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Months of planning and hard work by the Robert E. Lee High School Class of 1964 50th Reunion Committee paid off for

the hundreds of reunion attendees, who enjoyed four days of catching up and renewing old friendships.

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Billboard battles over, waiting for ink to dry on settlements

BY KATE A. HALLOCK
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Four years and millions of dollars later, lawsuits may soon be settled and the Battle of the Billboards may come to closure. If City Council passes two bills and two others are withdrawn, the advocates for a billboard-free Jacksonville will be satisfied, if not totally happy.

"It's a compromise," said Alicia Grant, Scenic Jacksonville board member. Grant, along with William Brinton, Tracey Arpen, Susan Caven, president of Scenic Jacksonville's board, and others have been united their efforts to reduce the number of billboards proliferating across Jacksonville despite City Charter Article 23 that was designed in 1987 to ban new off-site billboards. "We are happy because it protects the Charter."

Brinton, a shareholder with Rogers Towers and a Florida Super Lawyer in

environmental litigation, explained that settlement agreements were negotiated separately between Scenic Jacksonville, the City of Jacksonville, Clear Channel Outdoor and CBS Outdoor, now known as OutFront Media. There are slight variations in the two agreements, but each billboard defendant was given an opportunity to review and then opt in to the variations of the other.

"Although there is some tweaking going on, the agreements are all but signed," said Grant. "Because they were negotiated in confidence, neither company knew what the other was asking for or getting."

Ordinances 2014-716 (Clear Channel Outdoor) and 2014-717 (CBS Outdoor) will move those individual settlement agreements through City Council. Bills 2013-493 and 2014-562 will be withdrawn since the settlements will

See BILLBOARD on page 12

Fast drivers beware, change is coming

City Council recently passed a new ordinance restricting the speed limit in some Riverside and Avondale neighborhoods. That, along with new parking "guide" lines, are intended to make retail sections safer for pedestrians. But will it result in more parking or less?

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Downtown development creeping along

It's been two years since the Laura Street Trio and the Barnett Bank building were purchased by a local developer. Where's the progress and what's the hold up? DIA needs to give stamp of approval.

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Award winning praise for worthy winners

It's a day set aside to honor donors, volunteers and professionals whose gifts of time, expertise and resources contribute significantly to our quality of life in Northeast Florida. The Florida First Coast Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) works tirelessly to host the annual luncheon in order to thank so many of our community's greatest givers. This year, the event was made possible and presented by The Community Foundation of Northeast Florida, among other honorable sponsors.

This year's award winners were Gerri and John Hayt; Outstanding Philanthropists,

John Wilbanks; Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser, Elizabeth Head; Outstanding Fundraising and Development Professional, Marissa Ierna; Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy, THE PLAYERS Championship; Outstanding Civic Organization, The Horizon Board; Outstanding Young Professional Organization, Vystar Credit Union; Outstanding Corporation, and The GATE Foundation; Outstanding Foundation.



Ernie Bono, Dottie Dorion, Bob Shircliff and Nina Waters celebrate National Philanthropy Day at the Hyatt Regency hotel downtown, Nov. 20.

Local doctor honored for volunteer services



Avondale resident Dr. David Moomaw, with wife Jeanne, was honored by We Care at its annual Caring Awards last month. He received the Dr. George S. Trotter Founders Award for generously giving his time and talents to the medically under-served.

Noodles, Sauce and Support for Troop 2

The annual Troop 2 Spaghetti Supper at St. Johns Presbyterian Church brings in big dollars for the Boy Scouts of Troop 2, based out of St. Johns Presbyterian Church. Support from the local community has been consistent year after year, affording the troop trips and outings.



Stuart Harbison picks up drive-thru dinners from Gabriel Perry

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Editor's Note

Christmas is...

If you find yourself humming along to *The Most Wonderful Time of the Year* – and believing it – you are probably in one of two camps: those who successfully embrace the season's commercial aspects without forgetting the real reason, or those who don't let Christmas be ruined by stress, no matter what doesn't get done or go according to plan.

For many, Christmas can be full of stress brought on by the expectations that *this year things will be different*. Surely I will find the time to...

...buy the perfect gift for every member in the family, from mother

to grandchildren and great-nieces and nephews and everyone in-between.

...decorate more elaborately instead of throwing up a tabletop tree.

...bake delicious cookies and candies to give to friends and family.

...send my Christmas cards and annual letter out *before* Christmas.

Yes, there are many "oughttas" this time of year, so many that I'm in danger of forgetting that it's called Christmas for a reason.

For me and my husband, the Christmas season begins when we kick it off with tickets to the annual Handel's Messiah concert. This year we're lucky because our tradition will occur early in the month and we can hum the *Hallelujah Chorus*

all month long. Some years, when the performance is closer to Christmas, it's been our anniversary date night.

Traditions trump all else this month, whether you celebrate Christmas, Chanukah, or something else. Try not to wear yourself to a frazzle in your attempts to dazzle. Friends and family will soon forget the fancy wrappings but they will always remember the time you spent with them.

No matter whether you hum a Christmas carol or put on your Grinch suit, I wish you, dear reader, a very Merry Christmas.

Kate A. Hallock
Editor

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Bruce Ganger, president and CEO of Feeding Northeast Florida, Andy Baggs, 2014 Tournament Chair, Billy Horschel, PGA TOUR professional and 2014 FedExCup winner, Robert Davis, 2013 Tournament Chair, and Tommy Lee, 2005 Tournament Chair in background

FedEx Cup champion Billy Horschel, a resident of Ponte Vedra Beach, accompanied the Red Coats – THE PLAYERS Championship past tournament chairmen – on a tour of the Feeding Northeast Florida facility, which received a \$10,000 grant from the Red Coats this year. During the Nov. 13 event THE PLAYERS made a surprise additional \$10,000 donation to Feeding Northeast Florida.

Feeding Northeast Florida is a regional nonprofit food bank and food distribution

center and its service area covers 17 counties in Northeast Florida. Food is distributed primarily to charitable agencies and programs that meet the daily needs of clients in need of food and other services.

In early November, the Red Coats gave \$10,000 in a surprise donation to the Greater Jacksonville Area USO at Mayport and later in the month gave out Thanksgiving baskets to children at the Police Athletic League, where another surprise donation was made.

Laura Street Trio preparing for facelift

City, developer playing a waiting game

BY NANCY LEE BETHEA
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

The Bisbee Bank Building, the Marble Bank Building and the Florida Life Building – the Laura Street Trio in downtown Jacksonville – share a rich history and, if current plans come to fruition, a bright future.

Located on the corners of Laura Street and Forsyth Street, the buildings, along with the Barnett Bank building, were purchased in April 2013, by SouthEast Group, a development company headed by Stephen Atkins. Though the timeline for repurposing the buildings has changed, the goal of using the buildings to lead revitalization efforts in downtown Jacksonville has not.

The Developer

Stephen Atkins, Principal and Managing Director of SouthEast Group, believes performing a facelift on the Laura Street Trio will yield positive change. “It’s a catalytic project for Downtown,” Atkins said. “It will change the face of Downtown’s business district.”

Financing is in place to begin refurbishing the buildings and preparing them for tenants, Atkins said. At this point, he is waiting only for the City of Jacksonville’s Downtown Investment Authority (DIA) to approve the development plan. After DIA gives the thumbs-up, the plan will go before Jacksonville’s City Council for final approval.

The City

The DIA, created to enhance revitalization in Jacksonville’s urban core, is headed by a nine-member volunteer board of directors. San Marco resident Oliver Barakat is Chairman of the Board

for DIA. Though unable to comment on a specific timeline for the Laura Street Trio project, he said negotiations would hopefully be finalized by the end of 2014. “Laura Street Trio is a catalytic project for Jacksonville,” Barakat said, echoing Atkins. “It will officially put us in revitalization mode.”

“We’re hopeful they’ll get the money together, and we’ll be there. Laura Street Trio is in one of the best locations Downtown. It will be great for the City if [the revitalization of the area] does happen.”

-Gil Pomar
North Florida Regional
President
CenterState Bank

Potential Tenants

Several potential tenants are lined up to occupy the buildings including a Courtyard by Marriott Hotel, a neighborhood bodega grocery store and a branch office of CenterState Bank, according to Atkins.

Gil Pomar, North Florida Regional President for CenterState Bank, confirmed his bank has signed a letter of intent to occupy a 2,700-square foot space within the Laura Street Trio cater-corner to the old Barnett Jewelers location.

“We’re hopeful they’ll get the money together, and we’ll be there,” Pomar said. “Laura Street Trio is in one of the best locations Downtown. It will be great for the City if [the revitalization of the area] does happen,” he added.

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Public Works given green light to move ahead with parking striping

BY KATE A. HALLOCK
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

With a single amendment and a unanimous vote, on Oct. 28 City Council put into place a new ordinance that is intended to address parking in two neighborhoods in District 14.

While the parking issue is at least two-fold – merchants grappling with a lack of parking for their patrons versus residents fighting to keep driveways from being blocked or, if they don't have a driveway, on-street parking available for their own vehicles – the ordinance also addressed speed limits on certain roadways in the district and the hours of allowable parking in Avondale.

The amendment, proposed by District 6 Councilman Matt Schellenberg, suggested expanding the hours for allowable parking along Van Wert Street (adjacent to Boone Park). The original bill (2014-617) proposed by District 14 Councilman Jim Love suggested that parking along Van Wert could occur between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m., however Schellenberg proposed extending the night hours to 3 a.m., effectively providing for 20-hour parking next to the park.

“Matt [Schellenberg] had offered up the amendment because on Pine Street we’re going from two-sided parking to one-sided parking, which obviously will affect the number of parking spaces, and striping will force certain size parking places which probably will reduce parking by a little bit,” said Love. “He brought up the point that it will hurt the commercial folks at the Shoppes of Avondale.”

Schellenberg’s amendment will allow businesses’ employees as well as patrons and residents to park a few blocks from the Shoppes of Avondale for nearly an entire day.

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- Councilman Jim Love

“It’s a short walk from there to the Shoppes. Even though we’ve lost some parking we’ve gained some late night parking,” Love noted. “It will allow parking outside of the residential area and could be a place that people can park in lieu of Pine Street or on Riverside. I thought it was a fairly good compromise.”

Striping plans

One of the original ideas for striping

certain streets to prohibit parking – or to provide legal spaces for parking – was to “checker” the street; that is, alternate parking spots from one side of the street to the other in a checker board pattern. That option is still on the table because the ordinance was left purposely open.

“The way the bill was written says [there can be] one-sided parking along certain streets, particularly Pine Street. One-sided means it could be one-sided here, one-sided there,” stated Love. “I wanted the option to be for what makes sense.”

Kay Ehas, chair Riverside Avondale Preservation’s Parking and Transportation committee, noted that a checkered striping pattern will serve to serve slow car speed on “yield” streets.

“Yield streets serve to provide parking and calm traffic. Considering that the FDOT allows parking on both sides of a 24-foot wide street, we are being conservative in our request to stripe a checkered pattern on streets 24 to 27 feet wide,” Ehas said. “I also believe parking on only one side of the street will result in more circling when drivers find themselves going down a street in one direction only to discover that the parking spaces are on the other side of the street.”

