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## REAL MEN WEAR PINK ANNOUNCES 2021 CAMPAIGN

Real Men Wear Pink of the First Coast has selected two Jacksonville attorneys, Chris Campione and Daniel Iracki, as co-chairs for its 2021 awareness and fundraising campaign. As alumni of the nonprofit, the two will enlist the support of local businessmen and male community leaders in support of breast cancer treatment, research and patient support through the American Cancer Society.

"I am excited to fill this big role as Real Men Wear Pink of the First Coast prepares to once again have a huge positive impact in the lives of women and men undergoing breast cancer treatment in our community," said Campione, owner of Campione Law, which has offices located in the San Marco East area.

During 2020, the local chapter of Real Men Wear Pink experienced a more than 80 percent drop in donations as a direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"After a challenging prior year, we are honored to lead the efforts for this year's campaign. We are aiming for a record-breaking one," said Iracki, a shareholder at Coker Law in downtown Jacksonville and one of the biggest fundraisers in the history of the local nonprofit.

"We have heard so many anecdotes this past year from women who had to miss their annual mammogram, and that delay turned what would have been a stage 1 prognosis into a stage 4 diagnosis," said Anne Taylor, senior corporate relations manager for American Cancer Society.

Each Real Men Wear Pink participant is challenged to raise a minimum of \$2,500 from August 1 until the end of October and to wear his best pink attire while competing to be recognized as the top fundraiser. Fundraising events open to the public include Cocktails for A Cure, a guest bartending event, on Oct. 14, at the Embassy Suites Jacksonville; Real Men Wear Pink Golf Tournament presented by Edwards & Ragatz, P.A., on Oct. 15, at Deercreek Country Club; and Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk on Oct. 23, at TIAA Bank Field.



Lynn Church, letter carrier for the Ortega Terrace neighborhood, displays all of her gifts, cards and balloons that she received from the neighbors in honor of her 60th birthday.

## RESIDENTS ILLUSTRATE APPRECIATION for favorite postal carrier

When Lauren Davis realized that Lynn Church, the letter carrier for her Ortega Terrace neighborhood, had an upcoming 60th birthday, she wanted to do something special for her.

Lynn has covered the neighborhood as her route for about 10 years and, according to Davis, she has developed the most special relationships with the neighbors living there.

"Lynn is part of our Ortega Terrace family. She takes care of all of us," Davis said.

Davis asked her neighbors if they would help her make Church's birthday special. Her son, Jacob, helped as well by delivering notices by bike to all their neighbors letting them know about Church's birthday and how they could help. They also posted the surprise plans on the neighborhood social media.

"Lynn was thrilled and said it was the best birthday she's ever had," said Davis. "She said she received more than 100 gifts and even had people remember for a few days following her birthday."



## DO YOU RECOGNIZE ANYONE IN THESE PORTRAITS?

Artist's granddaughter looks to unite portraits with local family ties

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## PARALYMPIC POWERHOUSE

Athlete with local ties sets example for others to follow

Andy Potts and Kyle Coon

Kyle Coon has overcome childhood blindness, conquered Olympic trials and continues to inspire those in his path.

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# your OPINION

## DEAR EDITOR,

Recently I saw a letter in the Resident from Dr. Eduardo Balbona concerning hospitals not allowing administering Ivermectin as a treatment for Covid. This really hit home with me, because I took Ivermectin as a precaution, properly prescribed by my physician so that I could care for a friend who had contracted Covid. My friend was in the hospital for three days, diagnosed with Covid Pneumonia. Thank goodness he regained some strength and could breathe on his own enough to be discharged as a patient due to hospital personnel saying they were overcrowded. Once he was home, he began an Ivermectin regimen prescribed by our physician along with other necessary medications and immediately started to improve. Continuing to follow the doctor's orders, my friend began a sound recovery spanning over several weeks.

I'm sharing this experience publicly, because I strongly believe this Ivermectin treatment for both of us was the best answer beginning with helping me remain asymptomatic so I could care for someone who required full time attention to fight this deadly virus. My friend is in his late seventies, has fully recovered and is showing no symptoms or residual effects of Covid, and continues to ride his bike eight plus miles a day and works out. And we both continue to test negative for Covid.

There are many stories such as mine, but for whatever reason, the media will not share the good news backed by valid facts and information. And the medical facilities are not willing to open their eyes to the concrete studies which can give other patients that chance of recovery, proven in so many instances.

Dee W. Benson

## TAXPAYER COST/SUBMERGED SOVEREIGNTY LAND LEASES

This was in the subject line that I emailed to over a 100 people including elected officials and media in Jacksonville after attending the 9/21/2021 Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety Committee of the Jacksonville City Council. Pull the tape and watch it yourself.

The legislation 2021-0593 is a Sovereignty Submerged Lands Lease Modification between the City of Jax, the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the state of Florida and Palms Fish Camp LLC which modifies the existing lease.

The amendment to the lease is an amount of \$4,894.49 and this is where the fun begins. Is this a Taxpayers Cost or a Businesses Cost?

HEY! We need another round over here!

The legislation was deferred because of unanswered questions. One being a change from the state in charging fees. It was also deferred at the 9/21/2021 Finance Committee Meeting. So the legislation is still active in 2 committees. Neighborhoods and Finance. It also needs to go to Waterways and let's hope that Mayor Curry, Council President Newby, or the Chair of Waterways Al Ferraro makes that request.

Going through the Committee Process are 2 other pieces of legislation with a Sovereignty Submerged Lands Lease. 2021-0668 and 2021-0671. The Residents of Jacksonville. Especially the residents of Downtown on our Waterways. Look at the fine print.

John Nooney

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## SOME GOOD NEWS – *Reader Becomes Donor*

When Mrs. Roswitha Dougherty of Ortega read the August 2021 Resident Community Newspaper's article, "Animal Teachers", she was so moved by the stories of rescue animals helping children to learn in the classroom, and other children reading to shelter dogs, she contacted the publisher. Mrs. Dougherty said that she reads every issue cover to cover, likes to learn new things, know what's going on in the neighborhood and discuss topics with her neighbors.

"I have been donating to national animal rescue organizations, but I want my contributions to go right here locally. So I asked to be connected to the lady in the article who rescues animals in Jacksonville, Ana's Angels Animal Rescue," she said. Mrs. Dougherty is now a supporter of Ana's Angels Animal Rescue.

### Correction.

The Resident mistakenly transposed the Byline in the Way We Were column published in the September Edition for Duncan and Tom Sawyer as well as for Holt and Betty Ann Graves. Both articles were written by Peggy Harrell Jennings. We regret the error in pagination, and want to give our writer, Peggy the proper credit.

## SPECIAL ELECTION TO DECIDE HAZOURI VACANCY

BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT  
Resident Community News

The Jacksonville City Council has set the dates for the Special Election to replace late City Councilmember Tommy Hazouri. Hazouri died September 11th from complications of the lung transplant he received last year. The former Mayor, State Representative and School Board member was 76.

He's the first sitting Jacksonville City Councilmember to pass away in office since consolidation. The law requires his seat be filled by a special election no more than six months after the vacancy.

The First Election will be held on December 7th, with the General Election, if needed, held on February 22nd.

As with regular city elections, all candidates regardless of party affiliation will be on the same ballot and if anyone receives over 50-percent of the vote in December, they will be declared the winner and be sworn in shortly after the election is certified.

If no one wins a majority the two top vote-getters will move on to the General Election.

The filing deadline for candidates was noon, October 1st.

While the candidates must live in the specific Group 3 area, the at-large election is open to all registered voters in Duval County.

As of our print deadline five candidates have filed for the election. Republicans Nick Howland, Howland "Howdy" Russell, and John Barnes are joined by Democrats Trayce Polson and James C. Jacobs.

Howland is CEO and the Executive Director of Fire Watch, which works to curb suicides among veterans. He unsuccessfully ran for Duval County School Board in 2018.

Barnes is currently a member of the Water and Soil Commission and has been endorsed by former Mayor John Delaney.

Russell is the owner of Jumpin' Jax House of Food Restaurants.

Polson lost a tough campaign against Wyman Duggan for State Representative in 2018 as well.

Jacobs, known as "Coach" in his previous campaign literature is an Duval County School's athletic coach. He has been a previous candidate for City Council and the Duval School Board.

Former Mandarin area Jacksonville City Councilmember Matt Schellenberg said he wanted to run but was told by General Counsel he's ineligible since he hasn't been off the council for a full term.



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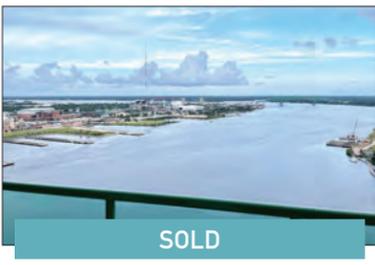
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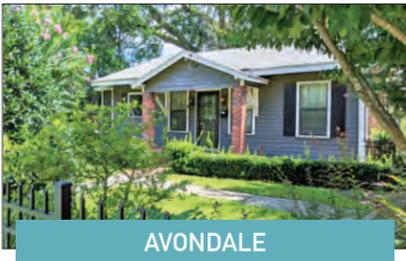


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# City Council Approves Laura Street Trio Redevelopment

BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT  
Resident Community News

After decades of neglect and several false starts, The Laura Street Trio is a step closer to being revitalized.

The Jacksonville City Council has approved a \$24.7 million incentive package with SouthEast Development Group LLC to renovate the Florida Bank Building, the Florida Life Building and the Bisbee Building into a 145-room Marriott Autograph Hotel along with ground-floor retail, a restaurant, a lounge and a specialty food store.

The Trio are part of the National Jacksonville Historic District and were built from 1902 and 1912 as the city rebuilt after The Great Fire.

“Downtown Jacksonville is one step closer to regaining use of its most significant historic buildings,” said Steve Atkins, Principal and Managing Director of SouthEast Development Group. “I appreciate the Council’s consideration. I appreciate DIA (Downtown Investment Authority) and the hard work that they did and most importantly I appreciate the leadership that the Mayor put forward and his commitment to downtown development.”

According to SouthEast the redevelopment plans for the Laura Street Trio include:

- Historic Florida National Bank Building: 18,216 square feet over two stories and a basement, to include a 7,442-square-foot, basement-level private dining and wine cellar space; 7,069 square feet on the first floor for restaurant operations; and an additional 3,615 square feet of restaurant operating space.
- Historic Bisbee Building: 42,333 square feet over 10 stories, with mechanical operations in the basement; a 4,401-square-foot food and convenience store on the ground floor; a 4,401-square-foot conference center on the second floor; and eight floors of hotel rooms.
- Historic Florida Life Insurance Building (Marble Bank Building): 26,803 square feet over 11 stories. It will include a media theater in the basement; 2,205 square feet of lobby/business center space on the ground floor; a 2,205-square-foot fitness and media center on the second floor; and nine floors of hotel rooms.

SouthEast will build a new eight-story building that will provide ground-level retail, six floors of hotel rooms and a rooftop bar. An 11-story circulation core will add 2,012 square feet of lobby space on the first floor. Adkins said



Current Trio



Rendering (courtesy of SouthEast Development Group)

bringing the three buildings into one project has been difficult.

“(We have) three buildings, they’re all built at different times. Three different elevations. All of that has to be taken into account when you are not just putting them back together but making them work together,” he said.

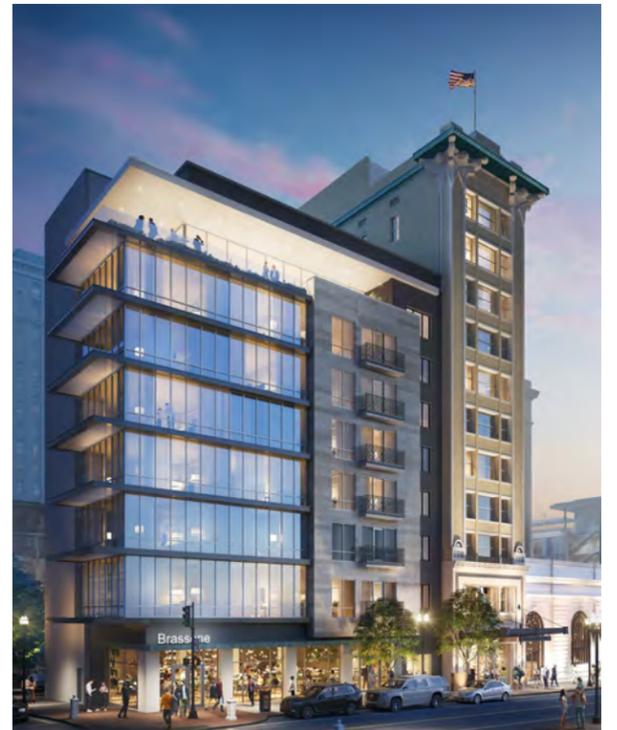
Adkins said the new buildings will be contemporary in their design but will complement the existing structures.

Jacksonville historian Wayne Wood said the Laura Street Trio is the most significant architectural grouping in downtown Jacksonville and he is delighted they will finally be getting renovated.

“The buildings are so architecturally and historically important they can’t be torn down, but yet they are in too horrible shape to leave them as they are if there is any glimmer of hope for downtown redevelopment,” he said. “These buildings are difficult to redevelop because of their narrow footprint.” Wood said that’s why there needed to be a generous incentive package to get the deal completed.

Wood says it’s a unique grouping of buildings that most people don’t realize just how special it is to have in Jacksonville. “In most downtown metropolises, the tallest building is usually on the corner and so it blocks the two buildings on the other side,” he said. “But here we have just the opposite. We have a beautiful classical building on the corner allowing you to see the two skyscrapers framing it on either side and it makes a wonderful composition that’s fairly unique in the southeast.”

Adkins said Cincinnati-based Winegardner & Hammons will be operating the restaurants and bars on the site. He



Rendering (courtesy of SouthEast Development Group)

said there will be some third-party retail but none of that will be finalized until much closer to the opening.

Adkins said construction is expected to begin this fall and will take about two years to complete.

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## Former Times-Union site incentives approved

BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT  
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After a delay over restaurant plans, the Jacksonville Downtown Investment Authority has approved Fuqua Development LLC's \$182.2 million project on the site of the former Times-Union Building. The \$31.59 million incentive package now includes plans for a riverfront restaurant. The deal was tabled by the DIA in August to get the restaurant included.

Fuqua plans to tear down the building and replace it with a multi-family housing with 271 units and office and retail space including a grocery store. Plans also include a public park next to the property and the restoration of McCoy's Creek.

The incentive package includes an up to \$750,000 forgivable loan for the restaurant project, provided it is built during the first phase of the project.

The DIA Board said it wanted to see the restaurant open as soon as possible. DIA Executive Director Lori Boyer said it will need to be a full service restaurant open six days a week with two meal periods a day.

If it's built on the site of the former Times-Union helipad, the restaurant will have to be at least 2,500 square feet with no less than 500 square feet for outdoor dining. If it's built as part of the residential complex it must be 3,000 square feet with 550 square feet for outdoor riverfront dining.

Not everyone is happy with the proposal. Scenic Jacksonville has come out against the finance plan calling it "overly generous." Board President Susan Craven told the DIA Board

that since the former Times-Union property is "a prime piece of real estate, the last and arguably the best riverfront site... and it will be along the Emerald Trail," it should fulfill its great potential that can membrane downtown.

Former City Council President and architect Bill Bishop also asked the DIA to send the proposal back to Fuqua for further work. He called the current design "uninspiring."

"What's being proposed...is just the same old, boring, suburban, four-stories on a concrete pedestal that is being built all over the world," Bishop said. "There is nothing interesting about it. There is nothing that says 'This is Downtown Jacksonville.' There is nothing urban about it at all."

Bishop said he believes it's a great project and usually, if a private land owner is selling to a private developer, as is this case, he wouldn't comment about the project, but since there is so much city money involved, the public should have more of a say in what gets built.

Spokespeople for Fuqua and the DIA said that none of the specifics of the plans are close to being finalized.

"We do not have any renderings yet of what the actual buildings will look like. That's part of the Downtown Development Review Board process," Boyer said. "From our perspective at this point we were only looking at what the actual uses were and the quantities of those uses we are putting on the site to justify the incentives."

Bishop said history shows such plans tend not to change much through just tweaking the proposal. He believes it needs some major changes.

The incentive package will now go to the City Council Finance Committee.

The timeline for when Fuqua plans to complete its plans and present them to the DDRB is yet to be finalized.

## Jacksonville City Council Nearing Redistricting Plan

BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT  
Resident Community News

The Jacksonville City Council is closing on agreeing to boundaries for the 14 council districts. The new boundaries are necessary due to changes in the city's population from the 2020 census.

Duval County has a population of 995,567. The 14 district's must all have a population with a deviation of no more than plus or minus five-percent.

Officials with the city's planning department were able to develop maps that only needed to tweak the districts to stay in compliance.

Council member Randy DeFoor's District 14 will see no changes from the map from ten years ago. It will still start at the Fuller-Warren Bridge and include Riverside, Avondale and Five Points as it borders the western side of the St. Johns River neighborhoods.

"As you know I love my district and would prefer to keep it as it exists so if we can do that then that's what I'm going to try to do," DeFoor said.

