” – is also the month when The Resident will feature stories about some very special dogs. If your pup was adopted as a rescue or perhaps you found your wiggling bundle of joy abandoned, please tell us about it! Send a photo of you and your rescued dog with a 100-word story to editor@residentnews.net no later than July 15.

The best vacations are shared

Summer goes so quickly but memories linger, thanks to the many photos you take while on wonderful vacations. Share your out-of-ordinary vacation with our readers, and submit a 100-word story about where you went and what you did – and don't forget to send a photo or two. Submit to editor@residentnews.net no later than July 15.

Enjoy the summer!
Kate A. Hallock
Editor

Girls Court pilot to launch in September

In a remarkable spirit of cooperation between nonprofit organizations, community agencies and the state justice system, girls at risk will soon have access to services that will help reduce recidivism, detention and penal commitments.

Early last month Dr. Lawanda Ravoira, president and CEO of the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center, began the preparation the launch of a new Fourth Judicial Circuit Florida Girls Court in September 2014.

Training more than 125 registered participants including judges, attorneys, probation officers, detention officers, therapists, residential services staff, educators and case managers in preparation, Dr. Ravoira opened participants eyes to the distinct experiences, challenges, strengths and pathways that place girls at risk of entering the justice system.

“The impact of trauma including sexual abuse, violence and exploitation will be explored, as well as how the system's response further exacerbates complex problems by failing to provide girls with appropriate services at the time when they need them the most,” said Dr. Ravoira.

The Fourth Judicial Circuit Florida Girls Court is a voluntary pilot program, established through the efforts of the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center and Family Support Services have worked with Circuit Judge David Gooding. Policy Center researchers will assess the outcomes of the pilot, made possible because community agencies will come together with donated time and resources including the State Attorney's office, Public Defender's office, Department of Juvenile Justice, System of Care and many other nonprofits.

“Justice involved girls are not getting their mental health needs addressed. This program will give these girls and young women the opportunity to have services such as therapy and support groups,” said Dr. Ravoira. “Girls Court is a wise investment. By reducing recidivism and commitment to costly residential commitment facilities, Girls Court is a cost effective intervention to effectively meet the mental health and multiple social needs of girls and young women in our community.”

New website launched

The Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center new website, www.seethegirl.org, is another resource in the Center's toolbox to support the complex needs of girls in the juvenile justice and foster care systems.

The website is mobile responsive and features a blog and calendar of events with community briefings and training opportunities. The website also features local resources for parents and girls and research briefs including trends in girls' involvement in the justice system, positive and negative influences of family members on girls' body image and best practices for working with victims of sex trafficking.

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# Lumb satisfied that FDOT listened to community

## Mixed-used path part of bridge plans

BY KATE A. HALLOCK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

In December 2013 the Florida Department of Transportation announced a \$136 million project to widen the Fuller Warren Bridge and install a flyover from I-10 west to US 17 south.

The proposed project, which had bypassed the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization and caught the city's elected officials by surprise, drew immediate criticism from neighborhood groups.

Carmen Godwin, executive director of Riverside Avondale Preservation, was quoted as saying that "the problem with a lot of these projects is they get so far along without any input from the community that's directly affected. They get to an engineering stage and they don't want to rewind after that."

Since that time City Councilman-At-Large Robin Lumb has taken the lead among elected officials to ensure that these concerns were properly addressed. Lumb held a noticed meeting on the issue in December where he confronted FDOT officials on their plans and later authored a four-page proposal – signed by eight of his City Council colleagues – asking for a series of modifications designed to address the concerns of the Riverside and North Riverside neighborhoods. He has also traveled to Lake City, headquarters of

the FDOT's District 2 office, to meet with staff and hammer out what he regards as key changes that would mitigate the project's impact.

**The Resident** recently caught up with Councilman Lumb for updates regarding the Fuller Warren Bridge project.

**RN:** Has there been progress in your negotiations with the FDOT?

**Lumb:** Yes. Following the initial public reaction the FDOT scaled the \$136 million

project back to less than \$100 million and they eliminated the enlarged footprint over land. Since then the FDOT has been working to make the modifications that were requested in my letter of April 1, 2014.

**RN:** What changes has the FDOT agreed to?

**Lumb:** At this time nothing has been completely finalized. However, based on what we've discussed in our meetings I have a high confidence level the FDOT will follow through with five important changes that are consistent with the requests contained in my letter.

First, they're looking at eliminating the flyover to U.S. 17 as originally proposed in favor of modifying the existing I-95 north to I-10 west flyover that ends just east of Stockton Street.

Second, the FDOT has agreed to give favorable consideration to erecting sound walls along portions of I-10 and to shade their high intensity lighting to reduce spillover into residential areas.

Third, they plan to eliminate the retention ponds on either side of Park Street under the Fuller Warren Bridge.

Fourth, they have agreed to aesthetic enhancements to the overpasses at College Street, Park Street and Riverside Avenue.

Fifth, they've done the preliminary engineering on a mixed bicycle-pedestrian path across the St. John's River. They think they can make that happen.

**RN:** A mixed use bike-pedestrian path across the St. Johns River is a major development. Why wasn't this part of the FDOT's original proposal?

**Lumb:** The FDOT builds infrastructure to accommodate automobile traffic, not bicycles and pedestrians. This kind of thing isn't on their radar screen. Nonetheless, we pointed out that I-95 in Washington, D.C. has a similar bike-pedestrian path across that Potomac and that nothing in FDOT regulations prohibited a similar path here in Jacksonville provided the path is separated from the travel lanes by a reinforced safety barrier. We explained that Jacksonville is trying to revitalize its downtown and surrounding neighborhoods and that a bike-pedestrian path linking Riverside and San Marco would advance that goal significantly.

**RN:** What do you mean when you talk about "aesthetic enhancements" for I-95 overpasses?

**Lumb:** Ybor City in Tampa is one example of what the FDOT is doing to create visually appealing, decorative

enhancements to the overpasses along the I-4 corridor. In Jacksonville these enhancements would create architecturally distinctive entrances into the Historic District. They would be a major aesthetic improvement.

**RN:** An early concern was the potential impact on the Riverside Arts Market. Has this been addressed?

**Lumb:** The impact on the Riverside Arts Market should be manageable. At the time of the public meeting the FDOT had estimated that 95% of the area under the bridge that RAM uses would not be affected. The addition of the mixed use bike-pedestrian path across the river means more construction activity and a somewhat larger staging area but it appears that RAM will be able to continue to operate.

**RN:** When will the FDOT hold its next meeting where the revised plan will be presented to the public?

**Lumb:** I expect the next public meeting to be held sometime in July or August. At that time the FDOT should be able to explain all the changes in detail.

**RN:** Do you believe that the FDOT has been sufficiently responsive?

**Lumb:** Yes, I do. District 2 Secretary Greg Evans and his staff listened to what we had to say and so far have responded appropriately. At one time the FDOT had a reputation for taking a "my-way-or-the-highway" approach – pun intended. Now I think the FDOT is embracing a different approach. While its primary mission is to maintain a high functioning transportation network the FDOT understands the need to mitigate the impacts of its projects and to listen to those communities that will be affected by them. This is definitely a step in the right direction.

**RN:** Is there anything else you would like to share with our readers?

**Lumb:** Yes. I'd like to commend Riverside Avondale Preservation for its work. They provided access to subject matter experts who helped me navigate some of the technical issues. The quality of life we enjoy as a community here in the Historic District is in large part the result of what RAP has been able to accomplish over the years. They are an invaluable resource.



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Summer has arrived, and so has hurricane season. Now is the time to prepare in the event that Jacksonville experiences a major storm this year. Gather your supplies and assemble your emergency kit now to keep you

and your family safe during a weather emergency.

Planning is especially important this year because the City of Jacksonville has changed the hurricane evacuation zones.

In the past, evacuation zones were primarily based on the category of the approaching storm, which in turn was based only on wind speed. This year

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# Median home sale prices continue to increase

Local realtors say trends are sweet music to their ears

By KATE A. HALLOCK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Finally, after nearly six less than stellar years, the real estate industry is enjoying a string of successful months. Although 2014 began with a slow start in January, every month since then has seen growth in closed sales, pending sales and new listings as well as an increase in the median price of homes sold.

Local realtors are ecstatic. "Our business continues to trend upward. We are busy selling and leasing properties in the Historic areas as well as other parts of town," said Sally Suslak, REALTOR® Broker with Traditions Realty. "I believe people have confidence that the economy will continue to grow and we are seeing that confidence transferred to making their move. There are a lot of lookers out there who are ready to buy the right house at the right price."

In May, the median sales price of a home sold was \$159,000; a 2.6 increase over May 2013 and higher than April's \$154,990 median, according to the May 2014 real estate sales and activity report from the Northeast Florida Association of Realtors (NEFAR).

The report noted that there were 2,044 closed sales in May, bringing the total sold in 2014 to 9,049; a 2.7 percent increase over the 8,811 sold year to date in 2013.



Anne Burpee Rain, Broker Associate, Previews International and Coldwell Banker Vanguard Realty, said that the changes she has seen over the past year have been incredible.

"A year and a half ago, we were upside down with more buyers than sellers in the marketplace. Buyers were excited to take advantage of what lenders were offering – great interest rates, small down payments and easy terms – but we had so few listings, the prices increased rapidly following the principal of supply and demand," Rain explained. "By September 2013, we experienced a noticeable halt in sales which coincided with the 'government

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**Anne Burpee Rain,** Broker Associate,  
Previews International and Coldwell Banker Vanguard Realty

shutdown' and a hike in interest rates. I guess the economists noticed the halt because the rates dropped and sales got back on track. Sellers were hearing stories about multiple offers their neighbors were getting so listings began picking up at a rapid pace."

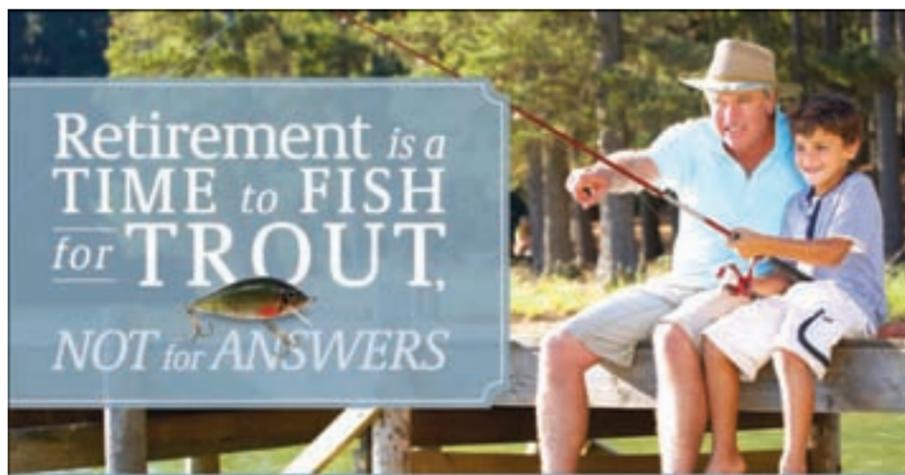
The NEFAR report noted that new listings increased 18.5 percent over a year ago, with 3,215 properties being added to the market, boosting the inventory of homes for sale to 9,860. The supply of homes for sales now stands at 5.1 months, within the five- to six-months balanced market range.

Rain also stated that the market in Northeast Florida has stabilized and that sales are consistent with the drama of multiple offers and fast closings. "Prices have leveled out, the ratio of buyers to sellers is about equal and the sales activity is feeling pretty normal. Normal doesn't sound

like much, but after the trauma of the 'bubble burst', normal is actually very good," she said. "Buyers have time to shop for the right home, sales prices are negotiable and interest rates are ticking down once again. It's a win-win for buyers and sellers because the stability of the market allows sellers time to find their next home.

Lenders continue to offer excellent new terms giving buyers at all levels options."

The NEFAR report concluded that homes continue to sell at a brisk pace, with the average days on market coming in at 84. While that might still be calling it a bit too close for comfort for families who move at the end of the school year, hoping to be in a new home before school starts, the good news is that the trend in number of days on the market is decreasing.



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# Thoughtful work needed to validate launch of harbor deepening project

Port Task Force hearing from all sides

BY KATE A. HALLOCK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

On June 17 City of Jacksonville Mayor Alvin Brown joined other politicians, JAXPORT representatives and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in signing a proclamation declaring “Harbor Deepening Launch Day.”

The next day, the Jacksonville Port Task Force held a public meeting that seems to suggest that Mayor Brown was putting the cart before the horse. Although the nearly \$800 million project got a green light from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and it is following the proper timeline for design and engineering of the project, [skeptics and those seeking a more careful review have voiced concerns and it’s not just the activist, environmental organizations.] It may be premature to advertise that the project will happen when the Port Task Force will not complete its work until 2015.

According to Jimmy Orth, executive director for The St. Johns Riverkeeper, the Jacksonville Port Task Force was established by Mayor Brown to look at the dredging

proposal, including finding a revenue source to pay for the project.

“I believe the mayor thought this was going to be a group of cheerleaders for the project,” Orth stated. “I think this committee really seems to be committed to taking a hard look at the economics. Does it make economic sense? If it does, then look at it from the environmental standpoint.”

There are other factors, too, that will dictate whether the Port of Jacksonville will win the bid against ports in Savannah or Charleston. Federal funding for approximately half of the project needs to be secured, and then the balance of the funding must be found locally.

At the June 18 Task Force meeting, Orth noted that “sometimes it’s better to be what you can be, not what you want to be” in reference to Jacksonville’s lack of competitive advantages against the other ports.

### What’s at stake?

The first speaker on the agenda at the meeting in early June was Dr. David Jaffee, professor of sociology at the University of North Florida, who immediately addressed the issue at stake: economic impact versus the environment. If taken seriously, Jaffee’s presentation, *Seven Questions*

*to Ask About \$1 Billion Spending of Public Funds for St. Johns Dredging/Deepening*, coupled with an independent review of the economic impact study and a look at potential environmental impacts could turn the ship in another direction – away from support for St. Johns River channel deepening.

Jaffee, who is critical of the harbor deepening project, recommended that an independent cost-benefit multi-port analysis of the project be conducted to determine how the costs and benefits are distributed. He also requested a look at “a strategy for an economically vibrant port that does not depend on \$1 billion and damage to the St. Johns River.”

John Baker, executive chairman of Patriot Transportation Holding, and a member of the Task Force, lives in Ortega, a community that resides between the St. Johns and Ortega rivers. Dr. Quinton White, executive director of the Marine Science Research Institute at Jacksonville University, is also on the Task Force. For Orth, that’s encouraging.

“A lot of the members [of the Task Force] are boaters and all have expressed a real love for the river,” said Orth. “I think they really want to take a good look at this as a viable project for Jacksonville and what’s the return on the investment.”

The Riverkeeper has been vocal about the channel deepening proposal from the first announcement back in May 2013 and throughout the review process, and it sees this public meeting as a good sign that the Task Force is not just a rubber stamp.

“This, to us, is a real important avenue for the public to learn more about this. We were concerned that there was a lack of dialogue before

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**Jimmy Orth**  
Executive director for  
The St. Johns Riverkeeper

we started getting engaged with it,” Orth stated. “We feel that the Army Corps of Engineers underestimated the environmental impact and greatly overestimated the economics.”

At the public meeting Jaffee’s presentation was followed by representatives of five companies, the JAX Chamber and JAXUSA Partnership, all speaking in favor of the channel deepening project, as did JAXPORT’s Brian Taylor, citing job opportunities and the economic benefit to the city and surrounding communities.

Orth said that this is a case of people pitting jobs against the environment, and that it’s not black or white. “It forces us in the community to take a look at all of the benefits and all of the costs and it is worth whatever the damage may be. It forces us also to look at the value of the St. Johns.”

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According to environmental groups, the impacts are huge and cannot be undone, even through proposed mitigation. All of this remains to be seen, or is speculative, due to the fact that real evidence won't avail itself until the project is complete.