According to Love, Jim Robinson [Public Works director] will have the ultimate responsibility with input from residents, particularly where there are no driveways. “Whatever makes sense on a safety aspect and to maximize parking. The bill is written to say ‘one side of the street,’ not which side,” Love said.

Real reason for the bill

By state law, the residential speed limit is 30 mph and the only way to change that is with an ordinance, Love explained. “That’s why we had to have the ordinance. We could have striped without an ordinance,” he said.

Love added there was one caveat in the bill that gives Robinson the option to change things if there is an error or if it results in a safety issue. “Fifteen miles per hour may be too slow on Post and College, maybe not. I’m giving him the option to choose. In the residential areas, those streets need to be 15 miles per hour,” Love stated.

Ehas agreed that any changes made to residential streets were imperative to safety. “Although the street speed will be limited to 15 mph, most drivers ignore speed limits and will drive as fast as they feel comfortable doing so. Drivers going too fast is a complaint we heard over and over again from residents. Placing parking on only one side of the street, in my opinion, will make drivers feel safer driving faster.”

This striping is considered a pilot project and striping on more streets will require additional legislation. Residents have asked Public Works that the stripes not be placed using permanent Thermoplastic paint.

“Most people I’ve talked to are glad we’re organizing the parking. It will make it safer for the citizens and the rescue vehicles and I want it better for the residents so they don’t have their driveways blocked,” Love concluded. “I think the bill is good, but it doesn’t mean it’s the end-all, be-all. For now, we can do it and see how it affects things. It’s not too restrictive.”



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Update on Willowbranch projects



Willowbranch Library repair

The Willowbranch Library underwent water testing on Oct. 29 and the City's design architect was evaluating the results and had not made a formal recommendation as of press time. In the meantime, the contractor has started prep work on the large upper windows, removing glass and paint. The window openings are temporarily sealed with plywood and

plastic, and contents of the library have been covered in plastic as well. In addition, the retention pond adjacent to the parking lot was excavated for installation of a drainage system below grade. Installation of flashing and an integrated gutter system on the newer portion of the building began early last month. Caulk has been applied between the sidewalk and the building to seal it from water infiltration.

To keep up with the progress check out <http://willowbranchlibraryupdates.wordpress.com/>

Willowbranch Creek Bridge project

Two issues outstanding with the Riverside Avenue bridge project at Willowbranch Creek are slowly moving toward resolution. The first is a performance and payment bond issue between David Touring, the contractor, and the City of Jacksonville.

"The City's Construction Dispute Review Board recommendation was that the contractor, David Touring, was due \$110,360.70," said Debbie Delgado, public information officer for the City of Jacksonville. "This recommendation is non-binding."

Both parties have three business days to request (in writing) a rehearing/

reevaluation. If such a request is not received both the City and Touring must then decide to adopt the recommendation or some variation there-of. If both parties cannot agree on a path forward legal action is the next step, according to Delgado.

If the CCDRB's recommendation is accepted, Touring should be able to move forward with the balustrades, which has a 12-week lead time. If legal action ensues, the City will have to turn that remaining portion over to a bond contractor, which could take even longer to complete, according to Bill Joyce, chief of engineering and construction management for Public Works.

The second issue relates to dredging of the creek to remove silt that resulted partially from the bridge replacement project and partially from a JEA water



An uprooted tree, the second this season, lies across Willowbranch Creek.

main blowout around the same time during summer 2013.

Joyce explained to residents at a private meeting that about 200 to 225 cubic yards of silt needs to be removed and that despite what occurs between Touring and the City over the bridge project, Touring is required to take care of his portion of the silt removal. He can choose to remove the silt from the creek between St. John's Avenue and the river, or from between St. John's and Riverside avenues.

Any action associated with the dredging of Willowbranch Creek will be finalized

through the City's Environmental Quality Division draft consent order, Delgado share. The order is still in draft format. Once the order is finalized, the Army Corps of Engineers will issue a permit. Joyce estimated the project could take up to eight months before it is completed.

Residents in the condominium at Riverside and Willowbranch have also had to deal with at least two incidents of trees being uprooted during severe storms, the most recent in mid-November which left a tree in the creek. An earlier incident with a larger tree destroyed patio furniture.

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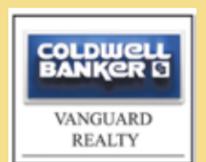


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Arson in Old Ortega



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Abandoned home set on fire

BY PEGGY HARRELL JENNINGS
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Residents are accustomed to the distant blare of police and rescue vehicles frequently passing by on Roosevelt Boulevard but when they are roaring down your street it is a different matter entirely.

Neighbors huddled in bathrobes and blankets as firemen and police secured a burning house in the 2700 block of Apache around 1 a.m. on Wed., Nov. 12.

Tami Lugenbeal, who lives on the

corner of Hiawatha and Apache, was watching a movie with her ear phones on and heard distant sirens. "It just kept getting louder and louder. I looked out the window as several fire engines and police cars came around the corner. It was scary," she said.

Bernie Powers was dozing in front of the TV when the lights awoke him. "Man, those lights were flashing! There were police cars and fire trucks all over the place."

Officers at the scene confirmed that there were no injuries, no one inside the house when they arrived and residents knew that the house had not been inhabited for several years. As one resident said, "A total eyesore."

The owners have not been available to comment on the situation.

Generous gifts benefit Episcopal church and schools

In a generous gesture of philanthropic giving, the Buford L. Bowen Trust gave gifts totaling more than \$800,000 to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, St. Mark's Episcopal Day School and Episcopal School of Jacksonville last month.

At St. Mark's Episcopal Church, the gift will create an endowment to fund the annual Buford L. Bowen Church Renewal Conference, bringing international and national thinkers and leaders on the subjects of church innovation and renewal to the Episcopal Diocese of Florida. This conference will carry on his values and passion for church growth and innovation.

The gift to St. Mark's Episcopal Day School will create an endowed fund to institute the Buford L. Bowen Scholarship Fund, to be used to provide tuition assistance to students with financial need. The scholarship will follow each recipient through their St. Mark's career as long as they maintain financial need, strong academics, and positive citizenship.

At Episcopal, Bowen's gift (which will total approximately \$300,000 over the next three years) will create an endowed fund called the Buford L. Bowen Scholars Fund, and students will be selected on merit for the scholarship.

Bowen, born March 18, 1909 in Alabama, passed away April 10, 2004. He moved to Jacksonville in 1942 and entered the stock brokerage business for Merrill Lynch & Company. He was predeceased by wife Ruth, their daughter Katie, and his second wife Sally Ann Turner. His third wife, Becky Bowen, passed away June 10, 2013.



Fr. Jon Coffey, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Thomas M. Donahoo, Sr., Trustee of the Buford L. Bowen Living Trust, and Kevin Conklin, Head of St. Mark's Episcopal Day School, with a portrait of Buford L. Bowen.

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Raising up urban planners for the future

Episcopal students present proposals

BY KATE A. HALLOCK
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Even as Jacksonville's blighted Brooklyn neighborhood is beginning to emerge as the newest reclamation in urban landfill and even as the JEA's brownfield on the Southbank is piquing interest among local developers, students at The Episcopal School of Jacksonville are learning a little bit of what it takes to create a "built environment" – and perhaps become future urban planners and developers.

Last month, 55 students took part in the fifth annual UrbanPlan program – a classroom simulation exercise to expose high school students to the fields of Urban Planning and redevelopment.

UrbanPlan was created for high school and college students by the Urban Land Institute and is supported by trained volunteers. Students work in development teams to analyze and respond to a hypothetical RFP "Request for Proposal" for the redevelopment of a specific urban area.

Douglas Myers, a managing shareholder with Collaborative Law Group, participated as a classroom volunteer to help the students learn how to defend their approach to site redevelopment.

"I was proud to be a part of the

learning process, not just from UrbanPlan's perspective, but also from Episcopal's in using the curriculum to teach various components of economics and civics class that the exercise was part of," said Myers, an Avondale resident. "Whether any of the students become real estate professionals is anyone's guess, but it seems clear that after participating in UrbanPlan all of the students have a better understanding of the planning and community redevelopment issues that ULI was established to facilitate and improve."

Over the course of the exercise, five volunteers from the different aspects of the building and land use community – including engineers, attorneys, bankers, realtors and others – interact with the students as facilitators in the classroom, according to Brenda Bush Franklin, UrbanPlan Director. "They challenge the students to think more critically about the UrbanPlan issues and the specific responsibilities of the students' assigned roles as finance directors, marketing directors, city liaisons, neighborhood liaisons, and site planners," she explained.

The students, primarily seniors, are from two economics classes taught by Perry Walthour, an Ortega Forest resident. He has led the UrbanPlan project at Episcopal for the past two years.

"I believe that UrbanPlan makes our students aware of the various development projects that are going on now in Jacksonville, and they are able to understand all of the components involved in creating mixed use development," Walthour noted. "They come out of their



Back: Will Singletary, David Wells, Evan Ray
Front: Gracie Hamilton, Mead Rogers, Anna Blake, Amanda Strenta

projects with an understanding of the intricate planning that goes into projects like Brooklyn."

Following the facilitation sessions, the development teams use Legos and a customized financial model to present their redevelopment vision to a fictitious city council made up of UrbanPlan volunteers.

Both the classroom experience and the presentation provide invaluable lessons for the students. Amanda Strenta, of Riverside, said "It helps our generation have a firm understanding of what actually goes into revamping a city and teaches us a good foundation."

Ortega resident Will Singletary drew some parallels with the Brooklyn development.

"It gives us a chance to become more aware of what's going on in the city; we have a perfect example today at 220 Riverside," said Singletary. "This is a great opportunity for us to experience those kinds of developments."

Even though there was only one winning team – of which Singletary was a member – Brown said that all the students will get an opportunity to tour Brooklyn Riverside as part of the program.

"I have been impressed by the preparation of our students and their ability to defend and sell their planning decisions to the council in an articulate and knowledgeable manner." Walthour concluded.

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Wolfson unveils new media center, technological breakthroughs

Children in isolation have renewed visitation, connectivity

BY SETH WILLIAMS
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Wolfson Children's Hospital is out in front when it comes to investments in the hospital experience, especially for area children. Not only do they serve the children, but a breakthrough has been funded for parents and other visitors to connect with patients. A partnership between Walmart/Sam's Club and the Children's Miracle Network has helped the hospital build a new, technologically advanced

media center.

The newly minted, state-of-the-art facilities on the hospital campus are a key component for providing parents, grandparents and other visitors a place to escape the challenges of the hospital. In addition to providing a getaway and entertainment, the connectivity via KUBI – a hands-free, remote-controlled videoconferencing tool – is a game changer.

While children have always had amenities in their rooms, on the floors and on the campus, there was a lack for the parents that's been fulfilled as well. "For parents there are lots of very long hours that happen here. And, in those cases where they get a rare break, it's more like, 'Where do I go? What do I do? How do I escape?'" shared Wolfson Children's

Hospital President Michael Aubin.

For parents, the visits were usually accompanied by siblings and relatives in tow. Often the visits were cut short or nonexistent, as many had to miss

the interaction with the most sensitive patients. "The children's hospital has about 50 percent of all of our kids in some form of isolation because of infectious diseases or because of what their illness is or immune-compromised situations, so it really limits the number of visitors they can have," said Aubin. Now, with the technology and groundbreaking iPad interactions with the most sensitive cases, they can interact without compromising either patient or visitor.

