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Drew Haramis, founder of The Allison Brundick Haramis Foundation, also known as Angels for Allison, poses with Carrie Whitsell (left) and Jordan Whitsell at the annual Festival of Flight in front of a pair of wings created by students at St. Mark's Episcopal School. [READ MORE, PAGE 21](#)

Cub Scout 'Bat Pack' hopes to earn Conservation Good Turn Award

San Marco Cub Scout Pack 35 could find they have a new nickname, thanks to a unique project. In an effort to earn the Conservation Good Turn Award from the Boy Scouts of America, the "Bat Pack" built bat houses to distribute throughout the San Marco community to encourage the important role bats play in the environment.

At the Pack's Oct. 18 meeting at Southside United Methodist Church, the boys heard from Miramar resident Jason Evert, a biologist, who spoke about how bats help the community and can control mosquitos. One bat can eat thousands of mosquitos in an evening, said Evert.

"I was a Cub Scout while in elementary school in Michigan, when I was mostly interested in turtles and frogs, and even had a baby snapping turtle as a



Scoutmaster Wade Lindsey with Cub Scouts Thad Lindsey, Reynolds Watson, Auggie Page, James Hartman, Jacob Mercer and Stepp Hurst

pet. I graduated college after doing research on ducks, and then moved to Florida to attend the University of Florida to do research on alligators," said Evert.

After Evert's presentation, the Pack divided into their respective dens and built bat houses and worked on other bat-related projects.



Doing just a little bit more for United Way

Angie Koury, Kristen Dietzen and Amy Ruth help give the underserved a 'fighting chance' at United Way

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Lara Logan a huge draw for first Florida Forum

Katherine Forrester, Beth Langley, Women's board president, Michael Aubin, president of Wolfson Children's Hospital, Collier Weber and Robin Albanese were among many riveted by stories from the veteran war correspondent.

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Dinner with Bill & Friends honors 'ambassador'

Patti Tebow and Christy Smith with Matt Schellenberger and Linda Thomas, who rubbed elbows with residents of The Arc Village at its annual benefit.

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Playground creates new buzz on campus

Enjoying the new playground at San Jose Episcopal Day School are Maddie Hoover and Annie Magee, front, with Peyton Hoover and Julia Magee, thanks in part to a grant by the Bryan Family Advisors of the Henry and Lucy B. Gooding Fund.



Editor's Note

For one of the shorter months of the year, November is packed with a variety of observances, celebrations and events, many of which give us pause for thanks and gratitude.

Right at the start, I am grateful for the clocks falling back an hour on Sunday, Nov. 3, and it's not for that extra hour of sleep. Although thankful for the homes which leave porch lights on in the early morning hours, I'm happy to again take my morning walk after the sun rises.

On Tuesday, Nov. 6, I am extremely grateful for the right to cast my vote for the 42nd time since I became eligible to do so while in college. I hope you will too after first reading the story on page 9 about a candidate forum held last month.

That same day, members of the Florida First Coast Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals will hold the annual National Philanthropy Day awards luncheon, where they will honor five organizations and four individuals for their philanthropic efforts in Northeast Florida. Be sure to look for a copy of the 2018-2019 edition of Circles—Social Datebook and Charity Register to read about this and other stories of selfless giving.

Veterans' Day, Nov. 11, is a great opportunity to say "Thank you for your service" to men and women in or retired from the military. Several of the schools in our area have planned events to honor our veterans, so turn to page 44 to see what local students are doing.

World Kindness Day is celebrated on Tuesday, Nov. 13, but in these pages you'll read about residents young and old who volunteer or raise funds throughout the year in a variety of activities and events to ensure others have their basic needs covered, from food and shelter, to education and medical necessities and more.

Toward the end of the month, we'll pause for a couple of days to spend time with family and friends on Thanksgiving, grateful for those in our community who will serve the homeless and those unable to afford a turkey dinner with cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes and pumpkin pie.

While you're out doing holiday shopping, don't forget about Small Business Saturday, Nov. 24. Show your support for our advertisers and other small businesses which are the backbone of our historic district and neighborhoods. Visit the Riverside Arts Market where more than a hundred artisans and craftsmen will have something sure to please almost everyone on your list.

Finally, the month of gratitude wraps up with Giving Tuesday, Nov. 27, when you can donate to your favorite charity or cause from the comfort of your home. See our story about Giving Tuesday on page 36 for a few ideas about where to share your goodwill – and you can do so all year!

Gratefully yours,

Kate A. Hallock
Managing Editor

Letter TO THE Editor

An officer and a gentleman

You might say it is too late – this evening, I came upon for the first time the subject article appearing in your newspaper on September 1, now eons ago as journalists and their publishers measure time these days, I know.

But I myself would say it is too soon – too soon to close out commentary on that extremely well-composed encomium on Tom Howe.

I say that because there is much more to be reported on Tom Howe who, with typical understatement, withheld from your reporter some of the most salient and extraordinary aspects of his highly adventurous life, not to mention the lives of much earlier Howes than those mentioned in the article and who helped shape American and British history.

I say that additionally because I have known Tom Howe for nearly 50 years beginning when he had only recently returned from Vietnam as a decorated Captain of Marines, and because I have always known him as an undauntable person with utterly irrepressible joie de vivre.

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Vandals have defaced the new fence put up on the property line by the developer of San Jose Estates.

Monson said once the drainage system has been completed, an "as-built" certification will be submitted for evaluation, and if corrective actions need to be taken to bring the project into compliance, timelines to make those changes will be established. "At this time, the District has no reason to believe that the permittee does not intend to construct the project as authorized by the District permit," she said.

The homeowners on Madrid Avenue "receive flow from their own neighborhood, not the San Jose Estates project site," Monson added. "That neighborhood predates District rules, and its system for managing its storm water is unpermitted. The District has shared with the adjacent landowners that a portion of the rear of their properties is floodplain."

And, in a second email to *The Resident*, Monson further clarified SJRWMD's position.

"The Madrid Avenue properties drain toward San Jose Estates – not the other way around," she wrote. "Stormwater from Christiana Forest drains naturally toward Mr. O'Nan's property. Mr. O'Nan has provided a bypass system for this off-site run-off, as well as a stormwater system for San Jose Estates, which was in the permitted design," she said.

Monson also said the professional engineer who inspected the area in late September "observed a couple of small

areas of standing water (puddles) near the property line. This area is part of the 100-year floodplain, and it would not be uncommon for it to experience some sogginess from time to time."

O'Nan did not answer telephone or email queries from *The Resident*.

Robison said he realized a small corner of his property was in an area considered to be "100-year floodplain," but said that doesn't change his issue with San Jose Estates or prevent him from holding SJRWMD responsible for the water problems on his property.

"The pipe that managed the water when it was wetlands was a good two feet lower than my property at that time," he said, noting he never experienced standing water on his land before San Jose Estates filled in its property. "They can't push their water onto my property. That's illegal. The problem is that they bought property with a water problem. It was wetlands and those wetlands were hydraulically linked to the St. Johns River. The water in that area wasn't draining from our property. That water was there, and the natural motion of the water had to be managed by them."

"They were supposed to build their tank storage system six inches above the water table," he continued, noting the tank was placed too high and will require at least eight feet of soil to be dug out and the system redone so the water can percolate. "It was



David Robison straddles the drainage pipe he is installing on his property to fix the water issues he says were caused by the development of San Jose Estates.



Water plants and standing water sit on the abutters' side of the property line.

supposed to act as a reservoir, but when they came out with the big bulldozers they collapsed all the soil, then they dug it out. The fill they used was impermeable, and it acts like concrete. No water moves now," Robison explained.

"They can't say our water flowed onto their property because it was pre-existing. The real problem is they did it wrong, and SJRWMD did not provide the proper oversight to ensure they did it correctly. They damaged the eco-structure of the land so the repair to make sure they do it right will be exorbitant," he said. "They created the problem. They own the problem, and you can quote me on that."

Although Robison and Conner have contacted the City several times, there is nothing it can do to resolve the issue, said District 5 Councilwoman Lori Boyer. "The developer got the permit through the Water Management District to build on property

that was already zoned residential, so the City could not say no," she said.

"I know there are questions about whether the drainage systems were done according to plans, but you can't stop someone if it's built in accordance with the permits issued," Boyer continued. "The City has cited them for code compliance violations on multiple occasions because they let the grass grow and they are not doing anything. The practical side is that whoever invested in it is, I'm sure, not doing well financially as a result of that investment. They are not getting any return on it or selling any properties."

"The unfortunate thing is the real remedy is a private remedy between the property owners," Boyer said. "Someone has to sue their neighbors. The City doesn't have a way to step in and do something as the City. When we can, we have engaged, but there's no open door for us at the moment to do anything."

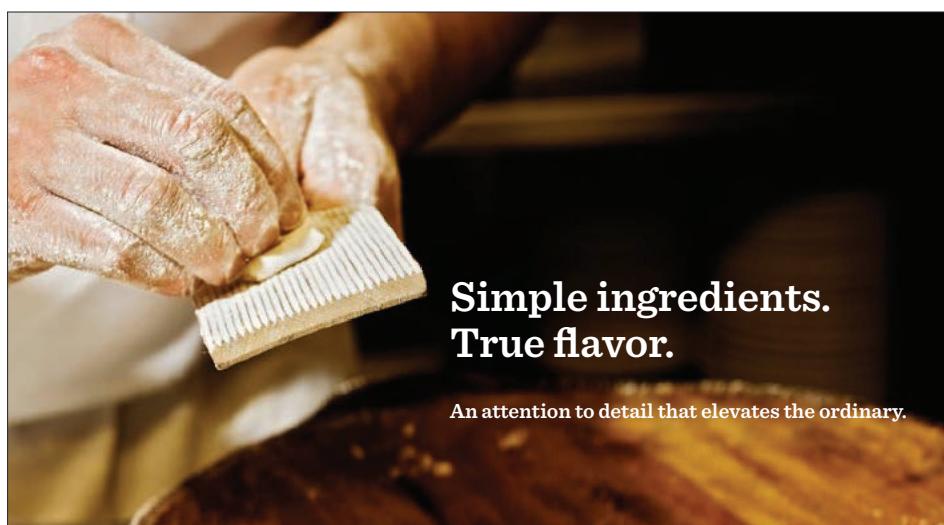
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Ad hoc council committee hopes new legislation will clear up rezoning issues

Planned unit development process confusing, unwieldy and often mis-used

By Kate A. Hallock

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When is a planned unit development, known as a PUD at City Hall, not a planned unit development? For many residents opposed to certain property changes, the term is synonymous with circumvention of existing zoning codes.

PUDs are often used by property owners to deviate from zoning criteria such as landscape buffers and parking requirements, instead of applying for administrative deviations, exceptions, minor modifications or waivers through the Planning Commission.

With 2,048 existing PUDs on record, it is the most applied-for zoning category out of 48. Since 2016, of 146 PUD applications submitted in Duval County, only nine were intended for mixed-used developments, according to Folks Huxford, chief of the Current Planning Division.

This was not the original intention of the legislation approved around the time of City-County consolidation 50 years ago to encourage mixed-use development. According to the Jacksonville Municipal Code, Sec. 656.340, "It is not the intent to utilize the Planned Unit Development district solely to diminish the usual application of the provisions of the Zoning Code."

Sometimes properties are rezoned to PUDs to enhance their market value, lessening perceived restrictions under other zoning categories or providing as many

permissible uses as possible for the property. Other times, City Councilmembers suggest rezoning to a PUD to enact greater restrictions to protect the quality of life for neighboring property owners.

While conditions set under standard zoning codes are relatively clear to enforce, each PUD is unique and comes with its own set of conditions, "essentially creating their own little zoning districts in which Municipal Code Compliance has difficulty with enforcement," according to Bill Killingsworth, director of the City's Planning and Development Department, who made that comment at a June 13 meeting on PUDs.

Following a variety of complaints received that conditions imposed through PUDs are not enforced, Jacksonville City Councilmembers John Crescimbeni (At-Large), Lori Boyer (District 5) and Bill Gulliford (District 13) convened the June meeting to discuss splitting PUDs into two categories.

It must seem like déjà vu for Boyer. Six years ago, she was on the same mission to streamline the process, making it more efficient for developers and more user-friendly for citizens. At the June 13 meeting, Boyer said the intention is to create a broader, more conceptual category for a PUD to focus on the interface with and transition between the boundaries of a property zoned PUD and the adjacent properties, as well as the locations of the access points. The second category would be more detailed and specific to the application.

According to meeting notes, the goal for revamping the PUD was to accelerate and streamline the application process, while also providing more details for the approving bodies, such as City Council, the Planning Commission, and the Land Use and Zoning Committee, to consider.

The special committee reconvened Oct. 3 to discuss possible solutions for nine issues, involving planned unit developments. One of those problems concerns entitlements granted under a PUD which then sits undeveloped for many years, such as the East San Marco PUD, which was approved in 2014 for a mix of residential and retail uses, including a Publix. The committee raised the question as to whether PUDs should have an expiration date versus a renewal opportunity to keep infrastructure plans viable.

One of the more exasperating issues is when the content of the PUD application doesn't align with the required criteria, is inadequate or, in some cases, unreasonable.

The example was given whereby City Council was charged with evaluating street-scapes, landscaping, use of topography and natural features, building groupings, architectural styles, etc., but the information is not provided in the application or is not

site-specific. While building design and/or placement is a concern, other issues which need to be addressed include external compatibility along property lines, impact on traffic, drainage/wetland/flood plain issues, and tree canopy preservation, among others.

Boyer's solution, as proposed in an early draft distinguishing general vs. specific PUDs, is to require one application for the entitlement requests and another for evaluation of the site-specific project.

By the end of the second meeting, the committee agreed to tackle the issues and reconvene at an as-yet undetermined date to move forward with proposed legislation to update the Municipal Code.

One member of the public perhaps best summed up the charge when she said, "I hope you will build in a standard that will apply to anything and for which you will have to explain yourselves [City Council] if you want to deviate from it."

PUDs in historic neighborhoods

A look at PUDs approved from 2014 to 2018 indicates there have been at least 30 enacted for Riverside/Avondale, Murray Hill and San Marco/San Jose for uses such as restaurants, parking lots, signage, a brewery, and single-use buildings – not for a mix of residential, retail and/or office use as PUDs were intended.

One such mixed-used development is The District—Life Well Lived on the Southbank, which was approved by City Council in June 2018.

Within the past four years, other developments approved on the Southbank and in the San Marco/San Jose area under a PUD – although not for mixed-use – include San Marco Crossing and San Marco Promenade, both of which are Chance Properties projects, and LaSalle Townhouses, all in 2018; proposed residential by Chadbourne II, LLC on Hendricks Avenue and The Shops of Granada in 2017; the Baptist MD Anderson Cancer Center and a Daily's on Hendricks Avenue in 2016; the Broadstone River House and The Shops of Granada in 2015, and in 2014, along with the aforementioned and unbuilt East San Marco, a professional center and a medical center in San Jose.

In the Riverside/Avondale area and in Murray Hill, planned unit development applications also included a variety of uses. PUDs were approved in 2014

for expansion at a Daily's on Roosevelt Boulevard, a new parking lot, signage and the ability to serve alcohol at the Cummer Museum, a luxury condominium on Bishopgate Lane which did not break ground, and an off-street parking lot in Murray Hill behind Maple Street Biscuit Company.

In 2015, City Council approved PUDs for off-street parking at the Pinegrove Deli, townhomes on Ernest Street, and a medical office at 2717 Riverside Avenue, then in 2016 approved applications for the Tribridge apartment complex at Bishopgate Lane, the Wendy's in 5 Points, La Cena Restaurant on Edgewood Avenue, and the RiverVue apartment complex, another Chance Properties project, as well as The Roost restaurant and bar on Oak Street.

Last year, PUDs were granted to rezone for a residential community called Green Hills, signage for 121 Financial Credit Union, and the establishment of the River & Post restaurant in an office tower on Riverside Avenue. This year, the only PUD approved to date in a historic district was for the renovation of a former nightclub on Edgewood Avenue to be the new home for Fishweir Brewery.

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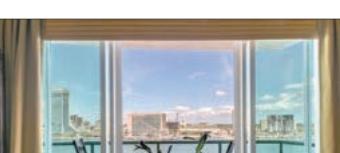


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Road diet pain is worth the gain

Southbank residents look forward to walkable, bikeable neighborhood

By Marcia Hodgson

Resident Community News

After many years of hearing talk from the City of Jacksonville about its plans to make the busy road outside their high-rise condo and apartment buildings pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly, Southbank residents are finally seeing the Riverplace Boulevard Road Diet project come to fruition.

"I have been eagerly awaiting this project since I first heard of Lori Boyer's plan. I truly hope it lives up to its promise," said Susan Strauss, a Peninsula resident. "One of the reasons we chose to move to The Peninsula was the prospect of living in a neighborhood, on the water, that offered walkable access to shops, restaurants, and entertainment. As has been noted in any number of news articles, Jacksonville often fails to deliver on the many projections and promises of improvements. I am hopeful that the Riverplace Road Diet will actually live up to what it is intended to provide. Fingers crossed on this one."

This fall, construction started on the long-promised road improvements, which include reducing the travel lanes for motorists from five lanes to three for traffic calming, improved accommodations for public transit, protected bike lanes, on-street parking, expanded landscaping with street furniture for relaxing and socializing, and a large pedestrian zone with improved lighting for public safety. The final total cost of the project – including hard and soft costs – was \$6.3 million, said Nicholas Mousa, of GAI Consultants.

The project is estimated to be completed in the summer of 2019, according to information from the City. Baker Construction Services LLC is the contractor and GAI Consultants continues to be the Engineer of Record, said Tia Ford, a spokesperson for the City.

"The timing of the completed project should coincide with Florida Department of Transportation's completion of the Fuller Warren multiuse path and other Riverwalk improvements scheduled for completion in late '19," said District 5 Councilwoman Lori Boyer on her website.

"The project is going to add a tremendous amount of value to the property there and make a much safer environment," said Southbank resident Mike Balanky, president and CEO of Chase Properties, which developed San Marco Place on the Southbank. "The purpose is traffic calming. You will see more people in the streets than before and it will perpetuate additional residential developments on the Southbank."

The "road diet" project was first initiated several years ago as an outgrowth of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority's public outreach meeting on its Southeast Bus Rapid Transit Route, according to Boyer, who represents the Southbank. In a January 22, 2018 newsletter to her constituents, Boyer outlined a brief history of the project.

JTA, which utilizes Riverplace Boulevard for its bus route, initially contemplated constructing a dedicated bus lane in each direction, however Southbank residents vigorously objected, she said. Instead they urged the City to create a more pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly corridor for residents and visitors to the Riverwalk.

The residents' desire coincided with the City's Mobility Plan, which had slated this segment of roadway as the "top priority gap connection" in its bicycle network,



Riverplace Boulevard is getting skinnier as workmen remove a lane as part of the Riverplace Boulevard Road Diet project.

and the Downtown Investment Authority's idea for retail enhancement and economic growth by providing on-street parking and a more walkable neighborhood, Boyer said, noting that funds were then set aside from the Southbank Tax Increment District to modify the existing roadway to create a more livable neighborhood.

The idea was first presented to the residents in a public meeting in September 2015, and after much planning on the infrastructure and design, was vetted through the Downtown Development Review Board (DDRB) and community meetings. On June 15, 2017, the DDRB unanimously approved the design, right down to the colors of the concrete sidewalk pavers, which will be sandstone and white.

Construction might have begun sooner but unfortunately the bidding process was delayed, because the underground utility lines were incorrectly located on Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA) maps, said Boyer. Once the actual utility locations were determined and tree and other elements relocated, the project was put out to bid in the fall of 2017, she said.

"When the bids were opened in December (2017), all exceeded the available budget," Boyer said on her website. "I believe this is in part due to escalating prices as the economy is picking up steam and there are more roads to build than available

contractors. In any event, there were enough bidders to fairly evaluate the bids and cost."

Eying the shortfall, DIA re-appropriated an additional \$798,663 to cover it in 2018, making the total cost of the project \$6.3 million, said Mousa.

If the construction project turns out as planned, Strauss said she doesn't mind living around the construction for a few months. "Pain is fine if there is gain," Strauss said. "It's hard to imagine that it can be any worse than what was already there, with cars racing around bends and no relief – even in a marked crosswalk – for getting across the street."

"My ideal for this project will be to not only successfully calm the traffic, but also to make Riverplace Boulevard a visually inviting area, with plantings and pedestrian level lighting," she continued. "Too much of where we live is a concrete vastness, unrelieved by any sidewalk greenery or median landscaping."