A couple of proposed district boundaries will need more fine tuning. The boundary between Council member Randy White's District 12 and Ju'Coby Pittman's District 8 needs to be changed due to population shifts.

Neither Councilmember is satisfied with their proposed boundary around Beaver Street to Old Plank Road and Otis to Jackson Avenue on Jacksonville's westside.

A boundary change between Reggie Gaffney's District 7 and Al Ferraro's District 2 will also need some modifications to satisfy both council members.

Part of Gaffney's district near the Nassau County line in northwest Jacksonville is already being moved into Pittman's district. But another portion around the Broward River would move into District 7, which Gaffney would like to avoid.

"I've probably given up more than anyone else...and now they are asking me to pick up almost the same numbers I gave up," he said.

Both pairs of council members will be meeting in the coming weeks to try and work out an equitable solution.

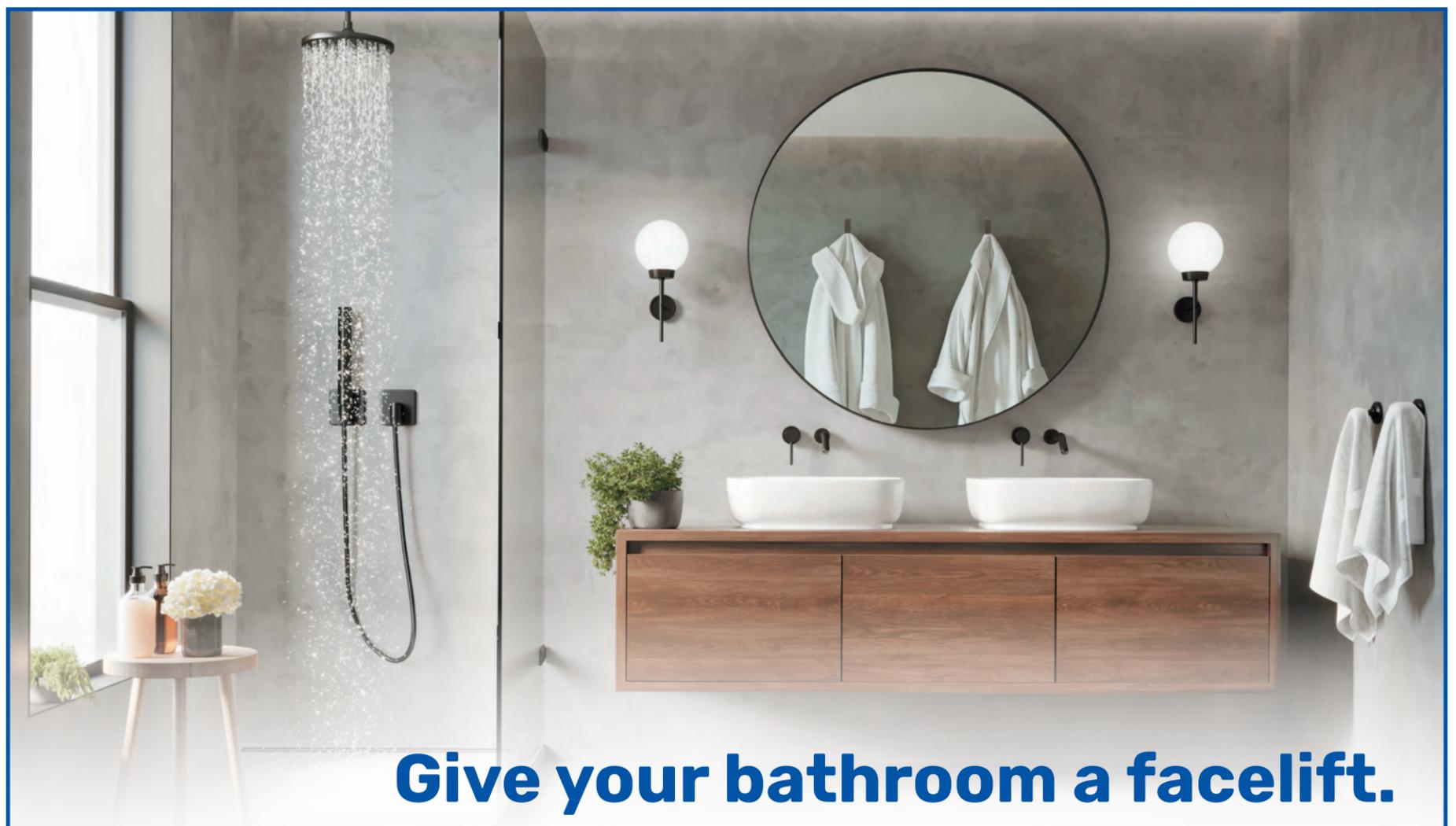
It was smoother sailing on the other side of the St. Johns River. Those Councilmembers met and were able to come up with a map they could all agree with.

LeAnna Cumber's Council 5 will stay pretty much the same but it's border will expand to the south and end at Shad Road instead of Sunbeam.

"It keeps all the neighborhoods together and adds a little bit down on the southside," Cumber said. "Those neighborhoods will all be together so I think it's a great change for District 5 and I wanted to see (that) it didn't change too much."

The City Council Redistricting Committee is also starting work on the Group boundaries five At-Large District Seats.

Those five council members represent and are voted on by the entire county, but are required to reside in different areas of Jacksonville.



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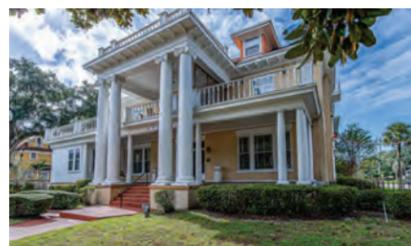
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# JTA Seeks New Development Near Transportation Hubs



Autonomous Vehicle Ollie 2.0 by Local Motors and the AV Star by Greenpower and Perrone Robotics ride on the test track at Cecil Field. (photo provided by JTA)

**BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT**  
Resident Community News

The Jacksonville Transportation Authority is looking to help encourage private development around its transportation hubs and expand mass transit on the First Coast.

During its annual State of the Utility presentation JTA officials looked back on the challenges of operating during the pandemic, and presented plans for the future.

JTA is also commemorating their 50th anniversary. It was first created by the state legislature in 1955 as the Jacksonville Expressway Authority. It was renamed the Jacksonville Transport Authority in 1971 when it began bus service. The annual presentation was delivered entirely virtual.

Mayor Lenny Curry praised the JTA and its Board for its work during the pandemic offering free rides for people to vaccine centers and operating mobile vaccine clinics in areas

where getting to a vaccine site was difficult. “It takes all of us working together to build a better, stronger, more connected community,” he said.

Curry also thanked JTA for its support for the “Jobs for Jacksonville” gas tax.

“By leveraging the gas tax as other major Florida cities do we will make significant progress on improvements to transportation and infrastructure throughout our community,” Curry said.

JTA Chief Administrative Officer and Senior Vice-President Cleveland Ferguson discussed the Authority’s latest study to encourage more development near transportation hubs.

Ferguson said Transit Supported Urbanism can enrich communities and help provide the spark needed for growth. He said it can help reduce urban sprawl and congestion, while increasing pedestrian activity and economic development.

He said thanks to help from the state legislature, JTA can now agree with private developers on 99-year leases of parcels owned by the Authority for private development.

“This allows the JTA to negotiate with the private sector in a way that increases certainty and predictability as developers finance their construction projects with JTA as its partner,” Ferguson said.

It’s hoped such development will spur others to invest in areas around the transportation hubs for further growth.

Ferguson said he hopes any zoning changes needed development projects will be completed with the City Council by the end of the year.

JTA CEO Nat Ford said they are very pleased with their partnerships with Beachside Buggies in the Beach communities and Go Tuk’n in Downtown, Riverside, and Avondale and hopes to see further expansion.

JTA is looking for more ways to expand mass transit opportunities with an expansion of the Skyway. The plan is to make use of autonomous vehicles to expand transportation opportunities to TIAA Bank Field, Riverside, San Marco, and Five Points.

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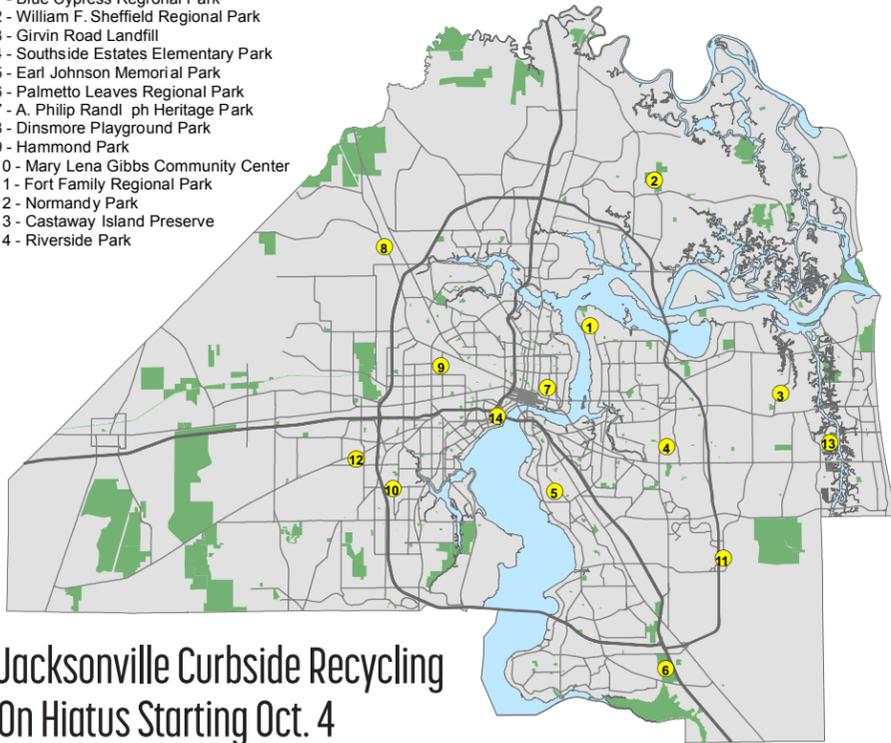
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- 7 - A. Philip Randolph Heritage Park
- 8 - Dinsmore Playground Park
- 9 - Hammond Park
- 10 - Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center
- 11 - Fort Family Regional Park
- 12 - Normandy Park
- 13 - Castaway Island Preserve
- 14 - Riverside Park



## Jacksonville Curbside Recycling On Hiatus Starting Oct. 4

*No timeline set for return to recycling program*

**BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT**  
Resident Community News

Due to staffing shortages with the city's private refuse haulers, curbside recycling is going to be temporarily suspended beginning October 4th. Mayor Lenny Curry said the city is being forced to do so due to the nationwide labor shortage caused by the COVID pandemic.

It's hoped the suspension will allow crews to catch up on garbage and yard waste that has been piling up on curbs across the city.

Yard waste and garbage are being targeted for pick up because they are a higher risk to health and safety.

Curry said his office and those of city council members have been inundated with emails and phone calls from people unhappy that yard waste and recycling has been sitting on curb sides for weeks without being collected. "Our citizens are understandably upset," he said. "They are upset because this is a basic service that is paid for by their taxes and it's not outrageous to expect a service that you pay for."

Jacksonville is setting up fourteen locations around the city where people can drop off their recycling if they wish to do so.

They will operate Monday through Saturday from sunrise to sunset.

The locations include; Riverside Park, Earl Johnson Memorial Park, A. Philip Randolph Park, and the Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center.

The Mayor's office introduced an ordinance to the City Council to establish a yard waste transfer station to help reduce run times and speed up yard waste collections. There will not be any new yard waste dropoff sites. The legislation includes a fee reduction for those who wish to drop off yard waste at the Trail Ridge facility. The cost will be one dollar for up to 500 pounds of yard waste and will be accepted Monday through Saturday from sunrise to sunset. Normally, residents can only drop off yard waste at Trail Ridge on Saturday.

Curry said the circumstances were beyond anyone's control as the national labor shortage has hit waste haulers hard.

Chief of the Solid Waste Division Will Williams said the local trash haulers have been working to hire new qualified drivers offering up to \$25 per hour.

"We are not neglecting anything. We are going to make sure we do our job and we're going to make sure we're going to pick up the trash on the curb," Williams said.

Residents can use their yellow recycling bins for regular trash if they wish but the contents will all be going to the landfill.

The regulations regarding what can and can't be recycled will continue at the drop off sites including not using loose plastic bags to carry items to the site. Plastic like trash bags cannot be processed with other recyclables because they get tangled in the equipment used to separate the materials. Paper bags are acceptable.

Most recyclable materials are marked with a recycling symbol.

There is no timeline for when curbside recycling will return.

# Baker Point Park Gets New Gazebo

**BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT**  
Resident Community News

Local residents have a new place for festivities in Baker Point Park. Thanks to a donation from the Baker family, a new gazebo has been built in the park overlooking the St. Johns River.

Construction of the gazebo was to be completed by the end of September.

The project is part of the city's Parks Partnership Program where private donations are used for public part enhancements.

City Councilmember Randy DeFoor said the gazebo will be a great addition to the park and has nothing but praise for the Baker family and all they have done for the community.

"They have been working to get that done for many, many years and I'm excited to see it come to fruition," DeFoor said.

The gazebo can be used for small weddings or other events. It can be booked through the usual city permitting process by calling the JaxParks permitting office at 904-225-7390.

The Baker family declined to comment on the donation.

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# River & Post Expanding To St. Augustine

BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT  
Resident Community News

The owners of River & Post restaurant are opening a new location in St. Augustine.

The River & Post, will be located in downtown St. Augustine across from the Castillo De San Marcos. The new restaurant is expected to open in October.

The River & Post at the corner of Avenida Menendez and Charlotte St. will feature primarily seafood and steak options in a 350-seat, 10,000 square foot location. It will include views of the fort and bayfront from second and third floor rooftops. A walk-up bar will be included on the first floor and outdoor dining on the sidewalk.

Owners Bob Fleckenstein and Jeff McCusker said they want to put their mark on the First Coast.

“This project has been both challenging and rewarding due to the complexity of the existing structure and keeping with the architectural style of St. Augustine,” Fleckenstein said. “We can not wait to bring our cuisine to a community with such rich history and culture.”

The architecture and design were done by Cronk & Duch and construction by RPC of Jacksonville.

“Seafood & Rooftops have become our niche,” says McCusker. “We have truly been blessed by the reception of our brand in Jacksonville, and we cannot wait to share it with downtown St. Augustine.”

# Judge Dismisses Episcopal Mask Mandate Suit

BY KEVIN J. MEERSCHAERT  
Resident Community News

Senior Circuit Court Judge Robert M. Foster has dismissed with prejudice a suit filed by Episcopal School of Jacksonville parents against the school’s mask mandate policy.

By dismissing with prejudice the plaintiffs are not allowed to refile or appeal.

The case stemmed from Episcopal’s mask mandate for all students and staff implemented at the beginning of the school year as cases of the Delta variant of COVID-19 were skyrocketing across Jacksonville.

The plaintiffs argued that the “Parents Bill of Rights” approved by the state legislature earlier this year supersedes any such rule and the parents should be the ones to decide if their kids should wear a mask.

Attorneys for the school countered the legislation doesn’t apply to private schools since they are not under the jurisdiction of the State Board of Education.

The statute specifies that “[t]he state, any of its political subdivisions, any other governmental entity, or any other institution may not infringe on the fundamental rights of a parent,” without demonstrating the action is reasonable and necessary.

The legal dispute centers on just what “any other institution” means in a court of law. In a ruling handed down on September 22nd, Judge Foster ruled that it only applied to government entities, and not to a private school like Episcopal.

He cited legal precedence and the common law strict scrutiny standard saying “it has historically been applied only to government actors, violating fundamental rights or discriminating against a suspect classification.”

Foster wrote that “the word ‘institution’ is sufficiently broad to render the other listed terms as mere surplusage, regardless of how the term is interpreted.”

He added the Legislature “likely employed the phrase ‘any other institution’ as a final catch-all term to emphasize that the listing is inclusive of any and all government entities.”

Foster also noted that the parents’ interpretation of the legislation would lead to “constitutionally-dubious results.”

“If the parents’ Bill of Rights applied to private religious institutions (like

Defendants), they would be forced to justify their constitutionally-protected religious practices to a court-by showing their practices are “necessary to achieve a compelling state interest”-instead of the state being required to justify its infringement of those rights under the same strict scrutiny standard. This is an absurd role reversal, and the Court will not countenance any interpretation raising such grave and far-reaching constitutional concerns,” Foster ruled.

In an email statement to Resident Community News, attorney Daniel Bean said they were disappointed with the ruling.

“The Plaintiffs’ respectfully disagree with the Trial Court’s decision as the Plaintiffs’ believe “institutions” does include private schools,” he said. “This case is solely about a parent’s right to make the healthcare decisions for their minor children and the Plaintiffs will continue to believe that.”

Episcopal attorney Stephen Busey said the law was clear that the plaintiffs’ didn’t have a case. “The parents brought this lawsuit in bad faith,” he said in a statement. “They agreed in their enrollment to comply with Episcopal’s policies. If they do not like the school’s policies, they can send their children to a different school.”