The environmental concerns are that salinity will move farther upstream, impacting hundreds of acres of wetlands and submerged aquatic vegetation (SAVs) and killing or stressing numerous trees in some sections of the river. The most significant impacts to wetlands are expected to occur along the St. Johns River, within the Ortega River, Julington, Durbin and Black Creeks, according to the Riverkeeper. Also, water may remain in the river for a longer period of time, increasing the probability of algal blooms. Sedimentation is also a concern, changing the flows along the main channel and increasing silting in creeks and coves, said Orth. In some areas, at low tide, sedimentation is a deep

as 18 inches, making boating difficult in some areas. Trees that hold the banks in many of the local tributaries, cypress trees in particular, are prone to weakness and even death due to heightened saltwater concentrations and removal of their banks by turbid waters.

In addition, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission have expressed concerns regarding the potential impacts to threatened and endangered species from the blasting that will be necessary.

Although the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has allocated funds for mitigation – less than \$3 million – it won't be enough to offset the damage done from the dredging, according to Orth.

He noted that the Corps has acknowledged the limitations of its models for predicting future conditions and measuring impacts, but the Riverkeeper is fearful the damage

will be much worse than the models predict. "Dr. White said the models are as only as good as the input," Orth said. "The river is so complex that we can't assume that the model will tell us everything that can happen. Once the dredging is done, you can't reverse it."

In a recent editorial, Orth concluded "By dredging the river deeper, we may actually just be digging ourselves into a deeper hole. The expense and financial risk is substantial and the environmental impacts to our river would be irreversible. In addition, the damage done would only compound our existing pollution problems, setting us further back in our efforts to restore the river's health."

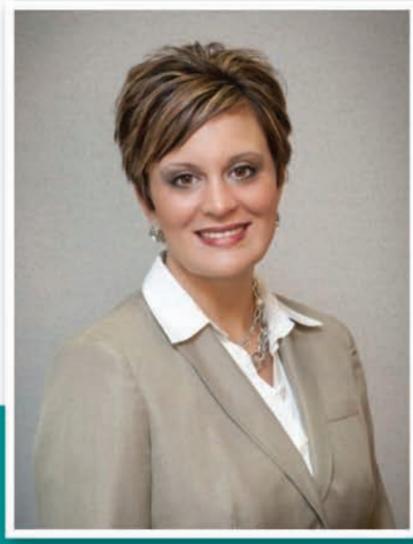
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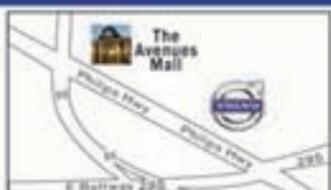
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# City to match private donations for park preservation

## Memorial Park Association raised \$200,000

City Council members approved last month District 14 Councilman Jim Love's request to allocate \$200,000 in a match for the same amount in private funds raised by the Memorial Park Association, a nonprofit dedicated to the preservation and protection of Memorial Park. City funds will come out of the district's Loblolly recreation/parks account.

"We are grateful both to the members of this community who donated their time and treasure, and to Councilmember Love for his matching grant. Now, we can begin the important work of returning Memorial Park to its original glory," said Pattie Houlihan, president of the Memorial Park Association.

The Memorial Park Association will use the combined \$400,000 to repair four entry walls at Riverside Avenue;

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President - Memorial Park Association

restore the "Life" statue including fountain basin, slabs, walls-cladding and coping and replacing plumbing equipment and controls; repair perimeter walls at Memorial Park Drive and Margaret Street, and improve drainage. Park improvements are anticipated to begin later this year. The park will remain accessible to the public during renovations.

"Memorial Park is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and is one of this city's most treasured and historic parks," said Love. "I am pleased that the city can match their private fundraising efforts."

During the past 10 years, the association has raised \$320,000 in private donations to fund projects to protect and preserve the park, including installing ornamental metal fencing and cast bronze Eagles designed and fabricated by Diane LaFond Inetta, upgrading irrigation and lighting systems, planting oaks and other native vegetation and renovating the entrance piers, plaza and fountain basin.

# Safety changes to continuous traffic lanes in U.S. 17's future

Ortega and Avondale commuters can look forward - or not, depending on the perspective - to changes to the free flow traffic lanes along U.S. 17/Roosevelt Boulevard. According to Florida Department of Transportation public information officer Laurie Sanderson, "We hope to modify the free flow lanes on U.S. 17 at Ortega Forest, at the Mall entrance and at Long Bow with an upcoming project scheduled to begin later this year."

In addition, Sanderson indicated that FDOT Maintenance Department, in coordination with the City of

Jacksonville, plans to modify the free flow lane on U.S. 17 at Park Street this summer.

Crash data for 2011 through 2013, provided by FDOT indicates there were 114 crashes along Roosevelt Boulevard at four intersections, many related to the confusion of the free flow lanes.

In a three-year period, U.S. 17 had 51 crashes at Park Street, 36 crashes, at Ortega Forest, 17 crashes at the Roosevelt Square Mall entrance and 10 at Long Bow.

In addition to the crashes, FDOT received many comments about vehicles stopping in the free flow lanes or

changing lanes at the last minute when the inside lane must stop; left-turning vehicles from these streets not staying in the inside lane (and turning wide into the free flow lanes), and confusion of signal indications - one lane red, others green. At the Ortega Forest and the Long Bow intersections, the free flow lanes turn red when the pedestrian button is pushed to cross U.S. 17. This creates even further confusion because motorists are not used to the free flow lanes having a red signal and most times only the inside lane turns red until pedestrians are present.

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# Friends of Hemming Park win agreement to manage plaza

When you're more than a century and a half old, you need a little TLC. That's what Hemming Plaza will finally get from a new agreement between nonprofit Friends of Hemming Park and the City of Jacksonville.

The city's oldest public park will reap the benefits of the public-private partnership announced last month by Mayor Alvin Brown.

Under that agreement, the city and the Downtown Investment Authority will invest \$1 million for the first 18 months of a five-year management contract, which includes \$200,000 from the City's Parks & Recreation

Department budget and \$800,000 from the DIA. As part of the agreement, Friends of Hemming Park is required to raise \$250,000 for the first 18-month term.

Friends of Hemming Park will run the historic 1.5 acre public park, located in the center of Downtown. The group's key priorities will include making the park safe and inviting, beautification, and increasing and organizing events. The group's five-member board, chaired by

Avondale resident Wayne Wood, is comprised of Jacksonville leaders with extensive background in neighborhood revitalization, management and marketing.

"Hemming Plaza has been at the heart of Downtown for over 150 years, and for Downtown to be successful it must have a healthy and vibrant heart," said Wood. "We look forward to making Hemming Plaza just that, and it being the first step in revitalizing Downtown Jacksonville."

City leaders are hopeful that returning the plaza to a park will draw more residents to the area.

"A lot of our residents visit the library or the Modern Art Museum



Mayor Brown recognized the efforts of many contributing City Council members and representatives, including Downtown Vision and the Downtown Investment Authority leadership at the June 18 press event.

and it would be great when they're visiting those fine institutions that they or their children come out here and enjoy the plaza, get a bite to eat and have a lazy afternoon," said Oliver Barakat, DIA chairman. "Right now people don't do that for various and sundry reasons, and it would be nice a year from now that this would be one stop of a multi-stop destination."

Barakat noted that a fair amount of the funds will go toward programming. "They want to make sure that there's food being served here seven

days a week and there will be events here almost seven days a week, and that's where most of the resources will be dedicated," he said.

Aundra Wallace, CEO for the DIA, echoed Barakat's comments. "We're going to a seven-day-a-week program, from early in the morning to all the wee hours. There will be opportunities for people to lease the park for weddings, and so forth," Wallace said. "We want this to be a real true park, similar to Bryant Park in New York. We want people in the park enjoying the events."

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inside the Yates Garage for five years. The Jessie Ball duPont Fund is currently renovating the old Haydon Burns Library to convert the building into the new Jessie Ball duPont Center that will serve as an office complex for philanthropic and non-profit organizations.

Both initiatives have been filed with City Council for final approval.

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General Counsel on June 11 requesting the funds be returned and the boats not be delivered.

The saga began when longtime operator S.S. Marine Ventures had decided not to renew its contract at the end of 2012. Then Baltimore-based HarborCare, LLC ran the water taxi service with plans to improve the fleet, but when their bid was not accepted by the City's Procurement Division, the company gave what amounted to two weeks' notice that it would cease operation on June 6. Loss of business during the Southbank Riverwalk construction was also a concern for HarborCare's continuation without a contract in place.

Residents may have followed the hot potato - with little to no amusement - back and forth between the Office of the Mayor, City Council, and Trident Pontoons, and it's definitely no laughing matter to the St. Johns Riverkeeper.

Riverkeeper not considered, consulted

For several years, the Riverkeeper had worked with S.S. Marine Taxi and then with HarborCare - operating as Jacksonville Water Taxi - to charter the boat for educational purposes. Jennie Busey, education director for the Riverkeeper, offers a river exploration program for 4th to 12th grade students that is dependent upon an open configuration. The smaller of the two new taxis is partially enclosed, thus limiting what Busey can do with the two-hour ecological river journey.

"We are very disappointed about the situation with the water taxis. We had been working with Jacksonville Water Taxi to develop more opportunities for the community to get out on the water and learn about our St. Johns River. This is a big setback for us, schools and the general public, as we have had to put our eco-tours on hold," said Jimmy Orth, executive director for the Riverkeeper. "Outside of the kayak outfitters, we are really the only group or business that provides St. John's River eco-tours on a regular basis.

Orth stated that the small boat purchased by the City unfortunately does not appear to be suitable for the type of educational boat trips that the Riverkeeper typically provides. "We are hoping that the larger boat that has been purchased will meet our needs and that we will be able to contract for its services. If the second boat is also enclosed and is not available to charter, then we don't know what we will do," he concluded. "Unfortunately, limited opportunities

already exist in Jacksonville for the community to have these type of on-the-water educational experiences."

When asked about whether the specifications for the water taxis would accommodate the needs of the Riverkeeper, City of Jacksonville Director of Communications David DeCamp said, "The City continues to seek a long-term operator who will provide water taxi service with the opportunity for eco-tourism rides. Eco-tourism is part of the request for proposals for water taxi operators, and that request was already in the process of being advertised prior to your question. Additionally, we have sought information from the National Park Service about

options to coordinate with the federal agency on its plans for eco-tours for our attractive national parks areas here."

Back at Sadler Point, Brooks Busey is matter-of-fact about his minor role in the drama, stating that he'll store the boats at a discounted rate until there is an owner willing to accept them, at which time he'll put them back into the water for service. Sadler Point Marina is very familiar with Trident Pontoons, having serviced the five water taxis operated by S.S. Marine Taxi and the new research vessel at Jacksonville University, all of which were built by Trident Pontoons. Busey is not sure if he will receive a contract to maintain the new water taxis. That will depend on the party who will ultimately own and operate the water taxis.

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The first of two water taxis purchased by the Mayor's Office without approval of City Council was delivered June 12 to Sadler Point Marine

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# Hammering home the reason for HabiJax Builders Blitz

BY KATE A. HALLOCK  
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In only six days, the 2014 Jacksonville Home Builders Blitz – the largest of its kind in the United States – helped to bring positive change to the lives of 50 families in the historic neighborhood of New Town.

The results hammered home why more than 1,500 volunteers and 30 private homebuilders and subcontractors, Habitat for Humanity of Jacksonville, Inc. (HabiJax), the Northeast Florida Builders Association (NEFBA) and NEFBA's charitable arm, Builders Care, do what they do over and over.

The completion of 25 newly constructed homes and extensive home renovations for 25 existing homes in New Town, a community northwest of Downtown, mattered most to 50 families, but has repercussions all over the area.

"I think we're all part of a larger community and all the neighborhoods have to thrive in order for Jacksonville to be successful," said HabiJax President and CEO Mary Kay O'Rourke, a Riverside resident. "There's a lot of attention now in Downtown development and if the surrounding urban areas are not thriving or sustainable it's only going to affect Downtown."

O'Rourke also noted that "Riverside is so close to New Town and at some point if we can get where all the neighborhoods are sustainable and thriving with their own unique culture and amenities it will be a more successful and thriving Jacksonville."

Ortega resident Rick Morales, president of Morales Construction Company, said that they have been building HabiJax houses for at least 15 years. When asked why the company would do this time after time, Morales reflected "It's giving back to the community that's given so much to us. I've been longtime



Rick Morales, Corey Deal and Mary Kay O'Rourke getting ready for the dedication of 50 homes in New Town on June 14.

associated with the NEFBA for over 25 years and a past board member of HabiJax. Getting together and doing this for the community is an amazing opportunity.

Morales did admit that it's a lot of work. "Building a house in a week is organized chaos," he said. "But it's a great partnership, we really enjoy doing it and look forward to doing it again."

"We appreciate all our partners," said O'Rourke. We would not have been able to do this without their help. We bring people together to build homes and hope."

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The construction company has been hunting for tiles and thus far has netted over 200,000 from onsite discoveries and harvesting the dirt in the building's garden on Forsyth Street.

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# A legendary team, fit for a tribute

It was a heartwarming event filled with laughter, memories and tears of joy as the Lee High School Class of 1968 gathered to recognize their classmates. The special team of eight, consisting of four seniors, two juniors and two sophomores were the last state title winning team that Lee High School has produced.

The story of their triumphant trip to the Ft. Lauderdale State Track meet, their shocking win and the goal to gift them championship rings is one for the ages.

When the Class of '68 got together last year for their 45-year anniversary, the topic of the track team title was discussed among members of the graduating class. Longtime track coach Jim Donovan (Lee Class of '58) was in attendance and was approached by alum

Rogers Holmes. Holmes offered to buy the coach a few steaks to thank him for his dedication to the school and to his service as track coach. The passionate and dedicated coach respectfully requested that Holmes put the money toward something close to his heart, a fund to buy the 1967 State Champion Track Team rings. With a 'can do' attitude, Rogers replied, "Let it be done," and the rest was history.

After a year-long fundraising campaign, led by Holmes and alumni manager/webmaster Pam Register Murray, the rings looked to be an attainable gift. Not only did the overwhelming support fund the rings, but the dinner and festivities,



Lee High School Principal James Ledford, Charles Arwood, Jack Lanier, James Simmons, Capt. Bob Moore, Roy Lima, John Colson, James Edwards, Honorary Team Member Rogers Holmes, Coach Jim Donovan and Lee High School Athletic Director Rosalyn Johnson

including a surplus of \$1,000 which was donated to the Lee High School Athletic Department. "The way that it's happening [ring ceremony], the classmates getting together and making it happen, it means so much more to me happening this way than if they'd given us a ring back in '67," said Team Captain Bob Moore. "I can't tell you the feeling of appreciation and humbleness that my fellow classmates have



Coach Jim Donovan, John Edwards, James Simmons, Jack Lanier, Capt. Bob Moore, Mr. Floyd Lay, Executive Director of the Florida High School Activities Association, John Colson, Charles Arwood, David Learn and Coach Richard Altman; not pictured is Roy Lima.

provided." "They weren't predicted to win, in fact, they figured Fletcher would win it," said Coach Donovan of the team, as if reliving the memories. Back in the days when Jacksonville was a powerhouse in the Track and Field and

Cross Country competitions, the odds were stacked against the young men.

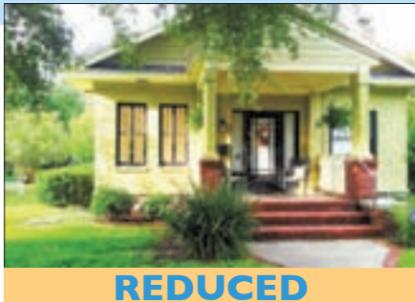
"We got down to Ft. Lauderdale, all the guys were happy, they were reading the papers, 'cause back then there was a lot of writing and...nothing about Lee." He continued, "That's all right, I said to 'em, 'They don't know us, I'd rather be the dark horse.' They were all upset about it and they said, 'We'll

show 'em' and you could kinda' see it in their eyes. So, the next day when we got up there, they didn't have a lot to say, all of the other teams were horsing around and playing, they were business," said Donovan. "When it came time, they were warmed up, in other words, they were like professionals – they went about business. When they got on the line and took off, we could all feel it."

After sharing these memories, the group reveled around a small television and clapped for their peers when their 20 seconds of glory aired on a local news station. The bios were read and the rings and plaque presentation ensued, tears included. The ceremony for the squad took place June 21, at the Lakeshore Women's Club at 2352 Lake Shore Blvd.