Sandra Fradd, who also lives in The Peninsula, agreed that living with the road construction is hard, but said it will be worth it once the project is finished. "I think it's great. I hear a lot of grumbling, especially about high-traffic periods, but I'm seeing progress in making the road better. We're learning to have patience and take turns. No, it isn't fun, but knowing we'll have a safer, more enjoyable, road experience makes it worthwhile," she said.

Hendricks repaving to finish by year's end

By Marcia Hodgson

Resident Community News

The end is near for the Florida Department of Transportation's Hendricks Avenue (State Road 13) resurfacing project.

Weather and schedule permitting, the contractor began the final paving course on the main roadway during the week of Oct. 15, said Sara Pleasants, public information officer for FDOT.

"Once paving is completed, the roadway will be striped in its final configuration, and on-street parking will again be available between Peachtree Circle North and Dunsford Road," she said, adding that



Construction continues on Hendricks Avenue in San Marco as the Florida Department of Transportation work to resurface the road and stripe bike lanes in both directions.

construction is expected to be finished by the end of the year, pending weather or any unforeseen delays.

The \$5.4 million project has been in the works since early January 2018. It consists

of resurfacing and making safety improvements along a three-mile stretch from Cornell Road to San Marco Boulevard. In addition to removing and replacing the top layer of asphalt, the project includes pedestrian, bicycle, and traffic safety improvements at Arcadia Drive and sight-distance improvements at San Jose Boulevard South.

As part of the project, the intersection of Old San Jose Boulevard and Hendricks at the Miramar Plaza was re-designed to for additional safety. Prior to the change it was often dicey when cars traveling south on Hendricks attempted to access residential streets south of the intersection while those merging onto Hendricks southbound from Old San Jose were accelerating.

Also new is the elimination of the dedicated right turn on to Mitchell Street from Hendricks' northbound lanes.

In addition, crosswalks are being re-striped at several intersections and pedestrian signals are to be installed at Greenridge Road, Emerson Street, Ridgeland Road, Dunsford Road and River Oaks Road. The crosswalk and pedestrian signals were also slated to be updated at Hendricks Avenue Elementary School, and a pedestrian island is to be constructed in the school zone.

Bicyclists should be happy that both sides of the road will be striped with bike lanes and on-street parking will be removed with the exception of a small commercial stretch between Peachtree Circle North and Dunsford Road, where street parking will remain. In that small area, the roadway will be widened by narrowing the median so that both bike lanes and parking can co-exist.

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Republicans, Democrats rub shoulders at candidate forum

As November's midterm elections draw near, voters had one last opportunity to meet local candidates during a Candidate Forum and Voter Registration Drive jointly sponsored by the Jimenez Law Firm of San Marco, the Northeast Florida Hispanic Leadership Alliance and the First Coast Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

The forum, which allowed candidates to talk informally with their constituents as well as address current issues through a panel discussion, was held at Cuba Libre/ Havana Jax Oct. 9.

The event also gave voters one last chance to register for the upcoming November 6 election as well as the opportunity to update their addresses and signatures. It was the second political meet-and-greet in a series of four candidate forums promoted by Attorney Tomas Jimenez, Jr., a San Marco resident.

Included among the panelists were George "Ges" Selmont, a Democrat running for the United States House of Representatives, District 4; Incumbent Aaron Bean (R) and Billie Bussard (D), District 4 Florida State Senate seat; Incumbent Cord Byrd (R) and Nathcelly Rohrbaugh (D), Florida House Representative District 11; Incumbent Clay Yarborough (R) and Timothy Yost (D), Florida House Representative District 12; Wyman Duggan (R) of Ortega Forest and Tracie Polson (D) of Avondale, Florida House Representative District 15; Incumbent Jason Fischer (R) and Ken Organes (D) Florida House Representative District 16. Many other municipal candidates, who had not officially signed on for the panel discussion, were available to shake hands and speak with voters.



Ed Perez with Candidate Forum Organizer Tomas Jimenez, Jr.

"For me the most important thing is the education of the voters, especially in today's political climate," Jimenez said. "I think folks are, unfortunately, not educated about the candidates as individuals. They don't know what their platforms, their ideologies, or their values are. I think this is really a service that the people need."

Although the forum was hosted by two Hispanic civic organizations, its reach extended much further than the borders of the Hispanic community, Jimenez said. "This is for the community at large much more than just for the Hispanic community. I'm from Jacksonville, and I was raised here. Although I came here when I was two months old, this is my community," he said.

The forum is the second of four Jimenez plans to sponsor. The first was held at the same location on July 17. He also plans to hold another before the local elections in the spring and also prior to the 2020 presidential election.



Forum Moderator Betsy Santiago with Millie Kanyar, Candidate Mia Jones (D) for Duval County Tax Collector, and Michelle Barth of Senator Bill Nelson's office



Haleigh Hutchinson with Candidate Matt Carlucci (R) for City Council At-Large Group 4, and Jenny Busby



Incumbent Aaron Bean (R), Florida Senate District 4, with Jeanne Denton-Scheck and Millie Kanyer



Candidate Timothy Yost (D), Florida House Representative District 12 with Sylvia Pulido and Candidate Ken Organes (D), Florida House Representative District 16



John Finotti with Candidate Don Redman for City Council At-Large Group 4, and Incumbent Clay Yarborough (R), Florida House Representative District 12

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What random act of kindness did you perform or was done for you this year that makes you grateful?

By Marcia Hodgson, Resident Community News



My satisfaction was helping somebody else. I saw somebody trying to walk across the street and the light was turning. She was a senior citizen and she couldn't make it across fast enough, so I made sure I stopped my car and got out to help her. The lights don't last long enough for the senior citizens to get across.

- Debbie Donnelly and Lacey, San Marco



I paid somebody a compliment and she told me it made her day because no one had ever paid her that compliment before. I had told her I liked her hairstyle, and she had just gotten it cut and she wasn't sure about it. Also, I work out at the YMCA and there is a person there who has been working hard to lose weight. I told them they look amazing. It's just words of kindness, but it made a big smile on their faces.

- Rebecca Miller, San Marco



Through our animal ministry at St. Philip Neri's Ecumenical Church we helped a couple of families that didn't have the funds to take care of their pets – you know, doing surgeries for dogs hit by cars and other ailments, such as an elderly lady whose dog had cancer. We worked hard to help these people out.

- Guy Cuddihie, San Jose



Work is very important for me and I would say my manager has gone out of his way many times to make sure I get noticed for some of the things I do at work. And I'm happy to note he also just got promoted to vice president. So my manager, John, has been a great inspiration for me in showing me how to appreciate other people's hard work and reflect your hard work through them, too.

- Logan Doan, San Jose



I was going through a drive-thru at McDonald's and they said the person in front of me had paid for my food. I was shocked. Another time, somebody dropped some money right in front of me and I picked it up and gave it to them. They smiled at me. Also, I left something of great import – my credit card – at the Dollar Store. When I went back they said a little girl had found it and returned it. I bought some candy for her and told them to give it to her but not to tell her who it was from.

- Lisa Lord, Lakewood



We try to help people in our community. My daughter, son and I put meals in our car – food from Costco such as canned food or muffins – so if we see homeless people on the street we can pass it out to them.

- John Cumbow, San Marco



In the last 12 months my office flooded with 36 inches of water. I talked with my fellow Rotarians and it was amazing to see how many came over to help me through the process of cleaning up and getting my office started again. They got me up and running in about 90 days.

- Bill Langley, San Marco



My prayer partner, Stevie Schoof, from Southside United Methodist Church surprised me with a little bag of chocolates and said she would be praying for me and my students at Hendricks Avenue Elementary School all year.

- Tracy Langley, San Marco



My dog was ill and a friend of mine took her to the vet for me before I could do it. It was very helpful. It was good.

- Tom Ranney, San Marco



Somebody paid for my coffee at Starbucks the other day. They were in front of me in the line. I haven't done that for somebody else yet, but I plan to.

- Wanda Verne, Lakewood



A smile on a person's face makes my life so much better. Not that many people smile every day. And I did have someone buy me a cup of coffee the other day, which was a random act of kindness.

- Jessie Miller, St. Nicholas

DESANTIS FOR FLORIDA GOVERNOR IS A GRAND SLAM

Congressman Ron DeSantis was born in Jacksonville, FL. He grew up in Dunedin and lived in a 1500 sq. ft. ranch home. Ron's father was a Neilson's rating box installer and his mother was a nurse.

DeSantis excelled in academics and athletics. At the age of 12, his baseball team from Dunedin competed in the 1991 Little League World Series, representing Florida and the Southern U.S.

At Dunedin High, he was an all-star in baseball which earned him a full scholarship at Yale University. DeSantis was Captain of the Yale University baseball team, and earned a B.A. in History, graduating Cum Laude. He went on to Harvard Law School and received his Juris Doctor, also graduating with honors.

Instead of joining a prestigious law firm, DeSantis gave back to his country and joined the U.S. Navy. He was commissioned as a Navy J.A.G. Officer and was stationed in Guantanamo Bay. In 2007, he was deployed to Iraq as a legal advisor to Seal Team One. DeSantis was awarded the Bronze Star for his military service in Iraq. In 2008, he was assigned to the U.S. Attorney's office in the Middle District of FL.

DeSantis ran for Congress in 2012 and won the District 6 seat from a field of six men.

In Washington, D.C., he cofounded the Freedom Caucus, and *faithfully represented his constituent's interests; the taxpayers, not the establishment or K Street lobbyists.* DeSantis is a grassroots, fiscal conservative and he is pro-life. He has been a staunch advocate for our veterans and Israel and assisted with the relocation of the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem this year.

DeSantis' achievements are characteristic of a natural born leader, a man of integrity and the candidate who should become the next governor of Florida.

His opponent, (D) Andrew Gillum, could not be a further contrast politically, or philosophically.

The most admired Civil Rights leader, Rev. Martin Luther King, said in his famous speech: "... I have a dream, that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by color of their skin but the

content of their character." By the measure of those words, Andrew Gillum, as mayor of Tallahassee, fails the test.

Gillum is entwined in an extensive F.B.I. probe of ethics and corruption in Tallahassee. His relationship with a Tallahassee lobbyist, Adam Corey, have included quid pro quo taxpayer funding for personal gain or approval of projects for others in exchange for the 'High life.'

According to a Florida Ethics Commission report released on October 23, Gillum accepted luxury travel, lodging and entertainment perks from a lobbyist and undercover FBI agents posing as entrepreneurs. It is illegal in Florida for an elected official to receive a gift over \$100.00. Gillum accepted a junket to Costa Rica, with \$1400.00 a night suite and another to New York with lavish hotels and dining, a boat cruise, and a free ticket to see "Hamilton" on Broadway. The tickets to Hamilton ranged from \$489-\$1400.00 a piece.

Undercover F.B.I. agents, known as Mike Miller, Mike Sweets and Brian Butler possess 150 pages of documents revealing the perks which Gillum received but flatly denied in the national spotlight at the first debate in Tampa. Two days later it was verified as a fact by Gillum's own text messages contained in the Florida Ethic's Commission report.

The conduit lobbyist at the center of the investigation is Gillum's long-time college friend and former campaign treasurer, Adam Corey. Corey, now a restaurateur, received a \$2.1 million-dollar loan in local taxpayer's money in Tallahassee to renovate his restaurant, The Edison.

Gillum, is a big government progressive and is supported financially by George Soros, endorsed by avowed socialist, Sen. Bernie Sanders, and also backed by Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama.

He supports sanctuary cities as well open borders with regard to illegal immigration and has vowed not to sign a death penalty warrant if he becomes governor. That would include criminals like murderer-child rapist, Joseph Smith, who kidnapped little 11-year-old Carlie Brucia which was caught on camera and made national headlines.

Crime rate rose 52 percent under Gillum's watch as mayor in Tallahassee.

Last year Tallahassee had the highest numbers of murders ever recorded. He has signed a pledge to support the Dream Defenders and the Freedom Paper's manifesto which denounces the police, prisons and rule of law.

With Florida's economy hitting 1 trillion dollars, the 17th largest in the world, it is imperative the next governor is battle tested to continue Gov. Scott's free market economic policies.

The James Madison Institute analyzed both Gillum's and DeSantis' tax proposals. They concluded if Gillum is elected, his tax increases would adversely affect the business climate of the state and cost Florida 155,000 jobs and \$28.2 billion a year. If DeSantis is elected governor, it would lead to the creation of an additional 215,000 jobs annually and \$26.6 billion in annual economic output.

Florida voters could not have a clearer choice for governor.

DeSantis is a man of his word, he will protect our coastlines and lakes, continue our economic success, has vowed to axe Common Core and require Civics and an understanding of the Constitution. Most importantly, *the next governor will have three Florida Supreme Court appointments the day he is sworn in.*

"Every tree is known by its fruit."

Both candidates have humble beginnings. Gillum's actions as mayor benefitted himself or friends not the people he governed. DeSantis is a selfless public servant and the right choice to lead the great state of Florida.

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City, residents, businesses grapple with short-term rental issues

Walking line between economic development and neighbors' rights

By Kate A. Hallock

Resident Community News

"Who is my neighbor?" is a question more and more residents are asking as they see adjacent property owners open their homes to short-stay rentals. The question becomes pertinent when paying guests next door behave in a disorderly or unsafe manner, disrupting the normally placid residential environment, and the affected residents don't know how to handle it.

In some cases, the former homeowner is a longtime resident and good neighbor, who opts to move out of the neighborhood and use the former home as a rental property. In other cases, homes are sold to people who have no intention of living in the community and establishing relationships with their neighbors.

While the most obvious solution might be to call the police, residents are often reluctant to create a rift with a former neighbor by doing so.

Homeowners on Challen Avenue, Pine Street and other parts of Riverside and Avondale have voiced concerns to District 14 Councilman Jim Love and to leaders at Riverside Avondale Preservation, citing late night loud noise, illegal parking and, in one case, drug use in the backyard of a neighboring property – activity conducted by out-of-town people renting homes for vacation purposes.

The City of Jacksonville is grappling with the issue of short-stay rentals – think AirBnB

– in residential neighborhoods and how to regulate the niche industry in a way that will keep neighbors, well, neighborly.

A special City Council committee on "short-term vacation rentals" was convened to include Committee Chair Danny Becton, District 11; Jim Love, District 14, and Ju'Coby Pittman, District 8, who will determine what type of legislation may be required to regulate what is already occurring in many neighborhoods.

The top three areas for vacation rentals in homes, either owner-occupied or not, are the Beaches, Riverside/Avondale and Springfield, according to Councilman Love, citing nearly 800 such venues in Duval County, listed under AirBnB, Expedia or other online booking agents.

The special committee held its first meeting Oct. 11 in a small conference room in City Hall, where the attendance far outnumbered the seating. A second meeting was held Oct. 22 in a larger conference room, where more than 70 attended, including members of the Office of General Counsel, Finance and Administration, the Tax Collector's Office, Building Inspection, and industry representatives from AirBnB, Expedia.com, VTrips, Booking.com, Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association and the Florida Vacation Rental Managers Association (VRMA).

After Becton opened the meeting, he invited Brian Hughes, Chief of Staff for the Office of the Mayor, to make a statement. "The Mayor is looking for balance; private property rights are important for all. He is strongly in favor of disrupting old models if it means growing the economy," said Hughes, who noted he was a consultant in Tallahassee working with the Florida VRMA, Expedia and its subsidiary, Home Away. "The process is moving forward, but there is still additional guidance that we may seek,

one way or the other, from Tallahassee," he said, regarding some of the existing statutes and challenges.

According to Jason Teal, Deputy General Counsel for the City, there are state limitations enacted in June 2011 that prohibit a local government from an outright ban on short-term vacation rentals. The City is also prohibited from restricting the duration or frequency of the rental period. He noted the City's "prescriptive" zoning code indicates that if a specific use within a category is not listed, it is banned. The Planning Department has interpreted zoning code to allow short-term rentals where hotels and motels are allowed, but are banned elsewhere, Teal said.

Aside from changing the zoning code to accommodate short-term rentals in other zoning categories, the committee could also consider regulations which would require and enforce rental property owners to pay a local business tax, tourist development tax (bed tax), fines if not licensed with the state, fines for not having a certificate of use, designating a dedicated point of contact, and installing noise meters. Currently, owner-occupied – or home share – properties are not required to have a state license.

During presentations and comments by the six industry representatives, Kenny Montilla, an AirBnB Policy Associate, said Florida hosts rent their homes an average of 39 days per year, earning an average of \$6,800. In Jacksonville, 61 percent of the hosts are women and senior hosts are the highest growing demographic, many of which rely on such rentals to make ends meet. Montilla also noted the average guest spent \$160 per day during the stay, of which 45 percent was spent in the neighborhood.

Although more than a dozen people in the audience had submitted comment cards, the

meeting ran so long only a handful were present at the end of the day to speak after the presentations by the industry representatives.

Among those who voiced opinions during the public comment period was Real Estate Attorney Terry Moore, who expressed concern that the City was "being put into a responsive position trying to respond to a dynamic that was never contemplated in our zoning code," citing state laws that already address the ability to collect fees and taxes for rentals under six months.

Moore challenged the committee to consider the rights of the homeowners neighboring the rental properties. The affected neighbors have a right to voice opinion to a zoning exception, he said.

Also speaking during public comment was a 17-year Riverside bed and breakfast owner, who noted bed and breakfasts are restricted from operating on a level playing field as they are not allowed to be open more than six months per year while a short-term rental can be open all year. She also noted they are inspected twice a year by the state, which is not done at private homes that rent out rooms or the full house on a short-term basis.

Jennifer Adamson, a Springfield resident, serves as an AirBnB host and is also a real estate investor with a variety of properties. When it comes to changing zoning code, Adamson asked that short-term rental properties "not be lumped in with hotels and motels. Don't put us in the same bucket as hotels, as they are public and cannot discriminate," she said. "A short-term rental host can discriminate against pets, smoking, children, parties, etc."

Becton indicated that the public comment period would occur first at the next meeting, scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 15, 9 a.m. to noon, at City Hall.

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Fur babies receive blessings at annual pet fair

Pet lovers and their fur babies descended upon Fletcher Park for the Fifth Annual Blessing of the Animals and Family Pet Fair Oct. 13. The fair was sponsored by the animal ministry of St. Philip Neri Ecumenical Church in Baymeadows.

On hand was Fr. John Oliver of St. Philip Neri who individually greeted each pet owner and bestowed a blessing over each dog or cat presented to him. "This is an opportunity for us to extend the church out into the community and the best way to do that is through the animals, which have a special gift to speak to us about God's love," Oliver said.

"The money we raise from this event goes to programs that we, as a church, sponsor like the Tails program that instills social



Susan Payne with Huckleberry and Cooper

skills into rescue dogs that have been abused, by having prisoners work with the animals. It helps the dogs, and the prisoners," he said, noting the church sponsors several dogs each year, paying \$400 per dog for each to go through the program.

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Carlucci brothers host 2nd annual Christmas Classics Movie Nights

Do traditions evolve organically or can they be deliberately created? For Joe and Matt Carlucci, co-owners of Brightway Insurance in San Marco, the answer is both!

"When you're growing up you have certain traditions, like getting a Christmas tree together or going to Grandma's house, and those memories are really cherished by kids and adults," said Joe Carlucci.

"A couple years ago, my wife, Victoria, and I were driving around the community, wishing there was something we could do with a group of friends during Christmas time," said Carlucci. "Then last year we said, 'Why don't we put up a sheet and show a movie?' It started out as a small-scale idea, but developed into something bigger and we thought, 'Why don't we invite the whole community?'"

From that desire grew the start of a new San Marco Christmas tradition.

For each of the Friday nights in December leading up to Christmas, Brightway Insurance hosted The Christmas Classics, a free family movie night last year on the vacant lot adjacent to South Jacksonville Presbyterian Church. "It was originally conceived as Movie Night in the Park, but Fletcher Park was looking too small with our 30-foot screen, and Regency Centers graciously allowed us to use their huge vacant lot at the very last minute," Carlucci explained.

"The first event last year probably had 100 to 150 attend, which was great," said Carlucci, who promoted it by word-of-mouth and by placing flyers in local businesses. "By the last movie night, we think maybe about 300 were there."

Although the Carlucci brothers wanted the events to be organic with no sponsors, they did find a great partner in Daily's, who decided to step up in a really big way. "I asked them if I could post a flyer for movie night and they asked if there was something else they could do to support it, so I suggested they provide the hot chocolate. Then they also offered to supply the popcorn, and this year, will hopefully have a food truck onsite," said Joe Carlucci.

"Daily's is passionate about supporting family friendly events in our hometown of Jacksonville. We are looking forward to being a part of these holiday movie nights again this year," said Andrea Kane, Daily's manager of public relations and communications.