Episcopal officials have extended the mask mandate until at least October 8th and says it will continue to regularly review their safety precautions in light of any changing circumstances.

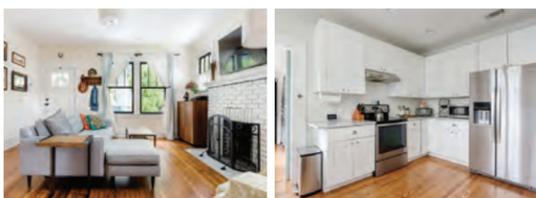


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I come from a very design-focused professional background, which has accumulated many skills over the past 22 years, ranging from renovating, buying, selling, and restoring the designs and uniquenesses of my own historical properties (including an old church I recently turned into a wedding & events venue, Five Points Chapel), to running a successful New York based fashion label for over a decade with its own retail stores and global wholesale distribution, to working as a design and marketing project manager in my early 20’s. My experiences have built not only an impressive portfolio, but also an array of skills that I now share with my customers and clients. My true passion is breathing life back into historical properties and creating spaces which can be lived in and loved on, all while my greatest knack is siring amazing properties at amazing prices. I am also a mom to three amazing kiddos and wife to an amazing hubs!

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# Defoor hosts virtual town hall on crime, drainage woes

*Community policing and shared intelligence keys to mitigating criminal activity*

**BY JOEL ADDINGTON**  
Resident Community News

Jacksonville City Councilwoman Randy Defoor hosted a virtual town hall meeting with a few dozen constituents on September 9 to discuss two timely neighborhood concerns, recent crime trends and flooding during storm season.

“We have a lot of heavy issues to discuss this time,” said Ms. Defoor to open the discussion on Zoom with Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office (JSO) Assistant Chief Dan Shelton of the local Zone 4, who reviewed neighborhood crime statistics showing most types of crime have been down this year with two exceptions: vehicle burglaries and homicides are up in 2021.

There have been two homicides on different blocks of Myra Street six blocks apart, on the 2700 and 3000 blocks, this year compared to zero in the zone last year and one in 2019, according to JSO’s internal statistics.

“One is too many, obviously,” said the officer. He and Councilwoman Defoor cautioned residents against confronting vehicle burglars, as such an encounter led to the most recent death in Zone 4. The suspected shooter turned himself in, largely thanks to residents’

cooperation and the sharing of security video with police, Mr. Shelton said.

“If you see someone break in your car, call the police. Don’t confront burglars,” Ms. Defoor advised.

Mr. Shelton said catalytic converter thefts from vehicle exteriors have become commonplace as well as firearm thefts from inside vehicles, usually unlocked, as well as unlocked homes and apartments. The converters can be sold out of state for \$1000 apiece but cost at least \$1500 to replace and the guns are used to commit other crimes, like armed robberies of businesses, bar patrons after closing and drug dealers known to have cash, drugs and guns on hand.

The assistant chief urged residents to store valuables, particularly electronics like laptop computers, cameras and tablets, but also weapons, in their homes or locked inside their trunks rather than inside vehicle cabs. He recommends checking all locks every evening at 9 p.m., too.

“Any support, we’d greatly appreciate that,” requested Mr. Shelton.

While vehicle burglars will roam streets in the early morning hours lifting vehicle door handles to test for unlocked targets, it’s rare they break into locked vehicles when no valuables are present.



“We’re not seeing them run down Dellwood breaking windows,” said Mr. Shelton, but expensive items like rifles and laptops can entice criminals to smash-and-grab.

“There’s not a lot of money to be gained,” said Mr. Shelton. “It’s to fuel their drugs. A lot of it revolves around drugs.”

Armed robberies have also been reported after the 2 a.m. closing time near the bars on King Street. Inebriated patrons are easy targets, he said.

### MILLIONS OF DOLLARS COMING FROM CITY, ARMY CORPS FOR WATERWAY PROJECTS

The City of Jacksonville plans to spend \$1 million to improve drainage and reduce flooding west of Riverside High School and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is close to spending much more, at least \$5 million, to dredge and restore Big Fishweir Creek and remove sediment from Little Fishweir Creek with the city adding millions more.

Work is also being planned for improvements of the Willow Branch Creek canal seawall, city Chief of Engineering and Construction Management Robin Smith said.

All came up during the recent virtual town hall meeting during the flooding discussion

that also featured a flood mitigation expert from Louisiana, still reeling from impacts of the recent Hurricane Ida.

Homeowners in flood-prone areas essentially have three choices: pay flood insurance rates rising by double digits year after year, elevate existing structures or rebuild them at higher floor elevations after they’ve been flooded.

All are expensive but also necessary to ensure historic homes withstand more flooding expected in the future due to rising temperatures and sea levels, and the major challenge is financing such projects in conjunction with federal government financial assistance as state aid for flood mitigation is minimal in Florida, which has the fourth-highest National Flood Insurance Program loss claims in the country. Less than one-third of properties in flood zones have insurance coverage statewide.

“It takes a team to get resilient,” said Roderick Scott of L&R Resources, LLC. “You have to do the infrastructure and elevate the buildings. The water’s here and more is coming.”

As such, Riverside Avondale Preservation (RAP) is seeking members to serve on its new flooding, drainage and resiliency committee. Visit <https://riversideavondale.org/> to learn more about RAP and get involved.

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# Cholesterol: Not Just a Numbers Game

by Albert A. Lopez Jr., D.O., FASPC

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September was National Cholesterol Education Month, and high cholesterol is one of the major controllable risk factors for coronary heart disease, heart attack, and stroke.

Millennium Physician Group Internal Medicine Physician Albert A. Lopez Jr., D.O., FASPC, says primary-care providers are the first line in screening patients for high cholesterol, and unfortunately less than half of people with heart disease actually have their lipid panels at goal.

“A large part of lowering cardiovascular events is really about lowering LDL cholesterol,” Dr. Lopez clarifies.

“And what we’re really talking about is lipids.” As a lipidologist, Dr. Lopez sits on several international advisory boards on lipid therapy and has been a principal investigator with Encore clinical research group for a number of lipid-lowering agents.

“Everyone tends to focus on the total cholesterol or LDL number. Those do matter. But there’s so much more to consider when assessing residual cardiovascular risk,” he says.

“It’s about knowing the family history and the individual risk. That’s just as important as the numbers.” In fact, half of people who have heart disease have “normal” cholesterol levels.

Dr. Lopez says 25 percent of cardiovascular disease is attributable to genetics. But he adds that you can often actually modify those genetics. He adds that even if you have a family history of heart disease, a lot of cardiovascular risk can be affected by what you do, what you eat, and what medicine(s) you’re on.

“Cardiogenetics and metabolomics are emerging fields,” says Dr. Lopez. “It’s a very exciting time in lipid therapy and cardiometabolic risk reduction. We know statins are highly protective, but there are several new drugs in our treatment regimen and a whole list of emerging new therapies on the horizon.”

He advises exercising regularly, eating less red meat, and increasing your plant-based meals to even just twice a week can actually shut off the genes that increase your risk for heart disease and other inflammatory diseases. “These changes can also stimulate the genes that increase cellular longevity which decreases aging.”

If you and your physician determine you have an increased genetic or individual risk, you should ask if there is a better lipid test you should consider. “Advanced lipid testing, cardiac inflammatory biomarkers, and assessing Lp(a) levels can further pinpoint your exact risk for a cardiovascular event,” explains Dr. Lopez. “Lower is better, but it’s not the only thing to look at.”

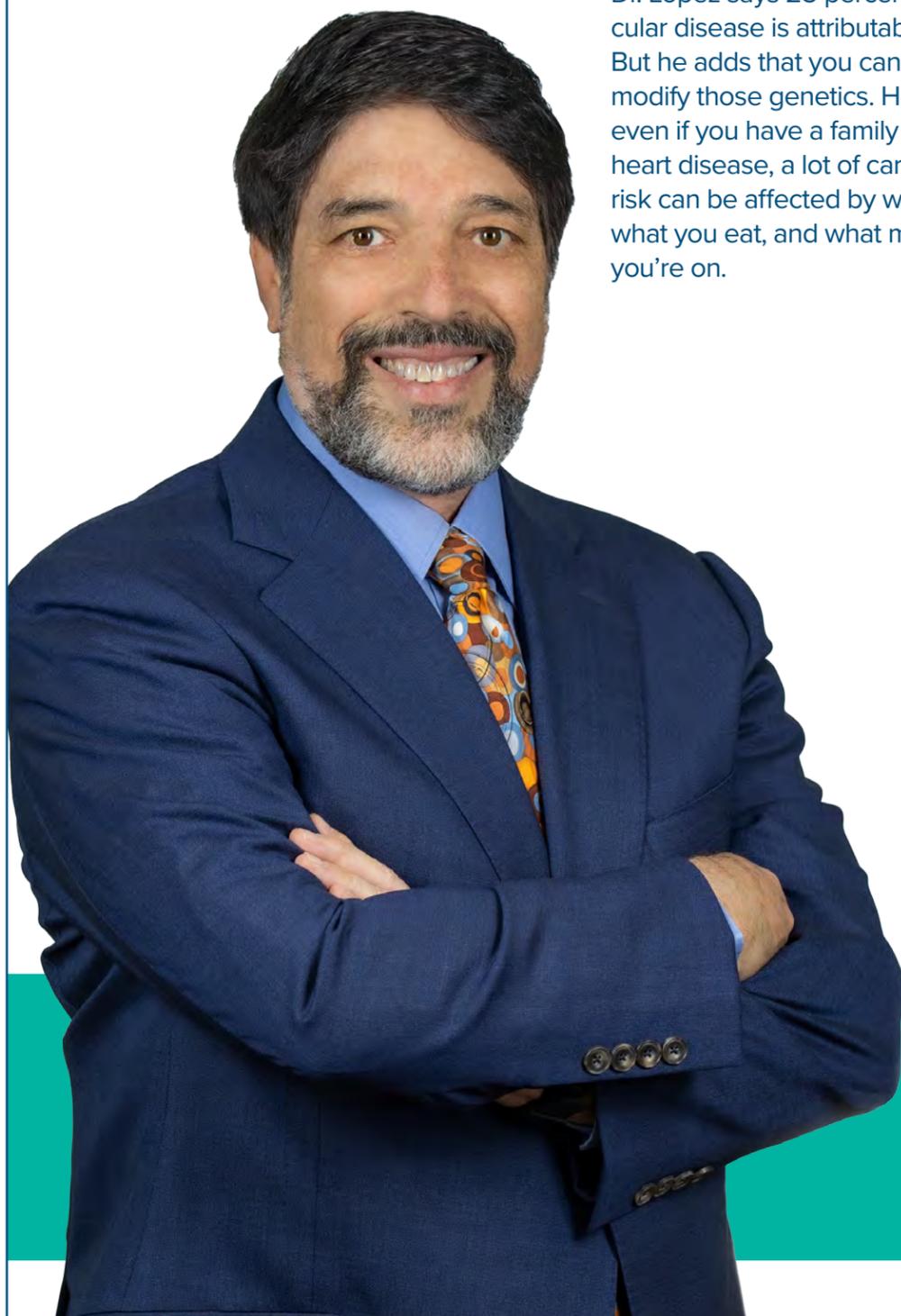
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# MOVERS & SHAKERS

## Bolles President and Head of School speaks to West Jacksonville Rotarians about school challenges, response to pandemic



Attending the West Jacksonville Rotary Club September meeting were many Bolles-related Rotarians and patrons, including Bill Howey, son-in-law of the late Herdy Ulmer; Richard Dostie, Bolles Class of 1972; Bolles Chief Advancement Officer Carol Nimitz; Bolles President and Head of School Tyler Hodges; and Shep College, Bolles Class of 1966.

Bolles President and Head of School Tyler Hodges was the guest speaker for the West Jacksonville Rotary Club's September 15 meeting at Timuquana Country Club. Hodges was invited to speak as part of Rotary's focus on education topics that month. Tyler shared how Bolles and other independent schools around the country have been navigating climate and culture during the past year or more.

Hodges was named the School's ninth president and head of school in 2018 after serving as Bolles' associate head of school since 2015. Hodges' educational career includes more than 18 years as a teacher and administrator at some of the country's top independent schools. He has been a history and leadership instructor, class dean and coach. He has led accreditation visits, handled discipline matters as dean of students, and, prior to coming to Bolles, was the director of Upper School Academics and Student Life at Laguna Blanca School in Santa Barbara, California.

Hodges possesses a wealth of professional development experience and, while in California, was invited to join a partnership with an orphanage in Haiti to offer aid and educational support. Following the devastating earthquake there, Hodges served for three years on the orphanage's Educational Board to provide counsel and curriculum guidance as they created a school, Maison de Lumiere, contiguous to the orphanage.

Hodges received his Ed.M. in administration, planning and social policy from Harvard University Graduate School of Education and a Master of Arts in diplomatic and military history from Temple University. He received a Bachelor of Arts in history with a minor in foreign affairs from the University of Virginia.

Hodges is an avid reader and loves a variety of sports, rare books, maps and 19th century literature. He also enjoys spending family time with his wife, Tristan, and their two daughters, Hannah, Bolles Class of 2027, and Madalene, Bolles Class of 2024.

## Jacksonville Alumnae Panhellenic Association receives two awards



Jacksonville Alumnae Panhellenic Association members

The Jacksonville Alumnae Panhellenic Association (JAPA) was one of only 50 chapters across the country to receive for 2020-21 the Citation of Merit Award and one of 49 chapters to receive the Programming Excellence Award.

These prestigious awards are granted by the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) organization to select Alumnae Panhellenic Associations based on their programming accomplishments, work to build positive relationships with their communities, efforts to promote the sorority experience, submission of the Alumnae Panhellenic annual report, and continued administration of their Alumnae Panhellenic.

NPC is one of the largest organizations advocating for women and is the umbrella group for 26 national and international social sororities.

"Over the past year, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused many disruptions to the operations of Alumnae Panhellenics. We are honored to celebrate these Alumnae Panhellenics and their members for the outstanding work and dedication to the lifelong sorority experience," said Donna Larson, Chair of the Alumnae Panhellenics Committee.

In addition to receiving awards, JAPA generously donated over \$9,500 in scholarships last year to local high school seniors and local University of North Florida and Jacksonville University students, despite the pandemic setbacks.

Community members can learn more about JAPA at JacksonvillePanhellenic.org, on Instagram @JAPA1914, and on Facebook by searching Jacksonville Alumnae Panhellenic Association.

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Letitia Maura and Penny Mendez, teachers from Central Riverside Elementary with READ USA COO Rob Kelly and Director of Programs Karen Sawyer.

### READ USA gives away thousands of books

With grade-level reading proficiency a priority in 2021 by Duval County and school districts across the nation, READ USA has once again answered the call. With their goal of closing the literacy gap in Northeast Florida and beyond, READ USA held a two-day book giveaway for educators, school leaders, non-profit groups and community organizations on August 27 and 28th.

“We gave away over 100,000 books, clearing our entire inventory at the Feeding Northeast Florida Warehouse and putting books in the hands of children,” said Ellen Wiss, Chair and co-founder of READ USA.

READ USA answered the call in 2020 but was left with more than 100,000 books that required storage. “We are grateful to Feeding Northeast Florida for warehousing our books,” said CEO Terrance Freeman, “and to their staff and our volunteers for helping us distribute them. Books literally flew out of the warehouse in the bags, boxes and bins of excited educators!”

Furthering their goal of closing the literacy gap and achieving grade-level reading proficiency, READ USA also sponsored their third annual Peer to Peer Summer Reading program this year with 64 teen tutors working one on one with students at three elementary schools. Headed by Dr. Rob Kelly, the Peer to Peer program resulted in such phenomenal reading advances by both tutors and students that Dr. Greene is considering incorporating the program into the regular school year.



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### RMHC of JAX partners with MDM Commercial to support families through software

Ronald McDonald House Charities® (RMHC) of Jacksonville and MDM Commercial Enterprises, Inc. of Ponte Vedra Beach (MDM) have partnered to elevate families’ experiences through the implementation of user-friendly Pro:Centric software.

A team of MDM engineers and graphic designers creatively worked with RMHC of Jacksonville staff to digitally customize the software to mirror RMHC’s branding, enabling families to easily navigate through the House’s amenities, employee roster, family activities, and local attractions directly from LG Electronics Pro:Centric Hospitality Smart TVs within their private suites.

MDM is a leader in technology solutions. The company’s CEO, Steve Austin, was honored to supply the necessary equipment and staff expertise for the software installation for RMHC of Jacksonville. “I am proud of the great work our team has done to help provide the RMHC children and families with a first-class guest experience,” he said.

“Steve Austin and his entire team at MDM Commercial continue to serve as tremendous supporters of our mission. Being able to have important information at our families’ fingertips is just another way we can better serve children and their families who are seeking medical treatment here in Jacksonville,” said Diane Boyle, Executive Director of RMHC of Jacksonville.

The mission of RMHC is to support the health and well-being of children by providing lodging, meals, transportation, and a community of care to critically ill children and their families who need to be near a hospital for treatment. RMHC of Jacksonville supports five local hospitals and serves more than 1,500 families each year.