"Every child deserves a chance to live better, and that's why we've supported the Children's Miracle Network for over 25-years," said Market Manager Michael Brown of Walmart. More than just raising hundreds of thousands of dollars, Walmart employees also volunteer countless hours through Children's Miracle Network. "It's through the generosity of our associates, our customers and our members that allow us to help children right here in the Jacksonville area," shared Brown.

Over \$750 million has been raised by the company since 1987 for various programs. Over the last three years \$750,000 has been contributed to Wolfson



Cutting the Ribbon were Kerri Clark, director of Children's Miracle Network (CMN) Hospitals, Holly and Charles Breen, Wolfson Children's Hospital President Michael Aubin and Walmart Market Manager Michael Brown

Children's Hospital; the donation from their work and the generosity of Walmart customers is the reason that this media

center has been made possible. As of the opening, \$266,000 has been raised thus far in 2014; the goal is \$300,000.

"We are so fortunate to be partnered with such an elite hospital like Wolfson Children's Hospital. At Children's Miracle Network we believe that every dollar we raise should stay local," said Kerri Clark, director of Children's Miracle Network (CMN) Hospitals.

The center will not only incorporate the technological advances, but the PCs are now loaded with Pandora Music Channels, DVD players and movies at no cost, KidsHealth.org children's health libraries for parents and caregivers, as well as iBooks for children and adults. The opening took place Nov. 6 on the hospital campus.



Jenny Tillett and her son Hayden explore the new computers



Walmart Market Manager Michael Brown, Wolfson Children's Hospital President Michael Aubin and Kerri Clark, director of Children's Miracle Network (CMN) Hospitals presented the check

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trump the issues in these older bills. City Council was expected to vote on the bills on Nov. 25.

“Clear Channel Outdoor is pleased that the agreement establishes consistent regulations for the sign industry and properly allows billboards in high traffic, non-residential areas,” said Brent Bolick, Division President, Clear Channel Outdoor. “It also recognizes that billboards play a vital role promoting local businesses, assisting non-profits and partnering with law enforcement, and the agreement ensures the outdoor advertising industry will continue to benefit the Jacksonville community.”

Back story on billboard bills

Sponsored by District 3 Councilman Richard Clark on behalf of Clear Channel, Ordinance 2014-493 was proposed in an attempt to remove the ban on the installation of new billboards. Under its negotiated settlement, the company will remove 170 billboards and posters at more than 85 locations throughout Duval County. According to an Aug. 7, 2014 Planning Commission Staff Report, there are 476 billboards in the Building Inspection Division database.

Brinton shared that 1200 to 1400 billboards have been removed in the past two decades, but not without several legal battles. There were four lawsuits in the 1990s that resulted in 12 settlements, yet some of those agreements were breached.

A controversial proposal from FDG duPont, a Coral Gables-based company, to replace and relocate within



William Brinton stands before a CBS Outdoor billboard (City Sign No. 1618) at 2400 Gerard Avenue. Visible from I-95, the sign stands on property right next to a City-owned community park and is the backyard view of half a dozen homeowners on that road.

the Downtown Overlay Zone a CBS Outdoor sign (commonly known as the Ida Boyd Billboard) was first rejected by the Downtown Development Review Board (DDRB) in 2013. An appeal of that decision was rejected by the Downtown Investment Authority (DIA) in 2014. A resolution (2014-562) currently rests with the Land Use and Zoning Committee (LUZ) upholding the denials by DDRB and DIA. That resolution will also be withdrawn and CBS Outdoor will not pursue putting up the billboard.

A digital billboard that was placed – against regulations – by CBS Outdoor at 2700 Atlantic Blvd. in February 2012 will “go dark,” according to Grant, within six months of the approval of 2014-717. The billboard will revert back to a

static billboard and perhaps, eventually, be relocated away from that site in St. Nicholas.

Ironically, Citizens for a Scenic Florida owns property upon which three billboards rest. That property, next to City-owned Palmetto Leaves Regional Park, originally belonged to the Trust for Public Land, which tried to give it to the City about 10 years ago. The City would not accept the property because it had billboards on it. The property was transferred to Citizens for a Scenic Florida with the understanding that they would have the CBS Outdoor billboards removed.

Grant, who is treasurer for Citizens for a Scenic Florida, said the billboards are there illegally and there is no lease. “With everything else going on, we have not

fought it, but we are now negotiating to get those taken down,” said Grant. “The hope is once we get those billboards removed we can transfer that property to the City.”

Brinton’s wish is to use that narrow strip of land next to the City ballpark to erect a landscape memorial to an attorney he knew who was on United Airlines Flight 93 when it crashed in Shanksville, PA on Sept. 11, 2001.

Watch doggers

What’s next for billboard opponents now that four years of legal battles and more than 10,000 hours of Brinton’s life – plus many more from Grant and the other advocates – are nearly over?

Scenic Jacksonville will continue to serve as unofficial watchdog to protect the beauty of the City of Jacksonville, for one.

“The settlement agreements will lead to more than 25 roadways becoming billboard-free over the next 15 years,” said Brinton. “Most of us know that beauty is good for business, and that our City will benefit from collective efforts to enhance our neighborhoods. We should redouble our efforts to protect our City from visual pollution, water pollution, air pollution, noise pollution, or any other degradation of our natural or built environment.”

Grant noted that the City would not agree to create any kind of mechanism, online or otherwise, so that the group could monitor the progress. “We will create our own database; we’ll just do a schedule and make sure these things happen when they are supposed to happen,” she concluded.

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New hospital garments safer, more comfortable

BY KATE A. HALLOCK
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

While much of the country's medical centers scramble to put measures in place to grapple with and contain highly infectious diseases – such as the Ebola virus – Baptist Health started taking steps to ensure both patient and staff safety about three years ago when they began exploring the Vestex® technology being developed by Orlando-based Vestagen.

In July Baptist Health distributed specialized staff garments that made it the first health system in the world to widely adopt textile technology that repel fluids and minimize the risk of transmission of organisms.

In mid-October Baptist began a phased roll-out of the technology-enhanced, modified gowns and shirt and sports-style shorts to its inpatients across its medical centers, finishing up with Baptist Medical Center Jacksonville early last month. Wolfson Children's Hospital patients will begin using the Vestex apparel in January.

Baptist Health was the first medical center in the United States to adopt this technology. According to Diane Raines, senior vice president and chief nursing officer, there are a few other hospitals considering it, primarily for

emergency rooms.

"It's a pretty significant investment to do it for everyone," said Raines, a San Marco resident. "You want to channel your resources toward infection prevention, which is our top priority."



Patient Anthony Roesch models the new Vestex shirt and sports-style shorts

The patient garments feature a fluid barrier bonded to individual fibers, resulting in material that is highly repellent to bodily fluids, water, oil and dirt. High repellency has been shown to synergize with embedded antimicrobial technology to prevent organisms from



Diane Raines, senior vice president and chief nursing officer, Nancy Simon, vice president of patient care services, Michael Mayo, president of Baptist Medical Center

being acquired and retained on the fabric. Soft surfaces, like patient gowns, are vectors for the spread of organisms in acute care settings.

"What we know from the studies that were done [on Vestex] is that the amount of organisms on the garments changes dramatically," Raines noted. "We have our own study going on for our patients in ICUs. We took measurements on the regular gowns and once everyone is converted we'll go back in and measure again."

Designed with input from Baptist team members, patients and their families, patient shirts, shorts and gowns provide full coverage, as well as pockets, for convenient storage of personal items such as mobile phones. The designs feature full fabric panels on both sides that wrap, snaps along the tops of both shoulders for quick and easy access, ties at the waist and two pockets.

Westside resident Anthony Roesch is already a fan of the patient garments. He was one of the first to wear the shirt and sports-style shorts while undergoing chemotherapy treatment for stomach

cancer. During his first two treatments he wore the traditional "open-in-the-back" gown, but when he went in for his third treatment last month he was given a set of the new Vestex garments.

"The snap at the top in the back is easier than the string; a lot of people can't tie the string without seeing it," he said, demonstrating. "It's got pockets and you can put your stuff in there. This is a lot more comfortable than having your backside hang out. It makes me feel like they care."

If adopted on a large scale by hospitals and health systems nationwide, garments with Vestex technology could help significantly reduce the spread of infection and incidence of hospital-acquired infections such as antibiotic-resistant Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports about one in 25 hospital patients has at least one health care-associated infection. Hospital-acquired infections result in up to \$4.5 billion in additional health care expenses annually.

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Public school students to benefit from Any Given Child model

BY KATE A. HALLOCK
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Despite admirable efforts by the more than 60 arts organizations in Jacksonville, the sad fact remains that 29 percent of Duval County Public School classrooms at the K-8 level in 60 schools still have no contact at all with any arts organization, according to a report from the Jacksonville chapter of Any Given Child.

To rectify that cultural injustice, Any Given Child is working with local arts organizations, the mayor's office, the school district and civic and business leaders to create a long-range, sustainable plan to provide greater, more equitable access to quality arts education for all K-8 students in Duval County public schools.

A survey undertaken earlier this year by a Community Arts Team revealed that during the 2013-2014 academic year, 665 programs were offered by over 40 arts organizations, including 347 field trips, 83 in-school performances, 75 afterschool performances, 68 in-museum workshops, 34 special needs tours, 11 teacher offsite workshops, seven administrator trainings, and six in-school teacher workshops.

With the support of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and working under the Cathedral Arts Project, Allison Galloway, executive director of Any Given Child, announced the launch of a multi-year program



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that will open access to the arts for children in public schools.

Galloway, a Riverside resident, will work with a 39-member committee of people from private businesses, corporations, cultural organizations in Jacksonville to initiate, supervise and support action steps in advocacy, program creation, professional development, collaboration, fundraising and evaluation.

"Most cultural organizations in Jacksonville already have a fantastic arts education program, but they are doing a marvelous job...in a silo," said Galloway. "We will be trying to make sure the entire community is funneled toward this effort, to get cultural organizations to put art in schools into their budgets."

Another Riverside resident, Trey Csar, president of the Jacksonville Public Education Fund, is a member of the steering committee that spent the past year completing the strategic planning phase.

"It's exciting to see the effort really take hold to unify all the arts education we have in the city and to identify ways to expand it and make sure that more kids are served," said Csar. "It takes a unified public message about the importance of art education to the young people. The provision of arts education in Duval County elementary schools has moved light years over the last two years."

Ensuring the Arts for Any Given Child is a Collective Impact model originating at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing

Arts. In 2013, an application by the Cathedral Arts Project, Duval County Public Schools and the City of Jacksonville resulted in being accepted as the 14th site to host this community-wide initiative.

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Jacksonville Public Education Fund President

Darrell Ayers, vice president of education at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., noted: "It's quite remarkable what's happened here; you don't immediately think of Jacksonville when you talk about arts and culture in

Florida. It doesn't just happen overnight, it's just that everything has aligned and come together and it's exciting for the young people here."

Ayers was in Jacksonville in August 2013 when the chapter was introduced at Central Riverside Elementary School and returned last month for the program launch.