Brightway Insurance will kick off the 2nd Annual Christmas Classics, Friday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. "Bring a blanket or a chair, get some free hot chocolate and popcorn, and enjoy a classic Christmas movie, like 'Home Alone,' or 'Elf,'" said Carlucci. Two more movie nights will be held Dec. 14 and Dec. 21.

This year the venue will be on Southside United Methodist Church's front lawn at the point of Hendricks Avenue and San Jose Boulevard. "I was looking for good visibility and enough space to fit everyone. I get my pumpkins there every year, so I reached out to Ian Stake at the church," said Carlucci.

"We are excited to partner with the Carlucci brothers and Brightway Insurance to continue their Christmas Movie Night events in December," said Stake. "At Southside UMC, we love our community and enjoy celebrating together. This represents our



Matt and Joe Carlucci

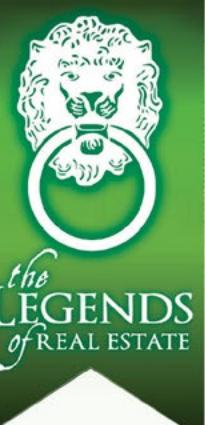
feeling of we are 'better together' and are excited about hosting this event on our front lawn for people to enjoy some classic Christmas movies."

The events are well organized, including porta-lets, JSO security, and generators to run the 30-foot inflatable screen and the projector. Each movie night opens at 6 p.m.

with 30 minutes for families to eat – either from the food truck or food they bring – and then the show begins at 6:30 p.m. By 9 o'clock, everything is wrapped up for another week.

Some of the comments Joe heard after last year's movie nights included "Thank you for doing this event, it's been so amazing, we're coming back, we really appreciate it."

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Jacksonville Humane Society receives \$100,000 grant for mentorship program

National animal welfare organization Best Friends Animal Society gave a \$100,000 grant to Jacksonville Humane Society (JHS) to start a mentorship and training program to help shelters and organizations bring lifesaving strategies to their facilities, helping them reach no-kill status and create life-saving communities.

Approximately 4,100 homeless pets are killed in United States shelters daily simply because there is no space. Shelter data from across the country reveals that Florida is one of the top eight states killing shelter animals with approximately 53,000 adoptable cats and dogs dying every year. Jacksonville Humane Society (JHS) has

led Jacksonville to becoming a no-kill city since 2014.

"We are thrilled to offer education and strategies through the mentorship and training program to animal welfare organizations and shelters throughout Florida so that they can lead their communities to no-kill," said Denise Deisler, executive director of Jacksonville Humane Society.

While Jacksonville Humane Society will initially focus on the top 10 communities with the highest number of shelter deaths, the mentorship program will be open to any shelter or animal welfare organization in Florida, as well as the Southeast. The lifesaving plan will be customized to each community.



Best Friends Animal Society staff Vicky Kilmers, Carrie Ducote, Kenny Lamberti, Bethany Heins, Andie Peart and Emily Park

Stein, Waters receive Tree of Life awards

Community advocate and philanthropist Linda Stein and Nina Waters, longtime president of The Community Foundation of Northeast Florida, were honored Oct. 11 by the Jewish National Fund (JNF) at its annual Bernard Selevan Tree of Life Award Dinner, held at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront.

In addition to presenting the awards to the women, and hearing a keynote address by New York Times columnist Bret Stephens, JNF also presented a video of the life-saving work currently being done in Israel.

As a gold sponsor of the event and a generous contributor to JNF, local



Harry Frisch with Nina Waters

philanthropist Harry Frisch of Beaver Street Fisheries was on hand to congratulate the award recipients.

"These two ladies have done so much for this community," said Frisch. "I presented each of them with my memoir, *Use Your Head ... Lessons of a Lifetime*. I'm glad I could be here tonight to honor them."

Bolles alumnus named to Board of Trustees

Rahul Deshmukh ('89), of San Jose, and Preeti Swani, of Ponte Vedra Beach, have been named to the Bolles Board of Trustees. Board Chair C. Daniel Rice ('80), of Ortega, announced their appointments in recent weeks.

Deshmukh graduated from Bolles as his class Valedictorian and attended Duke University, where he earned a degree in Biomedical and Electrical Engineering as a recipient of a full merit-based scholarship. He received his medical degree from Harvard Medical School and is the founding member and former managing partner of Southeast Orthopedic Specialists. He and wife, Sujata, have three children at The Bolles School.



Rahul Deshmukh
Preeti Swani

management from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. She received her master's degree in computer science from Stanford University and is founder of Oculus Art Partners, a business which deals in contemporary Indian art. She and husband, Sanjay, have three children at The Bolles School.

St. Nicholas resident recognized with national DAR award

The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution has recognized Dr. Kay Ellen Gilmour of St. Nicholas with its National Excellence in Community Service Award for her work at the Historic St. Nicholas Cemetery. The cemetery sits within 250 feet of the original Fort San Nicholas.

The award was given to a very surprised Gilmour during a meeting of the DAR's Fort San Nicholas Chapter Oct. 13 at the San Jose Country Club.

Author of two editions of "A Genealogical History of Florida: Revealed in the Historical St. Nicholas Cemetery," Gilmour researched each person buried in the graveyard and charted within the book their genealogical history. She has also donated all the proceeds from the sale of her books toward the maintenance of the cemetery. In addition, she maintains a blog to keep the community informed about activities promoting the cemetery as well as local St. Nicholas community events.

Gilmour, who is a retired cardiologist, also leads historical and information tours of the old grave site and has personally taken on the task of cemetery upkeep, including fence repair, stone repair, and grounds clean-up.

When the Fort San Nicholas DAR Chapter donated a U.S. flag to the cemetery in May 2017, Gilmour coordinated with the Boy Scouts and the North Florida chapter of WoodmenLife to have several graves marked in the cemetery as well as having a historical marker and flagpole donated and installed on the site.

The purpose of the National Society DAR Community Service Award is to recognize



Toni Weatherford, DAR chapter regent of Fort San Nicholas, Dr. Kay Ellen Gilmour, and Molly Knight, honorary regent

people who have volunteered their expertise in educational, humanitarian, patriotic, historical or citizenship endeavors, said Molly Knight, honorary regent of the Fort San Nicholas Chapter. DAR Member Ruth Berry, of St. Nicholas, recommended Gilmour be considered for the award, and she was selected after the Fort San Nicholas Chapter submitted an application along with documentation from the internet and newspapers to the national organization detailing her service. The application was accompanied by three letters of recommendation.

"When one meets Dr. Gilmour, they are immediately drawn into her passion for communicating the history of the local community," said Knight. "Her outreach and selfless dedication to getting things done in her community are evident in her accomplishments. She takes every opportunity to share her experiences and make history pertinent to young and old. She is one who cares and donates her talents for creating educational opportunities within her community."



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San Marco residents named to Cummer Museum Board of Trustees

San Marco residents Charmaine T. M. Chiu and Michael R. Munz have been named as two of five new members to the Board of Trustees for the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens. They join the board of 22 trustees with new members Cicely "CC" Brooks, Lance Windley, and Teresa Radzinski.

"We welcome these distinguished business and community leaders to our board," said Board of Trustees Chair Ricardo "Rick" Morales, III. "The Cummer Museum has a long history of bringing together unique experiences and voices in our community to lead the museum's cultural vision now and into the future."

Chiu is an attorney and shareholder at Smith, Hulsey & Busey, working in the business department. She represents health-care entities in negotiating contracts, navigating Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements, licensing investigations, peer review and credential matters, forming networks and multi-specialty group practices, and analyzing federal and state healthcare regulations. She is also experienced in general corporate and intellectual property.

Munz has more than 28 years of experience in business, corporate strategy, business development, government relations, and corporate communications. As the CEO of Rummell-Munz, an international real estate and venture-oriented firm, Munz manages day-to-day operations focusing on the firm's diverse portfolio of projects, including real estate, early stage and venture start-up development, branding, and product positioning. As the president and director for the Dalton Agency, Munz oversees main operations as well as the agency's PR and social media groups.

Brooks is vice president of patient care services at Wolfson Children's Hospital. A native of Jacksonville, she has worked for Baptist Health more than 18 years and is a



Michael Munz



Charmaine Chiu

registered nurse and a board-certified nurse executive and fellow. In 2015, she was named one of the Great 100 Nurses of Northeast Florida. During her medical practice, she managed both the labor and delivery and maternal newborn development departments at Wolfson. She also served as the nursing director for adult med/surg, oncology, bariatrics and GYN and obstetrics. In addition to patient care services, Brooks currently oversees perinatal services for the Baptist Health system.

Radzinski is a managing director, private client advisor and institutional client advisor with U.S. Trust, Bank of America Private Wealth Management in Jacksonville. She provides guidance to high net worth clients helping them streamline their financial lives, evaluate options, navigate decisions and deploy wealth efficiently. She has more than 25 years of experience on Wall Street in investment banking and capital markets.

Windley, CPA, serves as the Florida market managing partner at the Riverside Avenue office of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP. He has more than 25 years of public accounting experience and specializes in organizational leadership, large audits and assurance services. His experience includes construction, real estate and construction finance. He previously served on the Cummer Museum's finance committee.

San Marco musicians raise funds for juvenile diabetes research



The San Marco Chamber Music Society – Ellen Olson, Les Roettges, Rachel Clifton, Eric Olson and Conrad Cornelison – raised \$2,621 for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation from its Sept. 16 recital at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. In the photo are Pam Williams, JDRF development manager, musicians Conrad Cornelison, Eric Olson, Alexandra Rose, Larry Tallman and Ellen Olson, with Brooks Biagini, executive director for JDRF. The Society has been invited to represent Florida in the American Celebration of Music in Germany, June 12-23, 2019.



Roosters celebrates anniversary of upscale men's grooming in San Marco



To say Roosters Men's Grooming Center has done well in its first year in San Marco is probably a huge understatement. The men's shop at 2000 Hendricks Avenue first raised the bar for customer satisfaction, then exceeded it by achieving its 33-month goal in Month 10, according to Pete Helow, proprietor.

"When compared to all other Roosters who were in business for 10 months, we would be ranked No. 10 out of 66 opened at the time," he said. Currently, there are 83 Roosters Men's Grooming Centers in 23 states and Canada.

Roosters' success can be attributed to the consistent and outstanding level of service provided by six stylists/barbers on staff. Their focus is on the man, his time and his satisfaction.

"With busy lives, professional men need a place where they can relax and unwind while taking care of themselves. At Roosters, we're committed to providing excellent grooming and great customer service in a comfortable environment," Helow said.

"Roosters is the only place I go for a haircut because they really do a phenomenal job with so much attention to detail at every level with utmost professionalism. Jon is my 'go-to' barber there and always does such an incredible job!" said Ken Arnold.

It's not just locals who look forward to services like the Club Cut – a great haircut followed by a warm shampoo and conditioning, a hot facial towel treatment, a relaxing head and neck massage, and the cleanup of lengthy and unwanted eyebrow, nose and ear hair. Helow said his customers come from all over.

"We have had guests drive from Ponte Vedra and Middleburg to visit a Roosters because they loved the experience they had in other cities. Guests also come from Riverside and Mandarin. We catch a lot of guys on their way home from work as they leave downtown," said Helow. "We have had Roosters guests from Seattle, Denver, Colorado Springs, Atlanta, Tampa and Charlotte. We've had Jaguar players and coaches come in."

Roosters Men's Grooming Center is a step back in time while delivering excellent grooming and great customer service in a comfortable environment.

While haircuts far exceed combo services, Helow said beard trims and shaves are very popular. "With the trend for men to grow beards, it's a service we offer," he said.

In addition to a choice of cuts, Roosters offers highlighting, color camouflage – to blend away the gray, and facials – a service you won't find in a barbershop.

Once the grooming service is complete, an application of aftershave lotion or talc on the neck helps to soothe those with the most sensitive of skin types. Then, a complete check of your attire is accomplished, and stray hairs are eliminated by the application of a lint roller. To leave no stone unturned, your shoes get a quick shine with a silicone sponge before you leave the chair.

In addition to these great services, the store offers Billy Jealousy hair, skin and shave products exclusively formulated for men, as well as the Edwin Jagger line of razors and shaving accessories, high-quality products from England, which are great for gift ideas and royal treatment.

For the busy man on-the-go, Roosters Men's Grooming Center offers appointments and is open seven days a week. Visit RoostersMGC.com, select the Jacksonville location, download the Roosters mobile app or call (904) 503-2051 to book your appointment. Walk-ins are always welcome, too, at 2000 Hendricks Avenue. Mention this article in *The Resident* and receive \$5 off your next service during the month of November.

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Cummer Museum selects new director/CEO from Toledo Museum

The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens appointed Adam M. Levine, Ph.D., as the institution's first George W. and Kathleen I. Gibbs Director and Chief Executive Officer.

Levine, who is currently the deputy director and curator of ancient art for the Toledo Museum of Art (TMA), will begin his new role in January 2019. In the interim, he will consult with the museum's current leadership and serve as director designate as he relocates to Jacksonville.

The 18-month national search was a deliberative one by the nine-member search committee, which included current and past trustees and community partners. Co-chaired by Martha Baker and William H. "Billy" Morris, the committee included Nancy Chartrand, John W. Donahoo III, Jim Draper, Cindy Edelman, Dustin Harewood, James Richardson, II, and Frank Watson. Ricardo "Rick" Morales, III, chair of the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens Board of Trustees, and immediate board past chairman, Ryan Schwartz, served as ex-officio members.

Dr. Levine, who has more than 10 years of management and curating experience



in leading arts institutions and museums in America, joined the Toledo Museum of Art as an Andrew W. Mellon Fellow before being appointed assistant director. He was promoted to associate director and then deputy director, all the while acting as the curator of the Museum's important collection of ancient art.

Levine earned his Bachelor of Arts degrees at Dartmouth College in 2008, where he triple-majored in anthropology, art history, mathematics and social sciences. He was named a Rhodes Scholar in 2012

and earned a Master of Studies and Doctor of Philosophy in the History of Art from Oxford University. Levine has published and presented widely and has enjoyed fellowships/residencies at the American Numismatic Society and the Scuola Normale Superiore in Pisa, Italy.

Holly Keris, who has served as acting director during the search process, will return to her position as chief curator and chief operating officer (COO) of the Cummer Museum when Levine joins full-time. The George W. and Kathleen I. Gibbs director's position is endowed through a gift made in 2017 of \$4 million from The Disosway Foundation of New York. The foundation was established by Dudley D. Johnson, a current Cummer Museum trustee whose grandfather, George W. Gibbs, influenced the development of Jacksonville during the first half of the 20th century. Proceeds from the endowment fund the director position in perpetuity and additional funds the endowment raises in its future growth are earmarked for Cummer Museum operations and programs.

San Marco attorney honored in two fields of practice

San Marco resident Lawrence Najem has again been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers in America. Najem is "of counsel" to Florin Roebig and has been selected to Best Lawyers in two separate fields of practice: Entertainment Law and Personal Injury Litigation. Best Lawyers is partnered with U.S. News & World Report, and inclusion is considered to be one of the most respected honors in the profession.



Lawrence Najem

Najem and Michael Ossi lead the firm Ossi & Najem. In the field of entertainment law, they have provided representation to numerous national celebrities and professional athletes, such as John Travolta, the New York Yankees, and the William Morris Endeavor talent agency.

Najem is the founding member of Ring Productions, a film and television production company which has produced film projects that have premiered at both the Sundance and Cannes film festivals. Most recently, Najem helped produce the successful television reality series "Siesta Key," now in its third season for MTV Network. He has been the past chairman of the Mayor's Film and Advisory Commission.

Najem has co-counseled numerous North Florida litigations and trials with Florin Roebig. Most recently, his court-room trials have included a winning jury verdict in the trial of Jenkins v. AMC of \$487,000 and a successful jury verdict in the trial of Murphy v. Haire of \$438,894. He has successfully resolved numerous and varied other litigations including interstate trucking cases for his clients resulting in multiple millions in recoveries.

Family-owned lock and safe company celebrates 40 years

In 1978, gasoline was just 79 cents a gallon, NASA introduced the first group of women astronauts, and retired Navy Chief Petty Officer Luther Knowell started his mobile locksmith business from the trunk of his Dodge Dart.

Soon Knowell moved into a building, started hiring family and that's how the business has been run ever since. In 1993, Knowell added safes to his product line and the company sells over 1,000 each year, putting it in the top 20 dealers in the Liberty Safes network.

Four decades later, the family-owned and operated business at 2144 Blanding Blvd. is managed by Luther's son, Geoff Knowell, and daughter, Gail Davis. The siblings' mother, Annette Schoonover, is company president. Other family members who contribute to the success of the business include Christopher, Geoffrey and Alyssa Knowell; Brett, Danny and Levi Webb; Justin and Carmen Vargas, and family friend Vanice Serrano.

The company held a two-day customer appreciation event Oct. 26-27 to celebrate its 40th anniversary.



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River Garden Hebrew Home earns award from Joint Commission

River Garden Hebrew Home has earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval® for Nursing Care Center Accreditation and Post-Acute Care Certification by demonstrating continuous compliance with its performance standards. The Gold Seal of Approval is a symbol of quality that reflects an organization's commitment to providing safe and effective patient and resident care.

River Garden underwent a rigorous on-site survey for three days at the end of August. During the review, Joint Commission expert surveyors evaluated compliance with nursing care center standards related to several areas, including assistance with activities of daily living, coordination of care, and staff education and training. Surveyors also conducted on-site observations and interviews with leaders and staff of the organization.

"Joint Commission accreditation and certification provides nursing homes with a framework for the processes needed to improve the care patients and residents receive," said Gina Zimmermann, MS, executive director, Nursing Care Center Accreditation Program, The Joint Commission. "We commend River Garden for its efforts to become a quality improvement organization."

"River Garden is delighted to receive accreditation and certification from The Joint

Commission, the premier health care quality improvement and accrediting body in the nation. Along with our other awards, Joint Commission accreditation serves as validation of the excellence of our programs, and it is a testament to the ongoing support of the Jacksonville Jewish community," added Martin A. Goetz, Chief Executive Officer.

Mauri Mizrahi, associate administrator at River Garden, championed the certification project over the last year. "Staff from across our care community continues to work together to develop and implement approaches and strategies that improve care for our patients and residents," she said.

As an eight-time recipient of the Governor's Gold Seal Award for Excellence in Long-Term Care, River Garden is well known for top-rated senior care.

Established in 1966, The Joint Commission's Nursing Care Center Accreditation Program accredits more than 1,000 organizations that offer nursing home and other long-term care services.

The Post-Acute Care Certification award was launched in 2013 by The Joint Commission to recognize nursing homes that demonstrate advanced competencies in the provision of post-acute care to patients and residents recently hospitalized.

The accreditation and certification programs are awarded for a three-year period.

Former Rubio aide joins private school

San Jose Episcopal Day School (SJEDS), founded in 1950, has hired Hampton Ray as its director of marketing and development.

"We're proud to have Hampton join the team," said Lori Menger, Head of School. "San Jose Episcopal Day School continues to attract and retain high caliber talent – from our teachers to our administration."

Most recently, Ray worked at Atkins Global where he served as a spokesman for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Two. Prior to his work with FDOT, Ray served as a Legislative Aide to Senator Marco Rubio. He holds a bachelor's degree from the University of North Florida and a master's degree from the University of Florida.



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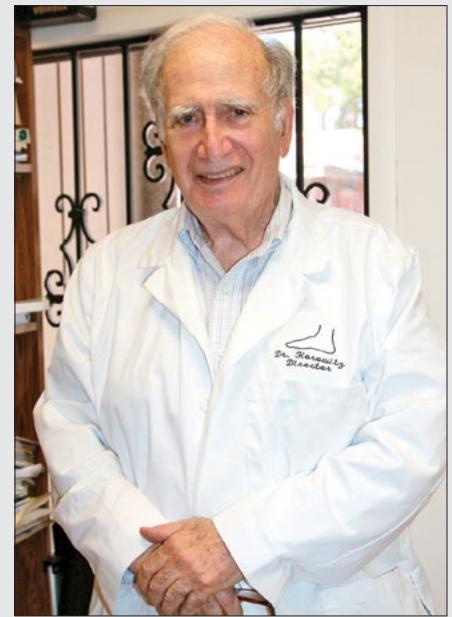
The good news for seniors is that Dr. Earl Horowitz, a specialist in General, Diabetic and Geriatric Podiatry, has treated foot problems in Northeast Florida for nearly six decades. He is board certified in general podiatry, foot surgery and diabetic foot and wounds, and has been voted by his peers as one of the 100 most prominent podiatrists in the United States. Even at age 85 he became one of the first board certified podiatrists in lower extremity geriatric medicine in the U.S.