### Optometrist/Low Vision Specialist, Jericho Sayoc, O.D. joins Clay Eye Physicians & Surgeons



JERICHO SAYOC, O.D.

Jericho Sayoc, O.D. has recently joined Clay Eye Physicians & Surgeons as an associate of their clinical staff. Dr. Sayoc earned a bachelor’s degree from Florida State University and a doctorate degree in optometry from Midwestern Arizona College of Optometry. He completed his Optometry Residency at the VA Hospital in Jacksonville with an emphasis on Primary Care and Ocular Disease with additional training on low vision and specialty contact lens fitting.

“Over the past 5 years, our practice has grown significantly. We now have 5 locations in North Florida. We’ve welcomed many new patients who are looking to establish a relationship with a doctor that they can see each and every year. We’re happy to have Dr. Sayoc to help welcome those patients with us,” said Melanie Javier, O.D. Optometrist with Clay Eye.

“The most fulfilling part of my optometric career is getting the opportunity to know my patients and problem solve ways to improve their vision in their daily lives. I am honored to play a role in how they see and experience the world. When patients share their vision limitations, I do my best to figure out ways to allow them to continue to enjoy the activities they love.

He continued, “I chose to work at Clay Eye because I was impressed by the team-based approach that focused on patient-first care. It’s truly impressive to work and continue to grow clinically amongst so many specialists. With such a wide spectrum of doctors, we are able to provide efficient and patient oriented care all in one place.”

Clay Eye Physicians & Surgeons was established in 1977 and is now a fourteen physician practice. They currently have offices in Orange Park, Fleming Island, Mandarin, Riverside and Middleburg. If you would like more information about Clay Eye, please contact (904) 272-2020, or visit their website at [www.clayeye.com](http://www.clayeye.com)

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*Episcopal School of Jacksonville welcomes Petros Kyprianou*



Episcopal School of Jacksonville welcomes Petros Kyprianou as its Director of Sports Performance.

As a member of Episcopal's athletic department, Kyprianou will work with the coaching staff to help teams reach their full potential. His holistic approach to training includes instruction and support for all physical and mental aspects of athlete development.

Kyprianou comes to Episcopal following a decorated career from 2008-2021 at the University of Georgia as the Head Track & Field Coach and Head Cross Country Coach. Under his leadership, the Georgia Bulldogs won the national championship in 2018.

Most recently, Kyprianou served as a decathlon and heptathlon coach for several Olympic athletes at the Tokyo Olympics, working with 18 Olympians, including Episcopal alumnus Garrett Scantling '11.

Kyprianou earned a bachelor's degree in physical education, sports science and management from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in Greece and a master's degree in exercise science and biomechanics from the University of Nebraska. His experience includes time as an assistant coach at Boise State University and off-season speed strength training and consulting for the NFL and NBA.

"I look forward to seeing the impact Coach Petros will have on our athletic department," said Andy Kidd '99, Director of Athletics.

Episcopal School of Jacksonville serves 1,200 students on four campuses, including the Knight Sports Campus. The school fields 65 teams in 18 sports. Twenty-seven members of the Class of 2021 are playing 12 sports at 19 different colleges and universities.

**New resiliency director assessing risk, studying storm events**

Riverside resident chose to live in an area affected by storm surge, heavy rainfall

Jacksonville's first Resiliency Director Anne Coglianese has spent her career helping governments prepare for Climate Change. She worked in the Obama White House and for the past four years leading New Orleans' coastal resiliency policy.

"What really drives me to the work is where environmental issues really meet human systems and how people can either be harmed by lack of action on environmental issues or really be benefited by cities and communities taking proactive steps to prepare for climate change and other environmental impacts," she said.

The job of a resiliency director is to prepare communities like Jacksonville to face the unknown dangers of a changing climate from stronger hurricanes to excessive heat. "We want to make sure that the city can function and come back better and stronger," Coglianese said. "The goal of this new position and the resilience work that the city's taking on is to make sure that Jacksonville is in the best possible position to have continuity of services and really new opportunities for residents and making sure that they're protected from risk."

Coglianese said Hurricane Irma was a wake-up call for Jacksonville to see just how dangerous such a storm can be. Teamed with a powerful nor'easter, Irma brought widespread flooding to

Jacksonville. Climate change could bring stronger storms to the First Coast. However, Irma was only one storm and Coglianese said it wasn't necessarily the best indication as to where flooding or damage will occur during the next storm. "I think in order to prepare Jacksonville, the starting point is to really dive into data modeling," she said. "I'm making sure that we're not looking at just one issue at a time. Not just looking at sea level rise and then separately looking at tidal surge but we're actually looking at these threats layered upon each other and we're running different models to see what happens if different threats are happening simultaneously."

Coglianese said that information can be used for disaster planning and preventative measures when building in flood-prone areas.

The areas of Jacksonville currently most susceptible to flooding are well-known. Coglianese said she moved to Riverside specifically to live in an area that has drainage issues.

The recent growth in neighborhoods like San Marco, Brooklyn, and Downtown could face problems if not taking resiliency into account. Coglianese said she'll provide plenty of community outreach to help both developers and private citizens to make sure they are using the best possible science to protect their property. She points to projects



like making sure the repaving of a road includes green stormwater management that captures storm runoff.

Coglianese said she would like to see more green infrastructure like the more native plants combined with improved drainage systems to help tackle flooding in the most susceptible areas around town.

"I think it's one of the simplest most cost-effective strategies to combat that rainy day flooding that we're seeing from just an average summer rainstorm that 20 years ago wouldn't have flooded your street," she said. "Green infrastructure is able to capture rainwater temporarily and then when the storm has passed make its way to our drainage system. It can prevent some of the overwhelming of the system and that localized flooding."

Coglianese said all homeowners can help by finding out what kinds of green infrastructure would be a benefit and implementing them on their own property.



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## Furyks update JAGA members about PGA TOUR Champions event



Tabitha and Jim Furyk present their inaugural Constellation Furyk & Friends golf tournament to JAGA. (photo credit JAGA)

Tabitha and Jim Furyk presented details about the inaugural Constellation Furyk & Friends presented by Circle K golf tournament at the Jacksonville Area Golf Association's Aug. 31 directors' meeting held at Sawgrass Country Club. The PGA TOUR Champions tournament will debut at Timuquana Country Club Oct. 8-10.

Furyk told members that a stellar field is expected for the event, with a unique approach to golf including celebrity friends attending, music, food and fun for all ages. All proceeds from the event will benefit northeast Florida charities.

Pro-Am events on Oct. 4-7 are closed to the public and by invitation only. Round 1 of tournament play will be held on Oct. 8. Round 2 of tournament play and a featured celebrity foursome will happen on Oct. 9. The final tournament round and trophy presentation are on Oct. 10.

Darius Rucker will headline The Furyk Foundation Concert presented by SRS Distribution with Scotty McCreery, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 5, at Daily's Place. This year's concert will be a salute to our service men and women, with a limited number of tickets provided to our military courtesy of VyStar Credit Union. PGA TOUR Champions players will be in attendance along with other celebrities.

The gates will open at 6:30 p.m., and the concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. Parking will be complimentary in Lot J.

With eight tournaments to go, Furyk is currently second to Bernhard Langer on the Charles Schwab Cup points lists and in contention to become the first player to win both the FedExCup (2010) and Schwab Cup.

## Bolles Hosts Special Tribute for Retired Team Physician Lucie

Bolles hosted a special pregame ceremony honoring retired team physician Dr. Stephen Lucie for his many years of dedicated service to The Bolles School.

The event was held at Skinner-Barco Stadium prior to the Bold City Showcase matchup between Bolles and West Nassau in late-August. Attendees included longtime coach and athletic staff members, faculty, friends and family. A plaque honoring his years of service was installed at the entrance of the Sports Medicine Room to mark the occasion.

Lucie first stepped onto the Bolles sideline in 1982, offering his services to help Bulldogs heal and stay healthy in their sports endeavors. In the nearly 40 years since, he was instrumental in advancing the Sports Medicine services at Bolles in personnel, resources and facilities. Lucie's ties to Bolles extend to that of a former Trustee (1998-2004) and past parent (Ryland '96 and Craig '00). His legacy will endure as Bolles continues to offer Sports Medicine on the level of many college athletic programs.

Lucie is a founding member of Jacksonville Orthopaedic Institute, the Baptist Center for Joint Replacement team at Baptist - Downtown and he served as the Jacksonville Jaguars first head team physician. He also helped develop the Jaguar's sports medicine facility. In addition to Bolles, he has also served as head physician for Jacksonville University and the Jacksonville Sharks. Lucie's efforts with the Sports Medicine program at Bolles established a partnership with JOI, providing a full-time trainer as well as student trainers from area colleges. He contributed both funds and expertise in building the current Sports Medicine facility in 2003, along with members of the Skinner family.

Bolles alumnus Dr. Kevin Kaplan '95 is the new team physician for his alma mater.



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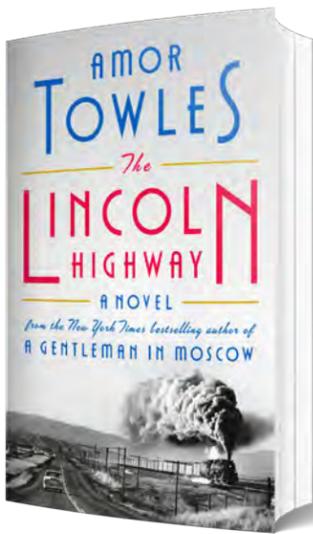
  
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## Bestselling author coming to San Marco Square



Amor Towles, New York Times bestselling author of *Rules of Civility* and *A Gentleman in Moscow*, is coming to Jacksonville on Monday, November 15. He will visit Southside Baptist Church in San Marco Square at 7 p.m. to celebrate his latest work, *The Lincoln Highway*.

San Marco Books and More (SMB&M) will host the event that will include book signing and conversation.

Tickets to the event may be purchased through the bookstore's website or on their Facebook page. A book+ticket bundle includes one book, one ticket to the event, and a surprise swag item.

The new release tells of an American journey that spans ten days and provides an array of settings, characters, and themes. Categorized as historical fiction, the coming-of-age story focuses on eighteen-year-old Emmett Watson in the 1950s.

This will be Towles's second trip to Jacksonville. The first was in 2019 to celebrate SMB&M's win in the Penguin Random House national window display contest to depict the setting of one of his novels.

The store is entering its 50th year of service to Jacksonville. Through the paperback revolution, the fervor to keep indie bookstores alive, and with hundreds of author events along the way, SMB&M has survived the Amazon age and the pandemic. "The small store clearly draws strength from the community it serves," said Lesley Roberts, a local resident.

## Louy named director of philanthropic services for North Florida Land Trust



Lee Anderson Louy is North Florida Land Trust's new director of philanthropic services.

Lee Anderson Louy has joined North Florida Land Trust as its director of philanthropic services. She will lead the fundraising arm of the nonprofit land conservation organization including the Amelia Floever Campaign, the campaign to save the Small Islands, the 020 Wildlife Corridor Campaign and the general donation campaign.

"Lee has an impressive background and has proven success in fundraising on the level that our nonprofit needs to continue to conserve lands throughout north Florida," said McCarthy. Louy will work closely with McCarthy to expand the donor base and promote NFLT's programs.

Louy most recently served as direct of development for UNF's College of Education and Human Services. She raised \$8.3 million in gifts and commitments since June 2017. She has also served in development positions for UNF's Academic Affairs and Brooks College of Health. Prior to working for UNE, she was the director for

the Bennie Furlong Senior Center for the City of Jacksonville.

"I am delighted and honored to be a part of the NFLT team and to have the opportunity to make a difference in North Florida," Louy said. "As a third-generation Jacksonville native, I am privileged to play a role in helping preserve and protect significant lands in our community so that future generations can love and enjoy."

Louy holds a doctorate of education, master's in public administration from UNF and bachelor's from Florida State University and has earned the CFRE (Certified Fundraising Executive) designation. She is a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and UNF's Pi Alpha Alpha Chapter.

North Florida Land Trust protects natural resources, historic places and working lands through north Florida. It has preserved tens of thousands of acres of land through donation or purchase of land, as well as conservation easements.

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Baptist Health Jacksonville has been named one of Florida's best employers in Forbes' annual "America's Best Employers by State 2021" list. The health care provider is ranked No. 1 among all ranked employers in Jacksonville in any industry and No. 10 among all 100 ranked companies in Florida. Baptist Health also ranked No. 3 among all ranked health care providers in the state and was the only north Florida health care provider among the top three.

"To be recognized as a best employer speaks to the quality of our employees and their commitment to our patients, our community and one another," said Michael A. Mayo, DHA, FACHE, president and CEO of Baptist Health.

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# Local Students Learn Entrepreneurship During Summer Grit University



Colby Harris and Brian Harris, Grit.org founder, display Harris' summer earnings check.

Summer interns Colby Harris and Dylan Tedder participated this past summer in Grit Camp, a summer sports camp designed to teach mental, physical and emotional resilience to young people. This the second year of the camp, as part of Grit University which helps college-age students start and run their own business while learning and implementing time-tested life and success principles.

Harris also participated as an intern in the 2020 summer program and is joining the Grit.org staff full-time this fall to help launch new initiatives for the organization. Tedder is a San Marco resident and son of Dale Tedder, minister of discipleship for Southside United Methodist Church.

The interns lived in Grit.org's headquarters in Jacksonville. Their schedule included waking up at 5:40 a.m., working out, meditating, eating breakfast and then setting up and running the camp from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. They were also responsible for marketing and promoting Grit Camp, selling corporate sponsorships for the camp, handling outbound sales for an online company, reading motivational/self-help books and doing daily journaling. For their efforts they earned a weekly salary and profit sharing.

"We are very proud of their level of commitment, the incredible example they set for the campers they led all summer, the professionalism and adaptability they showed in running their business and the amount of personal growth we saw in them throughout the summer," said Brian Harbin, founder of Grit.org.

The six-week camp hosted 281 campers led by 24 different high school age counselors, three of whom are Division I athletes. The camp generated nearly \$60,000 in gross sales of which nearly \$25,000 was paid out to the high school and college age counselors who helped run it. The camp included catered lunches which supplied more than \$12,000 to local restaurants in the San Marco and Riverside areas. This summer's camp introduced a scholarship-based program offering free camp to 15 local campers paid for by individual and corporate sponsors including CSI, Cady Realty and Novus Architects.



# Hooshang Oriental Rug Gallery celebrates 44 years

Hooshang Oriental Rug Gallery celebrated 44 years in business as of September of 2021, standing strong as the longest running business in Historic Avondale.

The shop specializes in handmade rugs that can be traced to the major weaving centers around the globe. Hooshang Harvesf, Ph.D. has been helping shoppers buy, sell, and trade unique, high-quality, hand-made rugs for generations. Often referred to as the 'Mayor of Avondale' for his longstanding merchant association leadership and community service in the area, he has a passion for Avondale.

"I enjoy what I do, and I love the people here," he shared with a smile, "...it doesn't feel like 44 years, it's been a breeze."

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## Bishop Kenny Head Coach Suzanne Winkler Reaches 400th Win



Athletic Director, Mark Thorson, with Coach Winkler

For the past nineteen years Suzanne Winkler has been the face of Bishop Kenny High School volleyball. Recently Coach Winkler reached a significant milestone in her career earning win number 400 in a match against a very strong Fernandina Beach High School team. When asked about the win Winkler said, "Honestly, it was just another day of coaching." Winkler tries to make every win a

big one - challenging her girls to play like it's the last game of the season. Her record now stands at 400 wins and 159 losses resulting in a 71.5 winning percentage.

Winkler's coaching career at Bishop Kenny began in 2003. Since then, she has coached teams to two state championships, three state runners-up and made 13 final four appearances. Her teams have won 13 regional championships and 18 consecutive district championships. She has been named coach of the year five times and received the National Positive Coach Award twice.



### Forrest Holland to retire from CAP

After more than 13 years with the organization, Forrest Holland will retire from the Cathedral Arts Project (CAP).

As a graduate of Hollins University and a longtime resident of San Marco, Holland started with CAP as a Special Projects Coordinator in 2008 and earned four promotions during her tenure, culminating with her final role as Chief Marketing Officer.

She impacted virtually every aspect of CAP's work, especially Spring for the Arts—which expanded CAP's reach to more children and enhanced the efficiency of mission delivery. She also led all branding and marketing efforts as well as CAP's relocation to downtown Jacksonville.

"CAP is a smarter and stronger organization because of her service. My heart is filled with gratitude for all Forrest contributed to CAP's success in empowering the creative spirit of children," said Kimberly Hyatt, President and CEO of CAP.