"Over the last 15 months it's been wonderful to see the results of what's happening here," Ayers said. "The Kennedy Center can't be everywhere but we can shine the spotlight on communities that are successful and showing some results."

In addition to Csar, the steering committee consists of Tony Allegretti, Executive Director of the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville; Tim Cost, President of Jacksonville University; Daniel Davis, President & CEO of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce; Steve Halverson, President & CEO of the Haskell Company; Kimberly Hyatt, President & CEO of the Cathedral Arts Project; Hope McMath, Museum Director of the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens; Audrey Moran, Senior VP for Social Responsibility and Community Advocacy at Baptist Health; Madeline Scales-Taylor, Board of Trustees, Community Foundation of Northeast Florida; Darnell Smith, Market President of North Florida for Florida Blue and Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent of Duval County Public Schools.

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Law partner named to board of directors

The downtown Jacksonville firm of Smith Hulsey & Busey has added Stephen D. Moore, Jr. to the firm's Board of Directors. Moore is a partner and transactional lawyer in the firm's business department and Health Care Group. His practice includes mergers and acquisitions, private equity transactions, loans and other taxable and tax-exempt financings, contract preparation and negotiation, health care,



entity structuring, joint ventures and the provision of general business and governance advice. "Our firm is greatly enhanced by adding the talents of this lawyer to our Board of Directors," said Stephen D. Busey, chairman of Smith Hulsey & Busey. "Steve is an outstanding attorney, committed to delivering the best legal services with professionalism and dedication to quality."

Local woman achieves Gownsmen status

Elise Mary McCullough of Ortega Forest was inducted into the Order of Gownsmen at the University of the South during Founders' Day Convocation on Oct. 17. McCullough is the daughter of Jean and Michael R. McCullough and is a senior majoring in Psychology with a minor in Education. She plans to attend graduate school to study Audiology.



"Professors always wear gowns when they teach and once students are inducted they can wear their gowns to class and are given a variety of special privileges as members of the order," said McCullough. "I will probably wear mine once or twice a week and for presentations and exams!"

The Order of Gownsmen is an academic honor society and a unique student government body among U.S. colleges and universities. Since 1875 the Order of Gownsmen has remained the body responsible for maintaining the spirit, traditions, and ideals of the University of the South. The wearing of the gown is both a sign of academic achievement and a promise to continue the ideals and traditions of the University.

Berkshire Hathaway hosts customer appreciation chili cook-off



Jane Slater and Anna Marie Williams

The Avondale and San Marco offices of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Florida Network Realty paid tribute to clients with a customer appreciation chili cook-off in early November. The offices, awarded the combined Top Office of 2013 for Northeast Florida, didn't take time to bask in the glow of awards, rather, they took time to raise funds for a worthy cause.

The group cooked up a storm, played movies for the kids and competed for top chili honors in the office all while taking time to thank their long list of clients. The MaliVai Washington Kids Foundation was the beneficiary of the funds raised during the event. The competition was fierce as Jane Slater, a native Texan, was the strong



Lee O'Quinn, Laura Wesson Klement, Natalie Reese, Julio Caesar Mendez and William Milne

favorite going into the voting but Michelle Williams was giving her a run for her money. The event took place Nov. 6 in the parking lot at the Avondale office at 3527 St. Johns Ave.



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JTA breaks ground with first portion of BRT

Working from the inside out, the first phase of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority's *First Coast Flyer* Bus Rapid Transit system began with a groundbreaking Downtown last month with local and federal officials.

This portion of the project is 5.87 miles and consists of 12 enhanced Downtown stations and will provide peak hour busways on Broad, Jefferson, Bay and Forsyth streets, a queue jump on Forsyth Street and streetscaping to Downtown standards. The cost of the first segment of the Downtown phase is \$7.2 million; final design has been completed and the project has been awarded to Superior Construction.

This portion is the beginning of a 55-mile Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system with five distinct projects: the Downtown project, which will connect four corridors and be followed by the North, Southeast, East and Southwest corridors. The North

Corridor is expected to begin in December of 2015.

The *First Coast Flyer* BRT service will operate in both mixed-use traffic and dedicated bus lanes during peak hours. Transit Signal Priority and queue jumps at select locations will provide more efficient movement of buses on the corridors. The project funds the acquisition of low-floor Compressed Natural Gas buses, which will be quieter and more fuel efficient. Branded BRT stations will include real-time passenger information and ticket vending machines at the hubs. The proposed service will operate with 10-minute headways during weekday peak periods; 15-minute headways during weekday off-peak periods; and 30-minute headways on weekends.

Total project cost is \$132.3 million; broken out by corridor: Downtown, \$13.4 million; North, \$33.2 million; Southeast, \$23.8 million; East, \$42.9 million, and Southwest, \$19 million.

Changes at Jacksonville Speech & Hearing Center

After a five-year stint as president and CEO of the Jacksonville Speech & Hearing Center, Bill McQuilkin will be succeeded by Avondale resident Michael Howland.

Howland recently worked at Jacksonville University, his alma mater, as Vice President for University Advancement and Chief Strategic Relations Officer. "I'm honored to lead such an invaluable community resource that has helped thousands to overcome communication challenges," he said.



Bill McQuilkin retires

Howland comes on board as the Center develops a campaign to raise funds for a new state-of-the-art facility which will replace the 50-year-old building at 1128 N. Laura St. General funding for the Center comes from the Jessie Ball duPont Fund, United Way, City of Jacksonville, Chartrand Foundation, Florida Blue, the Community Foundation of Northeast Florida and individual donors, as well as private pay clientele.



New president/CEO Michael Howland

Creative partnership produces QR codes for Main Street Park sculptures

Visitors to Sculpture Walk Jax in Main Street Park can learn more about the sculptures and their artists thanks to a creative partnership between JaxParks and the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville. JaxParks created and placed Quick Response (QR) codes on the base of each of the 13 large-scale sculptures in Main Street Park and three others along the sculpture walk within the SPARK District. The codes link to videos that feature the artists talking about their creative process. Visitors can use a QR code scanner on their smart phone or tablet to view the videos onsite, or visit JaxParks'

YouTube channel, youtube.com/user/friendsofjaxparks.

Ten sculptures, two bike racks and one bench are located at Main Street Park, one sculpture at Hemming Park, one at the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce and one at Regions Bank at the corner of Forsyth and Laura streets. The works in the temporary, one-year exhibition are available for purchase in the hopes that a permanent installation can be arranged for each piece. A percentage of the sales of the outdoor sculptures will benefit efforts to continue Sculpture Walk Jax in Main Street Park and at other locations.



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Cathedral Arts supporters feted at reception

The annual donor appreciation party, *Angels of the Arts*, was hosted by Marisa and Frank Martire at their Ponte Vedra Beach home where more



Greene, Russ Armistead, Wayne Weaver



an Sistine, Gary Norcross, Frank Martire

than 130 guests assembled to be thanked by the CAP board of directors and its staff. "Marisa and Frank Martire have been supporters of CAP from the moment they moved to the First Coast. Marisa has served on the Cathedral Arts Project board four years and has contributed significant amounts of her time and other valuable resources to help fund our afterschool arts education programming in Duval County," said Forrest Holland, COO, Cathedral Arts Project. "They are admirable leaders for significant change in our community to provide equal access of quality arts education."

"The Angels of the Arts reception is our annual thank you for major donors, and this was our biggest event yet," said The Rev. Kimberly Hyatt, President & CEO, Cathedral Arts Project, "which is an indication of the growing support in Jacksonville for arts education."

Best fit for river advocacy

The most relaxed, casual event of the season is referred to as the best party of the entire year. All you can eat and oysters, great food and good company all help contribute to the St. Johns Riverkeeper and its mission to protect our waterways. The best part is the fact that the river is the length of the backyard soiree on the St. Johns at the Garden Club of Jacksonville.



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Patrons of the Hearts celebrates 10th Artscapade

George and Kay Armstrong, Loretta Cotton



Caribbean Tales: One Heart at a Time was the theme for the annual Artscapade, held Oct. 24 at The Museum. Patrons gathered for art, music, food and fun to celebrate the lives of children saved and the donors who made it possible. Founded by Dr. Jose and Hilda Etedgui, the event supports a partnership between the community, UF Pediatric Cardiovascular Center and Wolfson Children's Hospital to save 10 children born in remote or underdeveloped countries through cardiovascular treatment each year.



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Each year patrons who support Episcopal Children's Services gather to honor those who have gone above and beyond as children's advocates. The 9th annual Children's Champion Awards Gala, held Nov. 6 at EverBank Field Terrace Suite, acknowledged Ortega resident J.F. Bryan, IV (volunteer/philanthropist), Drs. Warner Webb and the late Albert Wilkinson (health care), Avondale resident and former United Way president Connie Hodges (nonprofit), Tony and Angi Boselli/The Boselli Foundation (education) and Wells Fargo (corporate).

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Ann and Keith Holt

Catholic Charities hosted its 11th Annual Festival D'Vine fundraising event on Nov. 8 offering more than 200 wines from Oviné for tasting and purchase. Held in Treaty Oak Park on the Southbank for the third year in a row, the festival brought the wares of 26 of

Jacksonville's restaurants to more than 800 guests. The event raised an anticipated \$100,000 for the Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Program, which has a goal of preventing homelessness by helping families facing eviction to remain in their homes.

An elegant setting for food and wine tasting benefit

The mood was celebratory the Friday before Veterans' Day as were supporters for the North Florida School of Special Education. Fine wines, gourmet food and the exquisite design of Gary McCall's riverfront home in the Granada neighborhood together created an atmosphere of good will and giving.

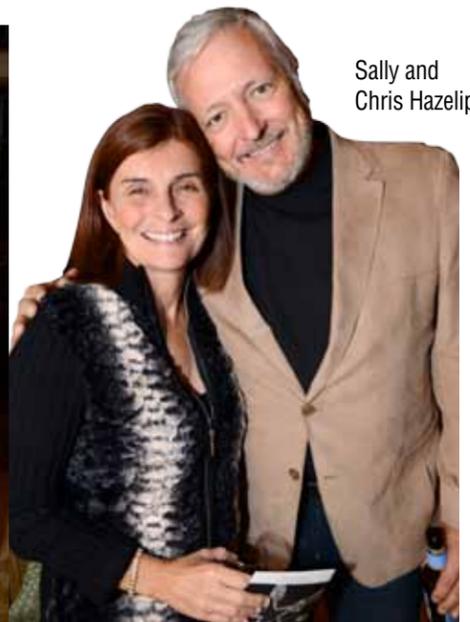
Although the school is less than 25 years old, already it has grown to serving more than 100 students age 6 to 22 with mild to moderate disabilities this school year. The annual Red, White and Blues event raises funds to keep the school's doors open, provide tuition assistance and maintain its nonprofit status.



Kevin McDaniel with Beth Meyer



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Uptown Civitans give both time and treasure

Members of Uptown Civitan share their hearts and their time to meet twice a month with the Pine Castle Civitan chapter to work on projects and do fun activities.

“Uptown Civitan Club sponsored the formation of Pine Castle Civitan Club almost 30 years ago to provide opportunities for people with disabilities to engage regularly in civic and social activities,” said DuVal Malone, Pine Castle director of community relations. “One of the founders, Diane Young, is part of the dedicated team of Uptown members who continually and generously give of their time and resources to support Pine Castle’s Civitan Club, as well as the needs of Pine Castle participants.”