To connect with the Lee High Class of 1968, visit [leeclassof68.com](http://leeclassof68.com).

## Have a Safe and Happy Independence Day!



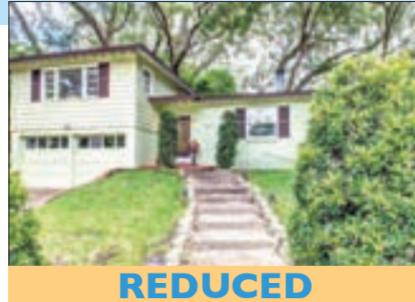
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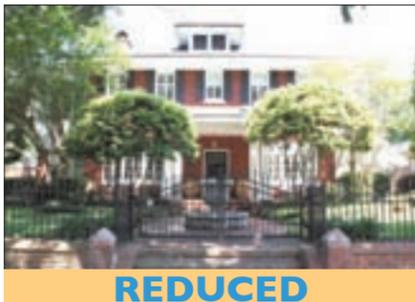
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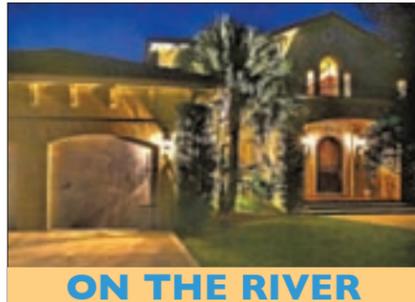
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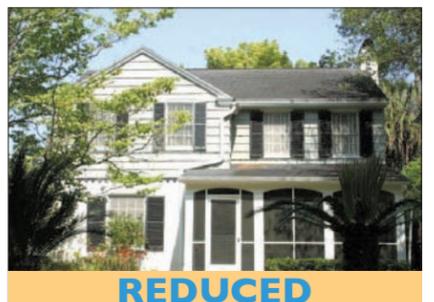


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# Baptist Health leads way in adopting textile innovation

*New staff scrubs and patient gowns minimize risk of infection*

BY KATE A. HALLOCK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Through the innovative thinking of Baptist Health, Jacksonville can boast of being number one in medical safety for hospital staff, patients and caregivers.

This month Baptist Health will begin distributing specialized staff garments that make it the first health system in the world to widely adopt textile technology that repel fluids and minimize the risk of transmission of organisms.

According John Wilbanks, Baptist Health chief operating officer, "It is part of a broader culture of safety...to demonstrate to our staff and our patients and the community our commitment to that safety. We've done any number of things to do that, but this is the latest in a series of innovations that we're trying to do to be as safe as we possibly can."

Baptist Health is partnering with Vestagen Technical Textiles of Orlando, a global innovator in the development of advanced textile technologies.

More than 30,000 pieces of staff uniforms, lab coats and scrub jackets for employees are being distributed in phase one and will feature Vestex® textile technology, which has a durable fluid barrier, an antimicrobial and a special breathable material for wearer comfort. Baptist Health plans to roll out patient apparel featuring the same technology in September.

Diane Raines, Baptist Health's senior vice president and chief nursing officer, demonstrated the properties of the fabric on scrubs treated with Vestex against an untreated portion.

"The textile has been developed for a period of years with properties - antimicrobial, fluid repellency, moisture wicking - that are already in the marketplace, but what makes it unique is that they are combined together, embedded in the fabric at the point of manufacturing," said Raines. "Most fabrics will absorb fluids, but with Vestex the fluids stay on the surface and then rolls off the surface; the antimicrobial takes over on any that is left and destroys the cell walls of the organisms."

### Not just adoption, but active participation

In addition to being the first health system in the world to bring this textile technology into its practice of medical care, Baptist Health also actively helped to design the patient gowns.

"We are working on gown designs to make them more dignified," said Raines. "They will wrap around and tie in the back for privacy; there are pockets in the front for EKG monitors or collection bags to conceal them."



There's also a line of shorts that look like basketball shorts, with tops, for patients who don't need gowns."

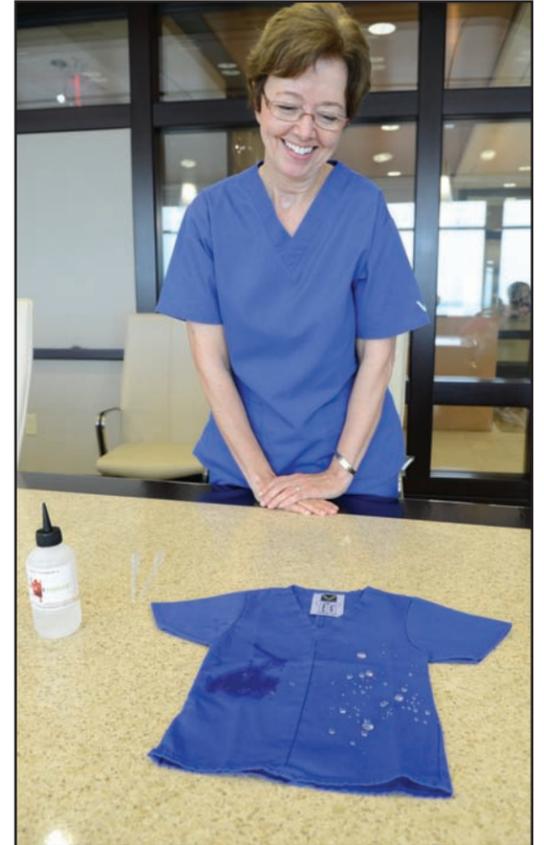
"Protection, identification and then preservation of dignity are the features we tried to combine," said Wilbanks.

"That design was actually developed by Baptist staff, who worked thousands of hours with Vestagen...to bring it to this stage."

While certainly groundbreaking, Wilbanks pointed out that use of the textile technology is not a magic bullet that will totally eradicate transmission of pathogens. "It is part of a broader culture of safety...to demonstrate to our staff and our patients and the community our commitment to that safety," he said.

"We've done any number of things that do that but this is the latest in a series of innovations that we're trying to do, to be as safe as we possibly can."

"We continue to emphasize that the number one way to reduce transmissions is hand washing," said Raines. "That starts from the very basic level all the up through technology to reduce the spread of organisms."



Diane Raines, Baptist Health's senior vice president and chief nursing officer, demonstrates the properties of the Vestex® scrubs



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The home of J. Wayne and Delores Barr Weaver, on the market for \$4.7 million and recently gifted to The Community Foundation



## A 'home' for The Community Foundation

BY KATE A. HALLOCK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Two decades after J. Wayne Weaver and Delores Barr Weaver made Jacksonville their home as owners of the then-new NFL franchise, the Jacksonville Jaguars, the couple continues their philanthropy for a community they have embraced.

Last month Delores Barr Weaver announced that they have given their \$4.7-million home in Lakewood to The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida.

The Foundation is entrusted with selling the 14,000-square foot home along the St. Johns River, with proceeds going into the Weaver Family Foundation Fund at the Foundation to be used for grants to nonprofit organizations.

"This donation to The Community Foundation continues the Weavers' long history of philanthropy in Jacksonville and builds on

their strong association with The Community Foundation," said William Brinton, Board Chairman for the Foundation. "They currently have 33 funds at The Community Foundation, 29 of which are designated endowments that provide a permanent income stream for nonprofit agencies."

"We are extremely grateful that the Weavers have been and remain so active in supporting improvements in the quality of life in Jacksonville," Brinton continued. "Their bold philanthropy makes them an inspiration to others and has brought them national attention as well."

The Weavers had yet another surprise up their sleeves.

In order to inspire others to give back, Delores Barr Weaver announced that she and her husband were establishing a \$1 million endowment at The Community Foundation to the buyers who pay full price for the property. "It will

be theirs to give grants, to name it, to pass it on to others in their family," she stated.

Weaver noted that almost 21 years ago they came to Jacksonville on the coattails of a goal to bring an NFL team to Jacksonville. "I hoped – and I believe – we have now earned our own personal consideration from this community. I hope we have proven how much we love Jacksonville and what it really means to us," she said.

Weaver noted the many events they had hosted in their home over the years for charity functions. "This is a bittersweet day. I greeted this morning with mixed emotions," she said. "I loved being able to host parties for 200."

The home sits on a wooded estate of about four acres with 243 feet of frontage along the river in the San Jose area, not far from Downtown Jacksonville. It features

Nina Waters, president of The Community Foundation, Delores Barr Weaver, William Brinton, Foundation Board Chairman, Grace Sacerdote, executive vice president and chief financial officer



a grand, two-story foyer with Italian marble, six bedrooms, six full baths, three powder rooms and a wooden walkway that leads to a boat dock and gazebo for enjoying sunsets over a wide stretch of the river.

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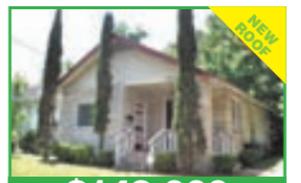
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Crenshaw, an Avondale resident, commented, "Businesses in Florida and across the nation need support from policies that will help them grow and create jobs. Whether it's energy, health-care, trade, tax reform, or other areas that will boost growth, that's the approach I will continue to take on the road ahead."

**Gourmet fitness meals opens in Fairfax**

J. William Culinary, formerly of San Marco, has established a presence in Fairfax at 4260 Herschel Street, site of the former Pastiche on the Patio and also Terra's. James Phelan, owner and executive chef, said that he started the business by trying to eat right himself. The freshly prepared meals are available for pickup or delivery and can be ordered online at [jwilliamculinary.com](http://jwilliamculinary.com). For more information, call (904) 516-7098.



**New Garden Club Executive Committee**

Brook Owens, 2014-2015 president of The Garden Club of Jacksonville, with Debbie Byrd, second vice president and resident of Ortega Forest. The other members of the 2014-2015 Executive Committee include Carol Waters, first vice president, Debbie Keller, recording secretary, LaVonne O'Shields, corresponding secretary, Nan Chopskie, treasurer, and trustees Nancy Mahon, Charlene Hughes, Betsy Powers and Bobby Arnold.



**Magill named Board chair for national philanthropic council**

Avondale resident Sherry Magill, president of the Jessie Ball duPont Fund, has been elected chair of the board for the Council on Foundations, the nation's largest membership organization for philanthropic foundations and corporate giving programs.

Magill was elected to the three-year term as chair by the members of the board at the Council's annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

"The bulk of my career has been devoted to philanthropy and I care deeply about the role of philanthropy and nonprofit organizations in today's democratic society," Magill said. "It is an honor and a great opportunity to serve the Council and the field for the next three years. I am eager to begin."

The Council on Foundations is formed of approximately 1,600 independent, operating,



community, public and company-sponsored foundations and corporate giving programs in the United States and abroad. COF provides the leadership and tools needed by

philanthropic organizations to help them advance the common good.

Magill joined the Jessie Ball duPont Fund as a program officer in 1991, was named executive director in 1993 and president in 2000. She is a founder of the Florida Philanthropic Network and a past member of the boards of the Southeastern Council of Foundations and the Southern Education Foundation.

**Willowbranch Park site of initiative funded by Pajcic & Pajcic**

The Jacksonville law firm of Pajcic & Pajcic donated \$50,000 to fund an urban parks initiative called "Rec 'N Roll Jax" as a pilot project that will employ "old school" practices to keep kids engaged in healthy activities and out of trouble during their break from school this summer.

Three of the 11 parks in the initiative - Johnnie Walker, Scott and Woodstock - are inside the boundary of an area recently



identified by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office for its Operation Ceasefire program. Police announced they will knock on 18,000 doors in Northwest Jacksonville and

enhance their presence in an effort to stop gun-related crime.

"Enforcement is essential after a crime has been committed, but the best way to make the community safer is to prevent crime in the first place," Mayor Brown said. "As a result of this generous donation by Steve Pajcic and the Pajcic & Pajcic law firm, we're providing kids with a safe place to be this summer as well as an opportunity to participate in healthy, productive and fun activities. If kids are doing that, they're staying out of trouble."

Parks participating in the pilot project, which runs through August 15, are: Carvill, Clark, Grunthal, Julius Guinyard, Panama, Pine Forest, Scott, Tallulah, Johnnie Walker, Willowbranch and Woodstock. Pajcic worked with the city to identify parks for the initiative.

**Rosenbloom takes helm as Rotary district governor**



Riverside resident Percy Rosenbloom III began his term as District Governor for Rotary District 6970 on July 1. He joined the Rotary Club of Jacksonville in 1979, serving on the board and as its president in 1998-1999. He has served on the District GSE committee, Assistant Governor, the District Fund and Procedures committee. Rosenbloom also chaired his club's Centennial Coordinating committee from 2010-2012. He is a major donor to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund.

In addition to Rotary, Rosenbloom is active in the North Florida Council of the Boy Scouts of America, where he serves on the Executive Committee; the First Coast YMCA, the North Florida Bicycle Club, and at Riverside Presbyterian Church.

**UNF history professor wins national award**



Dr. Greg Domber, associate professor of history at the University of North Florida, is among a handful of professors across the country and the only professor in Florida to recently have been awarded a \$60,000 Strategy and Policy Fellowship by the Smith Richardson Foundation.

The Avondale resident has been a faculty member at UNF since 2008 and teaches "Craft of the Historian" and courses on American foreign policy, the international history of the Cold War and post-World War II domestic American social and political history. His scholarship focuses on American democracy promotion at the end of the Cold War, and he is the author of "Empowering Revolution: America, Poland and the End of the Cold War." He has also published articles and chapters in the Journal of Cold War Studies, The Polish Review and numerous edited volumes.

Domber is in Washington D.C. at the National Archives using the fellowship to further his research on his new book "Cultivating Moderates: American Exchange Programs, Social Networks and the Negotiated Revolutions of 1989/1990."

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### Anderson appointed Assistant Head of School

Beville Anderson was appointed as the Assistant Head of School for St. Mark's Episcopal Day School, beginning her tenure July 1. The Ortega resident taught pre-kindergarten at St. Mark's from 2003 – 2005, and for the past six years has worked with students and faculty in Christian education, guidance and service learning. Anderson was part of St. Mark's pilgrimage to Israel in October 2011 and helped establish global connections with two schools in Israel. This summer Anderson will be attending the 21st Century Learning Academy, and was selected as a 2014 Summer Fellow of Vanderbilt University's Independent School Leadership program. She received her bachelor's degree from Vanderbilt University and her master's degree in education from Duquesne University.



### Local attorneys honored

The Florida Bar honored 203 attorneys for 50 years of dedication to the practice of law during a luncheon at The Florida Bar's Annual Convention at the Boca Raton Resort & Club on June 27. Among those honored were area residents William O. Birchfield, William J. Deas III, George D. Gabel Jr., Mattox S. Hair and J. Frank Surface, Jr.

To be recognized, attorneys must be members in good standing of The Florida Bar and attain their 50th anniversary of admittance to the practice of law in 2014.

## A big move for O'Steen Volvo

The O'Steen Automotive Group partners celebrated the Grand Opening of the new O'Steen Volvo location at 10863 Philips Highway. Patrons were invited to enjoy hors d'oeuvres and libations while having an opportunity to greet the staff, the O'Steen family and the executive team at Volvo North America. Helping cut the ribbon are Harold O'Steen, Tom O'Steen, Hal O'Steen, Anthony Nicolosi president and CEO of Volvo Cars of North America and Mark O'Steen. The Grand Opening celebration was held May 29, 2014.



### New face for dentistry in neighborhood

When Dr. Jillian Medure looked to make her next career move her own dental practice, she plotted the steps to her goal and received a referral to explore an opportunity in Avondale. During a visit with longtime neighborhood dentist T. Douglas Splane, the meeting led them to explore an opportunity.

After discovering a mutual admiration for the way in which they believe dentistry should be practiced, they formed a team. With patient focused care at the forefront, Dr. Medure is proud that their mutual vision has aligned perfectly. "We don't cut corners here," said Dr. Medure, referring to the

quality of the labs they use as well as the equipment and supplies they work with.