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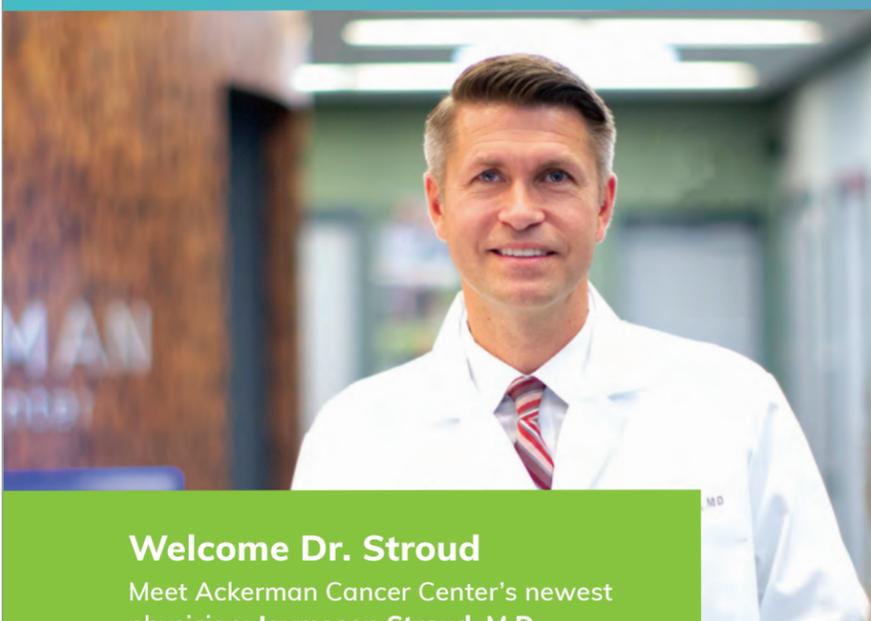
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What's more, Traditions Realty lists and sells all kinds of homes—from \$60,000 fixer uppers to multi-million investments and everything in between. "And everybody gets treated the same," Suslak said.

Her team consists of 40 agents and seven staff members, including a CAM Manager, Kathleen Nadeau, who is specially licensed to manage Condominium and Homeowners Associations as well as large commercial properties.

Suslak knows the Jacksonville area well. She and her husband bought their first house here in 1977. They still live in the Riverside-Avondale area where they raised their family. "We watched our kids grow up with Jacksonville. We've watched this city come into its own, and it's continuing to get better and better all the time," Suslak said.

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Traditions Realty began in a small office on Park Street in 2009 during the market crash, when homeowners who were losing their houses needed places to live. "People couldn't sell their homes, and we had people to rent them. We wanted to help people out," Suslak said.

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In 2014, Traditions Realty expanded its quarters to their current location on Riverside Avenue. They continue to offer fair representation to renters as well as sellers. Their agents are equally concerned with the best interest of all who are involved with a real estate transaction.

"We work outside the box but within the bounds of the law to make things work," Suslak said. She and her team come up with creative solutions to sometimes complex real estate challenges. "Traditions is ready to serve. We are open to meeting new clients and talking with them about what we do, why we do it, how we do it differently, and how that's going to benefit them," she added.

Suslak has earned prestige in the realty field, is esteemed by colleagues and clients alike, and remains entrenched in leadership roles throughout the real estate arena. Most recently, Suslak was chosen as Chair of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) 2022 Single Family Investment Management Committee, one that guides the organization's policies and priorities. "We'll be talking about the many issues that are going on in the rental world that have been born out of COVID," she said.

Simultaneously, Suslak is in the midst of her second three-year term as a Director for NAR. For the past decade, she has been a Director of Florida Realtors. And in 2015, she served as President of the Northeast Florida Association of Realtors.

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# Artists' granddaughter searches for subjects' families



BARBARA HOLLAND

“The common thread is that they were able to afford to have Jay Harder do portraits of their families or children.”

— Anne Holland Polk

Anne Holland Polk is searching for the family members of portrait subjects done in pastels by her grandmother, the late Barbara Holland.

Holland was the wife of a prominent Avondale dentist and mother of five. For a time, she was also a student of the late Jay Harder, Jacksonville's master portrait artist, whose studio was near St. Mark's and Carter's Pharmacy in Ortega.

Polk has possession of over 20 20x26 pastel portraits that her grandmother had signed and dated 1960. They depict women and a few men, including one priest. Only a few have identifying names.

Holland was a member of the Riverside Garden Club. There is speculation that the ladies in the portraits were also Garden Club members. “The common thread is that they were able to afford to have Jay Harder do portraits of their families or children,” Polk said.

It seems likely that Harder, as an artist, would have taken photographs of his subjects in order to finish details in his high-caliber portraits after the families had sat for him. Polk remembers this being the case when she sat as a seven-year-old for a family portrait; Harder sketched them and then photographed them.

Harder's photos were then, it seems, used by his students for learning purposes as he taught them how to shadow and shade. That could be a

reason why a subject in any one of Holland's portraits might have had a different hair color in life. Polk recently discovered this phenomenon when Caroline Pickett Bentley, who saw Polk's Facebook posting about her Grandma Holland's pastel portraits, picked up a portrait of her own grandmother, Bobby Arnold, whom she recognized but with different hair color.

Susan Davis, 91, recognized herself in the Facebook posting and came to pick up one of the portraits from Polk. Davis told Polk that she was having her children's portrait done by Jay in 1960 when he took her photograph. A third portrait has already been claimed by a daughter who recognized her mother, who is now deceased.

Since Holland's passing in 1981, her family members have preserved the portraits because they have an appreciation for artwork and because there was sentimental attachment, being the work of a late family member. But now, Polk feels it's time to “find the real people who they belong to,” knowing that the works could be treasured by the families of the subjects.

Polk and the Hollands wish to gift these pieces to the subjects and their families. Readers who recognize anyone in these portraits can email AnneHPolk@hotmail.com. Though currently residing in Virginia, Polk arranges for the portraits to be picked up in Ortega.



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# 'No permission needed' to cleanup anytime at parks

BY JOEL ADDINGTON  
Resident Community News

Riverside Avondale Preservation's park and coastal cleanup the morning of September 18 removed 61 garbage bags of litter and other refuse, though the 5 Points volunteers and RAP director Shannon Blankenship, site captain, accounted for roughly half the haul.

They collected 31 garbage bags, but there was more interesting refuse not appropriate for a trash bag removed from local parks and shorelines.

Ninety-eight volunteers at seven sites recovered more common trash — cigarette butts, drink bottles and cans and food packages — but also for disposal, ultimately, by the city: a lamp, traffic cones, children pools, several tires and a long-deceased squirrel.

RAP is a nonprofit organization headquartered at 2623 Hershel St. organized the clean-up effort aided by volunteers dedicated to specific neighborhood parks, including at least one friends group for Riverside Park, who more regularly helps to maintain park grounds along with city parks staff.

Volunteers at Riverside Parks said city maintenance personnel will remove larger items, yard debris, fallen limbs when they're placed near the many trash bins located throughout the park. They planted fresh native plants and flowers as part of their landscaping effort in conjunction with the cleanup.

"All the large parks and even some of the smaller ones, RAP and the City of Jacksonville,

have tried to initiate giving smaller groups [the ability] to kind of take charge," said Riverside Park volunteer and site captain Conner Pumphrey. "Some of our parks are pretty large. They push for getting advocacy groups together for the parks ... There's someone in the park everyone couple of weeks ... You should never have to wait for permission to do the right thing."

All-in, the effort drew 93 sign-ins, each of whom received a \$5 discount coupon for food trucks located at the Riverside Arts Market that sunny Saturday morning.

Ms. Blankenship said the clean-up sites included traditional parks but also the 5 Points business district, John Gorrie Dog Park and overgrown alleyways in the historic district. Mulching was added at locations to reduce runoff carrying litter, fertilizer and other contamination into waterways.

"It starts right here. Our historic neighborhoods are built with direct outputs to our waterways. It requires we take extra care to prevent litter," said Ms. Blankenship.

"In 5 Points, we couldn't have done the planting and landscaping without an IBERIABANK donation that covered the cost of materials," she said.

"As Executive Director at RAP, I'd like to see our community host two major cleanups a year, in March and September in connection with the [City of Jacksonville] annual St. Johns River Celebration and International Coastal Cleanup. This timing will make sure we are regularly working to improve our parks and will build a sense of community unparalleled in other parts of Jacksonville."



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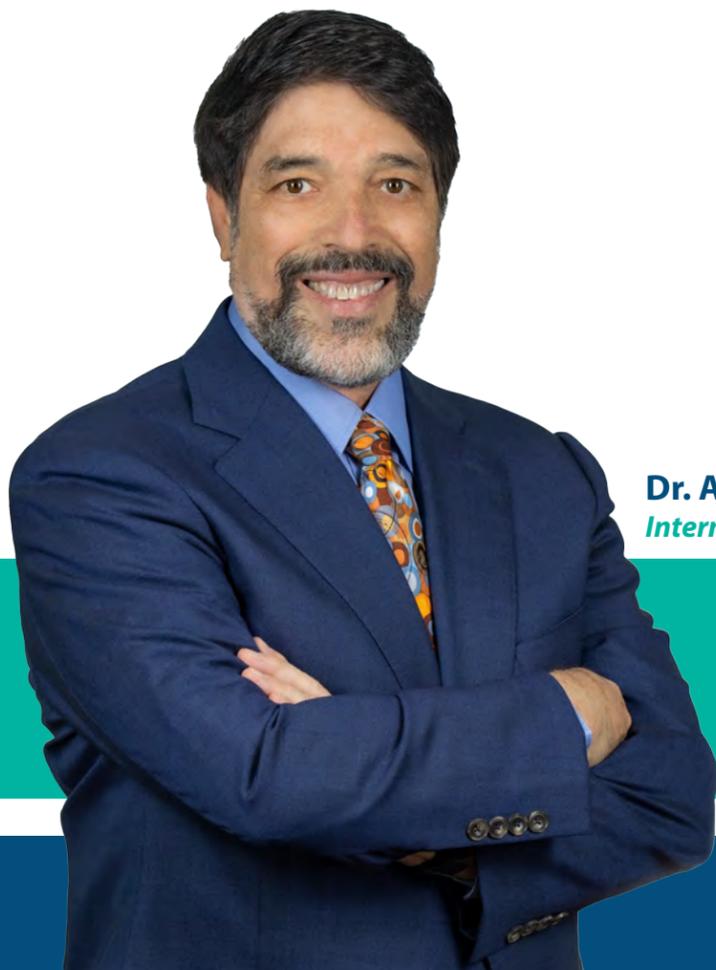
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# HOME SWEET haunted HOME

BY KERRY SPECKMAN  
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It's October—time for Halloween, ghosts, haunted houses and spooky stories about things that go bump in the night.

For some local residents, though, ghosts and haunted houses aren't just a seasonal thrill.

In the mid '90s, Linda Olsavsky owned and operated a B&B in a two-story residence on River Road in San Marco. Built in 1921, it had all the creaks and groans one would expect from a historic home. But even when there were no reservations on the books, the rooms were never really vacant.

"I'd be on the first floor and a TV [in a guest room upstairs] would turn on by itself, and I was the only person there," she recalled. The first few times she assumed a guest might have left the TV on and the volume got really loud for some reason. But it kept happening and happening, in different rooms at various times of the day and only when she was alone in the house.

There were other things, too, that happened when she was alone—or at least thought she was—like the glass door on a wall clock that would be wide open all of a sudden when no one was around. "There's no way that [latch] just popped open by itself. You had to turn something to get it to open," Olsavsky said.

One part of the house also gave her an unexplainable "freaky" feeling, and she wouldn't go in it without another person (an actual human, not just their spirit) in the house with her. "I was afraid they'd [the ghosts] lock me in the closet!" she laughed.

Though Olsavsky never actually witnessed a ghostly sighting, she's certainly is a believer in things which cannot be seen, especially after her next residence in Jacksonville Beach turned out to be haunted too. After experiencing some unexplainable occurrences, like trails of sand suddenly appearing on the floor, she learned from a neighbor the property was inhabited by the spirit of a 12-year-old girl who once lived there.

Marcy Stoliker has never seen a ghost in her house either. In 10 years, in fact, she's never seen, heard, smelled or even sensed anything that would make her think her Murray Hill home is haunted. But some friends and family, who have been inside, would say otherwise.

After Stoliker had been living in the house for several years—without incident, a friend told her she "saw someone" in the garage at a Christmas party she hosted months earlier.

"I was like, uh, yeah, there were lots of people there. It was a party," Stoliker remembered. She then said the friend, who is a medium and certified Pranic healer, gave her "a look" and repeated, slowly and deliberately: "I ... SAW ... someone."

That someone, as they would come to learn, was Robert. At Stoliker's request, the friend did a "sweep" of the house for spirits and, in the process, saw the visage of a man dressed in clothing that appeared to be from the early 1900s. He told her his name was Robert, and he was the caretaker for his wife, who was ill, and his young boy. Unfortunately, he told the friend, he died before his wife, and he felt guilty about abandoning her and their son. During the sweep, Stoliker's psychic friend also discovered the spirit of a Native American



## HAUNTED HOUSE?

If the idea of living in a haunted house scares you but not too much because what are the chances, right? Well, according to a survey conducted by realtor.com, the chances are probably a lot higher than you think with 40 percent of respondents reporting they lived in a house that was possibly or definitely haunted.

But before reaching for the phone to call a paranormal investigator or a priest (or a realtor,) here are a few signs your house may be haunted from Zak Bagans, host and lead investigator of Ghost Adventures on Travel Channel and author of Ghost-Hunting for Dummies.

### UNEXPLAINED TEMPERATURE DROPS

Ghosts require energy and pull energy from the environment. Accordingly, their presence is directly associated with sudden drops of temperature.

### UNUSUAL SMELLS

Ghostly smells are usually familiar like perfume, flowers or pipe tobacco. Sometimes, they can be less pleasant, like sulfur. The aromas can manifest and then disappear with no explanation.

### UNIDENTIFIABLE SOUNDS

The clomping sounds of boots on the staircase, footsteps going up and down hallways, and disembodied voices in the night are all signs that your house is likely haunted.

### ODD BEHAVIOR FROM YOUR PETS

If your pet begins spending an inordinate amount of time in a certain area of your home or having a reaction to something that is unseen by you, they may be picking up on sounds, smells and sights not detectable to humans.

### FEELINGS OF A NEARBY PRESENCE

This may manifest as feeling someone in the room with you when you can see no one is there. It is also possible to feel you are being watched, wherever you go in the house.

### SEEING SHADOWS AND MOVEMENT

You may start to see flickers of movement out of the corner of your eye, but when you look straight at the spot, nothing is there. You might also see shadows that do not belong, moving in the opposite direction of the light.

spirit guide, who had taken up residence in a guest room, as well as a being who identified itself as a guardian angel.

Then other friends started telling Stoliker about their experiences in her house. Some described feeling "unsettled" or like they were being watched. They also thought the garage, where Robert made his holiday appearance, was especially "creepy."

A second friend with psychic abilities told Stoliker she experienced very strong feelings around the front door and suggested it might be a portal. (For those not up on their paranormal lingo, a portal is gateway for spirits to transition from the physical world to the other side.) The presence of a

portal in Stoliker's home would certainly explain why random spirits show up at wanting to communicate with someone who is in her house and eerie photographs capturing auras and orbs (i.e., apparitions at their lowest energy).

While she finds the idea of living in a haunted house "weird" and "something like you'd see on TV," it's not something she's concerned about. "I've never seen Robert, but I always talk to him when I go out in the garage. My mom would always say hello to him too," she said. "He clearly don't bother me, and I clearly don't bother him."

Maybe she should thank her guardian angel for that.



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Miss Courtney Michelle Stack was married Saturday, September 18, 2021 to Mr. Kevin Robert Crews. The marriage was performed at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Jacksonville, Florida by the Reverend William Stokes.

The bride wore an ivory lace gown over blush rose silk and carried a cascade of ivory and soft pink roses with baby's breath.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Sheldon Fordham of Jacksonville and Mr. & Mrs. William Clarence Stack Jr. of Starke, Florida. Her grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Francis Marion Scheu of Jacksonville and Mr. & Mrs. Casimir Leonard Maliszewski Sr. of Atlanta, Georgia. The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Durrell Crews and his grandparents are Mr. Henry Eugene Jones and Mrs. Patricia Crews, all of Callahan, Florida.

Miss Lucy Scarritt of Gainesville, Florida served as her maid of honor and Sunny Marian Scheu as flower girl. Mr. Austin Douglas Guffin of Callahan served as best man.

Mrs. Crews attended the University of Alabama and is employed by Publix. Mr. Crews works in the family business, Clear View Signs, Inc.

Following their wedding trip to St. Augustine, the couple will reside in Jacksonville.

## Teacher's plea turns request into actions

*Local classrooms benefit from nonprofit funding for critical supplies and support*

Thanks to the Jacksonville Public Education Fund and the Community First Cares Foundation middle school teacher Dayna Yarbrough received nearly \$500 in essential back-to-school supplies for her gifted students. Yarbrough had requested classroom basics through the online funding website, DonorsChoose.com

"As we go into our new school year, having access to many of the basic classroom supplies needed for an interactive Language Arts class is important," Yarbrough said on the website. She requested funds to buy construction paper, crayons, colored pencils, and folders to help her students who couldn't afford them.

"Even having access to tissues and paper towels is key to ensuring the students are able to remain safe while learning," she said.

Yarbrough is one of a total of 87 teachers in 41 schools to receive funds for 123 projects from JPEF and Community First Cares Foundation. The two organizations' partnership replicates a pilot program created last year that created a matching campaign to give funds to local classrooms.