Changes in the foot and related structures as a result of aging are a common cause of foot problems. A person who is 65 years old will have different and unique foot problems compared to those who are 75 or older. Yet medically, socially and economically they are all placed in the category of seniors, rarely differentiating their individual needs.

"No matter what age group is involved, the one body part that keeps everyone mobile is the foot," said Horowitz. "The ability to be mobile and to walk safely and pain free should be considered an important aspect of the clinical health of seniors."

Given that feet are the body's only source of contact with the ground, foot pain and dysfunction play an important role in increasing the risk of falling. Over 14 million Americans over the age of 65 fall each year, and 20,000 of these falls result in deaths. Fifty percent of seniors who fall will fall again within a year. The likelihood of tripping and falling should not be ignored or taken as a non-serious health problem.

"Our office has developed a fall prevention program based on controlling



foot and balance problems, reducing postural sway and increasing postural stability," said Horowitz.

"Ninety percent of people over 65 have some form of foot problems. The need for a full foot examination as a part of our wellness program annually cannot be over-emphasized," he continued. "This is especially important for seniors who have conditions related to diabetes, arthritis, poor circulation, and neurological dysfunctions."

From the most common (in-grown nails, corns, callouses, bunions, heel spurs, plantar fasciitis, etc.) to the most complex foot problems, a foot examination can lead to a preventive, as well as a more controlling, treatment program.

Feet should last a lifetime and should help make seniors more mobile, safe and foot-pain free. Taking care of foot problems are an integral part of the health needs that seniors need to accomplish.

Visit Dr. Horowitz at his new permanent Riverside office at 2236 Park Street or call (904) 387-0433. Dr. Horowitz' practice is open Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is closed on Fridays.

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Volunteers in Medicine appoints new CEO

Jennifer Ryan has been appointed the new chief executive officer to lead Volunteers in Medicine's critical mission of providing a medical home to working individuals and their families who do not have health insurance. Ryan, who begins her duties Oct. 1, succeeds Mary Pat Corrigan, who held the position for five years.

Ryan most recently served as the Executive Director of the Ponte Vedra YMCA, where she directed strategic planning efforts and fundraising campaigns, and built and strengthened relationships for community development and collaboration. Prior to that, Ryan held positions with the Centers for Disease Control, Duval County Health Department, and Northeast Florida Healthy Start Coalition.

"Jennifer brings to Volunteers in Medicine all the attributes you could ask for in the organization's next president and CEO...a wealth of experience in the health service industry, boundless energy and, like her predecessor, a great passion for the mission," said Michael Boylan, chair of the board of directors. "We are at a critical moment in the growth of the organization as we implement our strategy to expand access for the low-income working uninsured."

In the role of CEO, Ryan is responsible for providing leadership of the organization's medical operations, program development, staff and volunteer management, as well as fundraising.



Jennifer Ryan



Family business celebrates longevity in, with the community

In celebration of 55 years serving the community's heating and cooling needs, Weather Engineers, Inc. held a customer appreciation party Oct. 20. Customers, friends, employees and their families gathered at the 1000 Edison Avenue location to enjoy corn hole, bounce houses and slides, and barbecue chicken and ribs. Three generations of the Griffin family gathered for a festive photo; left to right, Chad Yeager, Kayla Griffin Yeager, Dan Griffin holding grandson Griffin Yeager, Patty Griffin, Jamie Griffin.



Susan King

We Care Jacksonville welcomes new executive director

Susan King, formerly executive director of Beaches Emergency Assistance Ministry (BEAM), is the new executive director for We Care Jacksonville.

A certified public accountant, King plans to prioritize data management and increase public awareness for the 25-year-old nonprofit founded by Dr. George Trotter to provide free primary and specialty medical care to the homeless,

uninsured and medically unserved adults in Jacksonville.

At BEAM from 2011 to 2017, King was then co-founder, president/CEO of Atlantic Beach Urban Farms for a year before joining the We Care board and then learning of Sue Nussbaum's retirement. Out of 70 applicants for the position, King was one of three finalists before the We Care board chose her to lead the nonprofit.



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Humana Foundation invests in seniors health, wellness centers



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On Oct. 26, the Humana Foundation presented the University of Florida with a \$820,000 Strategic Community Investment to fund the Health-Smart Holistic Health and Wellness Centers Program for Seniors, which aims to promote social connection and food security among minority, underserved, and low-income Jacksonville seniors.

The investment from the Humana Foundation is renewable for up to two additional years, which means that UF has the potential to receive continued funding from the Humana Foundation in 2019 and 2020 – based on the specific results they achieve over a 12-month period.

Modern, safe cataract surgery re-focuses vision, changes lives

It's said the eyes are the windows to the soul, but if the eyes are cloudy due to age, injury or cataracts, you could lose your focus on the people and things that mean the most. Fortunately, you can "clean the windows" through modern, safe cataract surgery and regain your focus.

There's no better place to have cataracts removed than the Jacksonville Eye Center, which introduced cataract surgery with lens implantation in 1974, shortly after Robert I. Schnipper, M.D., founded the center in Riverside Park at 2001 College Street.

Dr. Schnipper is a pioneer in several forms of eye surgery and has performed countless surgeries to restore sight that has become blurred or sensitive to light due to cataracts. "Lives have been changed because of crystal-clear vision without glasses or contacts," Dr. Schnipper said.

Most of the time cataracts develop slowly and it isn't until older adults begin to experience symptoms which affect their quality of life that they consider surgery. However,



Dr. Schnipper noted that even in one's 50s, undergoing early cataract surgery can result in better vision than they've ever had in their lives.

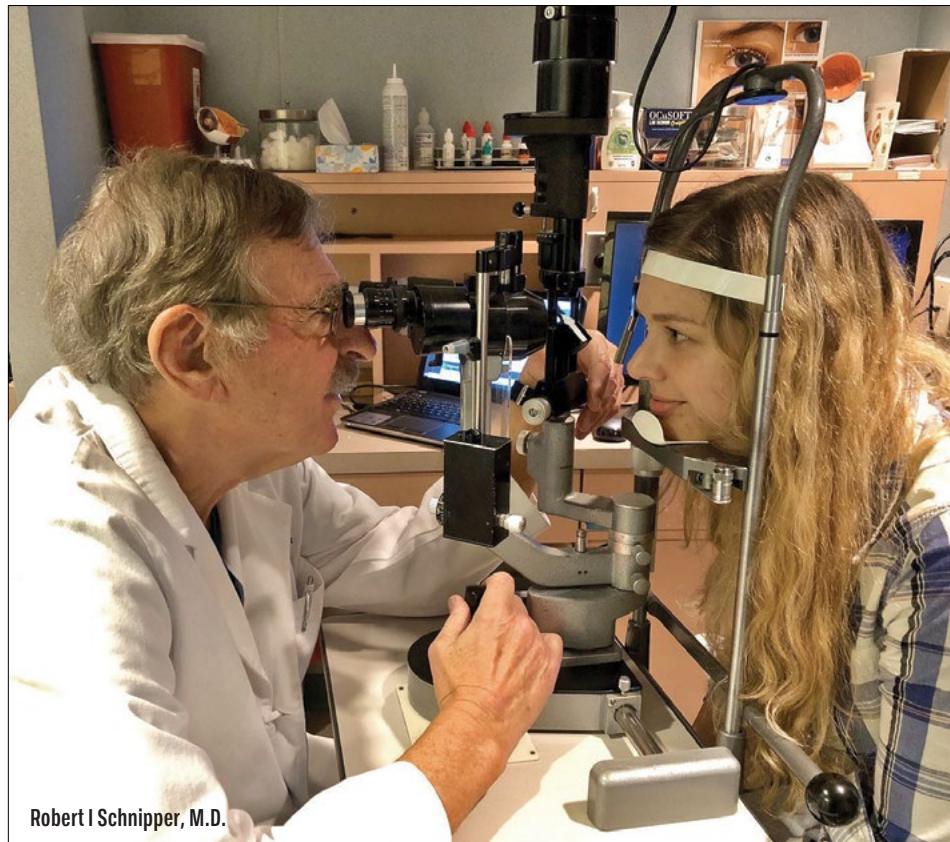
By age 80, more than half of all Americans have cataracts or have undergone surgery to remove them. The procedure is so common each year more than 3 million people have it done for a success rate of 95 percent.

In addition to regaining bright, clear vision, it is possible you'll enjoy freedom from glasses and that's a savings when you consider the expense incurred due to frequent changes in prescriptions for glasses or contact lenses.

If you experience difficulty driving, reading, watching television or using the computer, you may want to call the Jacksonville Eye Center for an appointment. And, if Dr. Schnipper and his staff decide surgery is required, don't worry. The procedure is done on an outpatient basis, so there's no hospital stay.

With cataract surgery, you have the option to correct your pre-existing nearsightedness or farsightedness with monofocal lenses or special astigmatism correcting lenses. Multifocal intraocular lenses achieve clear vision at all distances, far, intermediate, and near.

Simply put, cataract surgery is a procedure to remove the lens of the eye and replace it with an artificial lens. Before surgeons at the Jacksonville Eye Center begin the cataract surgery, the eye is dilated, then a topical anesthetic is applied. After the doctor makes a small incision, he will insert an ultrasonic device to pulverize the hard, yellow proteins



Robert I Schnipper, M.D.

that form the cataract and remove them from the eye.

If you are also getting an artificial lens implanted, it will be inserted through the original incision, which will heal itself without the need for stitches. You will not feel or sense the new lens in any way.

Dr. Schnipper's interest in ophthalmology began after his young sister became blind from an incurable brain tumor. He has

dedicated his life's work to finding treatments and cures for eye diseases and blindness. Educated at Tufts University and Northwestern University Medical School and trained in ophthalmology and ophthalmic surgery at Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital, he served in the U.S. Public Health Services and U.S. Coast Guard. He has lectured to and taught ophthalmologists from around the world.

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San Marco lions celebrate 21 years

By Marcia Hodgson

Resident Community News

There was music, adult beverages, free commemorative photos, and, of course, cake as San Marco residents celebrated the 21st anniversary of the installation of the Lions' Fountain in Balis Park Oct. 13.

The fabulous felines, who dress up for every occasion, donned blue and white party hats with yellow tassels created by Karen McCombs, as residents sang "Happy Birthday" to them. The celebration was a collaborative effort between the San Marco Preservation Society and the San Marco Merchants Association.

Accompanying the crowd for the birthday song and party were four young jazz musicians – Lee Wolf of the University of North Florida on bass, Jaylin Green on alto saxophone, Alison Rhoads of the Southbank on tenor saxophone and Janae Yates on drums. Green, Rhoads and Yates are all students at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, and the foursome also take lessons from John Lumpkin, a San Marco resident, at the John Lumpkin Institute.

Present during the event were the lions' "parents" – architects Angela Schifanella and her husband, Alan Wilson, of Avondale



John and Jessica Lumpkin with their daughters, Julia, Jordyn and Janelle (front)

– who designed the landmark after winning a city-wide competition 21 years ago, which called for 20 to 30 contestants to come up with something new to replace a fountain that previously existed on the site.

Inspired by the Café on the Square building, which is reminiscent of architecture found in an Italian piazza, the couple decided to design a piece of public art, said Schifanella. Lions were an obvious choice because they are the symbol for St. Mark and were thought by the couple to be a great emblem for San Marco Square, she said.

"The city did not have a lot of iconic places, and we wanted to make this a 'place,' and that seems to be what has happened," Schifanella said, noting the lions were designed to overlook key points in San Marco – the Café on the Square building, Atlantic Boulevard, and the gazebo to the south.

Once the lions' design was selected, Hugh Nicholson, a sculptor from Tallahassee, made full-size, high-density foam and clay models of them, said Wilson. Nicholson covered the models in plaster casts, cutting the casts into pieces before and shipping them to the Bryant Foundry in Hazel, Texas, he said. The final bronze lions were created individually at the foundry when the pieces were welded together. "They were brought back from Texas on a flatbed trailer. It was quite a ride and something to see – the lions riding down the interstate," Schifanella recalled.

"It was a thrilling thing when the truck pulled up in San Marco with the lions," remembered Wilson. He and his wife were asked to help situate the lions on their foundations, which had been made by Patroni's Cast Stone Inc., a Jacksonville company. "Each lion points in a particular direction, and I remember standing in the



Lions' statue architects Angela Schifanella and her husband, Alan Wilson, stand with a bronze model donated by T. Wayne Davis. Schifanella and Wilson designed the San Marco landmark 21 years ago.



Joe and Victoria Carlucci with their son



Party hats adorned the San Marco Lions as the landmark celebrated its 21st birthday Oct. 13.



Slicing up the birthday cake were Debbie Hanania and Debi Pataky

doorway of the Café on the Square building and giving the thumbs up when the lion was looking straight on in my direction," he recalled. "It was so fun for my wife and me to be part of the installation."

Schifanella and Wilson's original prize-winning sketch for the statues was on display during the party for visitors to see. Also, on hand was the original poster advertising the festive Carnevale, which was held April 18, 1997 to celebrating the lions' debut. Three small bronze models of the sculpture, which were recently donated

by T. Wayne Davis to the San Marco Preservation Society, were also available at the party for the public to view.

The regal statues were individually donated to the community by Davis and his wife, Kitty, Lori Boyer in memory of her late husband, Ronald J. Nemeyer, and Bonita Boyd and James (Jimmy) Boyd in honor of their parents.

"It's a wonderful feeling to be able to contribute to this gift to the city," said Schifanella. "San Marco is a special place, and these statues belong to everybody."

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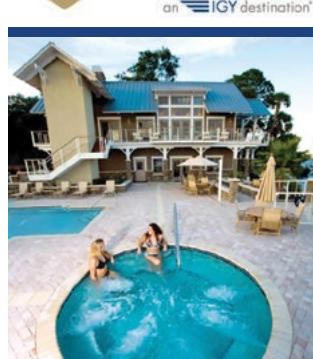
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Two major donors create endowment to secure LGBTQ Fund's future

At a five-year anniversary celebration of the LGBTQ Community Fund for Northeast Florida Oct. 2, the Fund's leadership announced \$130,000 in 2018 grants to local agencies and rolled out a new vision for the future – a permanent fund to support LGBTQ issues in Northeast Florida, forever.

In just five years, the LGBTQ Community Fund has granted approximately \$640,000 to local agencies that serve the LGBTQ community and focus on making Jacksonville more inclusive.

The 2018 grants include \$10,000 to ElderSource Institute to continue the LGBT Elder Friendly Business Certification program; \$52,000 to JASMYN to continue its Opening Doors for Homeless Youth Project; \$30,000 to UNF LGBT Resource Center to assess its work and enhance its ability to measure and communicate campus and community impact; \$20,000 to PFLAG to continue funding administrative support and community outreach; \$13,000 to Women's Center of Jacksonville to continue building the capacity of the mental health counseling department (6 clinicians) to provide services for LGBTQ+ women and girls ages 12+ at no charge; \$3,500 to River City Pride to support its 40th Anniversary Parade and Festival; and \$1,500 to Jacksonville Black Pride to support its annual event "Embracing Our Legacy 2018."

The LGBTQ Community Fund also unveiled a new way to support LGBTQ issues in Northeast Florida with the LGBTQ Community Endowment. The Chartrand Family and Delores Barr Weaver each made a \$500,000 grant to originate the endowment, which will protect and preserve all



Linda Watkins with Sue Fazio and Nan Hucker



Preston Haskell, Ryan Schwartz and Michael Meyer



Christy Radney, Michele Katz and Jerry Rosenberg

incoming gifts, and once it is adequately funded, will use the investment earnings for grantmaking. Jeff Chartrand, who prompted the creation of the original LGBTQ Fund, says the endowment is a natural and needed extension of the first five years of work.

"This endowment ensures that all the learning and investment we've done so far will be built on over time," he noted. "The recent research validated many of the existing needs and reinforced the notion that there will be needs in this area for many years to come."

Festival of Flight honors children who left too soon



A woman removes the name of her deceased child from the list of 367 names commemorating the children who were helped by Angels for Allison. The posters signify a text-to-donate campaign. Text "A4A" to 414-44.

Festival of Flight, the annual fundraiser for the Allison Brundick Haramis Foundation, also known as Angels for Allison, was held Oct. 13 at Intuition Ale Works, a new venue for the nonprofit, which has held the event at Riverside Arts Market and Memorial Park in the past.

The centerpiece of the event was a selfie photo wall with a pair of angel's wings in the background. The wings were created by St. Mark's Episcopal Day School students for its 2017 fundraiser. "The theme was Havana Nights, so I showed the art teacher the tocororo, the national bird of Cuba, which has beautifully colored wings," said Ashley Meeker, St. Mark's event chair. "We had each child paint and make a feather; if you look closely each wing has a distinct design by each student."

Prior to the 8th annual festival, a ceremony was held at which the names of 367 children served by the foundation were read aloud. As the name of each child was read aloud, they were arranged to create "A4A," a call to action to encourage the community to text "A4A" to 414-44 to make a donation.

The event drew more than 200 supporters to raise over \$57,000 for Angels for Allison.



Abby Mickler and Katelyn Hendrix



Sharon Tanner and granddaughter Charlotte Schoepfer with Rosemary Robie

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"An Orchestration of Food Wine and Music" was held Oct. 4 at the Garden Club, where 130 patrons enjoyed live and interactive performances by several chamber music groups comprised of members of the Civic Orchestra of Jacksonville. Food and beverages were provided by River and Post, Lynmar Estates and Riverside Liquors.



Michelle Hayes with Dawn Geer



Alan Howard and Gwen Gallagher-Howard

Neighbors gather at SNAP barbecue

St. Nicholas neighbors and friends gathered in Palmer Terrace Park to feast on hot dogs, hamburgers, pot luck side dishes and good conversation Oct. 20.

The barbecue was sponsored by the St. Nicholas Area Preservation Society, and it was the second social function in Palmer Terrace Park the newly resurrected neighborhood association has planned since its Independence Party July 4.

Earlier in the month, SNAP invited its members to meet up at the Mudville Grille,



and plans to hold a similar happy hour event at its favorite neighborhood watering hole each month. The next happy hour gathering is slated for Tuesday, Nov. 13 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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Presbyterian Social Ministries honors founder

David Tuttle, founder and executive director of Presbyterian Social Ministries, was honored Oct. 20 by family, friends, co-workers, board members and volunteers as he prepares to turn the reins over at the end of the year to Teri Ketchum, Chief Operating Officer.

The event, held at Kaluby's Banquet Ballroom, included remarks from former Board Chair Dwight Bayley, current Board Chair Sherrick Gilbert and others as they spoke about Tuttle's devotion to creating lasting change in the community.

The ministry first began in the basement of First Presbyterian Church as a dormitory offering a home base for mission-minded individuals. After outgrowing the space, the nonprofit moved to Murray Hill Presbyterian Church, which allowed them to focus on three programs: Urban Mission Experience, a housing ministry and a clothing ministry.

The nonprofit engages in an inter-agency collaboration to make a difference in people's lives, and one such agency, Downtown Ecumenical Services Council, attended the fundraiser in force to help pay tribute to Tuttle.



Sherrick Gilbert, Lynne Airaghi and Dwight Bayley



Scott Cavan with Teri Ketchum

Seniors in need find help through Hart Felt Ministries

More than 200 supporters joined Hart Felt Ministries at its 8th Annual Bridging the Gap Charity Gala Oct. 5 at TPC Sawgrass, raising \$84,000 for the nonprofit. The evening included dinner, dancing, a live and silent auction and a special appearance by nationally-known ethereal angel painter, Anne Neilson. The focus of the evening was to shine a light on an often-forgotten population – seniors in need in our own community. Last year, the Southpoint-based ministry served 382 clients with an average age of 79. More than 11,000 volunteer hours were spent on building wheelchair ramps, preparing meals, transporting clients, doing yardwork and making friendly visits.



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Gala helps local children with muscular dystrophy

Toast to Life, a fundraising event for the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Jacksonville, was held Oct. 5 at Sawgrass Marriott in Ponte Vedra Beach. The event featured The Chris Thomas Band, dinner, dancing and a live and silent auction for the shopping pleasure of 436 guests and sponsors, raising \$412,000.

For the third year in a row, co-chairs of the benefit were Elaine Ashourian, Active Principal of Ash Properties and Randall Whitfield, chief operating officer. The proceeds of the event will aid local children with muscular dystrophy (MD), ALS and related muscle-debilitating diseases to attend summer camp as well as receive medical care and research.



Community celebrates annual transformation of lives

Transformations in Housing, Healthcare and Hope was celebrated Oct. 4 at the Florida Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts, the annual fundraiser for Sulzbacher Center.