The timing couldn't have been better and in the words of Dr. Splane, the passion he has for dentistry won't stop any time soon. "As you have often heard me say, I love what I do, and I do not want to stop practicing dentistry and so I will remain in this practice, working alongside Dr. Medure on a part-time basis," wrote Splane on the company website. "Cindi, Patricia, Suzanne, and Regina are all joining me in welcoming Dr. Medure to the neighborhood and to our patient care family."



### Avondale resident promoted to CMC vice president

Compass Management and Consulting has promoted Avondale resident Shannon O'Leary to vice president. O'Leary moved from New York City in 2005 to Jacksonville, where she began working at CMC for the Florida Society of Ophthalmology, the American Retina Foundation and the National Lipid Association. O'Leary oversaw grant and program development critical to the company's success. In her new position she will oversee the entire vision of CMC and its sister organization Leadingstar Events and Media to move the company into its next stage of growth. O'Leary is a graduate of Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ.



### Districts welcome M Shack

The rumors are true, according to M Shack partner Steve Schaefer, who confirmed that M Shack is coming to Riverside – to the newly renovated 5 Points Village to be exact. Schaefer, who had just finished meeting with the designers, said that the restaurant would fit in well with 5 Points. He expects to be open mid-November.

In the meantime, the M Shack catering truck is attracting new customers as it does double duty during non-catering gigs. Parked on the site of the former Take-Away Gourmet across from Matthew's Restaurant, M Shack's food truck sells for take-out or dining on the patio. Although there is no inside seating in their food commissary, diners can use the restrooms.



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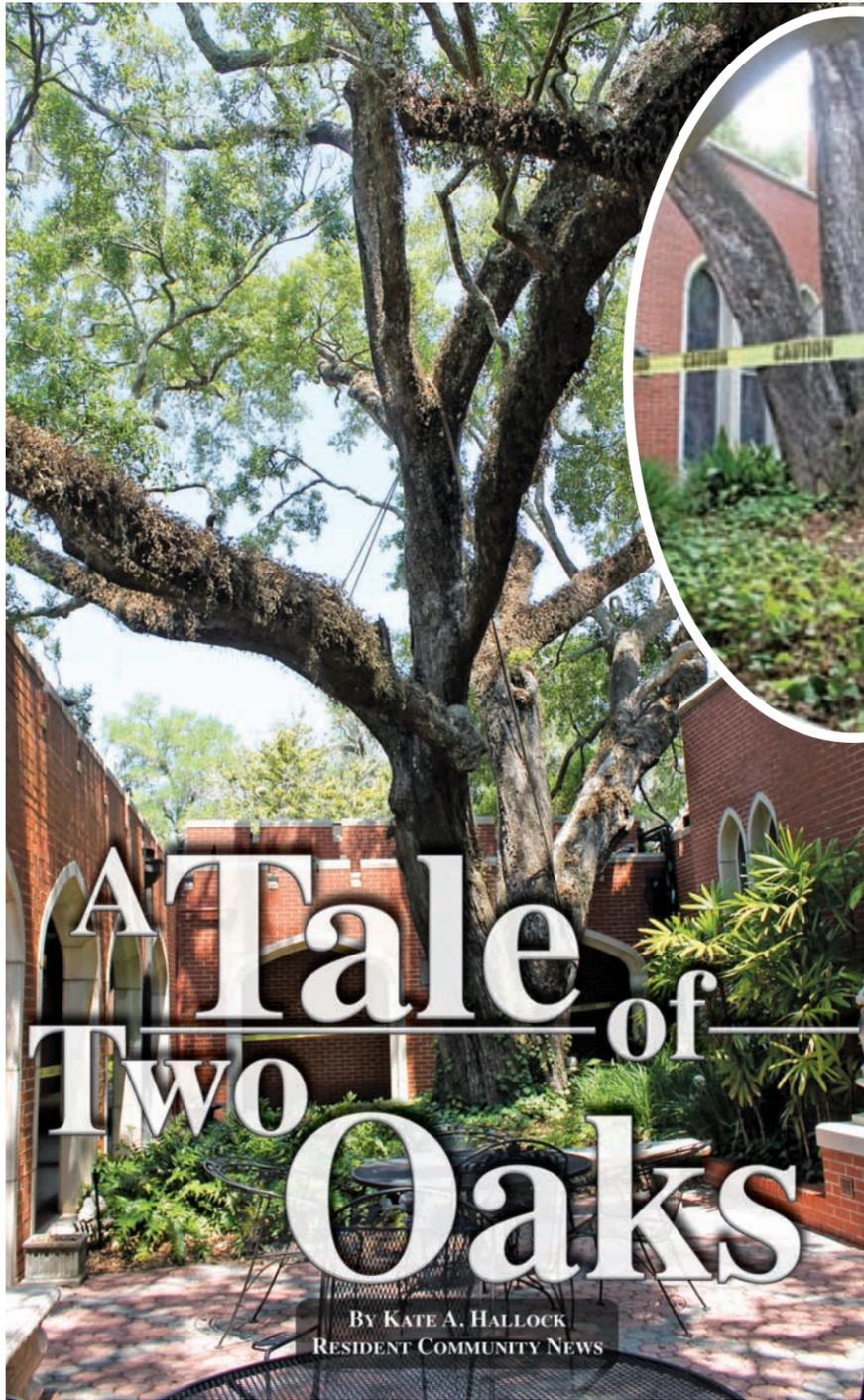


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# A Tale of Two Oaks

By KATE A. HALLOCK  
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Hurricane season brings more than the threat of wind and water damage to area homes and businesses. Jacksonville's "rainy season" has been known to bring once majestic oaks to their knees and the past several weeks has proven that to be the case locally.

The grand old live oak that sits inside the courtyard at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Ortega has, after a century and a half or more, finally succumbed to age, disease or the elements, or a combination thereof.

In late May a powerful storm – or perhaps a lightning strike – resulted in a catastrophic break to an enormous limb, which came to rest on the roof of Leatherbury Hall.

Some estimate the age of the oak tree – actually three trees grown together, according to the arborist – to be anywhere from 150 to 300 years old. Relatively speaking, then, its time as a provider of shade and beauty for parishioners at St. Mark's has been less than a century.

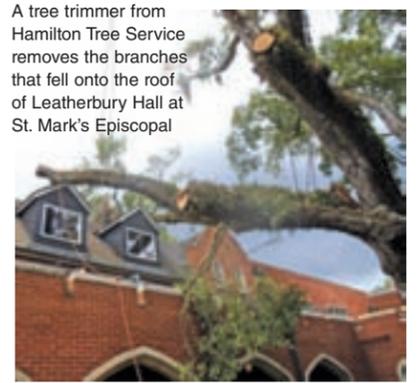
Tree trimmers from Hamilton Tree Service arrived on June 11 to begin the task of removing the branch, then later the tree. According to St. Mark's rector, Rev. Jonathan Coffey, "If any good can come out of this, it is that we are endeavoring to work with a local expert in architectural woodworking to save and treat the wood to build a cross for the Chapel Transept wall."

Terry Eason, the artist who rendered all the woodwork in the Sanctuary and Chapel, will create a cross similar in design to the crosses he made for the worship spaces. "This cross will be a permanent reminder of the great oak that stood guard over St. Mark's for so many years," said Coffey in a letter to his congregation.

## No harm from fall

Two weeks later a live oak in Boone Park lost its battle with any of the factors that can cause these super canopies to weaken, and fell with a mighty crack, landing in the southbound land of St. John's Avenue at Van Wert. Mid-afternoon on June 2, children playing in Boone Park heard a sound like a gunshot, only to turn around and see the top of the tree in the road.

Had it fallen the other way, it may have injured kids playing in the park. Fortunately, there were no cars in the path of the falling tree on St. John's Avenue.



A tree trimmer from Hamilton Tree Service removes the branches that fell onto the roof of Leatherbury Hall at St. Mark's Episcopal



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"Terrance brings them all back, he's the route to Jacksonville," said host Steve Halverson, as he showered praise upon the founder and artistic director of the group. Halverson mentioned a staggering statistic in his remarks; that, of all the symphony players around the world, less than %1

are African American. The Halversons lead by example and encourage others to provide financial support in order to help strengthen the musical talent pool. Halverson recognized Delores Barr Weaver, who couldn't be present, as The Delores Barr Weaver Fund will match, dollar for dollar, the dollars that are raised on behalf of the players.

The Ritz Chamber Players were founded in 2002 by Terrance Patterson, a clarinetist and talented organizer of the eclectic group. The Ritz Chamber Players perform a landmark subscription series at the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts in town. For more information or to show your support visit [www.ritzchamberplayers.org](http://www.ritzchamberplayers.org)



Steve and Diane Halverson with Ritz Chamber Players Artistic Director Terrance Patterson

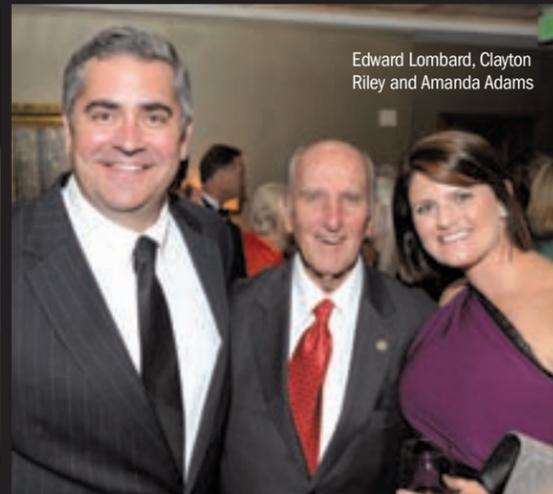


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Today, it is still sought after for dining, and it's still highly touted as one of the greatest views of the entire city. The views are only rivaled by the interior beauty which consists of glistening chandeliers, warm woods, rich fabrics and a world class art collection. A grand staircase affords an elegant ascendance to the 13,000 square-foot second floor of the Club. The 60th Anniversary Celebration was held May 30, 2014 honoring the earliest members and celebrating the future growth of the club.



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## WOMAN'S CLUB PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIPS TO FIVE LEE STUDENTS

The Woman's Club of Jacksonville celebrated the completion of its first "Young Women Internship" program at a luncheon in late April when it presented \$1,000 scholarships to five graduating Robert E. Lee High School seniors.

The girls participated in the year-long program at Lee, meeting monthly with club members at the media center to set educational and personal goals, develop leadership skills, prepare for interviews, practice public speaking and learn finance. Laura Crooks and Tamer Britton mentored the program and presented scholarships to girls in the program who maintained a 3.0 grade point average and were accepted at the college or university of her choice. The Woman's Club has a long and distinguished history in Jacksonville in support of public education, health care, recreation and other community needs.

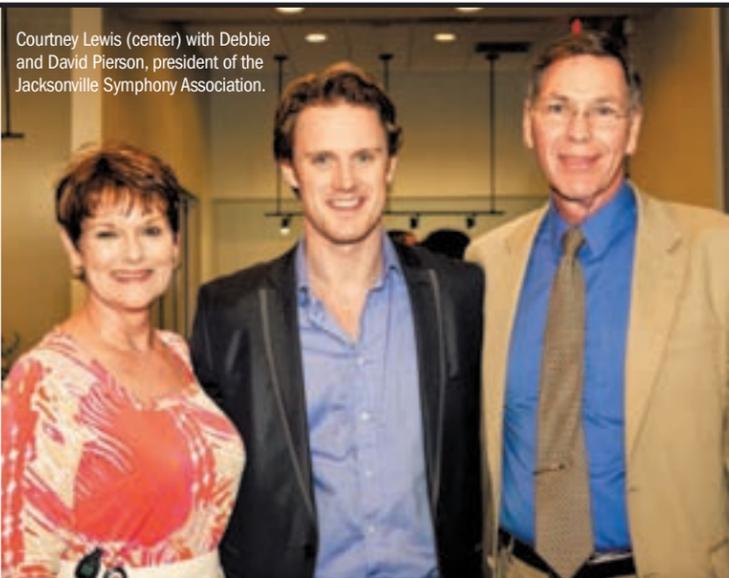


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## NEW SYMPHONY DIRECTOR CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY WITH PATRONS

Courtney Lewis (center) with Debbie and David Pierson, president of the Jacksonville Symphony Association.

Photos by Tiffany Manning



Courtney Lewis received a warm Jacksonville welcome upon his announcement as the new music director of the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra. The following day, which was his 30th birthday, Courtney was honored with a birthday cake celebration at the Main Library Downtown.



Courtney Lewis with City Councilmembers Greg Anderson, At-large Group 4, and Bill Gulliford, president.

More than 50 distinguished guests attended the free event at The Lounge at 303 North. While Lewis is also serving as assistant conductor of the New York Philharmonic, he has expressed interest in having a residence in the Riverside/Avondale area in the near future.

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## ENLIGHTENED SPINACH Salad

Chef Tyson Gerhardt, **Mellow Mushroom**

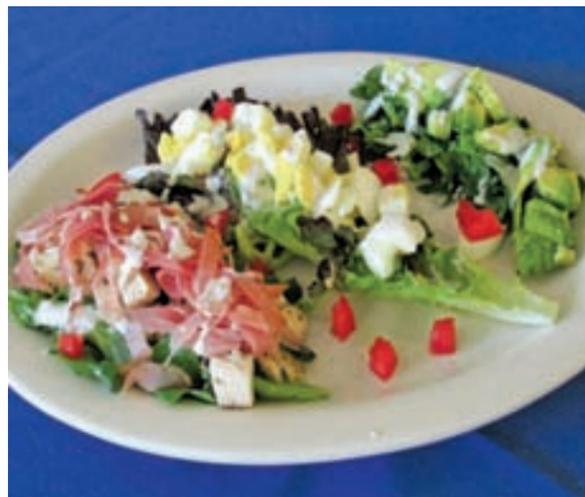
Fresh spinach topped with dried cherries, apples, homemade candied pecans and feta cheese.



## LIGHT Summer Salad

Chef Scott King, **Blue Fish**

Toss spring lettuce, red leaf, arugula, and watercress in a sherry vinaigrette, then top with chopped egg, Add fresh herb grilled chicken, prosciutto, diced avocado, and poached tomatoes, Drizzle with blue cheese dressing and serve with grilled rosemary focaccia bread.



## QUINOA Tabouli

Chef Fernando Silveira, Catering by Liz Grenamyer

Prepare the following ingredients: 2-1/2 cup cooked quinoa, 1 bunch chopped fresh Italian parsley, 1 hot house cucumber, peeled, seeded and diced, 1/4 cup each minced Vidalia onion and quartered grape tomatoes, 1/8 cup red bell pepper, finely diced, 2 tablespoons chopped chives, 1 table-spoon lemon zest, 1 teaspoon each Kosher salt and pepper. Emulsify 1/8 cup lemon juice with 1/4 cup olive oil. Toss with all prepped ingredients, season to taste. Serve chilled; yields 5 cups.



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## CREOLE SEAFOOD

### Pasta Salad

Chef Anrique Narciso, **The Windsor**

**Creole Seasoning** – Mix the following ingredients together, store in airtight container.

- 1 tablespoon each onion powder, garlic powder, dried oregano and dried basil
- 2 teaspoons each dried thyme, black pepper, white pepper, cayenne pepper
- 2 tablespoons paprika • 1-1/2 tablespoons salt

**Pasta Salad** – Prepare 1 pound gemelli pasta, drain, cool. Cook 1/2 pound each of shrimp, peeled and deveined, peeled crawfish tails, lump crab meat and pound lobster claw and knuckle; sauté in fresh bacon bits, then chill. In large bowl, combine pasta and seafood with 1 cup mayonnaise, 1/2 cup buttermilk or Greek yogurt, 1 tablespoon lemon juice or apple cider vinegar, 1 tablespoon sugar. Add 3 tablespoons creole

seasoning and 2 tablespoons fresh chopped parsley, then add 1/2 bunch thinly sliced green onion, 1/2 cup sweet bell pepper brunoise, 1 tablespoon jalapeno brunoise, 1 tablespoon Old Bay seasoning. Toss, taste, adjust seasoning, salt and pepper if needed. Serve immediately on a bed of Bibb lettuce, thinly sliced cucumber wrapped in thin tomato slice. Can be refrigerated to allow flavors to develop. Serves 6-8.