"This partnership continues on a long tradition of collaboration between JPEF and Community First to support Duval County educators," said JPEF President Rachael Tutwiler Fortune. The fundraising campaign will provide \$50,000 in classroom grants to support critical work for students this school year.

"As an organization founded by educators, we are proud to support teachers in our community achieve more in the classroom than traditional funding provide," said Missy Peters, executive director of the Community First Cares Foundation, which is the charitable giving arm of Community First Credit Union.

In addition, the Community First gift will support JPEF's Teacher Leadership initiative which equips Teachers of the Year with best practices to support leadership in schools across Duval County.

  
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# ANIMAL HOUSE

## PET-FRIENDLY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS HELP MORE VICTIMS TO SAFETY



### Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October

BY JULIE KERNS GARMENDIA  
Resident Community News

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and abuse victims with pets are much more likely to seek help, escape a dangerous situation and leave their abuser, if they can bring their pet.

Only approximately 12% of domestic violence shelters accept victims who arrive with pets. Another 24% offer referrals to animal welfare organizations, according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence; many more pet-friendly programs are needed in every state.

In the U.S., roughly two-thirds of all households have at least one pet, according to the Animal Welfare Institute. That statistic combined with the fact that one of every three women and every four men will experience domestic abuse or violence, according to the National Domestic Violence Hotline, shows the critical need for more pet-friendly domestic abuse shelters and programs.

Abusers commonly threaten, mistreat or injure pets, children, seniors or other household members to maintain control of their victim. Victims may be current or former spouses or partners, or other family members. Domestic abuse and violence occurs in all zip codes, across all ages, genders, educational and economic levels, regardless of race, nationality or religion.

Northeast Florida has safe shelter options for domestic violence victims with pets: Jacksonville's Hubbard House, Fleming Island's Quigley House, Fernandina's Micah's Place, and St. Augustine's Betty Griffin House. These domestic violence shelters provide temporary on or off-site housing options for victims' pets. Some county animal control departments and humane societies also offer assistance or referral.

Shelters may co-house pets on-site, or partner with fosters, veterinarians and boarding kennels to temporarily house pets until they can be safely reunited with owners. These programs typically provide veterinary evaluation and any needed treatment for pets of domestic abuse victims.

Just as abusers prevent their human victims from seeking medical care, they also prevent veterinary care for family pets. Abusers know that physicians or veterinarians and staff recognize signs of abuse and will contact police. They also do not want victims to have any opportunity to ask, message or signal for help.

Domestic abuse experts state that victims often delay, or never leave their abusers because of concerns for the safety of pets left behind. In August 2021, approximately half (48%), of domestic violence victims said they would remain in abusive circumstances if they could not bring their pet to shelter with them, according to information gathered by Purina's Purple Leash Project and RedRover Relief programs. For victims of domestic violence, their pets provide unconditional love, emotional support, comfort, companionship, stability and hope for a normal, safe future.

More than 70% of women in domestic violence shelters have reported that their abuser threatened, injured or killed a pet they had to leave behind. Abusers are well aware of the close bond between their victim and pets. They effectively exploit that bond to control, manipulate, frighten or punish their victim.

Purina's Purple Leash Project, founded in 2019, uses purple to represent domestic violence awareness and a leash to symbolize the unbreakable bond between pets and owners. The project's mission is to help keep people and pets together during life crises.

Purina has partnered with the nonprofit RedRover animal emergency rescue organization to create more pet-friendly domestic violence shelters, with at least one in every state and a greater goal of at least 25% of U.S. shelters designated pet-friendly by 2025. Both organizations work to secure federal resources and fund grants for domestic abuse shelters to develop pet policies, foster, kennel and veterinary networks.



RedRover, a nonprofit since 1987, established Relief and Safe Housing Programs to provide grants for domestic violence shelters to build their own pet housing or partner with local organizations. RedRover has funded approximately fifty pet-housing programs at family violence shelters. RedRover's Mission is to help bring owners and pets out of crisis and into care, so they can heal and recover together.

The American Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), reported that one in four domestic violence survivors said they had returned to an abusive partner, out of concern for a pet left behind. The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence reported that domestic violence victims have been known to live in their cars for up to four months, until an opening became available at a pet-friendly safe house or shelter.

The 2020-2021 pandemic lockdown that resulted in long-term at-home, remote work and school, created new domestic abuse situations. Likewise, existing violent or abusive home environments became even more dangerous for victims, families and pets, according to Jennifer Hobgood, ASPCA Senior Director of State Legislation/Southeast Region.

"He told me that if I did not come home and drop the divorce, he would take our big dog downtown and turn him in to the pound," she said. "...and when I refused to come back, but said that I would pick up the dog and find a friend to keep him for me until I could get housing that allowed pets, he then told me that it would be so sad if our little chihuahua accidentally fell into the river." This resident of Avondale shared her story of threats made against her family pets during a bitter separation and divorce, but asked to remain anonymous.

In 2018 the bipartisan Pet & Women Safety Act (PAWS), was passed to prevent threats or violence against the pets of domestic abuse victims. It also established a grant program for organizations that provide

emergency and transitional shelter and housing assistance for domestic violence survivors to care for pets, service and emotional support animals, including horses. It added new law enforcement tools that strengthened the legislation.

Because no domestic abuse victims should have to choose between their safety or the safety of pets if escape is necessary, more than two-thirds of states have passed legislation to allow judges to include pets in domestic violence protection orders, including Florida. A new law, SB 1082, took effect July 1, 2020. That law allows Florida judges to include pets in restraining orders against domestic abusers, so pets may remain with victims. Advocates say their job now is to ensure that domestic violence victims understand legal protections for their pets and how to locate pet-friendly shelters.

Jacksonville's Hubbard House was founded in 1976 and provides safe shelter for domestic abuse victims, families and pets. They are a certified domestic violence center that has answered more than 101,500 hotline calls and sheltered more than 42,900 victims and families.

Hubbard House partners provide safe, off-site shelter for the pets of survivors who are staying at the emergency center. Basic veterinary evaluation and necessary care are also provided for pets.

"We never want anyone to stay in a dangerous situation because they have a pet they are afraid to leave behind," Dr. Gail Patin said. "We fully recognize and honor the fact that pets are part of the family, whether it's a cat, dog or other kind of pet. If someone needs to flee for safety, pets need to come too. If left behind, pets may be neglected or worse. Hubbard House has its own holistic program that is educational and comprehensive. It's called SPEAK for Pets Project (Shelter, Protection, Education, Advocacy & Kinship for Pets). We work with RedRover, Jacksonville Humane Society, or we arrange to place pets with partner fosters

or veterinarians free-of-charge while victims are in our shelter. Pets receive vaccines, spay, neuter or preventive veterinary care while waiting to be reunited with their owners." Dr. Patin is Hubbard House CEO.

"Hubbard House is only here because of the support of the Jacksonville community and our belief is that every person has the right to live violence-free. We're thankful for this caring community and its support," she said. "We have volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups and there is a list of needed items on our website, especially food and hygiene item donations."

Experts recommend that if a domestic abuse victim has a plan to leave the abuser and take a pet, it is important to: have pet vaccinations and licenses in the victim's name to establish ownership; bring any pet vaccinations and medical records, pet license or other documents; if necessary to retrieve pets from the abuser, request help from animal care and control officers or law enforcement. Never attempt to reclaim pets alone from an abuser or a dangerous situation.

Hubbard House will host the 27th Annual Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast in memory of Barbara and all those who have died as victims of domestic violence, on October 5, 2021, at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, 225 East Coastline Drive, from 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Tickets are \$50. Sponsorships start at \$500.

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# Greenscape and Tree Commission partner for shaded escapes at Equestrian Center

*Largest tree planting for partnership to date*



Ribbon cutting with (L-R) City Councilman Randy White, JEC Board Chair Dr. Peggy Fuller, Greenscape Board Chair Kim Bongiovanni, Greenscape Interim Executive Director Lisa Grubba, COJ City Arborist Kathleen McGovern, Greenscape Project Manager Mike Robinson.



Sycamore trees planted by Greenscape at Equestrian Center

The Jacksonville Equestrian Center is home to 101 newly planted trees thanks to Greenscape and the Jacksonville Tree Commission.

The Sycamore, Sabal Palm, Live Oak, Bald Cypress, Red Cedar, and Winged Elm trees will provide shade for the horses and visitors while helping clean the air. The cedar trees have been planted in low-lying areas to help absorb stormwater.

The Tree Commission, established by the City Council, held its first meeting in 2018. It oversees mitigation funds paid to the city by developers to compensate for trees lost to construction. According to the Mayor's office, the fund currently holds about \$22 million.

The Equestrian Center planting is the first by Greenscape in partnership with the commission, it's also the largest such project to date.

Greenscape Board Chair Kim Bongiovanni said the planting will make a profound difference moving forward. "These 101 trees

will eliminate 624,000 pounds of carbon from the atmosphere...and keep 430,000 gallons of water from flowing through the city's drainage system" over the next 25 years, she said.

City of Jacksonville City Arborist Kathleen McGovern said the Equestrian Center was selected for the project because of its lack of shade trees. It also needed some work to make sure the trees would be sustainable. She says the specific trees were selected because they were shown to be the best suited for the area. "We looked around at the surrounding woods and saw what was doing well, like the Sycamores and Live Oaks, and we chose from that palette," she said.

McGovern said they hope to work with more nonprofit organizations to plant more trees around Jacksonville.

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### Isabella Desendi

**Class of 2010, Creative Writing**  
Isabella is a Cuban-Italian poet and educator. Her work has been published in *Narrative*, *Leveler*, *Small Orange*, *Two Peach*, *The Ekphrastic Review*, and *The Grief Diaries*. She was recently a finalist for the 2019 Frontier Digital Poetry Chapbook contest judged by Jericho Brown and a finalist for the June Jordan Fellowship and Narrative Magazine's Annual Poetry Prize. Isabella is the recipient of a New York State Summer Writers Institute Fellowship. She lives in New York City, where she works in finance.

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# Lawn fertilizers are a leading cause of toxic algae blooms

*Meet the Jacksonville startup looking to keep lawns vibrant while protecting local waterways*

The beautiful yards and gardens along the banks of the St. Johns River draw many to Northeast Florida's wonderful neighborhoods, but keeping those yards lush and healthy comes at a price.

No matter where you live in Duval County, runoff from conventional lawn and garden fertilizers eventually washes into the St. Johns River, causing deadly algae blooms that kill multitudes of fish annually. Statewide, the totals reach into the millions of pounds. According to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, these deaths can

be directly attributed to nutrient pollution in stormwater runoff.

Is it possible to keep those lawns and landscapes vibrant without damaging the St. Johns River and her tributaries? That's a question Jeff Meyer and the team at Johnny Appleseed Organic have spent years trying to answer.

The Jacksonville startup believes it has a solution in the form of its new product, ClimateYard™.

"As a long-time Jacksonville resident and a life-long outdoorsman, I have become increasingly concerned about the health of our aquatic ecosystems, which have deteriorated noticeably in my lifetime," Meyer said. "ClimateYard™ is a way for homeowners and other stakeholders to enjoy a beautiful, lush landscape while making a tangible difference in reversing this troubling trend."

ClimateYard™ works by leveraging ancient symbiotic relationships between plants, beneficial bacteria and subterranean fungi to keep yards healthy and vibrant without the



use of environmentally toxic nitrogen fertilizers. By replacing conventional fertilizer with a scientifically proven blend of beneficial bacteria and fungi, ClimateYard™ fixes atmospheric nitrogen in the soil and improves the availability of phosphorus that's already there. And, it's safe for children and pets to be in the yard immediately following application.

Shaped by a unique communal upbringing, Meyer has a special relationship with the

land and a belief that when you work the earth, she gives back. His childhood was spent at his grandmother's side, working the community garden, helping to sustain one of the seven Inspirationist villages in Amana, Iowa. The community gardens and kitchens fed the village.

Anne and Jeff moved to Jacksonville in 1980. By 1987, they were a family of four, with sons Forest and Scott, and living in the Ortega and Avondale areas. Forest, wife Shea and daughter Alice Grace now live in New Orleans. Scott and his wife Lindsay run Congaree and Penn Farm and Mills in northwest Jacksonville.

Meyer's career in active conservation and sustainability pushed him to pursue the same goals in gardening, landscaping and farming. After acquiring genetic rights to the last surviving apple tree planted by John Chapman — the real-life American pioneer behind the Johnny Appleseed legend — he set up Johnny Appleseed Orchards, selling trees propagated from that last tree.

Johnny Appleseed Organic followed with the nation's first Climate Farm™ — a sustainable agricultural project in southern Georgia that

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“As a long-time Jacksonville resident and a life-long outdoorsman, I have become increasingly concerned about the **HEALTH OF OUR AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS**, which have deteriorated noticeably in my lifetime, “ClimateYard™ is a way for homeowners and other stakeholders to **ENJOY A BEAUTIFUL, LUSH LANDSCAPE** while making a tangible difference in reversing this troubling trend.”

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# THE WAY WE WERE

## Saundra & Bob Kidd

BY MARY WANSEER  
Resident Community News

They are a couple who came to Jacksonville and didn't leave, who raised a family with sports and church at its center, and whose love has taken them around the globe and back again.

They are Saundra and Bob Kidd of Ortega. Saundra Bozeman Kidd is originally from Montgomery, Alabama where she grew up with two brothers. "I'm the oldest but don't admit it," she said. She graduated from the University of Alabama with a master's degree in mathematics and came down to Florida to visit a girlfriend, Carol Perpall, a former classmate from Huntingdon College. While in Jacksonville for the weekend, Saundra learned there was a shortage of math teachers in the area. She decided to take a position here, changing her original plan of moving to Atlanta, Georgia to teach.

Bob Kidd was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and grew up in St. Louis, Missouri as the big brother to one sister. He came to Jacksonville in May 1968 to join a squadron as a Navy P-3 pilot. "I was the one who was here legitimately. She was just here on a visit when we met," he said, and they both chuckled.

Saundra and Bob met in February 1970 at a social event at Naval Air Station Jacksonville Officers Club. Stars and Bars, as it was called back then, was a Saturday night opportunity for bachelor officers and eligible young ladies to "what kids would call today 'hook up,'" Bob explained.

After their first meeting, Bob would make excuses to see Saundra again and again. A good one was that Carol had a piano in her home where Saundra was staying, and Bob liked to practice his musical talents. But then, his squadron deployed to Spain. Carol and Saundra decided to take a month-long trip to Europe. In Madrid, Bob and Saundra were engaged.

They returned to Jacksonville, but within months, Bob was sent by the Navy to Sicily. Before he left, he married Saundra on October 10, 1970 in a chapel on what was then called Cecil Field. Today, it's where the POW/MIA Memorial & Museum is located. The chapel still stands and is called Chapel of the High-Speed Pass. In it is a pew that bears the Kidds' names.

Just as she had followed him to Spain, Saundra followed Bob to Italy. They lived there for six months after honeymooning



Kidd family cooking breakfast at St. Mark's, 2018; Left to Right Back: Bob, Saundra, Andy, Katie, Tiffany (Post), and Shaun (Post); Left to Right Front: Maggie and Emily

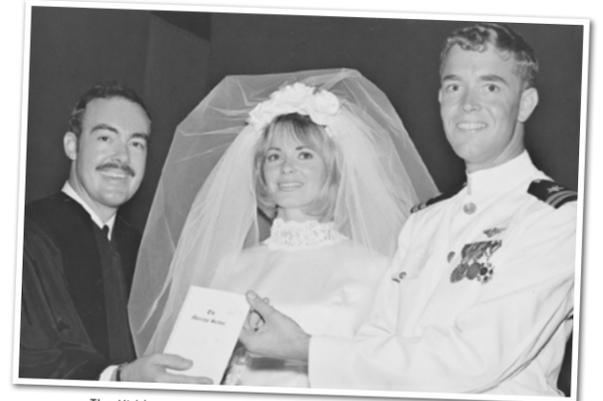
in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. When Bob's naval duty was done there, they returned to Jacksonville before his next transfer, to Maryland this time for a couple of years.

In 1973, Bob left active military duty as a lieutenant. He and Saundra came back again to Jacksonville, started a family, and have remained here to this day. They began in Ortega in a condo behind Roosevelt Square. They bought a house on Ortega Forest Drive in November 1977, a month prior to the birth of their first child, and have not yet left.

Saundra gave birth to both of their children, Tiffany and Andy, at St. Vincent's Hospital. Raising them, Bob said, "was probably a lot

easier then than it is now. We didn't have anything like COVID."

"It was a quieter time in Jacksonville," Saundra said. There were fewer restaurants and half as many hospitals, more open spaces where kids would run and play.



The Kidds with Rev. Bob Hubbard, Navy chaplain, Oct. 10, 1970



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Saundra and Bob Kidd overlooking Jerusalem, 2011

“It was so simple back then. Jacksonville was not a really big metropolitan-type city like we’re becoming now,” Bob said. He recalled flying from the Naval Air Station toward the Atlantic over miles of undeveloped land that is now all filled in and bustling.