A reception preceded the program, which included testimonies from families who were "transformed" by Sulzbacher's services. The Mitchell family said that after living in unsafe neighborhoods, an apartment at Sulzbacher Village was an answer to prayer, while the McNeill family was thankful for

healthcare for their one-year-old child. The Smith family are finding hope in the Life Skills classes which will help them build a positive future. Last year, Sulzbacher housed 1,106 people, including 79 families and 167 children.

Over 400 guests attended the event, co-chaired by Scott Cairns and Dr. Amy Hardman. Honorary chairs were Toni Crawford and Delores Barr Weaver, and the benefit raised more than \$400,000 for the downtown center.

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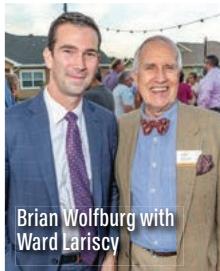
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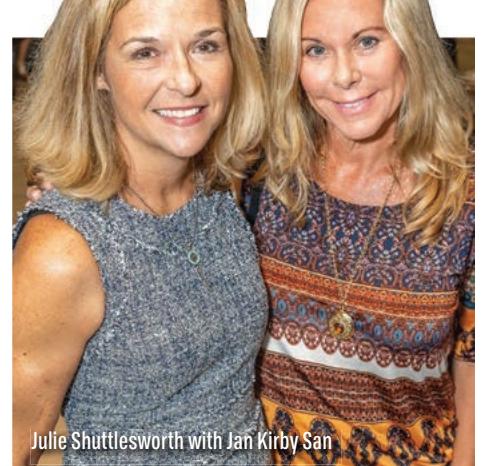
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Annual benefit celebrates good friends, jobs and a home

More than 450 enjoyed the 25th Annual Dinner with Bill & Friends Oct. 19 at The Arc Jacksonville Village and raised over \$257,000 for the nonprofit. The annual fundraiser is named in memory of Bill Sackter, an early ambassador for The Arc Jacksonville, who spoke often of the need all have for "a good friend, a good job and a good home."

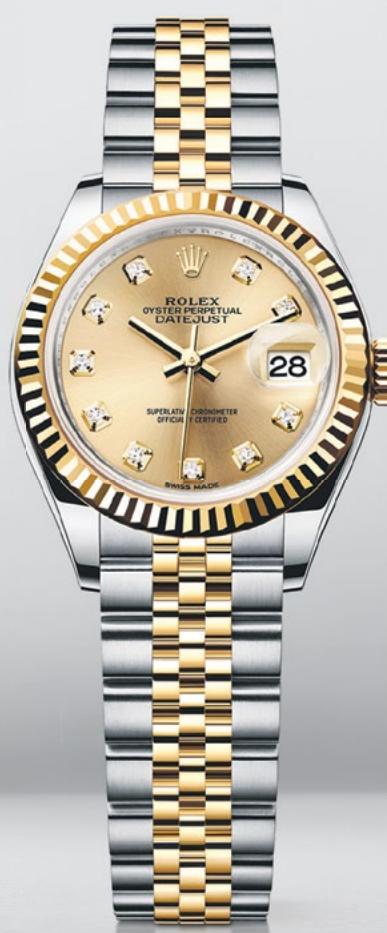
Honorary chair for the event was TIAA Bank Chairman and CEO Blake Wilson,

who shared several personal connections with The Arc Jacksonville. His nephew, Max, is in the On Campus Transition Program at the University of North Florida; TIAA Bank has employed Jason Hamilton for 17 years, and the bank has been a longtime supporter. Wilson mentioned that he and Hamilton both joined the bank at the same time in 2001. Hamilton, who gave the closing remarks, is an Arc Jacksonville board member.

Lara Logan, renowned journalist and chief foreign correspondent for CBS News' "60 Minutes," shared highlights of her journalism career during an Oct. 17 appearance at the Florida Forum Speaker Series, produced by The Women's Board of Wolfson Children's Hospital.

Detailed her most exciting and intimate moments during interviews with diplomats, soldiers on the front lines, military leaders and terrorists, Logan's stories captivated the more than 1,000 patrons attending the first of the 2018-2019 Florida Forum events, held at the Times-Union Center for Performing Arts. Logan emphasized the importance of journalism's basic principle: getting to the truth of the story.

The Florida Forum Speaker Series continues Jan. 28 with acclaimed actor, writer, producer and director Bryan Cranston. Known for his television portrayal of Walter White on AMC's "Breaking Bad," Cranston has earned four Emmy® Awards, four SAG Awards and a Golden Globe Award.



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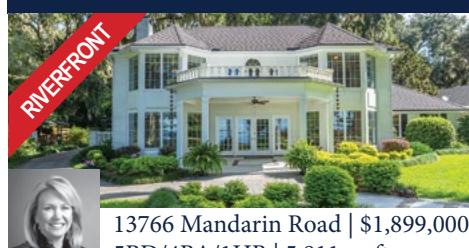
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Frank Stella exhibit creates new point of entry for MOCA visitors

Patrons of the Museum of Contemporary Art Jacksonville gathered Oct. 4 at a preview reception for the exhibition, "Frank Stella Unbound: Literature and Printmaking." The exhibit includes 41 prints, focusing on a revolutionary period in the artist's printmaking career, between 1984 and 1999.

"As a museum that provides literary-based art educational programming, Frank Stella Unbound creates a new point of entry for our visitors to expand their understanding of the modes of interpretation and narrative from an American icon," said Caitlín Doherty, MOCA Jacksonville director.

The exhibit, organized by the Princeton University Art Museum, is on view at MOCA Jacksonville through Jan. 13, 2019. Support for this exhibition at MOCA Jacksonville was provided in part by Joan and Preston Haskell, the City of Jacksonville, the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, the Florida Division of Affairs, and the University of North Florida.



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Evening lawn party brings casual fun to Gabriel House

The weather was perfect when just under 200 guests turned out to enjoy a fun, casual evening on the Mayo Clinic Campus during Gabriel House of Care's Lawn Party Oct. 13.

"I've been wanting to do something like this on the grounds for years," said Gabriel House of Care Executive Director Valerie Callahan. "We've been open for seven years and I think an event like this adds a sense of normality for our families and patients," she said.

Under a large tent, guests were serenaded by the Chris Thomas Band, one of the best in Jacksonville, as they munched on hors d'oeuvres and sipped wine and beer.



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United Way partners gather to give underserved 'A Fighting Chance'

With an eye to Thanksgiving, which is just around the corner, partners of the United Way of Northeast Florida gathered to thank Sherwood Smith, Jr. for his legacy of service to the United Way and to bestow the annual Sherwood H. Smith service and advocacy awards, which Smith set up in his father's name, during The United Way's "A Fighting Chance" event at the Schultz Center, Oct. 23.

Michelle Braun, president and CEO of the United Way, presented Jacqueline Brown of Communities in School of Jacksonville with the Sherwood H. Smith Children's Champion Award in Service. Amanda Crawford of Vystar Credit Union was the Sherwood H. Smith Children's Champion Award in Advocacy winner.

Braun also presented Smith himself with a proclamation from Mayor Lenny Curry, to recognize his service to the United Way of Northeast Florida. Smith, who lives in Raleigh, North Carolina, attended the event with his wife, Eve. He founded the awards in honor of his father, Sherwood H. Smith, one of the foremost leaders of the United Way's predecessor, the Jacksonville Community Chest.

Noting that one in three Northeast Florida citizens live in poverty or are one crisis away from the poverty line, Coretta Hill, vice president of Volunteer and Community Engagement for the United Way of Northeast Florida, led the crowd of nearly 300 in a poverty simulation, so each guest could experience the pain of what one-third of



all residents in the region experience on a daily basis. Hill said that if a person is born into poverty, they have a less than 5 percent chance of getting out of poverty.

After the poverty simulation, the group listened to a rousing keynote address by George Maxey, executive director of the New Town Success Zone.

Doug Baer, CEO of Brooks Rehabilitation, was recently named Resource Development Council Chair for United Way of Northeast Florida, and he left the group with a call to action.

"What can we do? We have the gift of tomorrow. How can we do just a little bit more? We know it's the right thing to do, to give back, and we need to raise funds to support the programs the United Way is providing to the community. Can we do just a little bit more this year?" he asked.



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Chamber trustees get inside look at ‘unreasonable leadership’

Gary Chartrand, Executive Chairman of Acosta, Inc., was the keynote speaker at the annual Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce Trustees Luncheon, held Oct. 2 at the Deerwood Country Club. Chartrand shared insights from his strategic management of the 91-year-old company, taking the business from a regional brand to the national level.

Acosta was founded in 1927 by Louis Acosta as a family-run, single-market food broker in Jacksonville. After acquisitions gave the company a regional presence in the Southeast, Gary Chartrand became president in 1993, CEO in 1996 and board chair in 1998. One year later, the company went national with a contract with Minute Maid. The group continued its stellar growth for the next two decades.

In his remarks to the Chamber trustees, Chartrand referred to his 2010 e-book, “Unreasonable Leadership,” noting that it is only by being an unreasonable leader and taking risks, that a company can grow and succeed.



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Historic Avondale, cool weather team up for great charity run

Sanctuary on 8th Street Executive Director Rick Cartlidge leads by example, even during the annual Avondale 5K Classic, finishing third in the Male 30-34 Category and 15th overall with a time of 20:59. Seven students from the Sanctuary also participated in the annual event Oct. 13, which drew 383 runners in the 5K and more than 100 in the Fun Run, netting about \$20,000 for the Sanctuary, a Springfield-based after-school nonprofit.

Fastest runner overall in the 5K was Lydia McRae, of San Marco, who beat last year's time by 55 seconds, running it in 17:39.

Riverside Presbyterian Day School had its usual large contingent of 60-plus runners in the Fun Run and some also ran the 5K, including Head of School Ben Ketchum, who finished first in the Masters and 11th overall with a time of 20:12.

Avondale resident Stella Krueger, who is following in her father's running steps, finished first in the 5K Female 10 & Under category with a time of 25:15. Her brother, Reed, finished fourth in the Male 10 & Under with a time of 26:51, and their father, Dean, finished first in the Male 50-54 category in 21:30 and 16th overall.

Liza Haley, also of Avondale, won a beach bike donated by Holt Tucker, owner of Open Road Bicycles Avondale, and finished fifth in the Female 10 & Under category.

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Rivals for charity

Two of area's oldest civic organizations use decades-old golf tournament to benefit others

By Kate A. Hallock

Resident Community News

On the cusp of celebrating its centennial anniversary next year, the Meninak Club of Jacksonville engaged in an annual decades-old friendly rivalry with the Rotary Club of Jacksonville – a charity golf tournament that harkens back to 1965, with roots going back 12 years earlier.

The Meninak / Rotary Charity Golf Tournament pits a golf team from the Meninak Club against a team from the Rotary Club. Traditionally held at Timuquana Country Club each fall, the tournament is preceded by a luncheon that allows the groups to socialize and includes a guest speaker with a focus on local sports.

This year, prior to the 55th Annual Meninak / Rotary Charity Golf Tournament, the guest speaker at the Oct. 2 luncheon was Sam Kouvaris, who served as WJXT's sports director for 37 years before parting company with Channel 4 in May. Although 1965 was



A 1967 example of the good-spirited fun had by the Meninaks and the Rotarians over the years.



Meninak Larry Cobb, Sam Kouvaris, Meninak President Bob Buehn, Rotarians Traci Jenks and Russell Grice, Meninak Andy Beh

the first year of the annual charity event, the groups have come together on the golf course since 1953. After this year's tournament, the Rotary has a slight lead, having won 25 times against the Meninaks' 23 wins. There have also been several ties and a few rainouts along the way.

In 1982 Meninak Social Chair John Anderson and Rotarian John Baker decided to formalize the charity component of the competition by having the winning team select a charity to receive \$1,000 from the losing club. Since that time, over \$30,000 has been donated to local charities. The \$1,000 wager has always been a fun aspect of the event bringing out competitive spirits, including after a tie in 2008, Meninak President Bunky Johnson challenged the Rotary to double the bet for the 2009 competition.

While the ultimate winners are the local charities that have benefited from the two clubs' donations over the years, in close second are the Meninaks, Rotarians and their guests who have developed some great relationships over a fun and spirited competition on the course. This year the Rotary

Club won the \$1,000 wager between the rivals in charity and will put the funds into their foundation for future disbursement.

The Meninak Club's long history of charity began in 1930 when an organization called Foster Parent Plan received its first charity grant. Since then, 90 grants have been awarded, including the 2018 grant of \$40,000 to the Jacksonville Children's Chorus, to 56 different nonprofits. Top recipients over the years have included the Girl Scouts (eight grants), Boy Scouts and Baptist Home for Children (five each) and Hope Haven (four grants).

"The Jacksonville Children's Chorus is headquartered in the beautiful Cathedral District of Downtown Jacksonville. However, our block has been experiencing some issues with blight in recent years," said Darren Dailey, president and artistic director. "This grant will allow The Chorus to make some essential repairs and enhancements to our campus, improving the safety and well-being of our singers, parents, and staff, while also contributing to the revitalization effort of our city's downtown neighborhoods."

Founded in 1919 as one of America's first Kiwanis Clubs, the Meninak Club became the second club in Jacksonville affiliated with an organization national in scope; the first was the Rotary Club of Jacksonville, which formed in 1912.

Following a disagreement in the late 1940s with Kiwanis International regarding the desire to control its own destiny, the Jacksonville Kiwanis Club withdrew from the parent organization and its members re-formed as the Meninak Club of Jacksonville in 1951.

The name Meninak is said to have its origin in the combination of two Greek words meaning "true" and "honorable," but the basic thought behind the selection was "Men in Action."

From 29 business and civic leaders who joined together 99 years ago for the overall betterment of the spiritual, cultural and social attributes of Jacksonville, today there are 115 Meninak members, of which 14 are women. Despite the club having a woman serve as executive secretary since 1922, women were not invited to join as members until 1990. Gladys Harris held the position for 50 years, retiring at age 69 in 1972. Catherine Hill has been executive director since 1984.



Meninak Charity Project Chair Jim Dobson (left) and Meninak President Bob Buehn (right) present a \$40,000 check to the club's 2018 charity grant recipient, Jacksonville Children's Chorus President/Artistic Director Darren Dailey.

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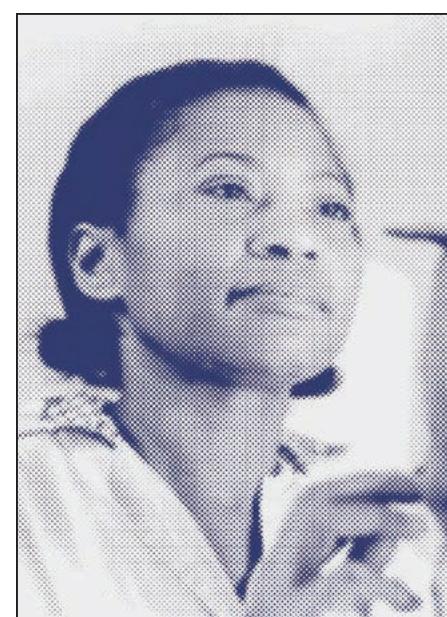
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Lakewood fitness experts fortify ‘warriors’ in the battle against MS

By Marcia Hodgson

Resident Community News

Fitness expert Darrell McKay and his wife, Brenda, a registered nurse, want to help those who suffer from Multiple Sclerosis to become “Wellness Warriors” in their battle against the disease.

The couple, who own and operate Anytime Fitness in Lakewood have joined with Megan Weigel, a Jacksonville Beach registered nurse practitioner specializing in MS care, and Michael Elias, CEO and founder of Sustainable Development Solutions, to form MS Wellness Warriors, a nonprofit that provides a free comprehensive and customized exercise and nutrition program for MS patients in Jacksonville.

A disease that attacks the central nervous system, MS is an autoimmune condition that damages the insulating covers of nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord causing physical, mental, and sometimes psychiatric problems. Specific symptoms are different for each patient and can include double vision, blindness in one eye, muscle weakness, trouble with coordination, numbness, unexplainable fatigue, memory loss, muscle spasms, and bowel and bladder issues, said Weigel.

“The thing that’s most common is the uncertainty. Patients are always wondering what am I going to wake up like tomorrow? That’s the part that is so difficult,” she said. “It’s lonely, because you are struggling, and it can be day-to-day to keep yourself mentally above water.”

Because no fitness program currently exists that includes both nutrition and exercise therapy especially designed with the MS patient in mind, the nonprofit’s founders wanted to formulate a program tailored to each MS warrior’s individual needs, while still providing a sense of camaraderie for them in a medically-safe environment. Assisting in the program are certified physical therapists, clinical trainers, and a registered nurse.

The goal of MS Wellness Warrior’s program is to eventually provide those with MS with a mental toolbox, so they can “self-manage” and cope with whatever symptoms develop, said Darrell.

“In the traditional health club world, there is a lot of false information and a lot of deception,” he said. “But in the medical world as far as us working with someone with this disease condition, we want to provide a program that is scientifically and medically researched and that is a delineator in terms of what we are going to teach and educate,” he said. “That sets us apart in a big way.”

Darrell McKay knows of what he speaks. He has served as executive director for five medically-based fitness centers, including the 60,000-square-foot facility at Brooks

YMCA, and has provided executive oversight for outpatient cardiac rehabilitation. Brenda, meanwhile, formerly worked as a nurse at the Mayo Clinic.

An MS-certified nurse with a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree specializing in preventive healthcare, Weigel is also a registered yoga teacher practicing the Baptiste Power Vinyasa Yoga methodology. She is a founder of oMS Yoga, a 501(c)(3) organization that provides free yoga classes to people living with MS in Jacksonville and Philadelphia, Penn., and plans to include a yoga component in the MS Wellness Warrior program.

In total, the three-phase program covers a 15-month period, with the initial assessment and training phase spanning 12 weeks. Each warrior receives an individualized assessment to measure their strength, cardio, balance, flexibility, cognitive function, fall risk, susceptibility to depression, tissue structure, health history, functional movement, and nutritional standards. “By doing this we will be able to adjust all aspects of our program as needed for each warrior,” said Brenda.

Once the assessment portion of Phase 1 is finished, the program will revolve around five pillars – nutrition, cardio-vascular training, high-intensity interval training, strength training, and rest and recovery. Each warrior will have their individual intake benchmarks reviewed by the program’s medical director, executive training director, and a medical advisory committee so that the training module can be customized to their individual needs. Warriors will also be reassessed using the same initial metrics midway through the program, Brenda said.

Twice a week, clinical trainers will provide each participant with personal training modules. Group fitness, oMS yoga classes, and six nutritional workshops are included throughout the program.

“MS Wellness Warriors are fighters,” said Brenda. “If they are going to participate in this program they need to be committed. They can’t just come when they feel like it. If they sign up, they are agreeing to come 90 percent of the time or they can’t remain in the program.”

Her husband agreed. “We want people to be here because they want to be vital. They want to exercise so they can do as much as they can for as long as they can,” said Darrell.

“I would be stoked if our participants come back to us and said, ‘I feel like I’m not a victim to this disease anymore. No matter what my MS throws at me, I have a toolbox and I can pull out something to deal with this today,’ ” said Brenda.

At the end of 12 weeks, a graduation event with a keynote speaker will be held to showcase each warrior’s achievements.



Brenda McKay, Megan Weigel, Michael Elias, and Darrell McKay

After graduation, warriors advance to a 12-month maintenance program where they will have 24/7 access to the Anytime Fitness gym. Quarterly team meetings with updates will be held every three months, and each warrior will update their status at the six-month and one-year mark so the medical oversight committee can make individual recommendations.

Thanks to Wrestling MS, a nonprofit partnering with the MS Wellness Warrior program, each warrior receives a bicycle, tricycle or stationary bike depending on their individual capabilities. They also have access to the Wrestling MS training and nutrition program and its “buddy” system, which matches them with world-class Olympic and nationally-recognized MS bike trainers. Monthly team rides are provided, and each warrior will have access to the team success page on the MS Wellness Warrior website.

“Our program doesn’t have a finish point,” said Weigel. “After 12 weeks they don’t leave the program. We’re still connected with these people. Our program is unique because it’s creating a new model for MS maintenance and recovery.”

Approximately 15 warriors have been accepted into the first class, which will start prior to year-end, and there is already a waiting list, said Elias. The nonprofit is in the process of applying to multiple grants to fully fund the program.

“We made a decision that we were not going to launch our program until we were fully funded, because once we start, we want to keep going,” Darrell said.

The founders are also hoping to partner with the National MS Society and Florida Blue, so they can disseminate their findings and information beyond the scope of Jacksonville.

“No one is doing what we’ve envisioned, to our knowledge,” said Elias.

“It is our hope for this to become a healthcare destination for people with MS,” said Weigel. Darrell McKay agreed. “We want to become known in the community as a place where physicians can send their MS patients and know they will be getting the right answers,” he said.