## THAI-STYLE BEEF AND FRUIT Salad

Chef Jim Lee, **Arbor Terrace**

**Marinade and Dressing:** 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt, 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper, 4 cups lime juice, 2 teaspoons sugar, 1 clove garlic, minced. Combine lime juice, sugar, garlic, kosher salt and pepper in a large bowl and whisk until blended in to a dressing. Set aside 1/2 cup of lime dressing to serve with finished product. Using the remaining dressing mixture, marinate six ounces beef sirloin under refrigeration overnight.

**Vegetables:** Sauté until transparent 1/2 cup yellow squash, 1 small green bell pepper, 1 small red bell pepper, 1/2 cup red onion. Add 1 cup rice noodles, 1/4 cup lightly packed fresh cilantro and 1/4 cup lightly packed torn fresh mint and simmer for 10 minutes to cook the noodles and then let cool.

**Beef Prep:** Pull marinated beef and cook thoroughly and allow to cool. Using a grinder, blend in beef, sautéed items and noodle mixture, along with 1/2 cup cucumber, 1/4 cup mandarin oranges, 1/4 cup apricots and 1/2 cup shredded coconut; grind in to a large bowl. Add 1/2 cup panko breading to the ground mixture and mix together by hand until evenly distributed. Form the mixture in the desired shape and place on a wax paper-lined sheet pan.

**Mold Prep:** Prepare one package unflavored gelatin according to directions and immediately cover the shaped food with a light glaze so the food holds its shape. Allow to chill for at least two hours before serving.



**Plating:** Using one cup broccoli slaw mixture, line the base of the plate to use as the “nest” – can also use shredded lettuce. Place the chilled formed food mixture on the plate and garnish with fresh sliced mango. Place the reserved lime dressing in a ramekin on the plate. Serve immediately. Nutritional information per 10 oz. serving: 150 calories; 3 g fat; 18 mg cholesterol; 16 g carbohydrates; 15 g protein; 3 g fiber; 460 mg sodium.

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# Delicious Destinations Plans Revealed, Underway

In local culinary circles, when the phrase “Delicious Destinations” is mentioned, there is a momentary hush. Supporters of St. Vincent’s Healthcare Foundation smile as they savor the memory of exquisite food and wine experiences they’ve enjoyed in the past at Delicious Destinations, a fabulous four-day annual fundraiser for St. Vincent’s Community Outreach Programs.

“Top chefs from across the nation come here free of charge and contribute their time and talent year after year,” said Jane R. Lanier, CFRE, President and System Chief Development Officer of St. Vincent’s Healthcare Foundation. Now in its 13th year, Delicious Destinations has indeed become the Southeast’s premiere destination for scrumptious cuisine, with four days of fine wine and delectable dining flavored by philanthropy that lasts all year long.

Led by event partners, The Ponte Vedra Inn & Club and Southern Wine & Spirits of North Florida, Delicious Destinations benefits St. Vincent’s Mobile Health Outreach Ministry, Faith Community Nursing, School Nurse Program, Seton Center for Women & Infant’s Health, Mobile Mammography, Emergency Pregnancy Services, Good Samaritan Fund, Kids Together Against Cancer (KTAC), and more.

The annual combination of cuisine and charitable giving has inspired some of the nation’s finest chefs to create a marathon of marvelous dining experiences, and this year is no exception. “There is a soft

spot in the heart of every chef,” says the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club’s Executive Chef Hermann Muller, noting that “the opportunity to give back to the community and showcase what you do best—is irresistible.” Hermann Muller, Host Chef and one of the founders of the fundraiser, along with Jane Lanier, annually coordinate the chefs and the menus. “Years ago, I called fellow chefs to participate. Now they call me,” Muller said.

With this year’s theme, “Beach Life”, and the inviting bywords Rejuvenate, Relax, Renew and Refresh, the first event will be a “Wine Dinner ‘Fit’ For the Stars” created



Chef Hermann Muller

by renowned Chef AJ (Abbie Jaye) from Los Angeles, California, and Executive Chefs Johnny Vines and Jason McDonald of FreshJax. Author of the book Unprocessed and a contributor to the #1 New York Times Bestseller, Forks Over Knives, Chef AJ and Chefs Vines and McDonald will present a brand new plant-based menu where “good taste meets good health” in a

unique wine dinner at Epping Forest Yacht Club at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 3rd. The flavorful dishes are guaranteed to delight every palate.

On September 4th, the Celebrity Chef Reception and Luncheon by the Sea at 11:30 a.m. at the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club

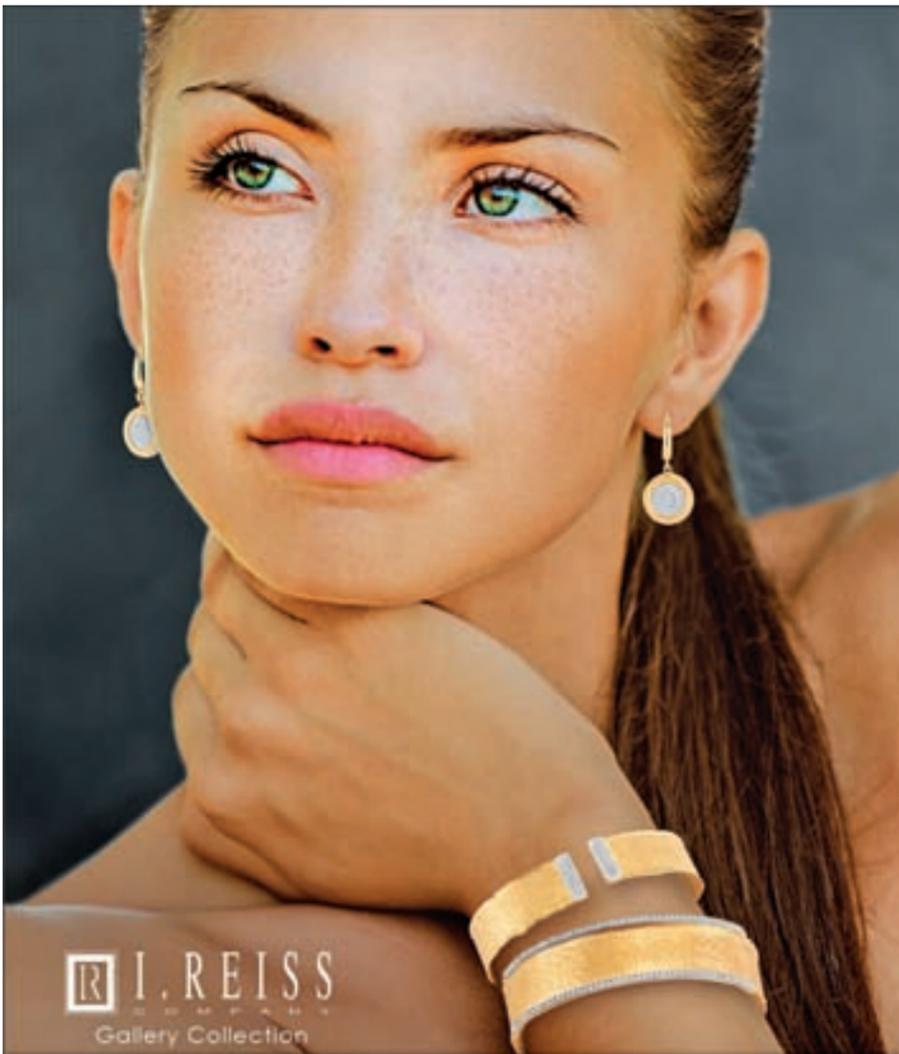
will feature honored guest Daniel Zeal, chef de cuisine at the Georgian Room, the signature restaurant at The Cloister at Sea Island. A Jacksonville native, Chef Zeal is passionate about farm-to-table ingredients and was instrumental in The Cloister earning the coveted Forbes Five-Star award. With Chef Zeal’s impressive talent and the pairing of fine wines and fresh ingredients, this luncheon promises to be both memorable and meaningful.

Executive Chef Kevin Sbraga, winner of Bravo’s Top Chef (Season 7) Washington, D.C., and chef-owner of Sbraga, a modern American restaurant on the Avenue of the Arts in Philadelphia, will be the guest of honor at the Sponsors’ Private Reception with the Chefs on Friday, September 5th, 7 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club. Sbraga and other executive chefs from world-renowned resorts and restaurants will mingle with event sponsors (\$2500 and up) while sampling culinary masterpieces prepared by Executive Chef Hermann Muller of the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club.

The main event, Delicious Destinations – A Gourmet Food and Wine Tasting on Saturday, September 6th at 7 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club, will feature creations by more than a dozen fabulous chefs paired with fine wines provided by Southern Wine & Spirits of North Florida. The intimacy of Delicious Destinations, as the chefs share their stories, their secrets and their talent, is unforgettable. The benefit to St. Vincent’s Healthcare Outreach Programs is priceless.



To become a sponsor of Delicious Destinations or to make reservations for any of the events, please contact Angela Gilbert in the St. Vincent’s HealthCare Foundation Office at (904) 308-7306 or [Angela.Gilbert@jaxhealth.com](mailto:Angela.Gilbert@jaxhealth.com).



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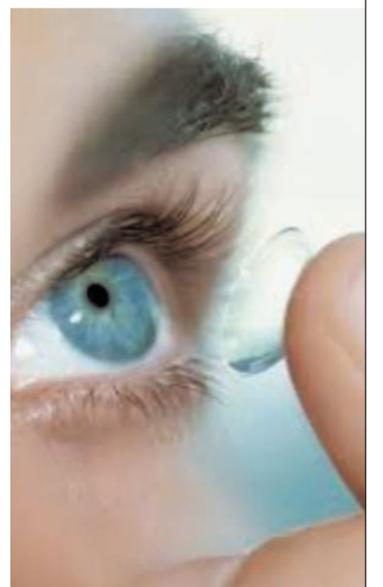
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# JU's floating classroom enables further study of marine biology

BY LORRIE DEFRAK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Starting this fall, Jacksonville University's floating classroom will plow full speed ahead loaded with young scientists studying the St. John's River and the life it supports.

Although dedication of the 48- by 12-foot pontoon laboratory and its new dock made a big splash at JU last January, the boat has been undergoing Coast Guard certifications and other operations in preparation for its full-time launching this coming semester, according to Dr. Quinton White, executive director of the university's Marine Science Research Institute (MSRI). Summer activities include classes and a youth marine camp.

Until now, very few students were able to go on the river to study it at the same time, and they had limited resources.

"We have small boats that hold two to three students, but this will hold 28, so we can take an entire class to do hands-on work on the river, which we have never been able to experience before," said White, who lives in San Jose. "I don't know of other schools that have this."

Built specifically for the MSRI by Trident Pontoons as a nautical classroom and lab, the boat is equipped for trawling, water quality and bottom sampling, observing manatees and dolphins, and various related activities.

Similar to the water taxis that transport people across the St. John's River downtown, JU's pontoon is identifiable

at a distance by its distinctive white and forest green awning, and up close by its sophisticated dredge and other equipment that give area marine science and biology students a significant academic advantage.

The boat's new captain Gary Kirkland compared it to a small barge with a platform so sturdy that students and their instructors are able to do bottom sampling and actually look at freshly caught plankton through microscopes while it is still running. A trawl net and holding areas allow them to catch and study small fish and other animals.

No stranger to the St. John's, Kirkland is retired from the Duval County School System where he most recently taught marine biology and oceanography at Fletcher High School. A former captain of the Annabelle Lee riverboat, he grew up near the Trout River and once kept a boat in Ortega.

White said the MSRI works with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) on dolphin research and is very involved in the St. John's River NOAA PORTS (Physical Oceanographic Real Time Sensors) System that is scheduled to be dedicated later this month. The system has sensors at 19 locations – including JU, Southbank Riverwalk and Acosta Bridge – that will provide meteorologic and oceanographic data.

White expressed appreciation for the generosity of donor families that helped make the dream of a floating classroom a reality. The more than \$500,000 cost of the boat and dock was



Dr. Quinton White and the Larkin

funded largely by JU alumnus W.C. Gentry and JU trustees Lawrence Kurzius and Chuck Wodehouse. The pontoon is named the Larkin after Kurzius' daughter who was a marine science graduate from JU.

Likely no one is more familiar with the workings of the Larkin than Brooks Busey, JU's go-to guy for maintenance for the floating classroom. Part owner and manager of the Sadler Point Marine Center tucked up under the Roosevelt Boulevard bridge, Busey commended White for his vision and

JU for providing this terrific resource for the City of Jacksonville.

Busey is a former board member of the St. Johns Riverkeeper where his wife, Jennie, works as education director. "This floating classroom is a neat way to get students out on the river and experience the river," he said. "People are not going to care about the river unless they are exposed to it. This serves that purpose."

"It's almost limitless what we can do," said White. "This is a great boat that exceeded our expectations."

## Second Parry son wins annual scholarship



Every year since the Clay Roberts Inshore Slam began in 2008, the Parry family has participated. In 2013, Hunter Parry received the Clay Roberts Memorial Scholarship and then, unbelievably, the 7th annual scholarship was awarded to Will Parry. Even when Terry Roberts' final words before announcing the winner were "And boy, this kid really loves to fish," the Parry family didn't believe that Will would win it. "It's humbling, an honor and heartbreaking at the same time," said Lynne Parry, mother of the two scholarship winners, "that the Roberts' tragedy turned into our joy." Front, Casey Roberts, Sophia Parry, Julia Parry, Terry Roberts; back, Lynne Parry, Hunter Parry, Will Parry, Billy Parry and Gary Roberts. For details on the tournament results, visit <http://www.inriverocean.org/come-fish-with-clay/tournament-winners/>

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# TWO KEY CITY OFFICES WORK TO BRING BUSINESS TO JACKSONVILLE

And they're off! Number 33, CL-Alpha, ended the weekend in the lead. Photo credit: Powerboat P1

Powerboat races draw visitors to City, crowds to river banks

Coming on the heels of sporting successes with the recent Powerboat P1 races on the St. John's River and the U.S. vs Nigeria Soccer match at EverBank Field, followed by the popular Florida Country Superfest, you may well wonder "what's next for Jacksonville?"

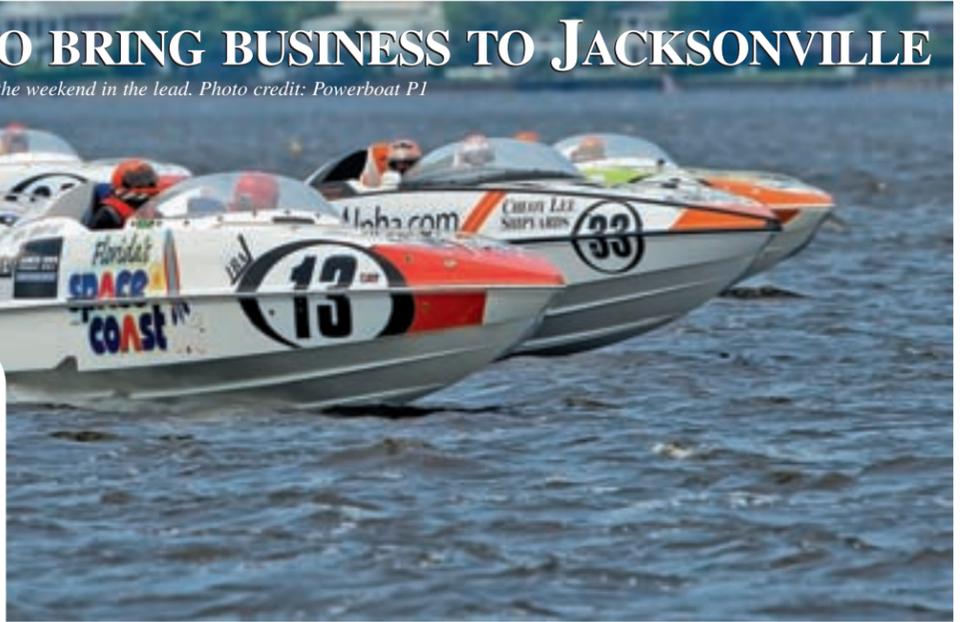
The Powerboat P1 race is one of several events that help the Office of Economic Development pitch Jacksonville to companies outside Northeast Florida, by putting Jacksonville on the map and showing a broader, more creative view of the City, according to Ted Carter, executive director of the OED. "So many visitors comment 'I didn't know all this was here,'" said Carter. "This will create an impression that advances our cause to attract more companies to Jacksonville."