Saundra misses the days of going to Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park out at the beach and camping as a young family. Most of their time, however, was spent on sports. Their children played three sports each, and both earned 11 letters at Episcopal School. Tiffany played volleyball, softball, and soccer. Andy played soccer, football, and baseball. Saundra reminisced about many Friday nights—the family leaving a football field in Jacksonville and driving to Orlando to spend the night for a soccer competition early the next morning because Andy played on a travelling team. Today, their son is the athletic director at Episcopal.



Saundra and Bob with children Tiffany and Andy, 1982

As the children were growing, Bob often coached their teams; five were for basketball through the YMCA. “I had never played soccer in my life, but I coached 10 soccer teams,” he said. Unlike today when many school coaches are on salary, back then, these were volunteer positions through the Ortega Stockton Athletic Association (OSAA). The games were held mainly at John Stockton and Venetia Elementary Schools. The Kidds noted how today’s children’s sports are played on gigantic fields and it’s a business. Then, it was an activity. “The kids just had fun. It wasn’t nearly as intense as it is now,” Bob said.

When he wasn’t having fun on the field as a coach, Bob was pursuing his military career. He had joined the Navy Reserves as a captain until his 1989 retirement. Simultaneously, with a degree in journalism, he did a brief stint with the Florida Times-Union before working seven years in the communications field at St. Vincent’s. In 1980, Bob earned an MBA degree at the University of North Florida. From there, “I decided to hang out my own shingle doing public relations, marketing, and publishing,” he said. Bob retired in 2015.

As a family, the Kidds considered St. Mark’s Episcopal Church in Ortega their home church for 42 years. After working for 27 years in the insurance business, first with Prudential and then with Aetna, Saundra was ordained as a deacon in May 2016 and assigned to St. Mark’s. “I always felt that calling, but it wasn’t until I had met Bob that I became an Episcopalian and fell in love with the church. Before that, I was an Alabama Baptist,” she said, unlike Bob who calls himself “a cradle Episcopalian.”

Saundra has made seven mission trips with St. Mark’s, and Bob has made two. They taught vacation bible school at St. Mark’s sister church, St. Mary’s, in Itabo, a little town in Cuba.

In June 2020, Saundra was transferred to St. John’s Cathedral downtown, where she serves today in outreach and pastoral care. To support his wife in her re-assignment, Bob is now a parishioner there, although their grown children still attend St. Mark’s. Bob was a member of the West Jacksonville Rotary for 42 years, and he is a new member of the Riverside Rotary. He is also past president and current board member of the Jacksonville Council of the Navy League, having been with the organization for over two decades.

Saundra and Bob’s enthusiasm for sports did not end once their children were grown. In fact, as a family, the Kidds were Jaguars season ticket holders for the first 25 years



Bob and Saundra Kidd in Pisa, Italy, 2005

Abigail, Isabella, Maximus, and Gracie. Tiffany and her husband live just one mile away. Andy, his wife, and their two daughters live not much farther away than that. “That makes it real easy,” Bob said. He and Saundra get to see all of them often. Their granddaughters, now 10 and 13, are both involved in three sports, just as their dad and aunt had been—soccer, volleyball, and basketball.

October 10, 2021 marks Saundra and Bob’s 51st wedding anniversary. When asked the secret of the longevity of their marriage, Bob shared his personal philosophy—that because their own parents had stayed together, that became the expectation for them. Neither of them had ever experienced divorce; there was not a lot of that back in the 70s when they married. “Have there been rough spots? Sure, with both of us working and raising kids,” Bob admitted. “But if you believe what you say when you give your wedding vows, you’re gonna give it everything you got,” he said.

Saundra agreed and added, “Just remember to talk to each other. Well, not so much to talk, but to listen and to understand. Respect differences,” she said.

“And learn when to declare a time out, when you’re just not understanding,” Bob concluded.

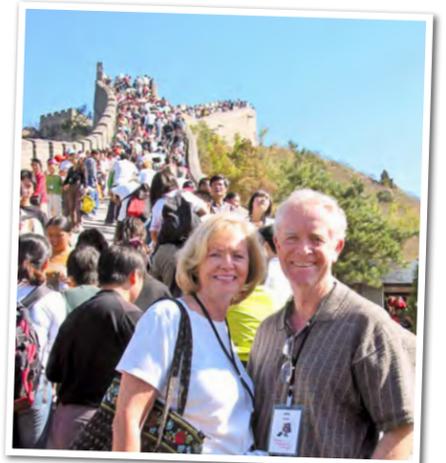


The Kidds on Easter Sunday, 1988

since the team’s inception in 1995. Bob admitted to their being “gluttons for punishment,” following the Jaguars, but they have enjoyed many tailgate parties with friends.

Family, sports, and church have been mainstays in Saundra and Bob’s life together. Travelling is another thread woven into their tapestry. They had taken a few cruises with their son and daughter when they were young, but it wasn’t until their children were grown and on their own that Saundra and Bob began taking frequent trips abroad, sometimes two or three per year. They’ve been to Italy, China, Russia, Australia, New Zealand, and the list goes on. But all of that was done pre-pandemic.

These days, Saundra and Bob’s home remains as active as ever. They have three dogs and one cat, all with people names:



Saundra and Bob on the Great Wall of China outside Beijing, 2006



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**BETSY BOARD**

**BY PEGGY HARRELL JENNINGS**  
Resident Community News

Although she hails from New Bedford, Massachusetts, Betsy Board says she has “morphed into somebody who loves shrimp and grits” which is understandable since she has lived in Jacksonville since the 1970’s. Her amusing and convoluted tale involves attending the College of the Virgin Islands in the late 1960’s majoring in French when a “good looking jet pilot named Bob Board who had just left the navy (NAS Jax) came into St. Thomas on his sailboat.” He frequented the bookstore where Betsy worked — always looking for books on photography. As Board said, “He mentioned that he was taking his boat to Puerto Rico for an overhaul and asked if I wanted to go along.” She laughed, “Well, it was the 60’s and I thought “Why Not?” It was sort of the equivalent of “hey little girl wanna’ go for a sail?” sort of thing.”

Betsy and Bob sailed throughout the Virgin Islands, the Grenadines, “everywhere in between” then sailed through life together, living on a “tiny 30-foot wooden ketch name “Reiver” (which means gypsy or scalawag) on the Ortega River for about 3 years then moved into their home in Fairfax or “Avontega” as Betsy calls it. Unfortunately, Bob passed away 7 years ago. The lively, witty Betsy recalls that she enjoyed trying to make her husband laugh. Since he rarely smiled, she called him “Stone Face.” He must have smiled frequently under his moustache because Betsy is so entertaining, insightful, interesting, and funny. As she said, “My life just changed after Bob passed on. It just stopped. Everything changes when that happens. It’s a whole different ballgame.”

She volunteered for Learn to Read, pursued studying guitar with Arvid Smith but found it, like reading, a solitary

activity. Always interested in art and artists, particularly the masters – Rembrandt, da Vinci, Durer - she remarked, “I’m so vanilla. I like almost all art and appreciate it, for the vision or execution, but my work is representational. The French phrase “Je vois” means to see and the phrase “Je regard” means to look and appreciate but not particularly want to have it on your wall.” She started classes at Murray Hill Art Center with William McMahan and stated, “No one is more surprised than I am about my art.” She is a member of the Jacksonville Artists Guild, the Art League, and the Ortega River Club where she joins the “Porch Peaches” – Cindy Milam, Denise Jolly and Dorothy Marsh among others, for libations and fellowship and a great deal of jocularly. She also enjoys gardening “when it’s not 1,000 degrees outside.”

Betsy is a voracious reader - about 200 books a year - plus, magazines, newspapers, menus, and cookbooks. She recently managed to clear out her collection of over 200 cookbooks. (although saved a few.) She laments the lack of having gatherings so she can prepare one of her artfully arranged charcuterie boards filled with delectable hors d’ oeuvres and use her extensive collection of dinnerware. Besides cooking, reading, doing art she feeds a few outdoor cats – Hot lips and Kramer to name a couple — then there’s her inside cat Special Ed. She adopted Ed when she was working for Charles Perry Company. “He was a stray; then he would come into the building; finally, he spent most of his days on my desk and I finally took him home.” Betsy retired from the company 5 years ago after 27 years as the five feet tall “Princess of Power.” She worked with manufacturing representatives, did trouble shooting for hydraulic steering systems for boats, managed the warehouse and sometime drove the forklift if a part came in and the guys were out

“ You never know what is coming around the corner. I LOVE MEETING PEOPLE and learning about DIVERSE CULTURES, BELIEFS, LIVES. Like in my art class – we may all look at the exact same thing – but we interpret it differently.”

— Betsy Board

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to lunch. “Remember,” she said, “This was back in the day when we wore dresses to work!” She stated that she is a nicer person since she retired. Working in an almost all male environment she had to be assertive (and drive a forklift in a skirt.) Now she considers herself the “Princess of Procrastination.”

Betsy is an enthusiastic fan of the television program “Yellowstone,” anything that is “wonderfully snarky” and is known to slow down near the end of an enjoyable book because she regrets leaving the characters who have become like old friends. She has eclectic tastes – likes “quirky and whimsical” and enjoys all kinds of music – rock, opera, classical - but jazz not so much. She quipped jokingly, “I find it disturbing. I’m wondering “Why did they stick that xylophone in the middle of that?”

Betsy has a ready wit and a philosophical approach to life. One of her favorite singer/philosophers is Willie Nelson. In his song “Not something you get Over, just something you get Through” he says, “Life is just a sad, sad song.” For Betsy there have been sad times. But she goes forward saying, “We all just do what we have to do. You never know what is coming around the corner. I love meeting people and learning about diverse cultures, beliefs, lives. Like in my art class - we may all look at the exact same thing – but we interpret it differently.”

Betsy does what she must do to get through life with grace, kindness, a grateful spirit, and a quirky sense of humor which bring joy to those around her.

# LAFOND DEBUTS IMPACTFUL EXHIBIT, SOLO WORK AT UNF ART GALLERY

BY SUSAN D. BRANDENBURG  
Resident Community News

Sculptor LaFond (Diane Insetta), a Lakewood resident, has created a monumental and heart-wrenching work titled “The Dehumanization of Man.” The sculpture dramatically memorializes the horror of the Holocaust, the mass murder of Jewish people under the German Nazi regime during the period of 1941-1945. More than 6 million European Jews as well as other persecuted groups such as Romani, homosexual people and disabled people, were murdered at concentration camps such as Auschwitz and Dachau.

Few people today have personal memories of that terrible time in history, but the stark reality of it can be seen and viscerally experienced when LaFond’s sculpture is exhibited from October 7th through November 12th at the University of North Florida Gallery of Art.

LaFond’s husband, Victor Insetta, visited Dachau several years ago while on a business trip through Western Europe. Although he had seen photos and documentaries on the Nazi concentration camps, nothing prepared him for being there. “We were at the source of this killing factory,” said Insetta. “The most horrifying part of Dachau to me was that some evil, heartless mastermind created a process to efficiently mass murder men, women and children ... all innocent, all non-combatants.”

Insetta’s eyes were the inspiration for LaFond’s sculpture. When she met him at the airport after his visit to Dachau, she recalls that “Victor’s eyes, normally filled with light, were dark and lifeless. I asked what happened and he said, ‘Dachau.’ Immediately, the vision of the Holocaust group sculpture came into my mind.”

For years, the maquette (her small preliminary model of the now life-size sculpture) was in LaFond’s studio, seldom seen by others. Once, when she exhibited the maquette at an art show at the JCA (Jewish Community Alliance), a Holocaust survivor wept when she saw it. “How you know what is like in camp?” she asked LaFond, in a heavily accented voice.

The artist, compassionate, sensitive, and insightful, recalls her loss of innocence at 8 years old when she saw photographs of Nazi concentration camps in “Life Magazine.”

UNF Gallery Director and Instructor Jennifer Borusky notes that “it will be important for viewers to spend dedicated time at the gallery and form their own opinions and feelings about the artwork, to consider the role of history in our present time, and to reflect on how certain global events can shape our individual ideas of community and interconnectedness.”

For LaFond, her deepest hope is that her sculpture will contribute to a collective and personal awareness of the dark side that resides in mankind, “so we can choose to guard against such atrocities in the future by remembering our past.”

The opening reception for the LaFond Solo Exhibition, featuring her large sculpture, text installations and video content from her long and vibrant career in Jacksonville will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on October 7th at the UNF Art Gallery.

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Diane sculpting one of the eagles now at Memorial Park in Riverside

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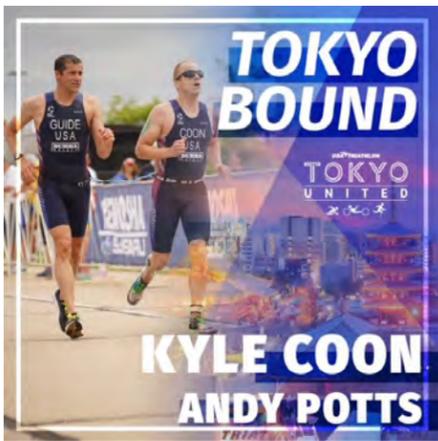
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# Paralympic athlete with local ties defies odds



BY MARY WANSEER  
Resident Community News

Kyle Coon, who grew up in Ortega Forest, represented the United States in the recent Tokyo 2020 Games, completing the Para Triathlon. Alongside his guide, Andy Potts, Coon swam .47 miles, biked 12.4 miles, and ran 3.1 miles.

“My first @paralympics were certainly an experience. The result wasn’t indicative of my capabilities but we learned so much and @teamusa came away with 3 golds and 2 silvers,” Coon posted on social media.

Coon was born in Chicago in November 1991. At 10 months of age, he was diagnosed with cancer in both eyes, a condition known as bilateral sporadic retinoblastoma. At that time, he was the youngest of two with an older

sister named Cassandra. Eight months later, his younger sister Kelsey was born.

For nearly seven years after his diagnosis, Coon went through cancer treatment from Pennsylvania to Illinois to Florida. His parents chose for their son the best treatments available to preserve vision by combatting tumors in the eyes. But those tumors had been dropping seeds. The only way to save his life was to remove his eyes. Shortly before his fifth birthday, Coon lost his left eye. By seven years old, Coon had lost his right eye. His youngest sister, Caitlin, has never known her brother to have sight.

When Coon was two years old and in the midst of treatment, his retired Marine father, Steven, took a job transfer related to warehouse management with Bubba Burger; and the family of five moved to Jacksonville. Kyle attended Fishweir Elementary in their visual impairment program and always remained active despite his vision loss. He was a Boy Scout. He rode a tandem bike with his dad. He liked to rock climb. He skied and wrestled. And he loved basketball. “Being from Chicago, he was a huge Michael Jordan fan,” his mother, Ann Marie, said.

The Coons called Ortega United Methodist their church home. There, the young family met several supportive friends. Among them were Gayle Runion and her mom, Annette Hemingway. They watched Coon grow up in Jacksonville. They were also instrumental in setting up for him a family trip out west to see the mountains before he lost his sight completely. “We were trying to fill him with visual experiences,” Ann Marie said. But the Coons were under

financial hardship at that time, understandable when faced with a long, expensive childhood illness. Runion and Hemingway stepped up to help before the boy’s second major surgery. “[He] had the surgery that took his sight but not his spirit. Remarkable young man!” Runion said of Coon.

Through his father’s membership in the Rotary Club of Jacksonville, Coon was introduced in 1999 to Erik Weihenmayer, a world-class blind athlete. Weihenmayer became a role model for the young boy who had recently gone totally blind and was filled with questions related to how he could still go outside and play with his friends. Over the years, Coon would learn to do oh so much more than that.

In 2006, Coon hiked the Anascocha Trail into Machu Picchu. In 2007, he summited Mt. Kilimanjaro. In 2013, he graduated with a bachelor’s degree in communication from the University of Central Florida. In 2016, Coon’s family moved to the mountains of Colorado while he trained as an endurance athlete to compete in marathons and triathlons.

In 2018, he completed Race Across America as a tandem cyclist, racing from California to Maryland in a week. Later that year, he became the first totally blind person to complete an IRONMAN-branded triathlon in under 11 hours. In 2019, he moved to the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. From there, he did some training in Kona, Hawaii prior to competing in Tokyo in the Paralympic Triathlon.

In addition to being a well-rounded athlete and a Paralympian, Coon is a published author.



Potts and Coon after the swim portion of the race

Earlier this year, he released his first book, an autobiography entitled *Discovering a Life without Limits* published by Walnut Street. It tells of how cancer took his sight, blindness gave him vision, and the mountains let him live. In his book, Coon acknowledges the doctors and nurses at Wolfson Children’s Hospital for the role they played in his story of triumph.

Coon is also a public speaker. He addresses audiences around the world about the importance of having vision in life, pursuing dreams, and overcoming obstacles.