Uptown Civitan also awarded Pine Castle \$2,000 to support the Seth Tenenbaum Memorial Assistance Fund. The Fund ensures that critical training, education and full care services are available to people facing state service funding shortfalls each year. “These services prevent people with disabilities from losing services they need to become more personally independent within the community,” said Malone.



Sharon Rosenblum, Nancy Darlow, Wynester Sherrer, Elaine Hall, Diane Young and Sharon Kantor helped participants create holiday placemats.

VIM serves medical needs of low income community

Volunteers in Medicine—Jacksonville kicked off its annual fundraising late last month, announcing a \$300,000 goal for the 2015 campaign to fund ongoing medical care and services provided by the clinic, according to Mary Pat Corrigan, CEO, Volunteers in Medicine.

“It was an evening of reviewing the organization’s mission and purpose and highlighting our successes, including introducing and sharing the stories of two of our patient heroes. Lorraine Parker and Stephanie Rodriguez have very different stories, but together they

represent the full spectrum of what we are all about and how our services can turn lives around,” Corrigan said. Honorary campaign chairs were Dr. Ken and Leinesa Adams.

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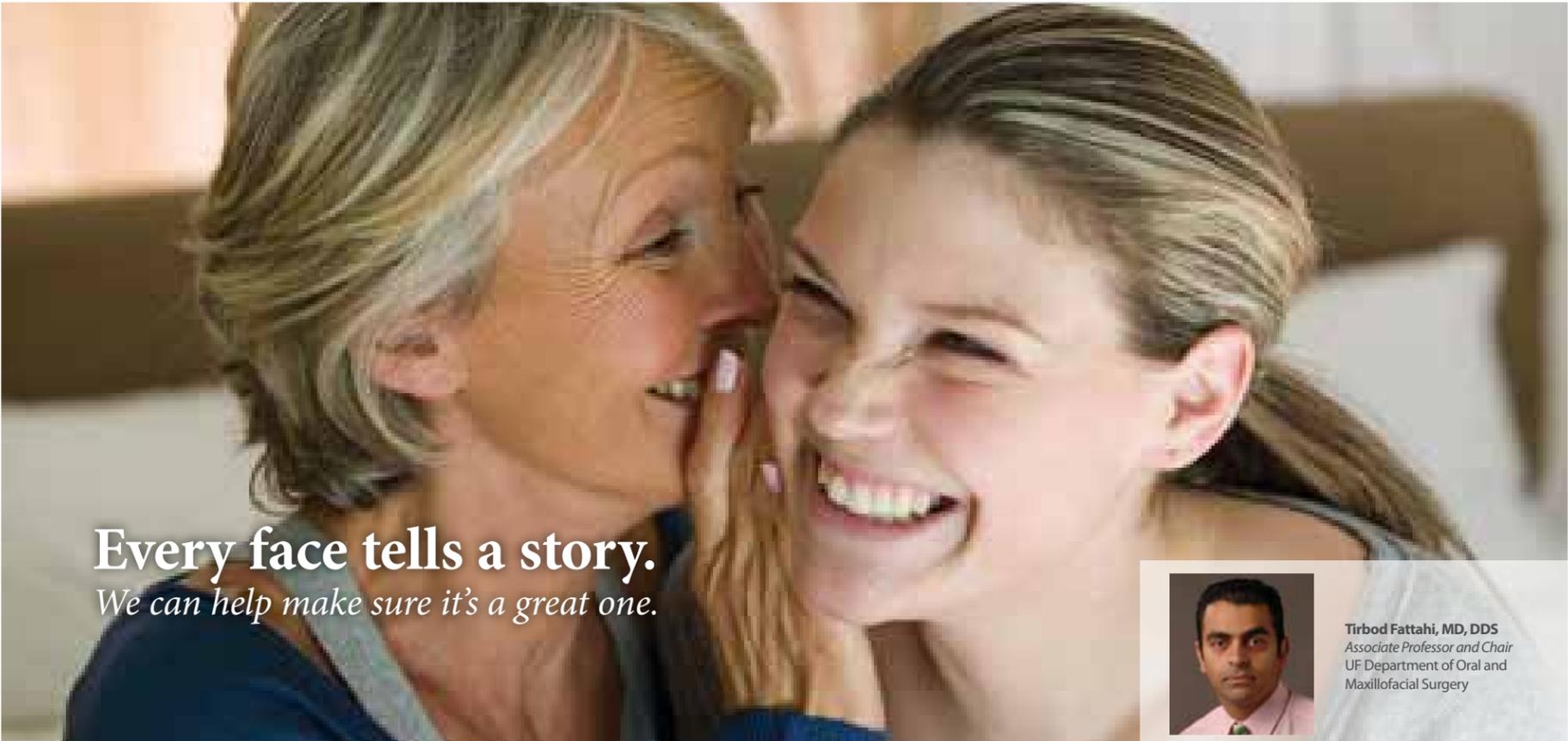
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The Carter Family. Alanna Carter is a CAP student from Lake Forest Elementary School. She performed a Shakespearean monologue and a song from "The Wiz" during the event.



Hugh Greene, Russ Armistead, Wayne Weaver

Cathedral Arts supporters feted at reception

Angels of the Arts was again hosted by Marisa and Frank Martire for the third year in a row for the Cathedral Arts Project annual donor reception. Held Oct. 29 at the Martire home in Ponte Vedra Beach, more than 130 guests assembled to be thanked by the CAP board of directors and its staff.

"Marisa and Frank Martire have been supporters of CAP from the moment they moved to the First Coast. Marisa has served on the Cathedral Arts Project board four years and has contributed significant amounts of her time and other valuable resources to help fund our afterschool arts education programming

in Duval County," said Forrest Holland, COO, Cathedral Arts Project. "They are admirable leaders for significant change in our community to provide equal access of quality arts education."

"The Angels of the Arts reception is our annual thank you for major donors, and this was our biggest event yet," said The Rev. Kimberly Hyatt, President & CEO, Cathedral Arts Project, "which is

an indication of the growing support in Jacksonville for arts education."

It was also announced that Linda and David Stein have been selected as the 2015 Guardian of the Arts Award recipients for their efforts to safeguard and advance the arts along the First Coast. Susan and Hugh Greene will present this award at Spring for the Arts, Apr. 17, 2015.



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Nancy Cable



Two years ago Nancy Cable, Ph.D., moved to Avondale from Lewiston, Maine. She lives with Barney, her Golden Retriever, and loves dining at The Fox Diner, The Brick, Biscottis and Orsay. Find out what brought her to Jacksonville...

Q. What brought you here and when?

A. I moved here to serve as the president of the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations in December 2012. The Foundations were created by the former president and chairman of Alcoa (Pittsburgh-based Aluminum Company of America) in 1952, 10 years before his death at age 95.

Q. What motivated you to choose to move to Avondale?

A. I located temporarily at Haddon Hall on Pine Street and loved the mix of people and walkability. Now I'm just around the corner! Avondale is a great blend of small village and vibrant city.

Q. Would you elaborate on what the Foundations do and where the funds are distributed?

A. We provide philanthropic support to private higher education, medical schools and hospitals, and public television including the work

of Ken Burns and children's television. Theological programs and divinity schools are also included in our annual grants of \$12 million from a \$250 million fund.

Q. What is your background and what prepared you for this job?

A. I have 40 years of leadership experience in higher education, including serving as vice president and dean at Davison College and a senior leadership role at the University of Virginia. Prior to coming to Jacksonville I served as interim president of Bates College in Lewiston, Maine.

Q. What is your favorite part of your work at the Foundations?

A. It is a privilege to support thought leadership across the United States in the areas of education, medicine and public television. The most recent work of Ken Burns, the six-part series on the Roosevelts, was supported by Arthur Vining Davis Foundations.

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Go Giver: Marty Clark

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

As the mother of two children diagnosed with ADHD, a common childhood neurological developmental disorder that affects concentration and school performance, Ortega Forest resident Marty Clark had a lot of questions.

One way Clark was able to get answers was to attend CHADD (Children & Adults with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder) of Duval County monthly meetings. CHADD's professional speakers and programs provide updates regarding services and treatments. Soon Clark began to volunteer for CHADD.

"When a child is diagnosed with ADHD, parents have so many questions. I like to meet other parents coping with this and share what I have learned with them. Meetings are just not enough. Families are in crisis dealing with the many challenges of ADHD and it helps to be able to talk to a parent who has already been through it," Clark said.

ADHD may cause hyperactivity or impulsive behavior. Clarke said the concerns of parents whose children suffer with ADHD are heightened by the complexity of the diagnosis and the many different medications and strategies for coping with the disorder.

"Medications and treatments for ADD (Attention-Deficit Disorder) or ADHD (Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity

Disorder) are constantly advancing. As a mother and future grandmother I want to stay up-to-date so I can explain and share new information with other families," she said. Her children are now young adults and she is currently the CHADD Chapter Coordinator for Duval County.

Clark also spends her days helping children through her position as programs supervisor at the Children's Home Society of Florida-Buckner Division in Jacksonville. Clark says that a career in social work requires one to go above and beyond and she voluntarily gives far more than 40 hours a week. She describes it as a labor of love and an attitude of helping others that she learned from her parents, Joe and Martha Welker.

Clark is a Jacksonville native who grew up on Grand Avenue in an Old Ortega family home. Her late father, Joe, ran his landscape business, Duval Landscaping Company, in his home office from 1948 to 2005. He worked on most of the yards in the historic district, including for Ninah Cumber.

"My dad served in WWII and settled in Jacksonville to start his business. He and Mother volunteered in many ways. Dad was a founder of the Christmas International House for foreign students to stay over holidays at Riverside Presbyterian Church. He helped found the Riverside Presbyterian House & Apartments for seniors and

was passionate about world mission aid because of his wartime experiences," Clark said. "Mom helped the PTA, Girl Scouts and volunteered to substitute teach in inner city public schools during the teachers' strikes because she felt it was terribly wrong for the children who needed school most, to miss classes."





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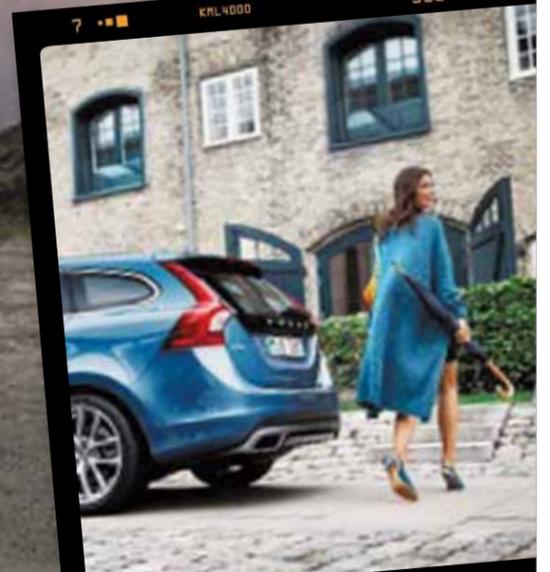
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Biker club brings excitement to seniors

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Jean Hall got a kick out of this Goldwing beauty.