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Courthouse run goes big in Freed to Run 2.0

Lawyers, supporters join 157-mile relay to benefit legal aid nonprofit

By Karen J. Rieley

Resident Community News

Jacksonville attorney Mike Freed's passion for helping others is contagious. Last year, Freed launched Freed to Run, six marathons in six days from the Florida Supreme Court in Tallahassee to the Duval County Courthouse in Jacksonville.

After years of doing pro bono work with the nonprofit Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, he decided to create his own fundraising event to help the organization and raised \$70,000 in the inaugural Freed to Run point-to-point relay race.

Freed covered at least 26 miles each day for a total of 157 miles. He ran from courthouse to courthouse along US-90, like circuit court judges used to do by horse.

"Officially I was the only runner, but I was surprised by some supporters and even some perfect strangers who joined in for fun and encouragement and ran some miles with me," Freed said.

Freed and his wife, Crystal, aren't new to philanthropy. Independently and collectively, they have been working to raise money and awareness for causes. In 2016, Crystal hosted a Bollywood-themed benefit ball for her friends, Sarah Symons and John Berger, to

add a third floor to their shelter in Jalpaiguri, India, that serves survivors of human trafficking. Her success inspired Mike to create Freed to Run in 2017.

This year at least 17 relay teams will join Mike in Freed to Run 2.0, Dec. 2-7, in an effort to raise \$180,000. Each team is trying to raise \$10,000.

With a commitment from Baptist Health Foundation to match by 125 percent the funds the relay teams raise, the event is seeking to raise \$405,000 for the JALA Endowment for the Northeast Florida Medical Legal Partnership (NFMLP). Baptist Health Foundation has challenged Freed to raise \$1 million over the next five years.

"I am not a runner, but I wanted to support Mike and, most importantly, spread awareness and raise funds for an important cause," said Michelle Barnett, Jacksonville Bar Association relay team member. "Too many people need representation and even a simple question answered, but the don't have the resources to get help. Legal Aid provides a tremendous resource and we are proud to support this cause."

Including the Foundation's match, Freed to Run has an ultimate fundraising goal of \$2.25 million for the JALA Endowment. Interest from the endowment will pay for a lawyer's salary to provide legal services for low-income, disadvantaged people and families facing issues related to medical problems, Freed said.

"Marks Gray has a longstanding relationship with Jacksonville Area Legal Aid,"



Mike Freed runs along the Ortega River drawbridge.

said Shannon Peabody, who is volunteering as marketing director for this year's run, in addition to leading the Marks Gray law firm's relay team.

"Freed to Run 2.0 combines physical fitness and charitable giving to raise funds for the Northeast Florida Medical Legal Partnership - a perfect union for a great cause," Peabody will be running the relay with Giselle Carson, who is captain of the Marks Gray relay team.

Northeast Florida Medical Legal Partnership (NFMLP) is part of a nationwide network of projects in which professionals from the medical and legal communities combine resources to produce outcomes for low-income and vulnerable patients (children and adults) that positively impact their health and ability to thrive. Jacksonville Area Legal Aid (JALA) supports NFMLP by providing high quality legal assistance to low-income and special-needs groups.

"Akerman law firm is dedicated to assisting the less fortunate in the communities in which we live and work," said Katie Fackler,

captain of the firm's relay team with John MacDonald, co-captain.

"Running is one of my greatest loves, so I feel exceptionally lucky to have the opportunity to use it for a higher purpose," she said.

"The goal is to have a lawyer available 24/7 to help the medical community improve people's lives," Freed said. "It is a good idea, but it is not fully funded. This marathon works to solve a critical social service problem. A pediatric patient may have asthma. The hospital can treat asthma but can't solve the living conditions that are causing the health problems, but lawyers can help with that landlord issue," he said.

Lawyers can also help with the medical benefits process and many other problems to reduce the need for medical attention.

"A modest amount of legal help can make a big difference and create a positive outcome for everyone," Freed said. "Most lawyers

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practice on the business, criminal, corporate side; not as many are available to address the civil side, especially for indigent people."

"My husband, Asghar, and I are supporters of Freed to Run because the need for donations is particularly dire in Florida given that the state does not allocate funds for civil legal aid," Sabeen Perwaiz said. Asghar Syed joins Gunster law firm members Rachel Mills, Mike Freed and his assistant, Donna McGavic, in planning Freed to Run 2.0.

"Women's Giving Alliance wanted to participate in Freed to Run to show our support for JALA and NFMLP," said Lauren Purdy, who works for Gunster. She and Sabeen Perwaiz are both members of the Women's Giving Alliance, which funds, educates and advocates for Jacksonville women and girls to strengthen families, communities and the future.

"The missions of JALA and NFMLP align very closely with WGA's mission, in particular our current focus of breaking the cycle of female poverty," Purdy said.



Lauren Purdy ran in the Chicago Marathon several years ago to support the American Cancer Society.



2015 Chicago marathon runners Allison Stocker, Jamie Joseph, Lydia McRae and Katie Fackler

"There are so many great, philanthropic lawyers and law firms and other nonprofits in Jacksonville. Community First Credit Union saw this as a great opportunity as well," Freed said. "I think the fact that the event is a cost-free, fun opportunity to run across the state that brings a 125 percent match captivated their interest."

Freed graduated from Jacksonville University, went to Georgetown law school, and practiced law in D.C. until he and his family moved to Jacksonville in 1995.

"I enjoyed D.C., but it is a bit of a rat race," he said. After the birth of their first child, Crystal and he thought the opportunity to raise a family and work in Jacksonville was more appealing.

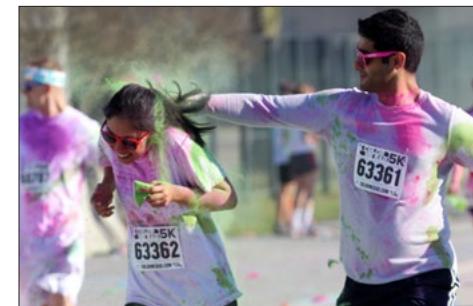
Freed attributes his passion about social issues to Crystal's influence. She left her job as a commercial litigator in 2008. Since then she's focused her career as a human rights lawyer advocating for victims of human trafficking in her own firm, The Freed Firm.

Crystal Freed, The Freed Firm; Dennis Harrison, Jim Kowalski and Kathy Para, Jacksonville Area Legal Aid; Circuit Judge Hugh A. Carithers; and Deno Hicks, Southern

Strategy Group of Jacksonville, are also part of the working group that is producing Freed to Run 2.0.

To date, other relay teams are Abel Bean Law; Black Girls Run!; Jacksonville Area Legal Aid Board of Directors; Community First Credit Union; Forbes, Thompson & Gilham Wealth Management Group; Jacksonville Area Legal Aid - St. Johns County and Clay County; Jacksonville Bar Association; F3 Jacksonville; Office of the State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit; Shutts & Bowen; Fisher, Tousey, Leas & Ball Attorneys at Law; Florida Public Defenders - PDO 4th Circuit; and Jacksonville University.

Sponsors of Freed to Run 2.0 include Gunster law firm, The Freed Firm, Elite Parking Services, Jacksonville Bar Association, 1st Place Sports, Wahby Financial Services, UF Health and JTC Running.



Sabeen Perwaiz and Asghar Syed in a 2018 Color Me Rad 5K race

The community is invited to help the relay teams finish by running a 5K to the finish line – from the Jacksonville Farmers Market to the Duval County Courthouse on Friday, Dec. 7. The run begins at 3:15 p.m.

All funds raised will directly benefit JALA's endowment. To learn more about Freed to Run 2.0, visit jaxlegalaid.org/freedtorun/.



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THE WAY WE WERE: BARBARA "BOBBI" MARGOL

BY SUSAN D. BRANDENBURG
RESIDENT COMMUNITY NEWS

Born to George and Shirley Hirshfield in Newark, New Jersey, Barbara "Bobbi" Margol lost her natural mother to polio when she was just four years old. When she was five, her father married a woman named Eva, who had a daughter named Elaine. "Elaine and I became lifelong sisters immediately," recalled Bobbi, "and a few years later, our brother, Alan, was born. I was blessed with two mothers. Eva was a wonderful parent."

George Hirshfield worked for Prudential Insurance Company and gave his family a good life. The Hirshfields lived in Hillside, New Jersey and Bobbi graduated from Hillside High School, where she was an active thespian, and was treated to many Broadway Shows and Operas. "I saw "The King and I" on the night before Mrs. Lawrence [Gertrude Lawrence] died," said Bobbi.

She was in her first year at Rutgers University when her family moved to Jacksonville as the result of a Prudential transfer. It was when she was attending



Bobbi and Bennie Margol wedding photo

Jacksonville Junior College (now Jacksonville University) that she was president of BXA Sorority. A classmate named Dorothy Katz kept telling Bobbi she wanted her to meet her uncle, Bennie Margol. Uncle? Bobbi was certainly not interested in older men... until she saw a handsome man in the college library and pointed him out to Dorothy, who said, "That's my uncle."

Bennie Margol was born and raised in Jacksonville, the youngest son of Annie and Oscar Margol's seven children. He graduated from Andrew Jackson High School, went on to the University of Florida, and then served in Japan during the Korean War as an Army intelligence officer. Upon returning from the war, he joined the family business of Associated Iron & Metal Company.

Bobbi's first date with Bennie was to the Jacksonville Symphony, which at that time was held in the Armory. "We sat on wooden chairs. I couldn't believe it. I was used to Broadway," Bobbi declared, "but then Roberta Peters came on stage and I forgot about everything else. We belonged to the Symphony for 57 years."

During their courtship, Bobbi taught nursery school at Congregation Ahavath Chesed (The Temple) on San Jose Boulevard for one year and loved it. She was teaching the children when she was preparing for her wedding and one day she brought in her wedding veil (borrowed from her best friend, Marilyn Freedman) and let her students try it on. A couple of years ago, she ran into one of her former students and said, "I'm Miss Bobbi – you probably don't remember me." The student looked at her quizzically and said, "Not remember? You let us try on your wedding veil!"



Bennie Margol and sons Seth, Oren and Drew

Bobbi's best friend, Marilyn Freedman, shared more than her wedding veil – she and Bobbi share the same birthday, July 18, and have celebrated nearly 60 birthdays together. On July 18, 2018, they celebrated at Enza's Restaurant on San Jose Boulevard.

Bobbi and Bennie were married on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 1955, at the Jacksonville Jewish Center. They honeymooned for a month, traveling to Haiti and Jamaica. Recently, Bobbi found an old, yellowed, handwritten letter from her father, George Hirshfield, congratulating the young couple and writing, "The whole city is talking about your wedding." "My father was a wonderful man," Bobbi said. "I loved him so much, I thought no one could compare with him... but then I met Bennie, and he was just as wonderful."

The three Margol boys were born three years apart, Seth first, then Andrew "Drew," and then Oren. When Seth graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design, he wanted to go on a world tour and his parents sent him. He stopped in Israel and has been there ever since. He is a scribe – an extraordinarily talented calligrapher who uses his God-given gift to write beautiful words. He has five sons, Yitz, Asher, Yoni, Yakov and Shuey, and because of his location, his parents have traveled to Israel nine times.

Closer to home, Bobbi was president of the Cassia Garden Club, chartered with the Garden Club of Jacksonville, a life member of Hadassah, a member of Wolfson Children's Hospital board, the Child Guidance Clinic

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Stepmother Eva and Father George Hirshfield, parents of Bobbi Margol

board, and the Jacksonville Public Library board, as well as a founding member of the JCA and a longtime member of the Jacksonville Jewish Center. For the past 10 years, she has been a member, with her friends, Marilyn Freedman and Shirley Mirkis, of Stacy Goldring's book club that meets at Epping Forest. She enjoys allowing her imagination to travel through the written word, and she has also traveled a great deal throughout her lifetime.

Bennie and Bobbi enjoyed traveling with friends, Marilyn and Harvey Freedman and Bobbi and Harry Yoffee. They took an Alaskan cruise together, traveled to Paris, France, toured Denmark, Norway and Sweden, and visited Bennie's relatives in London, England. "We were at Epsom Downs, the race track, and had a box," said Bobbi. "The Queen Mother and Queen Elizabeth rode by in an open vehicle – nearly within touching distance."

Bobbi Margol truly appreciates elegance and style. The fact that she made the City of Jacksonville's "Best Dressed" list in 1977 is not at all surprising to anyone who knows Barbara "Bobbi" Margol. She is a neat, petite,

attractive lady whose hair, make-up and attire are always just right, and yet, despite her friendly air and polite greeting, there is a shadow of sadness in her eyes. In the past five years, she has lost two of the most precious men in her life...her youngest son, Oren, and her husband of 60 years, Bennie Margol. "I try not to grieve for them, and to just be thankful that they were in my life," said Bobbi, "but there are days when I am overwhelmed with memories and miss them so much."

Oren's death in 2013 at age 48 as the result of a brain tumor (glioblastoma) was particularly hard on his mother. "Bennie had a good, long life and died at a ripe old age and I miss him, but Oren was so young and his death so untimely. I guess God wanted Oren as much as all of us did."

Nicknamed Uncle "O" by his nieces and nephews, Oren Margol was a popular Jacksonville native who attended Jacksonville Country Day School, Bolles, Wolfson, graduated from the University of Florida, was an avid Gator fan, a partner at Vandroff Insurance Agency, an art collector, a charming philanthropist who supported many good causes, an accomplished athlete who



Drew Margol and his granddaughter, Sadie



Margol family photo circa 1968

was once 13th in the state in tennis, loved to play golf and ski, and most particularly, loved his family, especially his children, Eden and Joel.

When doctors in Jacksonville told him his tumor was inoperable, he sought treatment at Duke University's Preston Robert Tisch Brain Tumor Center, where 85 percent of his tumor was removed, and his life was lengthened by three years longer than predicted. On Monday, Nov. 19, at San Jose Country Club, the Oren Margol Foundation will sponsor the 2nd Annual Big "O" Memorial Golf Tournament to benefit Duke's Preston Robert Tisch Brain Tumor Center.

"I was awed by the sea of friends who came out to the tournament last year in Oren's memory," said Bobbi. "He and Drew were like twins...they were so close, and Drew has made sure that his brother's life will not be forgotten. Oren would have loved the golf tournament – he would be right there, greeting everyone with his beautiful smile and warm handshake. Of course, knowing Oren, he would have dressed in the latest

golf attire and a game of this magnitude would have demanded a new set of clubs!"

Bobbi noted that Oren's favorite song was "The Impossible Dream" from "Man of LaMancha," but he was unable, like Don Quixote, to beat the unbeatable foe... "so now his foundation is carrying on his battle and raising money for a cure."

Drew is the son who Bobbi leans on these days. She lives in a Lakewood high-rise on the river, but because of close family like Drew, she never feels alone. Owner of Margol Realty, Drew has been married to Michelle for 34 years. They have two daughters, Gabrielle, who works at Mayo, and Lauren, who married Brandon Trager in 2014. Lauren and Brandon are now the parents of Bobbi's first great-grandchild, Sadie Olivia – or Sadie "O" as she is called in memory of her beloved Uncle Oren – gone but never forgotten. "Sadie O is the light of our lives," said her great-grandmother. "She is the heart of our family. I see in her shining eyes a reflection of both Bennie and Oren. God is good."

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'Giving Tuesday' a charitable antidote to holiday indulgences

By Kandace Lankford

Resident Community News

After enjoying a Thanksgiving meal with family and friends, and perhaps satisfying your holiday shopping itch by taking advantage of Black Friday and Cyber Monday deals, consider being charitable toward others by participating in Giving Tuesday, which takes place Nov. 27, the Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

Now in its seventh year, the movement was started in 2012 by the 92nd Street Y and the United Nations Foundation as a response to commercialization and

consumerism in the post-Thanksgiving season. Since then the movement has gone global, with more than 150 countries participating last year.

In 2017, \$274 million – a record-setting amount – was raised from more than 2.5 million contributions, as reported by the #GivingTuesday Data Project. That number is expected to increase this year.

There are 145 participating organizations in Jacksonville, according to the Giving Tuesday website, making it easy to choose a charity or a cause to support. Below are just a few of the organizations that need your help.

Giving to serve adults with disabilities

At Ben's Place, people with developmental or acquired disabilities have the opportunity to meet new friends, learn life and vocational skills, and serve others in the community. Many of the individuals served by Ben's Place would otherwise be homebound with little interaction, and in many cases, their health conditions would remain stagnant or worsen.

This year, Ben's Place will have a meet and greet at their facility on the evening of Giving Tuesday, where they will be serving finger foods and sharing projects with their visitors.

"We hope people will join us and see what we are all about," said Annie Yarborough, executive director of Ben's Place Services, Inc., located at 1956



Ben's Place provides a safe place for homebound people with disabilities to get out and make friends.

Blanding Blvd. "We will be also giving back to our community on Giving Tuesday with service to those who might need some yard work or need us to do a little grocery shopping or maybe just someone to visit with for a while."

Giving to reduce street homelessness

The primary goal of Changing Homelessness is to be the backbone for the 40 area agencies that provide direct services to the homeless. The Riverside-based non-profit works with member agencies to help them improve their service models and determine the most effective and efficient use of funding in the community, provide ongoing training, and more.

Last year, they used social media to help raise money on Giving Tuesday, and this year, during the week before giving Tuesday – which is Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week – they will host an open house Thursday, Nov. 15, 5-7 p.m. at their facility, 660 Park St., where people can meet their staff, learn about what they do, and purchase a \$25 honor card in honor of a loved one, with proceeds going to help the homeless.

"During the next three years, our board will be working on a strategic plan to focus on what we can do as the backbone



Changing Homelessness' monthly downtown volunteer street outreach occurs the fourth Tuesday of every month.

agency to reduce street homelessness," said Dawn Gillman, CEO of Changing Homelessness. "If we were to focus the community's attention upon solving that issue, we could make a real visible reduction in two years – rapidly rehousing people, developing more affordable housing for people that have very limited incomes, getting them off the streets and into a home they could maintain."

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Giving to help children with heart disease

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Last year, the nonprofit raised about \$4,000 on Giving Tuesday by starting a fundraiser on their Facebook page. This year, they will join the global #GivingTuesday movement to raise money and awareness through social media with the #UNselfie, or the selfless selfie campaign. Individual and businesses are invited to use a template, write on it why they are an UNselfie, take a picture holding the sign and post it on social media using the hashtags "UnSelfie," "GivingTuesday" and "#THHPJax. Visit residentnews.net and search for #UNselfie for the template.



The Heart Cart is a familiar sight at Wolfson Children's Hospital.

"Our long-term goal is to be able to fund a social worker and a feeding therapist at Wolfson Children's Hospital," said Stacey Merritt, president of The Healing Hearts Project.

Giving to close the gaps in healthcare

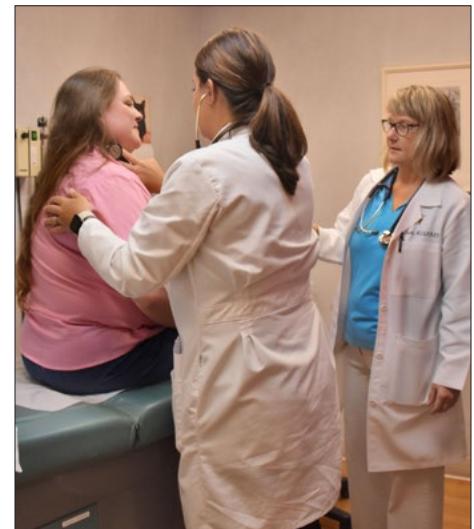
Those who work but cannot afford health insurance are often the ones who fall through the healthcare cracks. Volunteers in Medicine, located downtown at 41 E. Duval St., is a free healthcare clinic that provides outpatient primary and specialty medical services to Northeast Florida's working, low-income, uninsured individuals and their families.

The goal is to keep those North Florida vulnerable working individuals and their families healthy, employed and out of hospital emergency rooms. Along with attending to the immediate needs of their patients, they also focus on health promotion and prevention of disease, illness, and social problems.

Last year, the organization sent out a mailer that arrived on Giving Tuesday, but this year they will turn to social media to get the word out.

"We will be sharing patient success stories as well as stories from some of our over 200 active volunteers and administrative professionals," said Jennifer Ryan, CEO of Volunteers in Medicine. "We will be utilizing our website, our Facebook page and Instagram to raise money and awareness, as well as encouraging and inspiring people to give to our great cause."

For more information about how you can help, visit the Giving Tuesday website at givingtuesday.org, click on the menu icon, then scroll to "Happening Near Me" in the "Individuals" column and click for a list of local charities.