After meeting last year in London with Powerboat P1 Management Ltd, that team visited Jacksonville to explore the opportunity to race on the St. John's. Touted as the "Grand Prix of the Sea" and first powerboat race on the river in nearly 30 years,

Carter said "It was a huge success. We are pleased with the number of people who were in attendance and who were out on the river enjoying it."

As for what's next, Carter emphasized that he and Mayor Alvin Brown are committed to identifying events that will be attractive and sustainable for the City. Along that vein, Mayor Brown announced late last month that Jacksonville will host another huge event at EverBank Field on July 26. The sports and entertainment spectacular includes a Major League Soccer match and a concert featuring Carrie Underwood, a country music superstar – as well as the unveiling of the world's largest video boards at EverBank Field.

Concurrent with the Mayor's announcement was the news that the City's Office of Sports and Entertainment will report directly to the Mayor, with a key role in public-private partnerships that are focused on attracting top-tier events. Jacksonville was recently awarded the Southeastern Conference 2016 Women's Basketball Tournament, which will be played at Veterans Memorial Arena.



## Enjoyment of St. John's River never grows old

Residents in Northeast Florida have enjoyed the St. John's River for a variety of leisure and sporting activities for years. In June 1973 the American Power Boat Race, a marathon race which lasted two hours, took place in the river off NAS Jacksonville. The winner, averaging 95 miles an hour raced with twin 150 horsepower Mercury motors. The purse in the event was \$3,000 and it drew a crowd of 10,000 spectators.

Out of 51 boats, which included # 96 piloted by Hugh James of Riverside, in the 10 classes of competition, two flipped, two sank, and nine dropped out due to the mechanical



malfunctions. The powerboat races were popular for years until a deadly accident in 1987 brought them to a close.

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Water skiers are shown here back in the 1970s with large kites enabling them to take flight during their runs.



Hugh James, Riverside resident, spent a good share of his time on the river and was a well-known water skier capable of barefoot skiing.

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# Classic boat cruise an annual tradition for wooden boat lovers

Laurie and Guy Marvin III get under way on the St. John's River Cruise with friend Mike Favilla in their 1936 Chris-Craft Triple Cockpit Runabout Majestic.

BY DOUG MILNE

Summer has arrived, but this ship, so to speak, has sailed. Nonetheless, it's a story to be told and more so a vision to behold.

Each March, under the guidance of Guy Marvin III, the St. John's River Cruise-South draws antique boaters to North Florida from all over America and Canada to spend a week on the St. John's River. It didn't always leave the big, proverbial wake it does today, however.

Earlier this year, the Cruise celebrated 27 years of existence, 18 under the leadership of Marvin. In its nascency, the Cruise was limited primarily to Florida boaters. As it grew in popularity, so too did its size and scope beyond the state line. National publications from *Wooden Boat Magazine* to *Classic Boating* featured the Cruise, and it became the subject of a documentary a few years back.

"Over the years, we've had numerous repeat participants," Marvin said. In fact, several have missed only a few in the event's history. "That speaks louder than words. I'm frequently told by boaters that this is the best cruise they have ever been on. That says so much about Jacksonville and our magnificent St. John's River." Marvin also noted that there are just a small handful of similar cruises anywhere in the country.

The Florida Sunnyland Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat society, Inc. (ACBS) claims roughly 600 of the 6,500 members, making it the largest chapter in the ACBS.

Each March, the pilgrimage begins at the Florida Yacht Club and weaves its way south and west, ultimately ending up in Sanford. Along the way, boaters stop and dine at some of the area's most renowned restaurants, sleep in the most rustic bed and breakfasts and branch off to sight see at the river's more exquisite off-shoots and historic spots, like Mandarin Point.



In 1864, the 173-foot Union Ship Maple Leaf hit a Confederate mine and sank. Articles salvaged from the ship are on display at the Museum of Science and History in Jacksonville. In 1867, Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, purchased a cottage in Mandarin. Famed English composer Fredrick Delius moved to the Mandarin point area in 1894 managing an orange grove. It was there where he picked up the tones of the workers and wrote his famous *Florida Suites* during this time.

Other stops include Welaka, Oklawaha and Lake George. Once boaters hit Sanford, they trailer to the Sunnyland Chapter Antique Boat Festival on Lake Dora in Tavares.

Visits to the various Springs along the way are also a hit among boaters. The dichotomy of location names like Black Creek and Silver Glen Springs expands the mind and provides a more clear perspective of what the area has to offer with regard to natural beauty and history.

Wildlife abounds every step of the way on the Cruise. Many boaters rarely, if ever, encounter manatees en route to a stop in the bass-fishing capitol of Astor.

To Marvin, the prevailing drive behind his passion is to educate folks on the beauty and history of North Florida, though it's not his only motivation. Marvin's father, who he lost at an early age, had wooden boats.

They became steps in which Guy III found himself following.

"I've always had an interest in boats and have always admired wooden boats for their grace and beauty," he said. "My son Guy IV and I bought a Chris-Craft in 1994. We took my wife Laurie on the Cruise in 1996 and were completely captivated. The river, the beautiful boats, the people from all over the United States and Canada - from all walks of life, made for such an overwhelming experience."

At the post-Cruise party that year, the director announced his retirement from the position after seven years. With that news, Marvin first entertained to notion of taking over the lead role. The following year, 1997, on his second St. John's River Cruise-South, he was in that role, and has been ever since.

In his welcome packet to this year's boaters, Marvin joked that with this year representing his 18th at the helm, it was "getting close to time to retire, as I've said for the past 10 years." But like so many of the boaters in the annual Cruise, he just keeps returning. That's the thing about the St. Johns River, and thus this realized dream of showcasing it in classic fashion.

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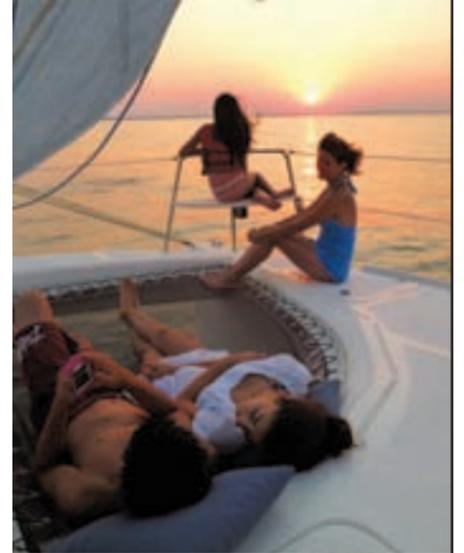
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# Historic YACHT



Massive piece of floating art enjoying new life in Ortega

BY DOUG MILNE

The historical elements which comprise Jacksonville are too many to list. Sometimes, those elements are established as such here and sometimes they stroll into town with an already strong pedigree. Sometimes, they float in.

Adding the 92-foot yacht “Innisfail” to the city’s list of historical gems is something Jacksonville should be proud of. Sure, its size is impressive, but a big boat in Jacksonville is a Starbucks in Seattle. That’s not what moves this needle. The unparalleled history on board when this vessel dropped anchor at Lamb’s Yacht Center would be a feather in the cap for any city.

In the early 1930s, Chicago meat-packing millionaire Joseph M. Cudahy commissioned the Mathis Yacht Building Company in New Jersey to create the masterpiece that now calls Jacksonville home. The work was done by Mathis’ chief designer John Trumpy, whose list of clients included the likes of Dodge, Chrysler, Guggenheim and DuPont. The boat is one of just five remaining pre-war yachts designed by Trumpy.

In a show of honor to his Celtic heritage, Cudahy

named the yacht “Innisfail,” meaning “Island of the Stone” as was Ireland referred to in ancient times.

Early in 1942, German subs sank 71 American ships and destroyed 384,000 tons of cargo. In a move to help protect American shores and shipping channels, America put to use luxury yachts. “Innisfail” was among those called into action.

Re-fitted with two 20 millimeter cannons on deck and a depth charge rack on the stern, in May of 1942 the yacht began patrolling the east coast. That lasted five years. In 1947, “Innisfail” was decommissioned and refurbished back to being a luxury yacht. It remained, however, in government service until 1965, when it again became available for private ownership.

Since then, “Innisfail” has been site of government receptions and formal State events. Guests aboard have included the likes of French statesman Charles de Gaulle, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and U.S. Presidents Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, Nixon and Clinton. Other notables who’ve spent time aboard the yacht include Jackie Gleason, Sammy Davis, Jr. and Walter Cronkite.

A new owner gave “Innisfail” a modern makeover and used it as a charter vessel in South Florida and Chicago, capable of safely holding 70 guests. In 2000, a Charleston businessman bought the boat, researched its original design plans and had his new possession restored to its original, resplendent condition, complete with authentic 1920s and 1930 furniture inside. Six guests sleep comfortably in a master suite and twin staterooms.

For the past few years, “Innisfail” had been awaiting her next owner. Enter Jacksonville and four private owners who call the city home.

“The original goal was to find a Huckins, but that didn’t work out,” said Ross Singletary, one of the boat’s owners. “We saw this Trumpy and immediately fell in love with it. We’ve had it now for about two months.”

With its defining St. John’s River, the Jacksonville

Photo by Brian Cummings



transplant was immediately drawn to water’s vantage points.

“I’ve always loved boating and felt like Jacksonville had something so special for those who appreciated the water,” Singletary said. “The view of Downtown is incredible. With the St. John’s River right here for us, it just doesn’t get better

for boaters. When I moved to Jacksonville, I really didn’t want to take that for granted and lose potential time on the river.”

Naturally, a boat of that size and scope requires constant care and upkeep. For caretaker Rodger McAloon, it’s more passion than price to pay.

“When you walk inside that yacht and have an idea of the history there, it’s just amazing,” McAloon said. “You see all the pictures and details to the craft. Your mind starts wandering. I always wonder about the things that were discussed on that boat, and the range of people discussing those things.”

Beyond the mystique, however, is a massive piece of art. And it’s one that isn’t left in the hands of just anyone.

“There has to be a tremendous amount of trust in place,” he said. “As the one in charge of the boat’s upkeep, you have to ensure all systems are working and taken care of. Whether the work is done directly by

me or someone I bring in to work on it, more than anything, it’s about trust from the owners.”

McAloon not only has that trust, but the Jacksonville native is driven by another motivator – vision.

“The city of Jacksonville should be really proud to have something like this here,” he said. “The beauty and history of this boat are remarkable. People come by all the time and want to have their picture taken in front of it, almost like they’re visiting a national landmark.”

It may not be a national landmark, but the annals of history through which “Innisfail” has sailed makes this story resonate like the epic tale of an American Patriot. “Innisfail” has endured wars, undergone facelifts, answered to multiple owners and glided across countless miles. The boat has come a long way. And look where she docked. Look where home for history to continue is now.

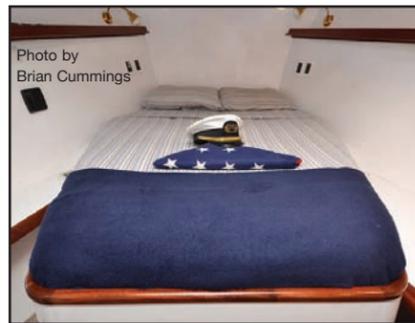


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# No easing into change at local church

## Ortega UMC loses both pastors at once

BY PEGGY HARRELL JENNINGS  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

“May the Lord bless you and keep you, may the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May He lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.”

Rev. Dan Casselberry has given this benediction countless times in his 44 years of Christian service and now Rev. Mike Hudson has bestowed it upon Dan and the congregants of Ortega United Methodist Church.

A “packed house” service honored these two beloved pastors who have shared the pulpit for eight years as Pastor Dan retires and Pastor Mike and Alyson Hudson are reassigned to the next phase of their ministry.

Although excited about the challenge of being assigned to Christ United Methodist Church in Venice, Fla. as senior pastor, Hudson hopes to carry on the wonderful friendship that he and Dan have established over the years saying, “Dan and Cherrie are adopted grandparents to our kids. Dan has been a fantastic pastor and shepherd. His Christian compass and skills have impacted me greatly. Moving is bittersweet – I’ve known some of the people in this church since I was youth director and they were in 7th grade. It’s exciting and sad at the same

time...I’m looking forward to seeing where God will lead us in all this and what He’s going to do—a new church, a new part of the state, a new position!”

Pastor Mike and his family will be greatly missed – from his amusing and enlightening sermons on NASCAR driving, his parables on carrying our burdens like backpacks of heavy rocks (he has hiked the Appalachian Trail for several years with the youth gathering inspiration), his juggling demonstrations to his “On your Mark, get Set, Pray” approach, Mike has impacted many lives in the community and Alyson has been called by Pastor Dan “an unsung hero of the church.”

Cherrie Casselberry, a greatly loved second grade teacher at Stockton Elementary and respected Christian leader, stated “We are retiring from full time ministry but not retiring from life.” She and Dan regard Ortega UMC as their “Camelot “or “little piece of heaven “and both say, “We just could not go to another church. You will get other church leaders but we’ll never have another group of people like the ones we have here at Ortega.”

These two have tons of energy, knowledge and experience to share, so in addition to putting their new house in order (in retirement they own a home for the first time) they may assist their daughter in her counseling practice and volunteer at the United Methodist Children’s Home.

Primarily they are excited about spending time with their family – their grown children and



Pastors Dan Casselberry and Mike Hudson leave worship service at Ortega United Methodist Church as they will leave the congregation’s pulpit to their successors

Cherrie’s mother, as well as going on “double dates “with Dan’s 90-year-old parents – all who live in close proximity to their new home in Deland. Traveling around the Gulf Coast visiting other churches and hearing sermons from their fellow pastors is high on the priority list– Dan laughingly says, “Including the one who will be in Venice!”

As part of the fun and festivities celebrating the pastors’ dedication and leadership, each was presented with a hard hat and a shovel to commemorate the work they have done to promote the new Family Life Center which will be built this fall. Pastor Dan joked in his sermon that, like Moses, he led the people to the Promised Land but now doesn’t get to go in.

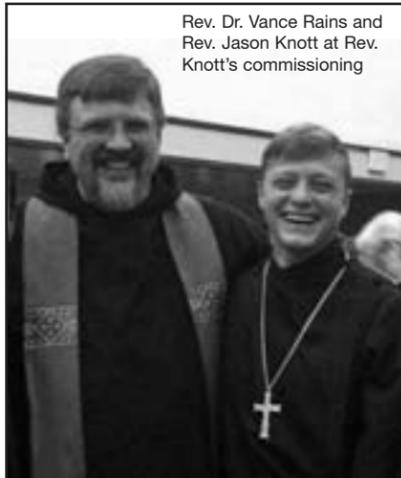
## New pastors signify changes to come

Google Rev. Dr. Vance Rains and up pops a host of references to his ministry, mission and interesting personal information. Self-described as “Husband, Dad, Pastor, Jesus Follower, Occasional Warrior, Bonsai Enthusiast, Harley Rider, etc.” one ponders and wonders at the multiple dimensions of the man who will be stepping into the pulpit at Ortega United Methodist Church.

Rains has been pastor at the Wesley Foundation of Florida State University since 2003, but now he and wife Kelly are excited to become part of the Jacksonville community. He says he plans to “spend a year listening, watching, engaging and learning – the people, the church, the community. God gifts every congregation – we’ll see what the world’s needs are around us and see the possibilities – the passions and gifts of the congregation.”

An academic, he holds a Master of Divinity Degree from Duke University and Ph.D. from Asbury Theological Seminary, but his heart is for the spiritual family of the church. “A family is full of laughter, forgiveness, unwavering support, generosity and love; the church should engage all elements of life, be the center of the community,” he said, “not just on Wednesday and Sunday. It is a gathering of friends. The church’s primary function is to help people become friends in Christ.” His vision includes the church as village.

Joining Pastor Rains will be Associate Pastor Jason Knott and his wife Jenny. Jason served as an intern with Dr. Rains at FSU Wesley Foundation before his commission as a minister in June. Dr. Rains’ first sermon on July 6 will be on Ecclesiastes 3 – appropriately about a season for everything under heaven – including a time of change for Ortega UMC.