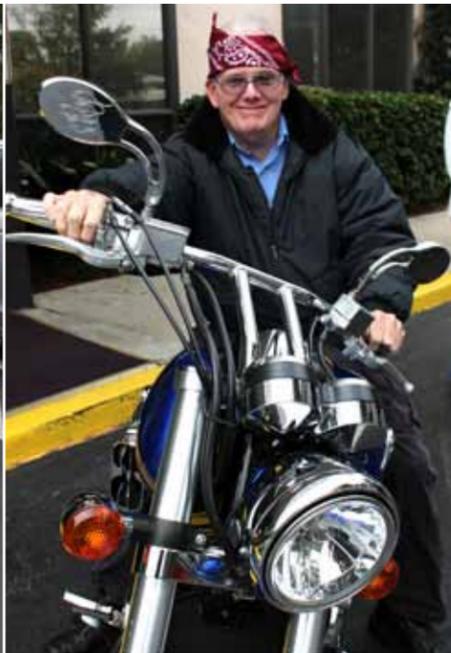
George and Linda Kerutis, riders with the Christian Motorcycle Association, brought their bikes to Riverside Presbyterian House and visit with her father, Everett Stenshorn, 94.



Isla Davis soon traded her pink bonnet for a biker bandana.



Bonnie Peavy tries out a model in white.



Victor Davis getting his kicks at Biker Day at Riverside Presbyterian House.



Riverside Presbyterian House resident Irene Blankenship is flanked by Meg Bowers and Gary Korzinski of the Silverbacks Riding Club.



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In Memoriam

Neighborhood loses iconic mechanic

Thomas Harris
November 3, 1950 to
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BY KATE A. HALLOCK
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Family, friends, customers and suppliers came to pay their last respects to one of the Westside's more colorful characters, Tom Harris, the owner of Ortega Automotive on Appleton Ave., who passed away the morning after his 64th birthday. Family was there to celebrate that birthday in his hospice room at St. Vincent's.

"That evening he was asleep but he could hear us and responded to the music. We sang Happy Birthday and had a party in his room," said son Nathan Harris. "That's what he would have wanted, not to be sad at all, but upbeat."

The independent mechanic was well known in the community, especially for his no-nonsense approach.

"Tom was a straight shooter. You never left a conversation wondering where you stood or what he said," said Debra McGregor, a long-time customer. "You might not like what he had to tell you [regarding your vehicle] but that honesty kept him in business for a long time."

Mechanic Derek Smith recalled that he originally started with Harris in



August 2007, and was touched by his employer's generosity. "We had just moved here and didn't have anywhere to go for Thanksgiving, so he just invited us over to his house. It was really, really great of him and we had a great time."

Smith went on to share his opinion of his boss as a mechanic. "He was one of the best I've known and not just my personal opinion, but anybody who comes into the shop says the same. They've come to Tom for a very long time; they're very loyal," said Smith. "His slogan was 'I don't want everyone's business, I just want yours.'"

Harris was also remembered as a good father and grandfather. Nathan said, "He was always there for us, no matter what trouble we were in. He was awesome as a

grandfather. He spoiled them. Whatever they wanted, even if we said no, they got from Grandpa."

Originally from a small town near Dayton, OH, Harris was taken to Bristol, TN to be laid to rest with his father and mother. He is survived by his wife, Joni,

four children and six grandchildren.

Unfortunately, Harris did not have insurance. To help with the medical and funeral expenses, a GoFundMe page has been set up for donations. If you wish to contribute, please visit <http://www.gofundme.com/hefx68>

Norma Wade Dearing

March 25, 1952 – October 14, 2014

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Norma "Gigi" Dearing was a Jacksonville native, Forrest High School and University of Florida magna cum laude graduate. She was a member of St. Peter's Episcopal and then St. Mark's Episcopal churches. The Ortega Forest resident will be remembered for her abiding Christian faith and 30-year ministry outreach as a nationally and internationally recognized expert and trainer in prayer counseling.

Dearing developed Healing Prayer courses which are used to train ministers around the world. She produced and hosted a successful late-night nationally syndicated, live call-in radio program, The Healing Touch, for 10 years.

She cherished her roles as wife to her husband and missions partner Peter, mother of five and grandmother

of eight. She went to great lengths to build lasting memories for her family through unforgettable holiday and tea parties, Easter egg hunts and over-the-top Halloweens as Fairy God-Gigi, according to her son Jason. He said that the family will be forever grateful that Dearing survived her initial fight with breast cancer, and that they had the past few years to spend as much time as possible with her.

In the 1970s, prior to entering the mission field, Dearing operated the Jacksonville Twirling Academy, one of the largest in the U.S. with approximately 500 students and 10 locations. She had performed as a majorette at Forrest High School and played flute in the band. She was a respected judge for the Florida Band Masters Association for 30 years. Dearing was selected as one of the Most Outstanding Women of America.

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John W. Johnson, a World War II veteran, was a recipient of the Purple Heart and Bronze Star, among other military honors. He joined the U.S. Army immediately following his graduation from Landon High School in 1944 and fought with General George S. Patton's 90th Division. He was part of the Normandy Invasion at Omaha Beach and the battle to reclaim Hill 122, but was seriously injured. Johnson was also part of the 42nd Infantry (Rainbow) Division that liberated Dachau Nazi Concentration Camp.

"John was rushed from the Normandy battlefield on a Jeep hood to a ship-board hospital and returned to England on his 19th birthday, 1945. His badly injured leg left him with a lifelong limp. Despite his difficulty walking, he stayed in the military and was assigned to the 431st AAA Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion where he drove transport trucks, moving weapons, troops, supplies and heavy equipment," his wife Geraldine said.

When Johnson returned home after

the war in 1947, he met Geraldine Buff, a nurse at St. Vincent's Riverside. The couple married on February 12, 1950 and celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary this past February. The couple had two children and six grandchildren.

Huckins Yacht Corporation in Ortega was where Johnson expressed his creativity and love of woodworking as a master craftsman for approximately 27 years, according to his wife.

Buddy Purcell of Huckins Yacht called Johnny, as he was known to co-workers there, a gifted craftsman who created many original wood decorative patterns still used at the Ortega company.

An important experience in Johnson's life was their 2004 three-week trip to re-trace his travels during the war, and to Omaha Beach, Normandy for the 60th D-Day Anniversary.



Myrtice Harris Craig

October 11, 1942–September 26, 2014

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Myrtice Craig was an important light in Jacksonville, a woman who loved the city, its historic districts and neighborhood preservation. She championed Downtown revitalization for 25 years. Craig, with a vibrant spirit and open-hearted laugh, was an advocate for women's rights, a passionate patron of the arts, a devoted wife, mother of two with two beloved grandchildren she doted upon.

She shared the last 20 years with her husband and partner in all things, Robert C. Broward, one of Florida's most famous, respected living architects. They designed and built their beautiful Empire Point (St. Nicholas) home, where they loved to share fruit from their yard with friends and neighbors. It was typical for Craig to arrive at the door with a home-cooked meal for anyone ill or bereaved.

A 1950s Lee High School graduate, Craig's classmates say she stayed the same smart, happy girl they knew in high school, until the end of her life. She was a University of Florida graduate, successful licensed realtor, board member of The Florida Trust for Historic Preservation, with many professional awards. She renovated six properties and was considered a restoration and income property investment expert.

Linda Sherrer, CEO/President of Berkshire Hathaway and Sheron Willson,

Berkshire's Avondale/San Marco Broker Manager worked with Craig 13 years. They called her a vital part of the company and their lives, greatly missed, someone who kept touch even after cutting back to care for Bob. She had a shining attitude, smiles and hugs for everyone and delighted in introducing newcomers to her all-out tour of Jacksonville. She shared her time and knowledge generously.

According to her son Mark Craig, a professional photographer and teacher, the family had hoped to spend another Christmas together. Mark said his mother touched countless lives and despite her own illness, spent the last decade caring for those she loved, nursed her brother Tyre Harris through liver transplant and tenderly cared for Bob.

Myrtice was fearless. Mark remembers years ago how she packed him and his sister Daphne in their wood-paneled station wagon and drove to Tallahassee to march together in an ERA rally. He remains thankful that her strength, despite cancer, helped her to share every last moment with her family.



John Kelly Sisk, Jr

February 29, 1941 – September 6, 2014

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

John Kelly Sisk, Jr. grew up outside of Greenville, South Carolina in a country home on a large lake where he enjoyed water sports, fishing, boating and hunting – hobbies which made him a lifelong outdoorsman, his daughter Meg Grimes said.

"Dad was an Eagle



Scout and a proud 1964 graduate of The Citadel in Charleston. He used to host events for prospective Citadel students and fundraisers for the college. He served two years as a U.S. Army Lieutenant and was a patriot all his life. He also earned an MBA in Business from Emory University," Grimes said.

Sisk moved to Jacksonville in 1968 and worked for Stockton, Whatley, Davin & Co. as a mortgage banker. In 1973 he started his development company, Sisk & Associates and later American Shelter Corporation. Among Sisk's most important real estate projects were his 1970s oceanfront condominiums,

The Cloisters at Atlantic Beach and The Breakers at Ponte Vedra Beach. He continued to work until illness caused his retirement in 2012.

He married Patricia Winn of Knoxville, Tennessee in 1979 and the couple had two children, Meg Sisk Grimes (Mike) and her brother Kelly Sisk, III (Jennifer) and two grandchildren, Anne Catherine, 9, and Emme Grimes, 6.

Charlie Commander, a great friend of 45 years, said Sisk was a rare and loyal

person who would do anything to help a friend. He said that some of Sisk's favorite activities were deep sea fishing with his son Kelly and quail hunting with his son-in-law Mike.

Sisk was a longtime member of the Meninak Club of Jacksonville, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and of Quail Unlimited in Northeast Florida. He was a member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church and a supporter of St. Mark's Day School.

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Local community advocate celebrates 70 years

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Sure that the number had to be wrong, nevertheless, Diane Kerr celebrated her 70th birthday on Nov. 20th.

An EVE Award winner and named Citizen of the Year by the NE Florida Association of Social Workers, Kerr is well known in Jacksonville, particularly on the Westside and in Riverside, where she launched the North Riverside Community Development Association and brought First Coast Crime Stoppers to her neighborhood.

With her husband of 52 years, recently retired Veterinarian, Dr. Vincent Kerr, she helped to grow the oldest and busiest veterinary clinic on the Westside, Edison Avenue Veterinary Hospital.

A loving mother of three children and proud grandmother of four, Kerr remains devoted to her

community, helping others and animal welfare.

Enjoying a quieter pace of life and more time with family and her two dogs, Prince and Pip, Kerr keeps up with current city events, visits friends and never tires of the beach and shelling.



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February 1 to April 15. The IRS also offers Continuing Education (CE) credits for tax professionals who volunteer to serve as tax preparers, instructors and quality reviewers.

Last year, 150 local AARP Tax-Aide volunteers helped prepare over 5,750 tax returns in the Jacksonville and Beaches area. They join the more than 35,000 AARP Tax-Aide volunteers across the country, helping millions of taxpayers each year.

For more information on how you can join the AARP Tax-Aide team, visit www.aarp.org/tavolunteer8.

Sterling House rebranded as Brookdale Avondale

One of the largest senior living companies in the U.S. is rebranding its Jacksonville communities, and residents at its location formerly known as Sterling House Merrimac enjoyed a glass of champagne at a late October ribbon cutting.