Medical staff at Volunteers in Medicine see a patient at the downtown clinic.



A patient gets an eye exam at Volunteers in Medicine, one of many medical services offered.

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The statistics are sobering no matter which one you read: Every public school in Duval County has at least one homeless student. More than 3,300 students are homeless. Nearly 40 percent of the homeless in the United States are families. One out of four of the homeless is a child.

To raise awareness of the number of homeless families in the community, individuals, families and other groups will have the opportunity to spend the night in cardboard boxes, tents or in cars – just as many of the community's homeless population does on a nightly basis.

Regardless of the temperature or weather, the 8th Annual Cardboard City will be held Friday, Nov. 16, 4:30 p.m. to 8 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 17, on the grounds of Southside United Methodist Church, 3120 Hendricks Ave.

During Cardboard City, activities will be held 6-8:30 p.m., including an interactive experience, The Social Service Maze, where participants will be challenged to navigate a series of stations to get the resources needed to move out of homelessness, such as finding shelter, food, a job and more. The program was developed in partnership with the FSCJ Honors program through the Center of Civic Engagement.

The event, held during National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week, is also a fundraiser for Family Promise of Jacksonville, a nonprofit organization with the goal of helping homeless families to return to self-sufficiency by obtaining employment and permanent housing.

Family Promise collaborates with 18 local congregations, multiple social service organizations and 800 volunteers. The families served have an 85 percent success rate. Family Promise provides case management, which includes budget, job and life skills counseling necessary for families



Family Promise Executive Director Mark Landschoot at a Cardboard City event.



Jamie Greene Ancion and Emily Greene learn what it's like to sleep with nothing but cardboard to soften the pavement at Cardboard City 2017.



Zach Nunez participates in Cardboard City to help raise awareness of the homeless in Jacksonville.

re-enter the workforce and sustain independence. The churches provide shelter and meals. One of the more than 200 affiliates in 43 states, Family Promise run under the leadership of Mark Landschoot, who celebrated 10 years as executive director in October.

During Landschoot's tenure, the non-profit has tripled the number of participating churches from six to 19; served 65 percent more families and 44 percent more individuals in 2017 than it did in 2010, doubling the amount of nights of shelter and serving 77 percent more meals. Family Promise's success rate is high; 87 percent of those helped have found homes and jobs, while the average length of stay in a shelter decreased by 41 percent, from 105 days down to 61 days.

Event sponsors include the Jacksonville Jaguars Foundation, the Jacksonville Firefighter Charities, Alhambra Theatre & Dining, Alive Credit Union, the Family Promise Board of Directors, Futch Printing, Greenberg Dental and Orthodontics, Hodges Boulevard Presbyterian Church, IVenture, Key Buick-Hyundai-GMC, LifePoint Fellowship—a Seventh Day Adventist Church, North Florida Lincoln, O'Steen Volkswagen and Volvo, Regency Centers and other local businesses.

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Dec. 24 – 11 p.m.
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Dec. 9 – 10 a.m.
Second Sunday of Advent Bloodmobile at Lakewood

Dec. 30 – 10 a.m.
First Sunday of Christmas with a performance by the LPC Troupers

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New San Jose church serves people ‘where they are’

With the mission of “meeting people where they are” to share the Good News, Anthem Church launched in the San Jose area in early 2018. According to Pastor Ed Lehmann, the congregation does this by being out in the community, by serving needs, and by partnering with others.

From the outset, Anthem has been a community partner with Samuel Wolfson School for Advanced Studies, where the church holds Sunday morning services at 10 a.m. in the media center. They have hosted teacher appreciation meals and contributed heavily to campus clean-up efforts. They

are also volunteering at events with Kings Trail Elementary School and the YMCA.

Anthem has partnered with World Relief, a local refugee relocation organization, to sponsor a team in the Refugee Soccer League. They have engaged neighbors at Kings Trail Apartments by hosting block parties. They have also hosted community prayer gatherings.

Looking forward, Lehmann hopes to engage with local businesses as the congregation becomes more integrated into the community. Contact Lehmann through the church website anthemchurchjax.com.



Landscaping the front entry at Wolfson High School



Anthem Church members paint the football stadium restrooms at Wolfson High School.



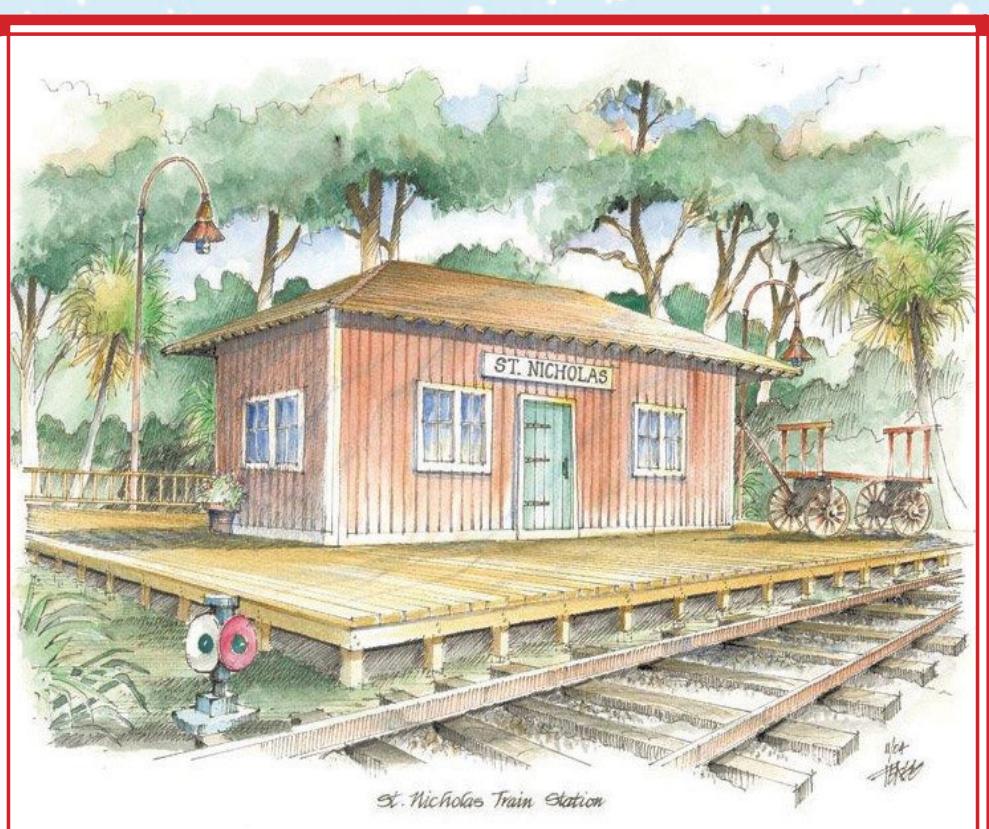
A block party at Kings Trail Apartments hosted by Anthem Church



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When community comes together, students are the winners

By Karen J. Rieley

Resident Community News

The public elementary schools in Jacksonville's historic neighborhoods enjoy a longstanding history of community involvement that spells success for their youngest students now and throughout their lives.

At many Duval County public elementary schools, three parent groups – the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), Student Advisory Committee (SAC) and "Friends" of the school, a fundraising arm – work with teachers and the principal at schools to obtain resources needed beyond what the school can fund.

For example, Erin Scharer, who is on the Health and Wellness Committee of Hendricks Avenue Elementary School's PTA, said her committee performs vision and hearing screenings for the school as well as coordinates the Walk/Bike to School Day in San Marco.

Friends of Hendricks Avenue Elementary School funds teacher grants and high-cost items like laptop carts, while Hendricks Avenue Partnership Initiative (HAPI), a faith-based partnership between Southside United Methodist Church and Hendricks Avenue Elementary School, serves students and the school with after-school programs such as tutoring, digital music academy and Dance for Joy. The partnership also provides Backpack Blessings stuffed with supplies, a new outfit and shoes for students at the beginning of the school year; Friday Food for Families grocery delivery for two families;

and Angel Tree Christmas gifts and a home-cooked meal for all families in need.

In Ortega Forest, Friends of Stockton raised funds in the past year to put iPads in every classroom, create all-in-one media systems and purchase STEM materials and a new STEM lab, according to Stephanie Freeman, treasurer of Friends of Stockton.

West Riverside Elementary School benefits from many community organizations that provide everything from food to educational materials to character building to healthcare to mentoring. Blessings in a Backpack, with the help of Avondale United Methodist Church, gives nutritious snacks to select students on Fridays for the weekend. Bean Tree Dentistry provides nutritious snacks in partnership with Riverside Publix for student celebrations and gives lessons on dental hygiene. Feeding Northeast Florida coordinates a mobile food pantry several times a year for families needing help.

Last year, CenterState Bank and BoatUS donated school supplies for West Riverside students. The Woman's Club of Jacksonville, the Community Foundation for Northeast Florida and Ortega Orthodontics donated funds for reading intervention curriculum, new art tables and a new speaker system; end-of-the-year academic celebration and academic-related incentives throughout the year; and other general expenses. Riverside Presbyterian Church's Caring Tree donates gifts for select families around the holidays.

American Civility Association uses "Precious Not Prickly" curriculum to promote kindness and organizes the annual "Kindness



Boys' basketball has been a regular afterschool activity at Trinity Lutheran Church for the past 20 years.

Week" in February. Jean Grant-Dooley and Bud Para coordinate a group of 30 adults, mostly members of Riverside Presbyterian Church, in providing Lunch Buddies, a nearly 20-year-old program at West Riverside. One adult is paired with one student and they meet once a week during that student's lunch time in the school building to talk or play games.

"Just once a week has a tremendous impact, because the student knows for that short time someone is paying attention to only them," Para said. "It doesn't matter if you play a game, read a book, or just talk. What matters is being with them."

For 20 years, an association of churches in Riverside and Avondale called Children's Enrichment Workshops (CEW) has provided quality after-school enrichment programs on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the school year for West Riverside, Central Riverside and Fishweir Elementary Schools.

Trinity Lutheran Church offers yoga and boys basketball; Riverside Avenue Christian Church hosts Melody Makers; and Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd runs Computer Lab for about 70 students weekly. Church members provide a snack for students each afternoon. Funding from individual gifts, family foundations,

bequests and "love offerings" cover the costs of transportation, supplies and stipends for staff.

CEW's goal is to provide a safe place for students after school ends. The kids benefit from extra attention and experience activities that their parents can't provide because they work and/or don't have money to pay for these experiences. The teachers select the students who will benefit the most from participating in CEW.

"CEW is a wonderful faith-based partnership of churches working with schools to enrich the lives of children," said the Rev. Robert Kinley, Trinity Lutheran's pastor.

Riverside Children's Arts Center provides Melody Makers, classes in instrumental music, mixed media arts, visual arts, yoga, and private lessons for children and families, and covers the cost of the teacher.

"We've watched children go from being terrified of speaking to singing at the top of their lungs within a matter of weeks," said the Rev. Erin Dickey, Riverside Avenue's senior pastor.

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Free helmets ensure students can bike to school safely

Submitted by Leslie DeVooght

For children between the ages of five and 14, biking related injuries account annually for more emergency room visits than any other sport. Unfortunately, only 45 percent of children under 14 report wearing a bike helmet "usually."

In preparation for National Walk/Bike to School Day, Hendricks Avenue Elementary PTA Health and Wellness Committee Co-Chair Erin Sharer called in the experts for a bicycle helmet fitting event.

Sharer learned about the global Safe Kids organization when she worked as an emergency room nurse in North Carolina. After a presentation to the District PTA by Safe Kids Northeast Florida, volunteers learned the organization is available to provide bike helmet fittings, and Sharer contacted Safe Kids Coordinator Cynthia Dennis. The original plan called to give away 20 helmets at the event that was to be held the day before Walk/Bike to School Day. However,



Shariah Rhodes

when teachers asked children to sign up for a helmet, the numbers grew. In the end, 65 helmets were distributed.

Safe Kids NEFL, one of over 400 U.S. coalitions of Safe Kids Worldwide, works at a grassroots level helping families keep their children safe from preventable injuries. Each community coalition has a lead organization that supports the coalition financially by covering all administrative costs, including personnel. Safe Kids NEFL is supported by THE PLAYERS Center for Child Health, a community advocacy and outreach organization for Wolfson Children's Hospital.

This year, THE PLAYERS Center for Child Health has two AmeriCorps volunteers serving in all facets of the organization. Both volunteers underwent training to become certified helmet fitters and participated at the Hendricks Avenue Elementary event along with several certified staff members. In addition to helmets, Safe Kids donated safety books to the school library and to students in kindergarten through third grade.

During the fitting, students were told the importance of wearing helmets and how to wear their helmets properly. Helmet recipient and fourth-grader Ava MacDowell said, "Our family goes on bike rides a lot. I will wear my helmet every time I ride my bike." After receiving their helmets, second-graders Ansley Germain and Will Meyer said they learned that "if you don't wear a bike helmet your skull and your brain might get hurt." Second-grader Shariah Rhodes said for the best fit she must "take out her ponytail and keep the strap tight."

Helmets are important for all riding sports, but it is essential to have the right type of helmet. Fifth-grader Nahun Antunez said he rides skateboards and scooters more



Libby and Mac Ryan



Jarvis Paul Ramil and Ava MacDowell



Jessica Winberry fits Nahun Antunez with a helmet.



Sam and Emma Venus

than bikes. On hearing this, Megan Denk, Executive Director for THE PLAYERS Center for Child Health drove back to the office to supply Antunez with a multisport helmet. Antunez said he plans to wear it "every single day that use something ride on because the helmet protects your brain."

According to Safe Kids Coordinator Cynthia Dennis, the organization has fitted and provided thousands of bike helmets to children in Northeast Florida over the past 14 years. Dennis reports that in the past six years alone, they have provided 2,400 helmets.

Not only does Safe Kids host helmet distribution events, but the coalition also hosts a weekly Safe Kid Buckle Up Inspection Station in partnership with Safe Kids Worldwide. By appointment, parents and caregivers receive installation education from a dedicated and experienced group of Safe Kids certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians. Reduced-cost car seats and booster seats are available for families who need assistance in obtaining the proper car

seat. For more information about this service, call (904) 202-4302.

Dennis emphasizes that Safe Kids' most "important message is prevention. Injuries like those suffered while riding in vehicles, as pedestrians/bike riders, drowning and the like are the leading killer of children between the ages of one and 19, but the good news is most of these injuries are preventable with education, awareness, safety tools like helmets and car seats and laws and regulations designed to keep children safe."

Walk/Bike to School Day was a tremendous success even with Hurricane Michael threatening to rain it out. On the morning of the event, Hendricks Avenue Elementary students and parents could be seen on the neighborhood sidewalks leading to the school. All the students riding bikes and scooters came wearing helmets. When they arrived, Ozzie, the UNF mascot, greeted them in the front hall to celebrate and encourage the students.



Students from Douglas Anderson School of the Arts helped make Halloween sweeter for foster children at the Children's Home Society.

High school students help make Halloween special for foster children

The Children's Home Society of Florida hosted its second annual Fall Festival Oct. 24 with more than 200 participants. Hosted by the Comprehensive Adoption Services program, foster and adoptive families were invited to this free event where they enjoyed music, baked goods, pumpkin decorating, field games and train rides. Children wore Halloween costumes for "trunk-or-treating" at more than 25 cars decorated by volunteers, including students from the Douglas Anderson School of the Arts.

Children in foster care often miss out on special holiday memories because their lives have been uprooted by trauma, loss, and separation from family. The fall festival is a safe community event where foster and adoptive families can take a break from the challenges of day-to-day life and create memories for children who have experienced significant pain and adversity.

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Episcopal School, Baptist Health speaker series focuses on teen health

The second of four forums in the Episcopal School of Jacksonville and Baptist Health's 2018-2019 speaker series will focus on stress, anxiety and coping skills.

On Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 5:30 p.m. Aubrey Brown, a licensed clinical social worker at Wolfson Children's Hospital, and Dr. Stephanie Kinnare, a psychologist for Baptist Health at Wolfson Children's Center for Behavioral Health, will present on the topic of adolescent stress at Episcopal's Munnerlyn Center, 4455 Atlantic Blvd.

Anxiety disorders are among the most common mental health conditions affecting youth today, according to Amy Perkins, Episcopal's director of Student Services.



Episcopal School of Jacksonville's Head of School The Rev. Adam Greene with Dr. Karla Repper of Baptist Health, who spoke about teen health and nutrition Sept. 13.

This forum will aim to identify the prevalence of anxiety among youth, red flags for when anxiety is shifting to an unhealthy level, and concrete strategies on how to effectively manage anxiety and promote brave behavior.

Next spring, two forums will address Influence and Effects of Social Media and Screen Time, and High-Risk Behavior and Substance Abuse.

Bolles alum receives PGA Scholarship

Christian Glover, The Bolles School '17, was one of 10 college students in the U.S. to receive the prestigious John Cox Scholarship from the PGA Scholarship Foundation. The foundation awarded 200 scholarships to students across the country, but only the top 5 percent received the Cox Scholarship. The \$5,000 award is based on an essay, rigorous academics and community involvement. The scholarship contenders also must be a child or grandchild of a PGA member in good standing. Glover's grandfather is a PGA professional.

Glover is in his sophomore year at Florida State University, where he is studying business in the university's Honors Program.



Christian Glover

This past summer he attended FSU's International Program in London, where he studied Business Law.

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Making a difference in many ways

Make a Difference Day was celebrated Oct. 10 throughout The Bolles School on all campuses. While freshman at the San Jose campus participated in servant leadership events at more than a dozen non-profit agencies, students at the lower and middle schools spent the day focusing on kindness and character.

On the Upper School campus, students gathered in small groups and traveled to Angels for Allison; Angelwood; Celestial Farms; City Rescue Mission; Hope Haven; Lutheran Services; Mandarin Museum; Mackenzie's Academic Resource Center; NAS Jacksonville; North Florida School of Special Education; Pine Castle; Ronald McDonald House; Sanctuary on 8th Street; St. Johns Riverkeeper, and Woodland Acres where they performed a variety of service activities.

The day's goal was to familiarize students with the many opportunities for volunteerism in the Northeast Florida and to remind them that their greatest concern should be what they are doing for others.

The Bolles Middle School Bartram Campus spent the day focusing on kindness and character. Called "Choose Kind...Bolles and Beyond," the inaugural program is a campus-wide event designed to help students develop empathy and practice tenets of The Bolles Way: Pursuing excellence through courage, integrity and compassion.

After watching the movie "Wonder," about a boy with Treacher-Collins Syndrome who attends a mainstream school for the first time, students were asked to note ways people were or were not showing kindness, courage, integrity and compassion and later participated in conversations to help them consider ways they could "choose kindness" in everyday situations.



Bolles Middle School students Aidan Ryan, Jessie Pearson, Christopher Lee and Kenzie Harrell



Bolles Upper School students Noah MacGregor, Jonathan Irias, Adam Lynch and Grady Gilliam

After lunch, students rotated through kindness stations staged in classrooms and meeting spots around campus, providing simple demonstrations of kindness or compassion that everyone can implement in their lives – both on campus and at home.

Lower School students engaged in lessons and small gestures that make a big difference in someone else's day, including making bowls for the Empty Bowls service initiative in art, and collecting and counting more than \$388 in coins for the fundraiser, "Super Heroes 4 Mason."

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Story time in the pumpkin patch

Southside United Methodist Church member Makenna Chamberlain reads to North Florida School of Special Education students and their younger siblings on a field trip to the church's annual pumpkin patch. After story time, the students decorated pumpkins, had a pumpkin scavenger hunt and played in the Patch before returning to school. Chamberlain also leads worship dance at the church and dance at Hendricks Avenue Elementary School in the Dance for Joy afterschool program.

Wolfson students learn leadership through service

As a dedicated academic magnet school, Samuel Wolfson School for Advanced Studies is also mindful of giving students leadership opportunities as part of its mission to develop well-rounded students.

In that regard, October was a month of community service for students at Wolfson, kicking off Oct. 13 as members of the Ecology Club helped with a beach cleanup and members of several athletics teams worked around the Wolfson campus.

On Oct. 20, a team of 36 students, teachers and parents participated in Buddy Walk to raise funds for the Down Syndrome



Buddy Walkers Priscilla Osburn, Grace Whipple, Ashely Shakib, Kaitlyn Plymale, Jacob Gazalar, Matthew May, Lamija Hodzic, Leila Hodzic and Kristie Holley (in pink)

Association of Jacksonville. The Wolfson Interact and Best Buddies clubs led the team. The month of service ended on Oct. 26 when the Wolfson Inter-club Council hosted a Trunk-or-Treat event for neighborhood children. Each club picked a theme, decorated a car to match and interacted with their guests.