Rev. Dr. Vance Rains and Rev. Jason Knott at Rev. Knott's commissioning



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# Oh, to be a superhero or princess for a day

Fishweir Elementary School student Kinsey Tumlin loves to dance and sing. She does this despite being born with a congenital heart defect that has required three surgeries to date. Although Kinsey functions with just half a heart – the right side did not develop properly while in the womb – the spunky little third grader doesn't let it slow her down.

Kinsey was one of 30 children chosen by Dreams Come True to participate in the ultimate Dream Day on June 7. In conjunction with PRI Productions and the help of many sponsors, the foundation celebrated its 30th anniversary during a day-long party with children battling life-threatening illnesses.

Beginning with the VIP ride – in limousines or classic cars – from the staging area at the Hilton Garden Inn—Southbank to PRI Productions on Kings Avenue, the boys and girls were greeted by Willie Wonka and dozens of costumed characters clapping along the red carpet.

Once inside, each child was given a costume to wear of his or her favorite



Aargh! Mermaid Kinsey Tumlin wasn't afraid of this pirate, posing happily in mermaid costume

superhero or princess and then the fun began in earnest. PRI Productions, celebrating its 20th anniversary, turned its studios and offices into an enchanted getaway that didn't quit. Kinsey's parents, Scott and Shannon Tumlin, said "This is a topnotch, totally immersive experience. It was more than we expected...and then some."

The experience couldn't have happened without the Dream Teams – sponsors who contributed financially or in-kind toward the event and for the \$200,000 fundraising goal.

Kinsey and other princesses enjoyed tea with Alice in Wonderland. She received an Ariel doll, one of many gifts distributed on Dream Day



## Sophomores spread sunshine



In honor of Allison Haramis, sophomores Annie Pentaleri and Sarah Page started Camp Sunshine, a summer camp for girls ages five to ten. All profits were donated to the charity Angels for Allison, a total of \$1,000. Both Page and Pentaleri have been a part of Angels for Allison's Junior Board for three years, but wanted to branch out even further to help families in need. At camp, the 24 girls had a blast baking, making crafts, playing games, and learning dances. Pentaleri and Page strived to keep the spirit of Allison Haramis alive through these young girls, but they couldn't have done it without the help of counselors Phoebe Clements, Lucy Milne, Gracie Morales, and Kathryn Williams. After seeing how much the campers enjoyed being a part of the mission to spread the sunshine, the girls agreed that Camp Sunshine would be an annual event.

## Spa holds 5th annual fundraising event

Six area Massage Envy Spa owners proved there is power in numbers. With more than 15,000 members and guests, the 5th Annual Dreams Come True with Massage Envy Spa raised over \$22,000 – setting a new record and bringing their five-year total to almost \$90,000. To date, Massage Envy Spa has sponsored the dreams of 18 children and will add to that number with the funds raised from this recent event.

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# Squeezing lemons for the homeless

Ryleigh Henderson didn't let the 90-degree plus weather deter him from his mission. Manning his Oak Street lemonade stand in the heat of the day for a good cause, the recent graduate from John Stockton Elementary School was raising funds to put together CARE packages for the homeless. By early afternoon he had about 30 customers. "I want to include bottles of water, fruit, Band-Aids and other things that will help them," said Henderson, who plans to give his CARE packages to the Salvation Army. "I hope I get more customers," Henderson said.



# Hidden Money Jax creates a stir in local parks

An anonymous fun-loving soul has been distributing money around Jacksonville, tweeting clues to followers of Twitter account Hidden Money in Jax and encouraging winners to "pay it forward." On June 5, seekers in Riverside and Avondale followed clues first in Boone Park, then again in a greenspace along Willowbranch Avenue looking for envelopes labeled Papa Bear, Mama Bear and Baby Bear, each containing different amounts of cash.

Finders of the hidden cash are encouraged to tweet a photo of their find and share their "pay it forward" event. The person behind the tweets wants residents to "find money, meet

strangers, have fun and do good."

Dylan Pierce of Lakeshore found Mama Bear shortly after 10 a.m. on June 5 while visiting Boone Park with his mother and sister. He didn't know yet what he would do with his \$40 treasure.

The final envelope, labeled Goldilocks, was hidden under the Fuller Warren Bridge, where the Riverside Arts Market is located. Lucky looker Andy Starling found \$100, after first finding Baby Bear in the Willowbranch location. Starling created a little stir among people still searching along Willowbranch because he didn't immediately tweet his find.



Dylan Pierce found one of three Hidden Money envelopes in a tree stump in Boone Park.

# Kids take beds home from EverBank Field sleepover

Kids will take home new beds after the second annual "A Hope to Dream" sleepover at EverBank Field on Friday, Aug. 1. Sleepover participants are selected from "A Hope to Dream" applications and through local child-serving organizations such as MaliVai Washington Kid's Foundation, The JFund, Salvation Army and Daniel Kids. This year Ashley Furniture

HomeStores will double the number to 100 children.

Less than one month later, members of both the Jacksonville Jaguars and Ashley Furniture HomeStores-Jacksonville organizations will fly to London for a similar sleepover at Wembley Stadium on Aug. 30 to host a sleepover for 100 more children.

The "A Hope to Dream" program

began with Howard Fineman's Ashley Furniture HomeStores in Jacksonville in 2010. Since then the program has spread across the country and has donated more than 10,000 Ashley Sleep sets to children in need. Fineman, CEO and Managing Member of Jacksonville's Ashley Furniture HomeStores, stated that he is especially grateful to his customers who he credits

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# GO GIVERS

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA  
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Kathy Houser, a Jacksonville native who lives in her childhood home in Venetia, devotes herself to helping those in trouble change their lives. Her desire is to help women in prison or on work release to find their way back to a normal life as healthy, happy, contributing members of the community. She most enjoys encouraging and helping them to re-start or finish their educations and learn skills necessary for everyday life.

"The theme of forgiveness is so important in all of our lives, not just for these women who have been in prison. Many of them are out now and trying to resume their lives. Some have suffered in the past or still struggle with life difficulties or addictions," she said. "I spend a lot of time talking about how kindness, love, patience, good choices and self-control affect our lives and the lives of everyone around us. I also talk about faith and God's love for us."

Houser volunteers to help women at

Jacksonville's Shisa House, a transitional home for female offenders who are participants in work-release programs. The word "shisa" means strong in the African Bantu Language. Houser is also a Kairos Prison Ministry volunteer. Kairos is a Greek word meaning "in the fullness of time," which suggests that there is always opportunity to re-consider choices or change our lives and it is never too late to try.

KAIROS is a non-profit, free program offered to state and federal institutions, with a curriculum designed to build and encourage positive social character and behavior in men, women and youth who are incarcerated. It also offers programs for those affected by the incarceration of a friend or family member. The goal of the program is to transform lives, so that inmates may become productive citizens upon release.

Houser has gone through two retirements: first in 1997 when she retired from her 16-year Army career in electronics, and 2011 when she retired from working in the family business, Howard

Publications. Her parents, David and Kitty Jo Hickman Howard lived on Baltic Street in Ortega before moving to their Venetia home where they raised Kathy and her three brothers.

Kathy has many skills and interests, but spends most of her time on volunteer efforts. She has worked on newsletters, websites and repairs computers. At age five, she learned needlepoint, knitting and embroidery from her mother and her grandmother taught her to tat. Houser taught herself to crochet. She teaches knitting to a group at her church, Avondale United Methodist. For the past 10 years the group has made and donated



prayer shawls to shut-ins, the ill or bereaved. They also knit lap robes, hats and scarves for the homeless.

She enjoys working jigsaw puzzles by hand or online and appreciates all the help she gets from her beloved rescue golden retriever, Honey. She and Honey can be seen on walks through Venetia, or on playdates with friends and their dogs.

## Getting to know Tristan Morioka

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA  
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After the untimely passing of her parents, Gordon and Sandra Morioka, Tristan Morioka, 23, focused her emotions into ensuring that the inheritance they left her would support good deeds in their memory. Morioka joined AmeriCorps as a North Florida Health Initiative fulltime volunteer after her col-

lege graduation in 2012. At the end of her year of AmeriCorps service she stayed in Jacksonville and continued to help the rural and underserved poor because of the tremendous needs she saw here.

"I always wanted to help poor women and children," she said. "My mother was a Montessori teacher at a school right in the middle of Section 8 Housing (subsidized housing for the very low income, elderly and disabled). She spent hours preparing individualized learning plans, bought whatever they needed - backpacks, pencils, paper - and she always talked to me about her students. She believed poverty and its related problems prevented them from taking full advantage of education compared to other children. I often helped her after school. That experience, and her dedication contin-

ues to inspire me."

Morioka helps people at most of Jacksonville's shelters. She believes the list is not as important as the work being done to find and help the poor. She said that every day she wonders what would happen to them, without help. Her efforts through Medical Home for Homeless Children are an example of how she tries to provide whatever is needed by poor families.

"Poor women and children need many services. In shelters they don't know what to do for their children, how to help them through the difficult situation. They don't know about simple, free activities," she said. "I prepare informational flyers to distribute, help locate playgrounds, parks or libraries, provide books and games. We help with trans-



portation or community resources including health and dental care clinics. There is a tremendous need for mental health services. Parents may need help building their own self-esteem, including information about discipline, health care, hygiene and how to nurture, encourage and parent their children."

The most difficult transition is often leaving the shelter and assimilating into the community, finding housing, jobs or starting school. Morioka said her greatest challenge is trying to stay in touch with clients, to maintain a supportive relationship as long as it's needed. She said there is a constant need for caring individuals willing to help others through any of Jacksonville's shelters.

Morioka plans to attend medical school in the future and is engaged to Chris Wood, a Jacksonville native attending the University of Florida Medical School. The couple met while both were volunteers for AmeriCorps.

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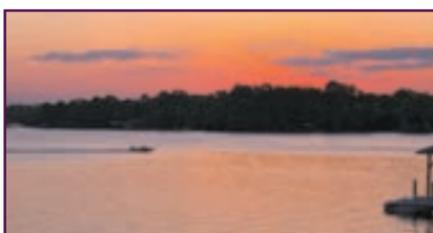
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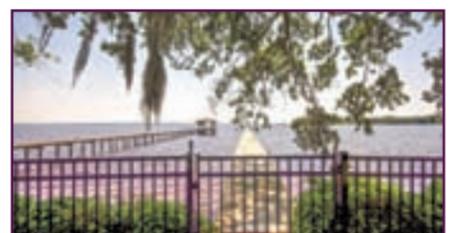
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# Oldest living returned Peace Corps volunteer turns 108 in Avondale

By KATE A. HALLOCK  
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Some people become defined by the era in which they lived; those who are part of The Greatest Generation were defined first by the Great Depression and then by World War II.

Evangeline "Van" Shuler has lived long enough to be defined by several eras, starting with the Roaring Twenties and on up through the Swinging Sixties, and beyond.

With more than a century of living under her belt, Shuler's pioneer spirit and attitude of service melds more than one era into the petite, but spunky, package.

Though now mostly bedridden, Shuler, 108, attributes her longevity primarily to movement. It has only been in the past year, after a fall, that Shuler hasn't been on the go, spending time either at her daughter Lynn Chalmers' Avondale home or back in Seattle, the place where she met and married her high school sweetheart, Henry Shuler.

Born June 4, 1906 in Iowa, Ledora Evangeline Wallace grew up in the Seattle area. After graduating high school, she moved to Chicago to live and work at the Jane Addams Hull House while Henry attended Northwestern, where he earned a Master's degree in music.

The Shulers settled outside Detroit, Mich., and lived there until 1945, when they moved to Merrit Island due to



Van Shuler surrounded by family and friends: left to right, Lynn Chalmers (daughter), Ty Chalmers (grandson), Robyn Hoopes (granddaughter), Jim Harp, Gardner Chalmers (grandson), Carol Kennelly, Doris Crosson, Sunny Reinhardt, BJ O'Quinn, Vanessa Brosnan (granddaughter)

Henry's poor health, and took on the job of caretaker at Dummitt Grove. "We had arrived during a small hurricane. My brother Terry gashed his leg on a barnacle during the storm," Chalmers recalled. "We had to go to Titusville to the hospital, then the bridge washed out; it took a while to get home."

The Shuler family really roughed it. "There was no plumbing in the house; we used a kerosene stove and lanterns," said Chalmers. During mosquito season Shuler would put on a pith helmet, long pants and long sleeves to wash the laundry, Chalmers shared. "She had that pioneer spirit."

Shuler served as postmistress at the Indian River City post office while her husband worked as a band director at Titusville High School, then following nine months in a tuberculosis sanitarium, he worked as a librarian. "They were very involved in the community,"

said Chalmers of her parents. "One of our friends said 'When the Shulers came to town they brought a fresh wind with them.' They had a lot of ideas for fundraising and volunteer work."

Her pioneering spirit and passion for volunteering led Shuler first to India, where she and Henry served in the Peace Corps from 1967 to 1969. "They went to a remote village to help with nutrition," Chalmers related. "They were innovative and remembered how it was to do without plumbing and electricity." Shuler is considered the oldest living Returned Peace Corps Volunteer in the United States.

After her husband died in 1969, Shuler returned to Seattle, where she became engrossed in dancing. "Her mother danced every day at the senior centers, so Van got very good at the tango, the rhumba – and would go sometimes twice a day and then again in the evening," her daughter shared. "It became a passion. When her eyesight failed, she took the bus to get to the senior centers. She would climb hills to the bus stops, and stand out in the rain, to get to her dances."

Dancing and ElderHostel trips took Shuler to all 50 states and nearly every region of the world, including Russia, China, India, Africa, Vietnam, Europe and even Antarctica, when she was in her 80s.

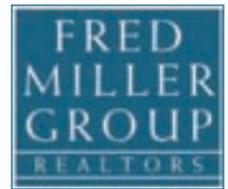
What kept her young? "She would say 'Keep moving! Be involved in life! Learn new things, travel,'" said Chalmers.

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# The Way we Were

## Dixie Hardman

BY SUSAN D. BRANDENBURG  
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Back in the late 1950s, when good taste and quality fashion were more important than the newest thing, Dixie Hardman's stylish Aunt Gilda took her school shopping to stores like Sablow's and Bolun's in Jacksonville to find matching cashmere sweaters and skirts. By the time Dixie graduated from Robert E. Lee High School, her passion for fashion led her to seek a degree in fashion design at the University of Florida.

"Most nice girls went to FSU back then," says Dixie, "but I was allowed to go to the University of Florida because my big brother, Al Hardman, promised to look out for me." With a rumored ratio of seven men to each woman, Dixie's brother had his work cut out for him. "Al watched over me – that's for sure! He screened all my dates!"

Dixie's hopes were dashed when the University's Fashion Design Class was cancelled, but not for long. She majored in marketing instead and eventually went into a



Dixie and her brother Al

fabulously successful fashion career as a buyer for some of the finest department stores in the nation.

Her first job was in Miami at Jordan Marsh of Florida. She then worked for Battlestein's in Houston, Texas, and then Neiman Marcus in Dallas. Stanley Marcus, known as "the merchant prince of Neiman Marcus," was on vacation the day she came to interview for a position as buyer, so she interviewed with her future boss in his famed Dallas home at 1 Nonesuch Place. "It was full of the contemporary furniture he

loved," she remembers, noting that Stanley Marcus became her friend and mentor as well as her employer.

As a buyer for Neiman Marcus, and later for I. Magnin in San Francisco, Dixie traveled twice a year to Europe, meeting designers in Milan and Paris and buying their seasonal creations. She was once written up in the Florida Times-Union as being in attendance at a high society party given by Bill Blass in New York City, and remembers a hometown friend commenting on the article and inquiring about how long she had been dating Bill Blass.

"Obviously, the big names in fashion were not too well known in Jacksonville," grins Dixie. However, when she later was compelled by family reasons to move home permanently, she found she had worried needlessly about losing her social and professional standing in the fashion industry.