"This will align us with the corporation and all of its programs," said Leslie Highleyman, sales and marketing manager, about the Avondale facility that has actually been under the Brookdale umbrella for 15 years.

Shamane Thomas, longest-term employee, assisted Iris Thompson, longest-



Leslie Highleyman, Joan Heard, Seeta Samarro, Bethany Larkins, Shamane Thomas, Iris Thompson, Leah Pickles, Anna Bowen

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Mind your own mind-set. Acknowledge all of your emotions, focus on the positives, celebrate what your loved ones can do, and appreciate the help you are receiving.

Keep self-care at the top of the list. Make time for exercise; it can boost your mood. Get outside for some vitamin D from the sunlight or consider therapeutic lighting if you suffer from seasonal affective disorder. Relax with some aromatherapy.



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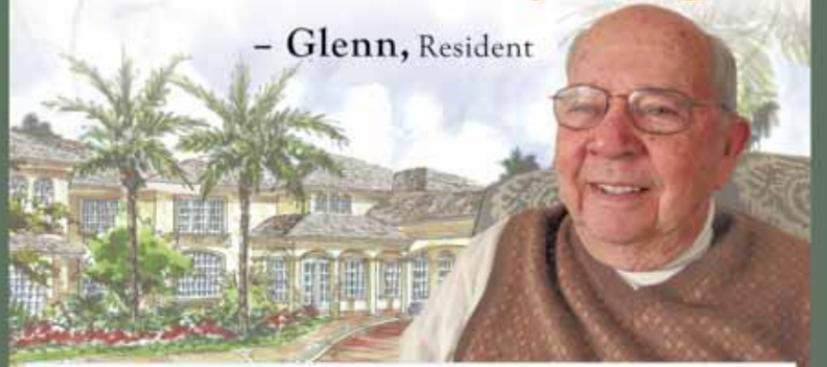
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First Baby Boomer graduating class marks 50th reunion



Lee High School Class of 1964 reunion

BY KATE A. HALLOCK
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

From the sounds of it, the Lee High School Class of 1964 reunion organizers Harmon Wages, Mike Huddleston, Mary Frances Perret O’Leary and Judy Gunnels McClure were successful.

The 50th reunion of a class that was born at the beginning of the Baby Boom (1946) and then graduated during the Boom’s last year spanned four days in late October. The hard work began in June when the membership committee started with 43 “found” classmates out of 615. By the night of the banquet, 375 had been contacted or were aware of the reunion; 91 had passed away and 149 had not been located.

Reunion Communications Team Chair Mike Huddleston related a funny anecdote about a classmate living right in the Jacksonville area who hadn’t been found and knew nothing of the reunion. “On the very day of the banquet he happened upon one of our posters! He called in,

made the arrangements, and came to the banquet that night,” said Huddleston. “Disturbingly, though, we had him on the ‘deceased’ roster, as this was found on one of our Internet searches. At the banquet this alum found a Post-It note and covered his picture on our ‘In Memoriam’ display, and wrote ‘Not Yet!’ on it.”

The celebration kicked off when all 1964 classmates were honored at a football game when the Lee Generals played the Lake City Tigers, following a coin toss by Harmon Wages.

A get-together at Nipper’s Beach Grille on Friday evening, a tour of the high school on Saturday morning and the gala event at the Timuquana Country club on Saturday night provided ample opportunities for old friends to catch up and trade memories. Finally, on Sunday morning, three brunches were held in different part of the city for a last chance to reminisce.

Class of 64 alumni can check out the event at www.LeeHighSchool1964.myevent.com.



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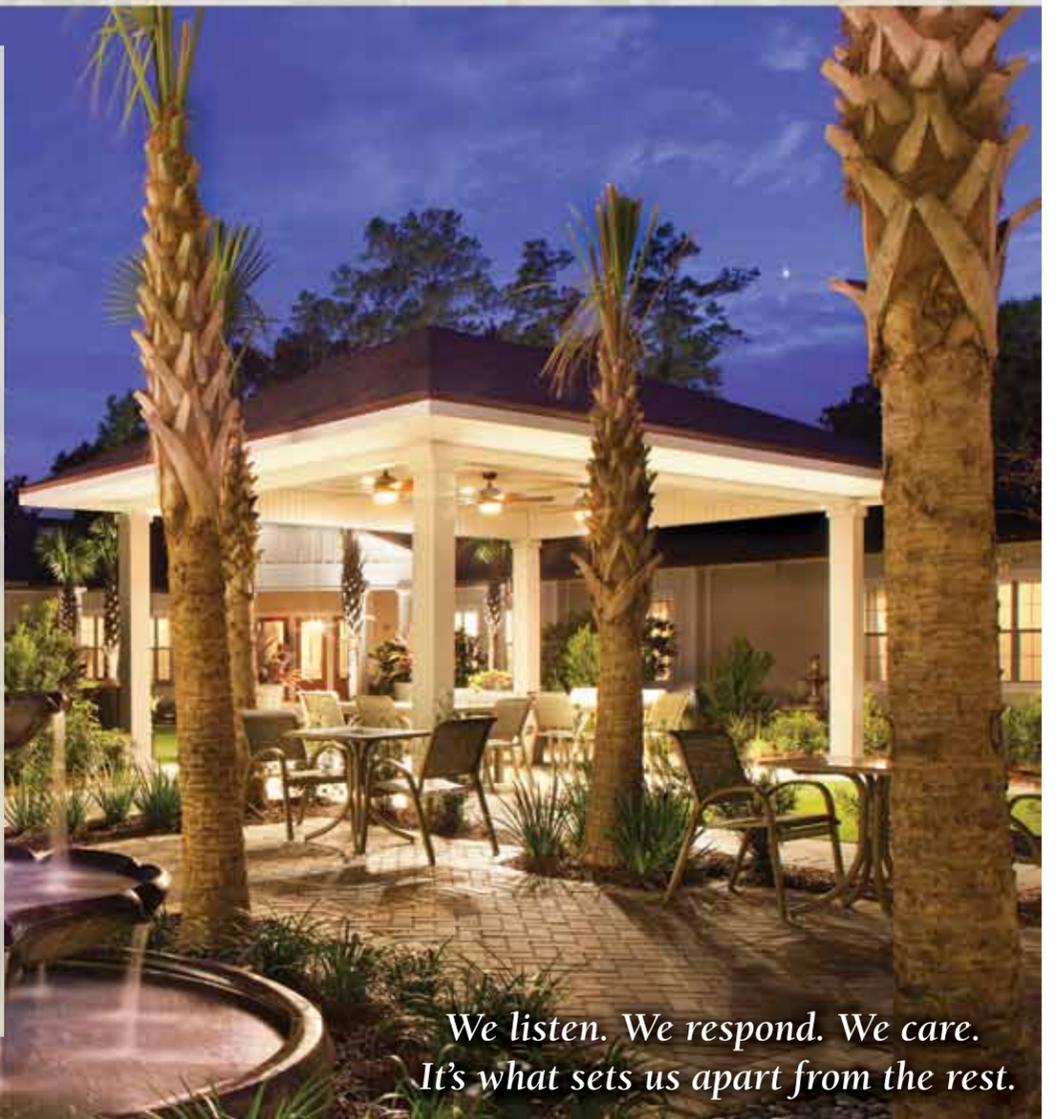


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The Way we Were

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Reminiscing with Linda Moseley, 87, requires planning because this cheerful petite grandmother maintains a full schedule with her Book Club, Garden Club, friends and travels with her family. Recently back from a train trip across Canada, Moseley said it was an opportunity to be with her children and was not to be missed.

Moseley and her late husband Thaddeus Moseley, M.D. met on a blind date at Vanderbilt University and were married in 1948. They settled in Jacksonville in 1950 because Dr. Moseley had met Jacksonville surgeon Dr. Ash Williams, when both served in a WWII Army MASH Unit field hospital. Williams urged Moseley to move to Jacksonville and start his surgical practice at Riverside Hospital. The two men became lifelong friends.

The Moseleys drove to Jacksonville with their first baby and two suitcases in a four-door coupe and lived briefly in a sweltering Riverside duplex. They bought a Donald Street cottage that resembled something straight out of a fairy tale, she said. In 1953 they moved to their brick family home on Edgewood Avenue. The couple shared 54 happy years of marriage until Thad's death in 2002.

While Dr. Moseley built his career, Linda, with a college degree in history, English and art minors, also went to work but in the volunteer arena.

"I'd push the baby stroller around

Linda Moseley

Avondale collecting for the March of Dimes and United Fund (United Way). I met other mothers and helped charities at the same time," she said. "Thad was a born teacher and when he began to volunteer to teach medical students at Duval County Hospital on Jefferson Street [now UF Health Center], I began to volunteer there too. He was proud of helping to bring the University of Florida Medical School and surgical service here."

Moseley said at that time there were no services for families at the county hospital, not even a cafeteria.

"I manned a small shop and pushed a cart around with simple toiletries, snacks, sandwiches and cold drinks

for patients and families, who were so thankful," she said. "I'm most proud of our fundraising to help build a wing onto the mental hospital, including an occupational room for patients. Before that there was nothing to do and nowhere to go except their rooms. We volunteers stuck our noses everywhere in Jacksonville to raise that money."

For Linda and the children, Thaddeus, William and Stacy, Willowbranch Park and library were home territory. The children attended music lessons taught by the pastor's wife at Riverside Christian Church and Mrs. Sisk's private kindergarten for 3-, 4- and 5-year-olds at Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd. William attended kindergarten at Riverside Presbyterian Church, the family church.

"The boys were set on riding a bus to school, although we were only a few blocks from West Riverside Elementary. We let them walk up Edgewood to St. Johns Avenue and catch the city bus to school. They were both patrol guards and I'm not

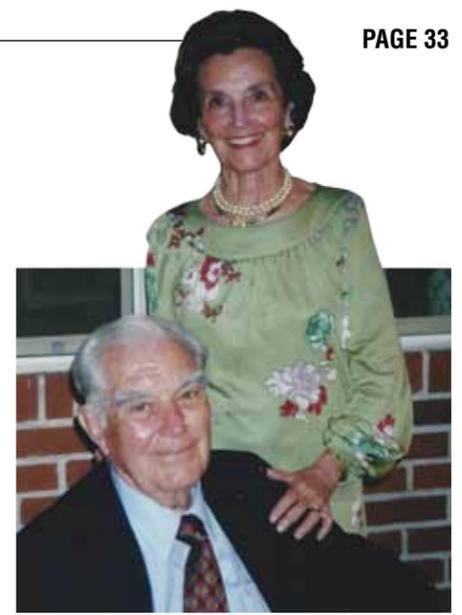
sure which made them happier, riding the bus to school or wearing the patrol guard strap and badge," she said.

During the 1950s and 1960s Moseley credits the Junior League with teaching her and many other women leadership and management skills as valuable as a Master's degree or MBA. She volunteered to test children's hearing for the Speech & Hearing Clinic in an old school building downtown and served as Placement Chairman matching members with volunteer positions. She chaired the Professional Women's Group which included many teachers who could only volunteer at night, on weekends or during the summers. She served as Junior League President 1961-62 and on the International Board.