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Student club teams up with Rotarians to fight hunger

The Bishop Kenny Interact Club and the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville partnered for the second annual Rise Against Hunger event on Oct. 13 at the St. Nicholas-based school. The event took place in the Carla Harris Performing Arts Center with a total of 82 people in attendance, including 30 members of the Bishop Kenny Interact Club and some members from the Rotary Club of West Jacksonville.

"My students came away with such a greater understanding of global hunger after working together with others in our community," said Christine Keyser, a Social Studies teacher at Bishop Kenny. Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief organization that believes that with the necessary distribution of food, global hunger will no longer exist by 2030.

Bishop Kenny's Interact Club has volunteered to host this event for the last two years. The Rotary Club and the Interact Club believe that hunger does not have to exist and that by working together they can bring true meaning to the words of Mother Teresa, "It is not how much we give but how much love we put into the giving." To this avail, over 25,000 meals were packaged at the event and will be distributed to some of the most impoverished regions in the world.

Bishop Kenny High School Student Melanie Brown works with a member of the Rotary Club of South Jacksonville to pack food at a Rise Against Hunger event Oct. 13.



Grace Isaac, Bishop Kenny Interact Club president with Charlie Swain and Adrianna Gjergji



Leadership curriculum sparks philanthropic activity

As Joy Kettel's fourth grade class at Hendricks Avenue Elementary School read an article about Smile Train, an organization that repairs cleft lips and palettes for children, the students were so moved by one boy's story about how having his cleft lip repaired made him feel better, they hatched a plan to raise \$250 to pay for the surgery for one child.

"We were discussing the article and we wanted to help Smile Train get money to help more kids," explained Clara Venus. The class quickly organized a bake sale to coincide with HAE's upcoming Leadership Night.

Kettel said the students immediately connected the need with the 7 Habits of Leadership they have been discussing in class. As part of being a Leader in Me School, they have adopted a mission statement: "We lead with compassion, creativity and curiosity." That's exactly what Kettel saw her students do.

On Oct. 25, during Leadership Night, the bake sale exceeded their goal, raising



Grace Rossi, Clara Venus, Gus Girardi

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The students hope to keep the Smile Train moving. Grace Rossi challenged her San Marco neighbors to think of what they can do to raise \$250 to put a smile on another child's face. For more information, visit smiletrain.org.

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Emas, Crouch crowned Bolles Homecoming Sweethearts



Bolles Homecoming Sweethearts
2018 Davey Crouch and Jacqueline Emas

Homecoming was sweet, indeed, at The Bolles School Oct. 12. The Bolles Bulldogs beat the Bishop Kenny Crusaders by a narrow margin, 31-28, at the Homecoming game on Hedges Field. The Homecoming Sweethearts, Jacqueline Emas of Epping Forest and Davey Crouch of Miramar, were announced in a special halftime ceremony on the 50-yard line.

The 2018 Bolles Homecoming Court, comprised of seniors nominated by the student body for their service work and activities, includes Lauren Boswell, Jordan Bunn, Chloe Coffindaffer, Kyle Coffindaffer, Jaxon Crosby, Julian Crosby, Davey Crouch, Anna Csikai, Alex Cywes, Madi Duhnoski, Jacqueline Emas, Claire Haskell, Alex Hastings, Charles Hicks, Kamren Khan, Kennedy McKinney, Catie Murphy, Abi Platock, Adam Pooley, River Reynolds, Chase Rivera and Will Shepherd.

Service Festival an opportunity to be selfless

Learning to serve selflessly is part of the curriculum at the Episcopal School of Jacksonville, which hosted a Service Festival that included opportunities for students to volunteer for many organizations.

On Sept. 22, students gave up a Saturday to participate in a variety of activities. ESJ for Animals created dog toys for the Jacksonville Humane Society; the National Honor Society created hearts with words of encouragement for hurricane victims; volunteers braided twine for stall doors for Hearts Hands & Hooves Too, and the Middle School Art Club created cards for Ronald McDonald House.

ESJ students also matched up with a buddy from Daniel for the event and for kickball and lunch, and Daniel Club also offered face painting. "Episcopal School of Jacksonville has always been a good

partner with Daniel. They gave the students a chance to be selfless and serve others. It was an enriching experience for all involved!" said Mike Platt of Daniel.

The National Honor Society accepted disaster relief and can donations. The Share Your Opinions Club informed attendees about the Literary Pros program. The Diversity Student Union encouraged involvement with City Rescue Mission; Upper School Community Service Council offered bottled water and sculpture creation and created cards for Wolfson Children's Hospital; Middle School Community Service Council had volunteers cut pictures from magazines for Hope at Hand; volunteers could paint angels for Angels for Allison; and Warriors Wings and the Disaster Relief Club ran the concessions.



An Honor Society member writes an encouraging note for victims of Hurricane Michael.

Eagle Scout project enhances visitor experience at island park

Not too many Eagle Scout projects are accomplished on a deserted isle, but Boy Scout Patrick Patangan, of St. Nicholas, chose to build three benches in Exchange Club Island Park, under the Mathew's Bridge, so visitors by boat can enjoy the scenic vistas.

Patangan and other Scouts from Troop 106, sponsored by Assumption Catholic Church, had to transport their supplies by boat to the 34-acre island formerly known as Mud Island.

"I love being out on the water and while it was challenging to coordinate getting supplies and fellow Scouts to the island to install the benches, it was worth it to be able to contribute to one of the City's up and coming parks," said Patangan, a junior at Bishop Kenny High School.



Patrick Patangan, left, with Scouts from Troop 106, on Exchange Club Island.

Patangan dedicated his project to his late grandfather, Robert R. Gillespy, Jr., a doctor and a retired U.S. Navy captain. The project was finished in January and his Eagle ceremony was held in September, when seven other Troop 106 Scouts also received their Eagle ranks.

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Bishop Kenny students help produce Braille books

Bishop Kenny High School Senior Emily Skyles and her sister, Rachel, a freshman, donate many volunteer hours to the Lutheran Library for the Blind, the largest Christian library for the visually impaired, which moved to Jacksonville from St. Louis in 2012. The library's mission is to share the Word of God to those who are blind or visually impaired, according to Julia Neimes, the center's manager.

The process begins with a team of six or more volunteers who work together to print and bind the books. Using special paper that is pre-numbered and hole-punched, the Skyles sisters feed the sheets through two metal plates, which imprint the Scriptures in Braille. The pages are collated, a binder ring is added, and the book is complete and ready for distribution.

Emily and Rachel have helped with every stage of making and distributing these important Braille books. They enjoy spending their volunteer time providing this service and working with their grandparents, who also work at the library. This is a unique ministry in Jacksonville and a gift of love



Emily and Rachel Skyles

that Emily and Rachel are proud to be affiliated with. Other volunteers work to convert books into digital and audio formats that are sent all over the world to any churches or individuals who request them.

The current facility, located at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Arlington, has 6,500 Braille, large-type and audiocassette books. A recent donation of 2,000 books from a Braille Library in Bunnell, Florida will increase the library's collection significantly beyond the scope of their space, so the library is in the process of relocating to Regency Square Mall.

Schools to honor veterans for service to country

Hendricks Avenue Elementary School third-grade students will present a Veterans Day program Thursday, Nov. 8 at 8:40 a.m. All local veterans, active and inactive, are invited to attend the program and enjoy the refreshments which follow.

The ROTC group from Samuel Wolfson School for Advance Studies will honor 13 veterans from all military branches at Arbor Terrace San Jose Monday, Nov. 5 at 8:45 a.m. The 11 men and two women will be celebrated in the courtyard by nearly 60 students from the high school.

San Jose Episcopal Day School invites veterans and their families to a special Veterans Day chapel service Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 8:30 a.m. The service will feature patriotic music and a color guard. This annual chapel is a unique opportunity for students to celebrate veterans and honor their commitment to our country.

In all grade levels, San Jose Episcopal Day School student give



Students at San Jose Episcopal Day School hold signs signifying the variety of charities they support throughout the school year.

San Jose Episcopal Day School (SJEDS) is intentional about practicing community service and incorporating the value of service into its curriculum; it's an integral part of the school's identity, according to Hampton Ray, the school's new marketing and development director. Since its inception, SJEDS has incorporated giving and service into nearly every facet of school life. In order to carry out this mission of service, SJEDS created San Jose Cares, an arm of the school dedicated towards giving and service to the community.

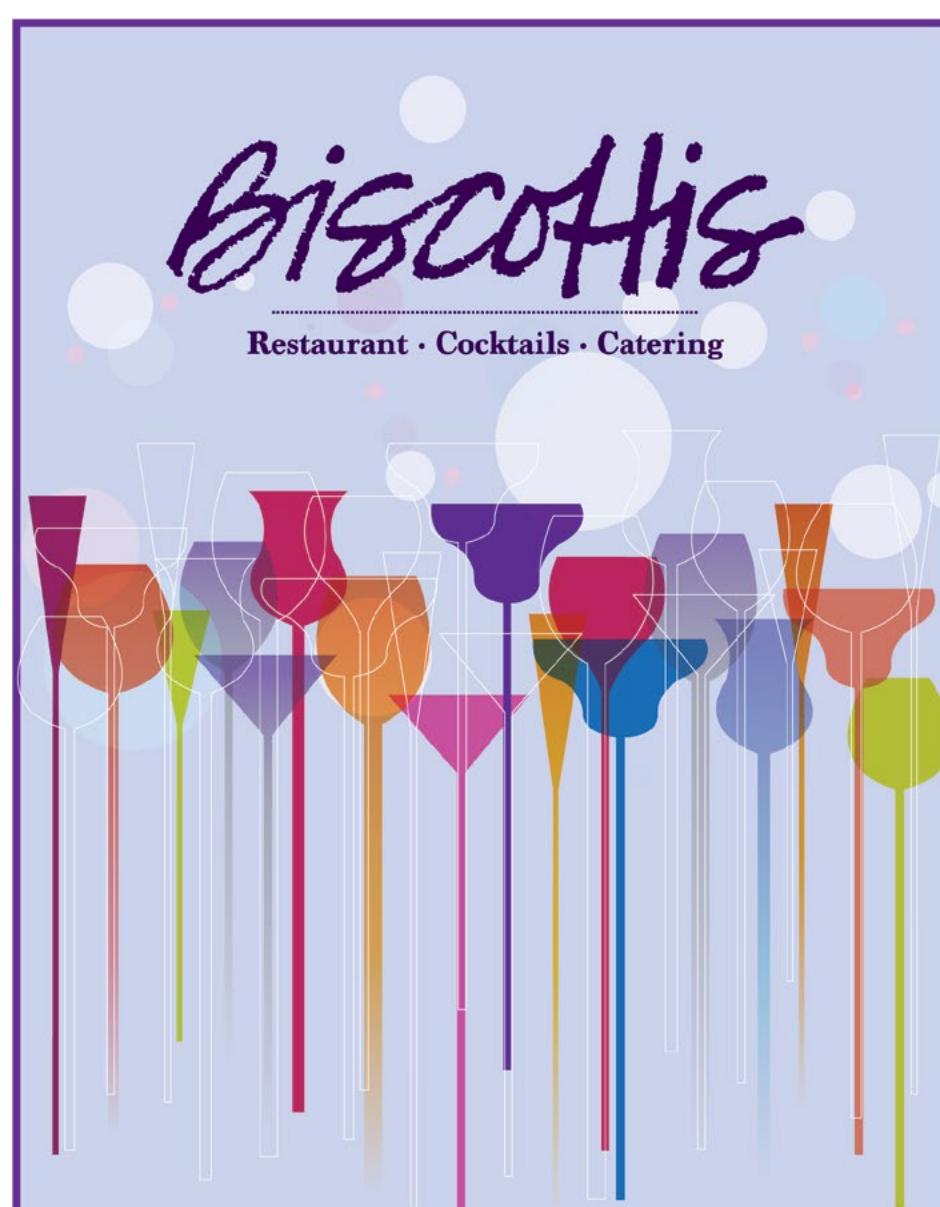
Head of School Lori Menger created the San Jose Cares initiative calling it "a part of who we are as a school – it's in our DNA." She continued, "at SJEDS we are inspiring the next generation to be good stewards in the community. It was only natural to have San Jose Cares be the funnel to

organize the generous work our students are doing." Menger is credited for building relationships in the community in an effort to identify needs and provide solutions.

This year San Jose Cares, in conjunction with San Jose Episcopal Church, began a monthly food drive to support St. Mary's Episcopal Church Food Pantry in Springfield. To date, the school has donated hundreds of pounds of food to support those in need. San Jose Cares also offers students a chance to wear jeans and a school spirit T-shirt each month with a donation to a charity. Last year, through student donations alone, over \$4,500 was donated to organizations like Dreams Come True, Ronald McDonald House and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. This school year, students have already participated in donating to the Jacksonville Humane Society and Operation Gratitude.

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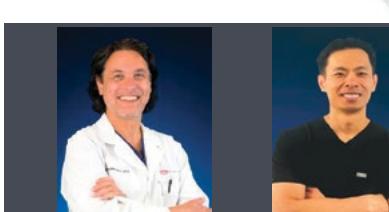
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Teen's brothers provide motivation for service club

By Kate A. Hallock
Resident Community News

Kiefer Washburn, a senior at The Episcopal School of Jacksonville, has a heart for warriors in general and for Wounded Warriors specifically. With older brothers in the service, Washburn knows firsthand about the challenges active and veteran military members face daily, so he felt compelled to found Warriors' Wings at the school during his junior year.

"I felt a need to do what we could to help military people because I know that they can often have some difficult challenges with moving around the company, deployments, injuries, etc.," said Washburn.

The club, which has nearly 20 members, partners with Wounded Warriors to help with some of their activities. "We have had some flag football games in our school stadium with members of Wounded Warriors. We have conducted a letter-writing campaign to send to active duty military members stationed overseas," said Washburn, listing a variety of activities. "We have also sent shoeboxes to active military. We helped put wreaths on graves at the Jacksonville National Cemetery at Christmas last year. This fall we raised some money selling concession items at a community service day on campus."

Although Washburn is applying to colleges to study mechanical engineering, three of his brothers took a route through the Naval Academy. "My oldest brother, Hunter, is Class of 2004, and he is currently a lieutenant commander stationed at the Pentagon before he goes back to sea in summer of 2020. Another brother, Walker, Class of 2012, went submarines; he decided to get



Kiefer Washburn

out a year ago and he is working for a government contractor in Idaho Falls, Idaho. My brother, Chandler, is currently attending the Naval Academy in the Class of 2021," Washburn shared.

The youngest of nine, Washburn, six brothers and two sisters grew up in Massachusetts. He moved to Jacksonville in 2014 and lives on campus at Episcopal because his parents both work at the school. His father, Peter, is a math instructor and varsity boys rowing head coach, and Washburn's mother, Kit, is the executive assistant for the Head of School, Rev. Adam Greene.

Partially motivated by those family ties to the Navy, Washburn explained why he started Warriors' Wings.

"I think that it is important to humble yourself and to learn about what true sacrifice means by working with those who have made sacrifices for us to allow us to live in freedom. While our time spent helping others isn't like the sacrifices that our military people make, it does help us see more clearly the issues that these people manage and face on an ongoing basis," said Washburn.

Leadership class spurs desire to help others



Joseph Berry, Patrick Smith, Daniel Phillips, Logan Cleghorn, James Helmick, Andrew Smith and Henry Wilson

Several Hendricks Avenue Elementary School fourth-grade boys came together to create a lemonade stand to benefit the Jacksonville Humane Society. The boys came up with the idea after a Leader in Me classroom discussion about giving back to the community.

The eight young men made flyers and posters to advertise the event, held Oct. 14

at the Duck Pond in San Marco. They also sold paper airplanes and baked goods, raising \$300 for the animal shelter.

Initially, the boys wanted to have a stand three times a week until the end of the year. Their parents agreed to the one event, but may be convinced to help with another community activity if the boys wish to continue their philanthropic work.

Wolfpack leads pep rally at elementary school

Band members, football players and cheerleaders from the Samuel Wolfson School for Advanced Studies' Wolfpack came back to their alma mater, Hendricks Avenue Elementary School, to lead the students in a pep rally Oct. 26 to celebrate the end of Red Ribbon Week, a 30-year-old national drug prevention program. The Wolfpack quarterback also spoke to HAE students about working hard. Kneeling: Reagan Burleson and Alea Farah; standing: West Allred, Grace Whipple, Pricilla Osburn, Ashley Shakib and Christian Cosper.





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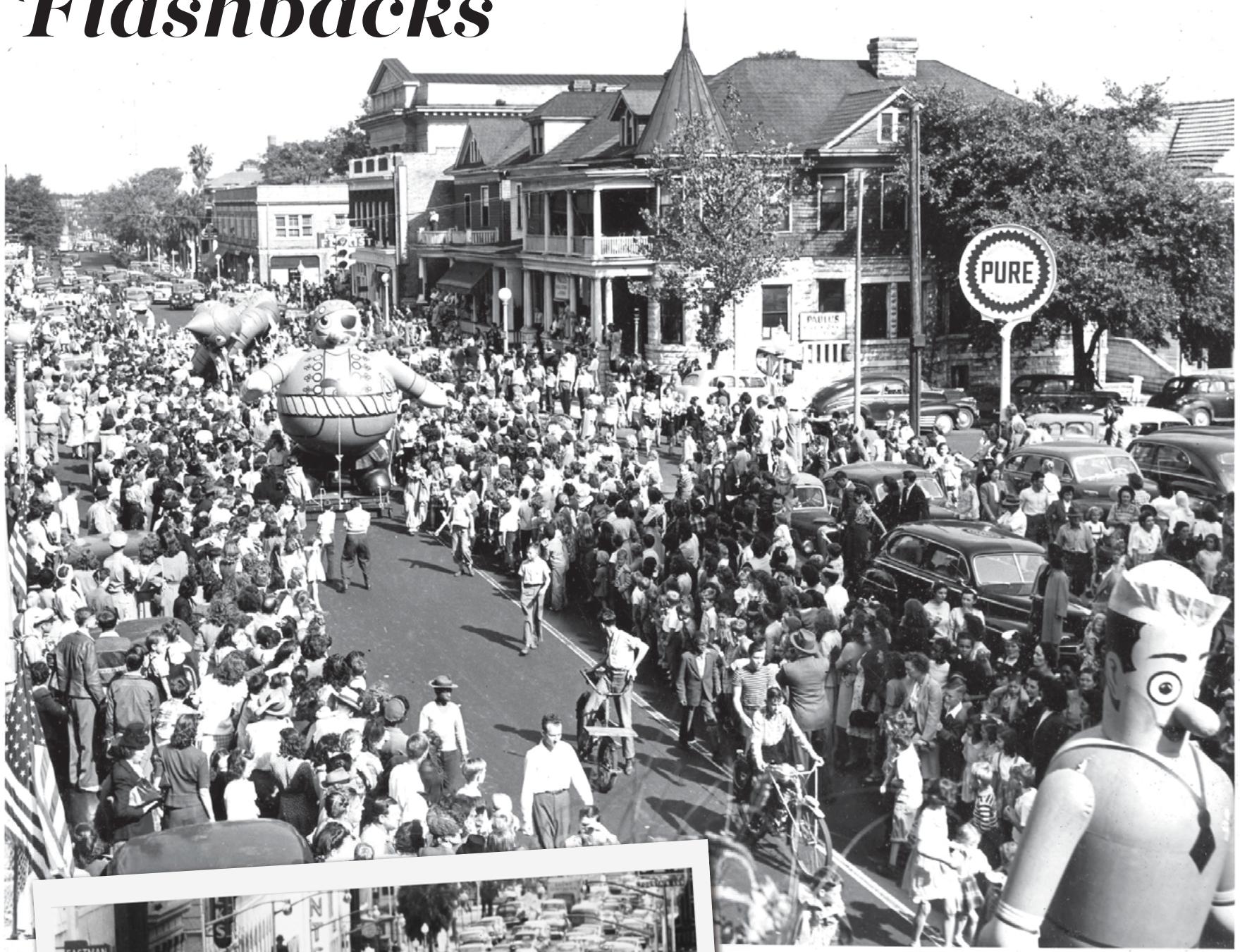
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Flashbacks



TOP: Everyone loves a parade! People crowd the streets of downtown Jacksonville, probably in the late 1940s, for a Thanksgiving Day Parade, as helium-filled characters are walked down the street by their handlers.

LEFT: Traffic in Jacksonville on Adams Street on Nov. 28, 1959, the Saturday after Thanksgiving, as Christmas shoppers head for Cohen Brothers Department Store and other downtown shops. Street poles were already decorated with garland and the weather was apparently mild; if you look closely you can see people in shirtsleeves and no jackets.

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