As a buyer at Furchgott's Department Store downtown, Dixie enjoyed all of the benefits she was used to, including twice a year travel

to Europe, plus some unanticipated perks. "It ended up being the most rewarding job I'd ever had," she recalls. "I loved working here. I was buying for friends instead of the general public and I would see them at parties wearing the dresses I had ordered!" Furchgott's was up to par, too. In fact, when Furchgott's opened the Chanel Boutique, it was only the 22nd in the world to do so. "That was a big coup," recalls Dixie, "and it happened in Jacksonville!"

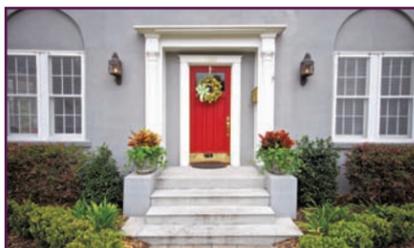


Dixie in her retailing days

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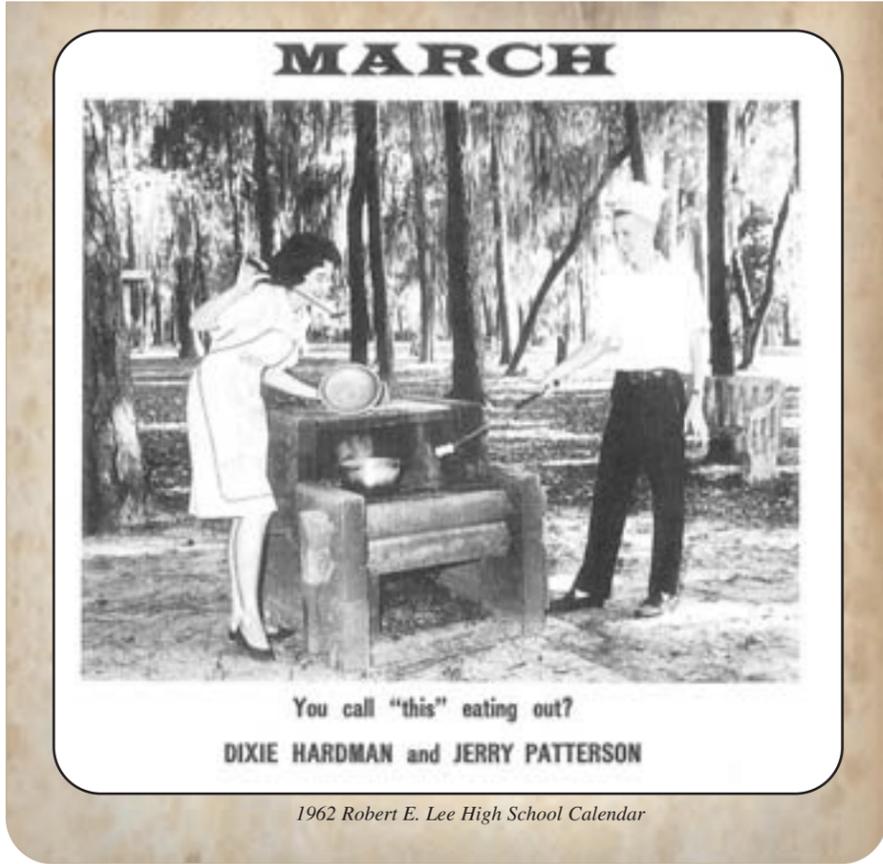
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could ever work for or deal with," she says. "He grew up in Avondale and lives in Ortega Forest. He knows this town and its people so well that it's a delight to be associated with him."

As both a retailer and a realtor, Dixie Hardman has flourished because she truly enjoys helping people find what they seek. "Some of my customers are now my best friends," she says. One international couple came looking to buy a home in Ortega. They had been house-hunting all morning so Dixie took them to Carter's Pharmacy for a hot dog. As they were walking in, a tiny boy, about six years old, ran out of the drugstore. "Charge it!" he yelled back. The couple looked at one another. "This is hometown America," he told his wife. "We want to live here."

traveling the country doing trunk shows featuring the Adele Simpson line. Dixie (a nickname from her father that she legalized as a senior at Lee High School), especially attracted attention in towns like Salt Lake City, Utah and Davenport, Iowa. "In Davenport, they thought it was very special one night to drive me through the Southern Cemetery from the Civil War," recalls Dixie. "It was thoroughly awful for me, but they were warm, wonderful people who were simply honoring my

ancestors."

Speaking of honoring ancestors, Dixie has long been a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Robert E. Lee Chapter, and has remained close to her childhood friends throughout her life. Born in Alabama, Dixie and her family came to Jacksonville when she was a year old and has attended Riverside Baptist Church ever since. "No matter where I traveled, I always kept my letter at Riverside Baptist," says Dixie, "and the church bulletin

reached me everywhere I lived."

Friends urged Dixie to go into real estate and, when she got her real estate license, her first employer was Doriana Atkinson, formerly fashion director at May Cohen's. Currently, Dixie works with Lee Norville Realty in Ortega and, again, feels she has found her perfect niche. "Lee Norville is the finest man anyone

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# Jacksonville Doll and Toy Societe'

Members of the Jacksonville Doll and Toy Societe' prove that you are never too old to enjoy dolls. Although collecting can be serious business, the joy of owning a doll "with a past" is enough to bring collectors together for a good time.

Last month the Jacksonville chapter of the United Federation of Doll Clubs – a worldwide organization started in 1949 – met at Beau Rivage to celebrate 25 or 31 years as a club. The date is in question but that's about all. The antique doll collectors who gathered for the luncheon know what they're talking about when it comes to dolls.

Charter member and past president Cheryl Herring spoke about the history and formation of the local club, which was registered with the UFDC in July 1983, while past UFDC president Alice Toovey shared information about the larger organization.

Table decorations included small twig trees with photos of dolls hanging from the branches and a grouping of dolls or antique toys. Carol Clemmons supplied table favors of paper shoes filled with candy. Michaeleen Chalut and new member Muriel Bremer surprised the others with new membership books complete with photos and bios of each member.



Front: Alice Toovey, Cindy Lloyd and Catherine Towers; seated: Carol Clemmons, Vickie Kramer, Alice Leverett, Kathleen McHugh, Lavern Silas, Bev Baker, Cheryl Herring and Nancy May; standing: Caroline Bernard, Luda Budnik, Michael Bryan, Winnie Davies, Michaeleen Chalut, Margaret Moore, Muriel Bremer and Pam Newey

# Alumni share fond memories of St. Joseph's Academy

One of the last graduating classes (1949) of St. Joseph's Academy recently celebrated its 65th reunion at a luncheon at the Ramada Inn-Mandarin. The white brick school shut its doors when Bishop Kenny High School opened, but the Class of '49 has faithfully gotten together on a regular basis.

Betty Altee, who was featured in the Way We Were column of the May issue of *The Resident* (San Marco edition) shared many memories of the school, which opened in 1906 at the corner of 7th and Market streets.

The high school was closed in 1952 and the grade school in 1956. Before a fire destroyed the vacant building in 1981, it was the site of Massey Business College and Technical Institute, and then was used for a short time as a drug rehabilitation center.



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# Residents.....The little team that could... and did!

BY KATE A. HALLOCK  
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COMMUNITY NEWS

"I wonder if..." Little did Mollie Peterson, English teacher at James Weldon Johnson College Preparatory Middle School, know what she was getting herself into earlier this past spring when she wondered aloud to the Scholar Bowl team whether there were other competitions in which they could enter.

Leave it to Walker Miller, eighth grade student and Avondale resident, to find out.

"It didn't take Walker 24 hours to find out all the information about other competitions," said Mollie. "He had all the details, qualifications, entry fees, for the regionals and the national competition and thought it might be a good idea. I thought it was a wonderful idea."

Mollie's husband, Matt Peterson, just happens to be the Scholar Bowl Coach as well as 7th Grade Gifted Algebra/Pre-Algebra Teacher and Math Department Chair at James Weldon Johnson. Last year he led the team to victory as City Champs in Duval County and knew he would need to do the same this year before considering taking that next step.

"I said to the team 'Let's first make sure we are City Champs again' and we were," Matt explained. "Then we'll start getting ready for the National Academic Quiz Tournament. It's a different format and a broader variety of subjects and there would be more work on our part."

Matt takes the Scholar Bowl seriously, holding tryouts with elimination rounds for the Duval County competition. He winnowed 30 seventh and 30 eighth grade students down to teams of eight each. For the qualifying Open Match competition in Gainesville, Matt took the school's seven best players, including Miller.

"We won that tournament and now we had a chance for a bid to national. There were 128 spots in NAQT and Walker knew that 121 schools had already registered," Matt said. "So we pulled over on the way home to register and got seeded in spot 123."



Front: Shreya Ravi and Maanasi Garg; back: Alexandru Bordanca, Walker Miller, Devanik Biswas, Sean Dobson, Isabelle Garcia, Olivia Morello, Mollie Peterson, Matt Peterson

Mollie noted that the team had to raise the funds for the entry fee, room and board, and travel expenses. "We had a lot of generous donors," she said, "including parents, friends, the School Choice Office, and the PTSA."

Prior to the national competition, Mollie experienced a stroke from an aortic dissection and was unable to continue coaching. According to Tracy Miller, mother of Walker, "The kids decided that Mollie would want them to practice so they just started practicing on their own."

The two-day competition was held in Atlanta over Mother's Day weekend. Coach Matt said that the team won five out of eight matches on Saturday, qualifying them for Sunday's round.

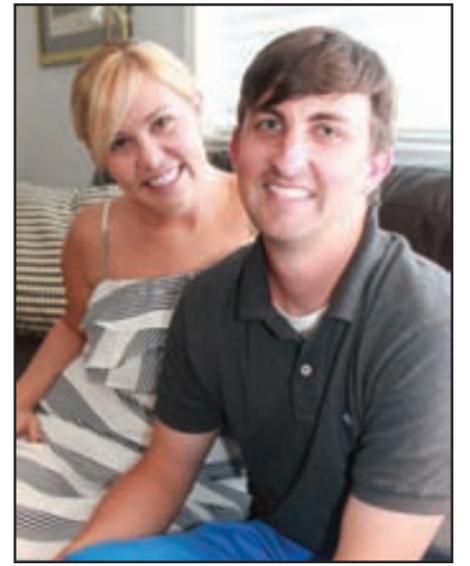
Mollie chimed in, "Losing three times allowed them to learn how to handle that and bounce back. They handled it well. We knew we weren't strong in sports or pop culture; it's not part of the Duval County format. When they missed an easy pop culture question about Motown, they just laughed it off because they knew they weren't strong in that category."

On May 11 the James Weldon Johnson team won four, lost two and came in at 12th place out of 128. "We were ecstatic! We got a trophy," said Matt. "It was an overwhelming experience. All these smart students running around and there was this energy; our students were so excited."

Additionally, Miller won second best player out of 661 players, losing to the first best player by only 0.4 points. "Walker was very humble about it and said, 'Yes, but without the rest of my players around me I couldn't have made it,'" said Coach Matt.

"The kids did great but I think this story is really about Matt and Mollie and their devotion to the team as well as all of the roadblocks," said Walker's mother Tracy. "From 'I wonder if there is a national competition?' to being 12th in the nation is just amazing."

Mollie and Matt Peterson



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# Jr. Residents



## Champion city soccer teams represent Jacksonville at the US vs. Nigeria Soccer game

Westside Soccer U-14 Eagles and James Weldon Johnson City Champ soccer teams represented Jacksonville at the US vs. Nigeria Soccer game at Everbank field in June. Dobbin Holmes, Ryan Finn, Jimmy Fewell, Alex Slupski and Cory Gann showed their spirit by wearing red, white and blue to represent the US Team.

## Bolles junior receives President's List medal

Head of School Brad Johnson, a 1979 Bolles graduate, applauded the service of several Bolles students during the recent fourth quarter convocation. In addition to their community work, students must hold high academic standing and exemplify the Bolles Value Statement.

Ortega resident and Bolles junior Bentley Forrester helped coordinate the distribution of letters and end-of-the-year party for the successful upper/lower school Pen Pal program. Originally named a program co-chair, Forrester stepped in to chair the initiative when another student was unable to do so. As a result, pen pal participants of all ages enjoyed the worthwhile experience..

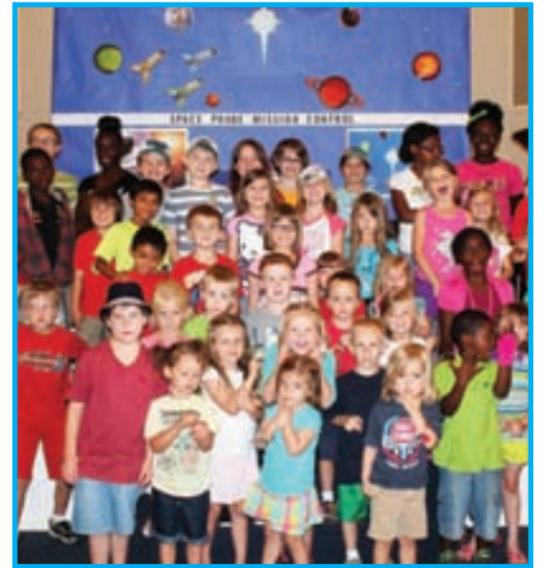


Brad Johnson, Emily and Kayla Fender, Roland Johnson, Bentley Forrester and Jasmine Maina

## Legos a popular choice for electives class



Students at St. Paul's Catholic School learned all about elective courses at the end of the school year. Children from Pre-kindergarten to 7th grade were asked to rank their favorite 11 "electives" and then take a class in their number one choice. The teachers used their extra-curricular talents to lead the electives, which included fine art, creative writing, interior design and decorating, fine art, crocheting, baking, music and dancing, and Legos, among others. Haley Lawrence and Julianna Carangue built a Lego Heartlake City Pet Salon during their elective class.



## Space Probe teaches Good News message

More than 40 children cruised the cosmos last month with Genesis 1: Space Probe, the action-packed VBS odyssey at Ortega Presbyterian Church. Trained, caring "Capsule Commanders" transported young "Astronauts" to the dawn of time to "witness" the creation and unfolding events of the world in search of the Lord of the Universe. Rev. David Burke's wife Vickie was program director of the exciting and meaningful summertime adventure.



## Talented young archer takes home silver

Sophia Tempio demonstrated her talent at archery at "Camp Hiawatha's Got Talent Day," held at Ortega Arts Camp last month. A recent graduate of John Stockton Elementary School, Sophia has only recently discovered her talent with the compound bow. She participated in the Bow Hunter Free Style state level competition in Sarasota, Fla. in June and brought home a silver medal in the Cub Level (ages 8 - 11).

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# Mother-daughter dance-drama team receive rave reviews

A mother and daughter team co-direct the Dance Ensemble and the Drama Ensemble at Fishweir Elementary School of the Performing Arts and recently led student performances to rave reviews.

The Fishweir Elementary Dance Ensemble began in 1998 under the direction of Cecelia Futo, along with 11 dancers (10 girls and one boy) and a \$50 donation from Futo's mother. The department grew steadily over the next decade and Futo's daughter Claire joined the team in 2008. In addition to managing the Dance Ensemble, Futo began teaching drama in 2011.

Romeo and Juliet, a condensed version of William Shakespeare's original play, and The Sleeping Beauty Ballet were presented to sold-out houses on May 30-31.

Anya Thorsen (Princess Aurora, The Sleeping Beauty) and Mikail Cecil (Prince Florimund)



Below: The Sleeping Beauty Full Cast

photos by Claire Futo



Jude Simmons (Romeo) and Olivia Harris (Juliet), photo by Erick Crow

# Ruth N. Upson school year ends on playful note

Ruth N. Upson Elementary ended the 2013-14 school year with a play day and awards for outstanding achievement by the students in a number of categories. The PTA sponsored a fun play day coordinated by first grade teacher Gail Kane and Coach Curtis Curry. Activities included balloon races, an obstacle course, water ball race, tug of war, water balloon toss, Frisbee throw and Zumba dancing. Awards were held for all the classes for perfect attendance, A Honor Roll, A-B Honor Roll and Citizenship.



Above: Charlotte Hudson's pre-kindergarten class competes in the play day tug of war



Left: Kenneth Ponton's first grade class took part in play day, excelling in the water balloon toss

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