"We learned parliamentary procedure, how to run meetings and committees, how to balance a budget and start a small business, all types of projects, topics and skills were taught and it was invaluable training for women at that time," she said.

Moseley believed in social integration, quietly took a stand at every opportunity to include all races and says it wasn't easy. She volunteered and held board positions at the Salvation Army Mission rehabilitation center that was located on Park Street, United Way Allocations & Budget Committee and the Jacksonville Symphony Guild. Moseley wanted every child in Jacksonville to attend symphony concerts.

"The youth concerts were my favorites. I took tickets to the inner city schools and helped principals work out bus transportation," she said. "Dorothy Tunstall, executive secretary of the



Symphony then, helped me every step of the way."

Moseley helped her friends Dan and Blanche Coffman of Timuquana and Jim and Mary Cousar of Ortega Forest start the literacy program Learn to Read and was a longtime volunteer.

"They saw the program's success in Atlanta and knew we needed it here. The first two workshops were planned at First Presbyterian Church, one daytime and one evening with an Atlanta trainer. The response was so overwhelming, it required three trainers and six workshops! I'm happy that it's still a success," she said.

Christmases brought all the grandparents to Florida for homemade meals (the only nearby restaurants were Green Derby and yacht club), caroling, seeing debutantes at the Florida Yacht Club and church activities. A favorite drive was out to the 'country' in Mandarin to ride a miniature train that seated several adults and children.



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New Early Learning Center opens



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After more than a year in the making, the Episcopal Early Learning Center Shepherd at Good Shepherd is officially open and enrolling students. The childcare center will be operated by Episcopal Children's Services, a large non-profit organization that has provided quality early learning programs in Jacksonville and surrounding counties for nearly 50 years. The new center will cater to children ages 1-5 and boasts small class sizes and individualized plans for each child. Programs include Foundations for Success, Links to Early Learning, and Godly Play Christian Curricula.

The project was the brainchild of

the Rev. Jeffrey Reichmann, rector of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, and parishioners JF Bryan, IV and Dr. Ross Krueger. "We are incredibly grateful to everyone who played a role in making this new center possible," said ECS CEO Connie Stophel. "Father Reichmann came to us with the idea and Dr. Krueger and JF collaborated to make it happen. We are particularly appreciative of the Bryan Family Advisors of the Lucy and Henry Gooding Endowment who funded the renovations needed to make the center a reality."

To enroll a child or for information about the new center, call (904) 723-4413.

Junior attitude of gratitude

Charlotte displays a sample of the 572 pairs of socks collected by St John's Presbyterian Kindergarten and Preschool for City Rescue Mission. The children have been learning about the first Thanksgiving and are cultivating an attitude of gratitude.



New furry, four-legged student at St. Paul's Catholic School

St. Paul's Catholic School welcomed a new member to the family last month. Ninja, a beautiful yellow Lab, is currently in training with Canine Companions for Independence (CCI), a non-profit organization that provides highly trained assistance dogs to people with disabilities.

Ninja will attend school with his trainer, Dr. Lee Beaton, a retired teacher and superintendent, who is serving as a 2nd and 4th grade maternity leave substitute until the end of the school year. As an integral part of his training, students are not permitted to pet Ninja or interact with him in any way unless Dr. Beaton gives him permission. While in the classroom, Ninja will remain in his crate. When traveling from place to place, Ninja will accompany the class and students can earn the opportunity to lead him.



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Jr. Residents

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Live entertainment, food trucks, games, bounce house and a silent auction were crowd-pleasers at the annual Fishweir Elementary School fall festival last month. Sponsored by the PTA, the event draws alumni and neighbors as well as the K-6 grade students and their families.



Lyon Wilson



Sydney Merrill and Danielle Gammon



Charity Fisher and Erin Bouchard



Colby and Keller McKay, Dee Phillips



Gracie Collins and Riley Ferris



Adam Freeman with children Lydia and Colin



Salley and Lila Todd



Anna Leach and Alex Hogan



Veronica Wilson



Standing: Matthew Studstill, Henry Zimmer, Margaret Gibbs, Phoebe Mori, Mandy Miller, Ward Jarvis, Quinn Miller, Jack Hines, Lilly Whitner, Wells Madison. Seated: Brewer Bassett, Charles Hicks

Community service cleans up creek

A dozen students from St. Mark's Episcopal Confirmation class met last month at the Woodmore St. home of Greg and Laney Smith to begin a cleanup of Fishweir Creek. Under the supervision of St.

John's Riverkeeper education director Jennie Busey, the boys and girls collected four large bags of trash, including a lot of plastic and Styrofoam, according to Busey. "We also collected a flip-flop and a football that the kids had fun with."

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Church, where the Perry family attend.

Presented by Janie Boyd & Associates Real Estate Services, the event benefits the Ryan D. Perry Foundation at OUMC, and the church's goal of growing children's ministries in the community. Alan Perry, father of the late Bolles student, said that the proposed Family Life Center is now completely funded and the church plans to break ground by the end of the year with the goal of having the \$2 million center open and ready for use next fall. According to Perry, an anonymous donor contributed half of the funds.

Riverside resident Dean Krueger finished first with a time of 18:11 followed by event organizer Matthew Worsham (18:18) and Michelle Krueger (18:42).



Susan Klima, Bill Klima Jr., Liddy Klima and children Ben and Tripp; Bill Klima Sr.



Tripp Klima, Sammy Dussinger



Nick Elksnis and Matthew Anderson



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Karen Vangura with sons Sean and Jonas



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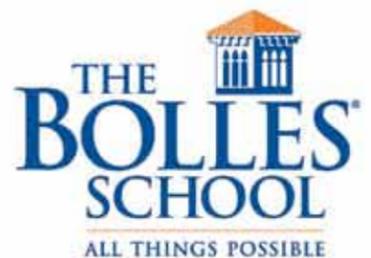
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Retired four-star U.S. Navy Admiral Jonathan Howe spoke to middle and upper school students in the Performing Arts Center on the significance of Veterans' Day and the role of the U.S. in the world today.

During his 35-year career with the U.S. Navy, Admiral Howe served both in sea assignments and commands and shore assignments all over the world. He served in Somalia as the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations. He was Deputy Assistant to the President of the United States for National Security Affairs. He also served as the Commander in Chief, Allied Forces Southern Europe and Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe.



Kindergartners dressed to commemorate Veterans' Day at St. John's Country Day School. William (Liam) McNulty, back row far left, lives in Ortega.

St. Paul's carnival "over the top"

The Jacksonville Fair had a little competition in Riverside last month. After rain shut out the annual two-day St. Paul's Catholic School carnival in September, the rescheduled one-day event on Nov. 15 was, according to Murray Hill resident Tiffany Hutto, "Over the top." Hutto's husband Chris was the event organizer

for the second year in a row and brought in rides worthy of a good old fashioned fair. In addition to a climbing wall and zip line, classroom-sponsored game booths and bounce houses, food trucks and a funnel cake maker were some of the attractions that kept children of all ages in a frenzy of fun.

First grader Mia Hutto scales the climbing wall. Her father Chris was the carnival organizer.



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Samantha Jenkins, Chloe Kolenc, Zedtri Megpantay



Brad Parliment holding son Timothy was the second generation to attend St. Paul's Catholic School. His father went to St. Paul's and now his sons Brandon, left, and Joshua are students at the Riverside school. Nancy, formerly a Kindergarten teacher at the school, holds 7-month-old Lauralynn.

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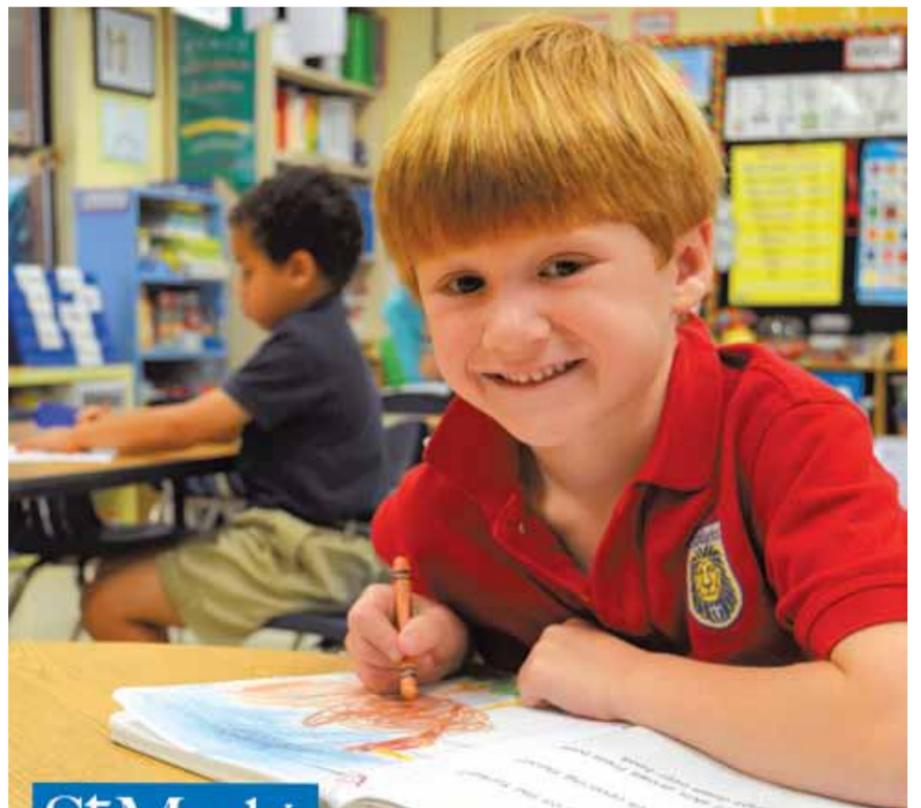
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Bishop Snyder student directs St. Paul's students



St. Paul's Catholic School students, under the leadership of Bishop Snyder senior Caroline Yazdiya, performed the play *You are Special* on Nov. 21. The play is based on a children's book by author Max Lucado. Yazdiya most recent role was Beauty and the Beast's Belle in a musical at Bishop Snyder High School.

The play was chosen by the school's teachers and principal to show the children of St. Paul's that they are special because God made them. The children learned teamwork and gained confidence. The school will continue to convey this message at a Lenten retreat next spring.

Victory for the Blue team



Coach Taylor Harnden, Don Kohla, Braden Witkovich, Mitchell Donahoo, MJ Goodman, Jackson Haines, Thomas Stanly, Austin Stamper, Andre Stamper, Will Commander

St. Mark's Episcopal Day School participated in the North Florida Independent School Athletic Conference (NFISAC) league with two Junior Varsity boys' teams, two Varsity boys' teams, and one Varsity girls' team. The teams practiced twice a week and played games against Jacksonville Country Day School, Beaches Episcopal Day School, and San Jose Episcopal Day School. The Varsity Blue Boys Basketball team won the tournament and the Junior Varsity

Blue team finished third. The Varsity girls' team won the tournament, beating Jacksonville Country Day School by six points. According to St. Mark's P.E. Teacher and Varsity Coach Taylor Harnden, winning games wasn't the only thing important to these student athletes. "Our teams showed a big improvement in sportsmanship and team play. And, it wasn't just on the basketball court, it was also reflected during their school day."

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