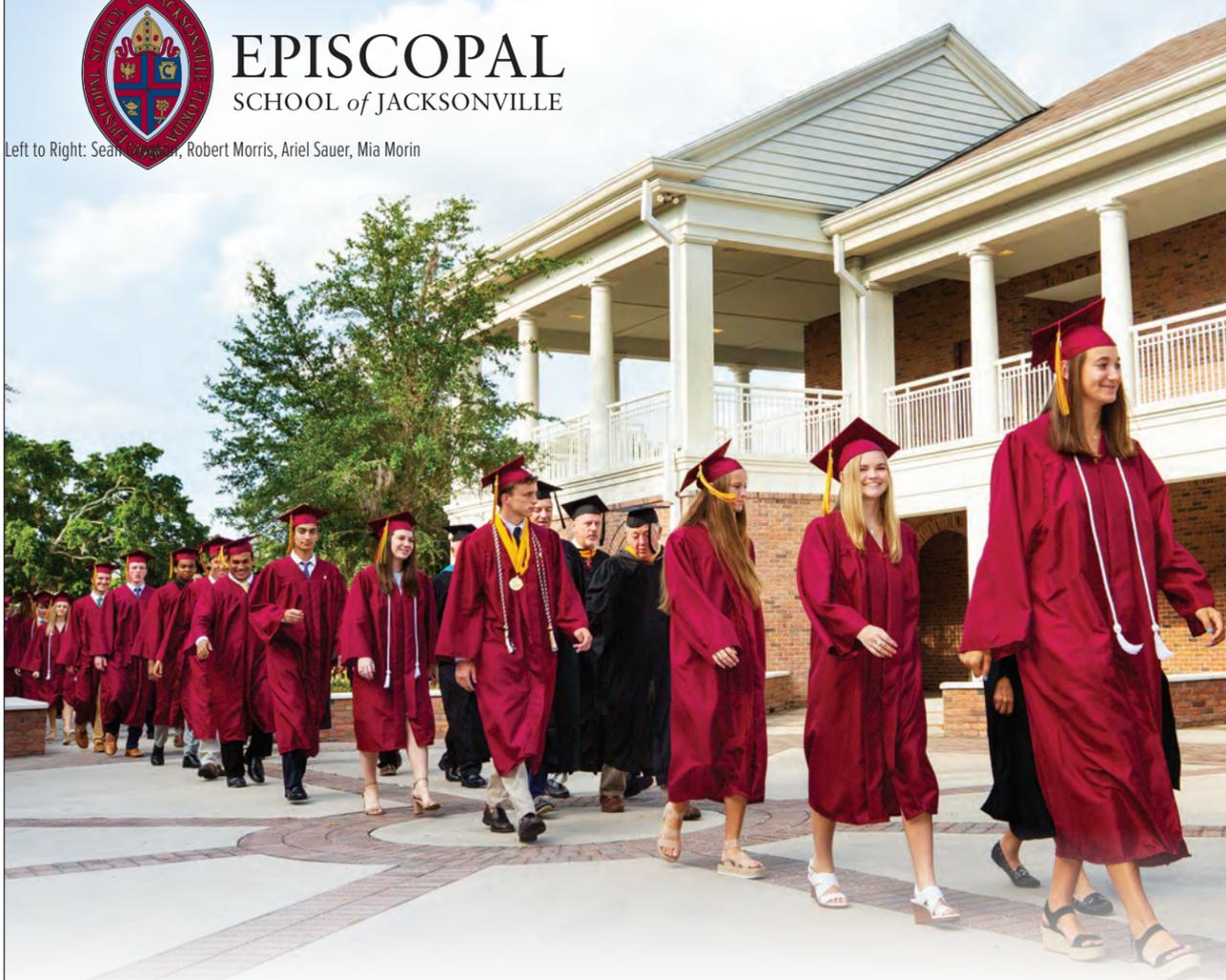
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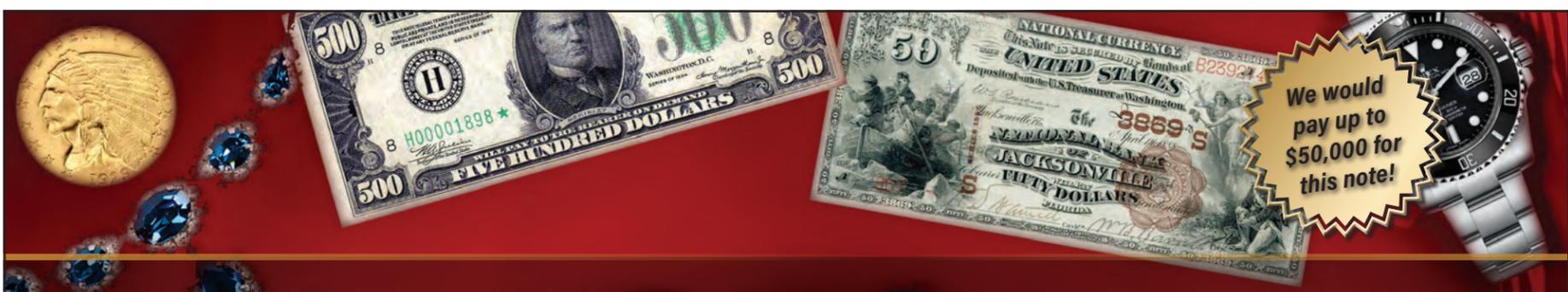
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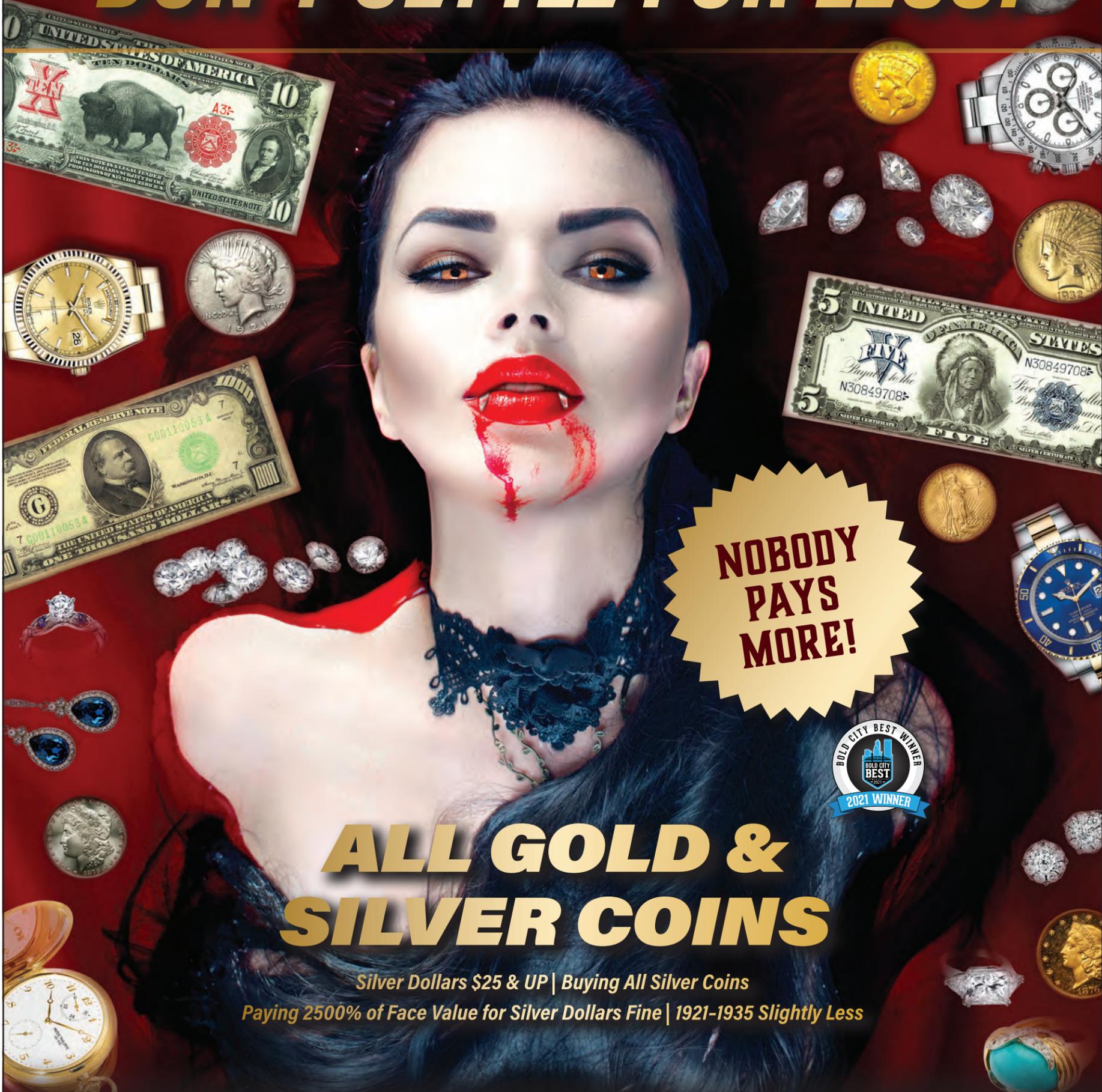
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# JUNIOR RESIDENTS



Lenny Banovez, guest artist at Douglas Anderson

## Guest artist visits Douglas Anderson, shares tips and industry knowledge

Theatre students at Douglas Anderson School of the Arts workshopped for two days last month with guest artist Lenny Banovez.

Seniors crafted their college audition pieces and auditioned for summer internships through Hope Summer Repertory Theatre in Michigan and the off-Broadway Titan Theatre Company. Banovez serves as the artistic director of both stages.

“Talent is subjective. My personal opinion is that this is easily the highest-level high school I’ve been to,” Banovez said.

Banovez coached and suggested small adjustments while still giving the actors freedom to make their own choices. The students learned how a simple hand movement or a focus change can completely transform a performance.

“Something really important that I took away from this workshop is that no matter how much you think a piece would work, there’s always further to go,” said Nina Simone-Diaz, a senior in Musical Theatre.

Performance Theatre senior Haley Renault spoke of how Banovez’s coaching helped her experience with stage nerves.

Banovez spent the last few minutes of each class answering questions about college and his theatre career. He informed the students that those who wish to go into theatre must be willing to make that commitment. “You gotta love it. Happiness is more important than anything else,” he told them.



Lenny Banovez with Nina Simone-Diaz



Lenny Banovez with Jessica Coleman

## RPDS’s author-in-residence program inspires young readers and writers

Riverside Presbyterian Day School hosted acclaimed author Carmen Agra Deedy as its 2021 author-in-residence on Sept. 20. Deedy is the author of 12 children’s books, including 14 Cows for America, a New York Times Bestseller, and The Rooster Who Would Not be Quiet!, a Florida Sunshine State Young Reader Award nominee, among others. Her personal stories first appeared on NPR’s “All Things Considered” and are culled from her childhood as a Cuban refugee living in Decatur, Ga. She is host of the four-time Emmy-winning children’s program, “Love That Book!” Deedy shared her stories with students in kindergarten through sixth grade and inspired them to create their own stories.

Since 2017, RPDS has with publishers such as Little, Brown and Company, Scholastic and Peachtree Publishers to invite authors and illustrators whose works have received such honors as the Newbery Honor Medal, Caldecott Honor Medal, Coretta Scott King Award and National Book Award Finalist. The speakers deliver lively presentations to the children that both excites them to read as well encourages them to write and illustrate their own stories. In addition, the authors share cultural



Acclaimed children’s author Carmen Agra Deedy presents to RPDS students in the school’s annual author-in-residence program.

experiences which help expand students’ worldview. They are given the opportunity to purchase a personalized book from the author.



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# Eagle Scouts Contribute to the Community



Jackson Silver, Nathan Brewer, Bobbie Brewer, Connor Barry (Eagle Scout Troop 522 alumnus)

**BY PEGGY HARRELL JENNINGS**  
Resident Community News

Becoming an Eagle Scout is not for the fainthearted. Scouts applying for Eagle status must complete a detailed workbook for their community service proposal and present it to the local scoutmaster for review. It then goes to a committee and the district advancement team for approval after which the scout will have to initiate fund raising, buy materials, setting dates, getting volunteer helpers, and completing the project.

As Bobbie Brewer, committee chairperson for Boy Scout Troop 522 explained, “It takes hours of preparation and lots of paperwork. Before and after photographs are taken, costs of

materials are tallied, hours spent by each scout and volunteer must be recorded — even the cost of lunches or snacks provided for volunteers.”

Once the project is completed the scout has an interview process and the work is sent to the national organization — the Eagle Board of Review — for authentication. Local scouts from Troop 522 which has been meeting at Ortega Church for many years, have been busy with multiple projects. Nathan Brewer, a scout since first grade, has completed building Little Free Libraries at Celestial Farms, NOLA Baseball field and Ortega Church. In mid-October he will receive a pin, patch, certificate, ID card and letter from the governor at a Ceremony of Honor for his achievement.

Other scouts from Troop 522 led by Troop Leader Jim Steele, include Jackson Stellers and Michael Silver who have been busy working

towards their Eagle status as well. Jackson, under the sponsorship of FOS (Friends of Stockton) saw the need for lattice to be placed underneath 6 portable buildings at Stockton Elementary School to keep the children from climbing under the buildings to recover last balls during PE and playtime. His dad remarked that it took around 50 hours of planning and his team spent 8 hours installing the lattice work. “Since Jackson attended Stockton, it is full circle. He spent a lot of time making sure the project was aesthetically pleasing and structurally sound.”

Michael Silver looked outward for a school to help and found a need at Plantation Oaks where his aunt is the new principal. He and his team built 3 picnic tables at his parent’s home then delivered them to the school to serve the needs of Special Education kids to use for outdoor studying, lunches, and social distancing activities.

Scoutmaster Jim Steele said, “our troop is very successful in preparing the boys to reach their goal. Only a small percentage of scouts persevere to complete the requirements and earn the rank of Eagle. There are so many distractions as they get older — sports, driving, schoolwork — so it is hard to stay focused and gain the prize. I am really proud of them. They do the work, I’m just here to cheer them on.”

In 2019 Female Boy Scout Troop 9465 was founded at Ortega Church under the leadership of Sean Deese. As former scout leader for Troop 522, Deese was able to guide his son and now he is guiding 20 young women, including his daughter, in becoming more self-reliant, more confident, and socially conscious. Deese pointed out that the 2019 date for establishing the female troop was the

100th anniversary of Women’s Suffrage. He said, “It’s a sign of how far we have come. As leaders and as followers the young women learn of opportunities now available for girls and women and become dedicated community stewards.” The troop is excited to have their first female Eagle Scout Lillian Bodin. Scoutmaster Deese remarked, “Lillian is phenomenal. She was highly motivated to achieve her Eagle rank and completed the requirements in only 2 years. Her project beneficiary was Jacksonville City Parks. She and her team built and installed 10 bat boxes in area parks. The boxes give homes to the bats who keep down the mosquito and bug population.”

Pastor Art McClellan noted that the church community “is amazed and proud of the number of scouts who, through their hard work and the encouragement of troop leaders and family, have earned the rank of Eagle Scout.”



Lillian Bodin installing bat boxes alongside her grandfather, Charles Parker.

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# West Riverside Elementary starts off a great year

Masked up, socially distanced, and ready to learn, the students and staff of West Riverside Elementary School are off to a great start of the '21-'22 term.

Their school year began with welcoming a new principal, Ms. Talya Taylor, who quickly won the hearts of all.

The parent-teacher association (PTA) purchased new filtered water bottle filling stations that are now installed throughout the school and, for every student, a personal water bottle. Proceeds from last year's Virtual Fall Festival were used, helping the children stay safely hydrated throughout the day.

Community supporters pulled through—Southern Roots Filling Station and Maple Street Biscuit Company supplied first-day-of-school coffee and treats for the teachers, and Whit's Frozen Custard of Avondale played a role in the school's recent Spirit Night.

"With so much uncertainty last year, the students of West Riverside Elementary are very happy to be back on campus and feeling some sense of normalcy," said Dr. Andrew Schmidt, Vice President of the school's PTA. He also said that the PTA looks forward to continuing its support of the school, the staff, and the students to help make this a great year.



West Riverside Elementary student enjoying new water system

# Stockton Elementary expands cultural programming, forms student council



John Stockton Elementary builds on to its list of clubs and committees this year to provide students with a more well-rounded and involved year despite the pandemic.

The Multicultural committee, including teachers from throughout the school, is an exciting addition. Teachers and staff will be working on spreading cultural awareness throughout the campus. This month is Hispanic Heritage month, and the campus is a-glow with artistic examples of prominent Hispanic people. Students read quotes and relay interesting facts on the Dolphin Morning Show that highlight the culture.

Student clubs have been expanded with Student Council. Students in this club are excited to be the pioneers. They will be working on ways to serve the community, school, and their family

and friends. Student Council will provide students with leadership and service skills.

Student Council joins a long list of clubs already put into place at Stockton. Things like TOTs, or Teachers of Tomorrow, which provides a group of students the ability to assist teachers in the morning. Anchored4Life is another integral part of Stockton's military community that also provides leadership skills and community building in addition to providing support to students who transition from place to place due to military obligations.

With the integration of the Multicultural Committee and Student Council, John Stockton Elementary is creating an environment that makes sure all students have an opportunity to be successful outside of the classroom as well as feeling included and seen.

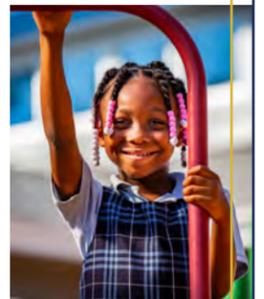
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## St. Johns announces four National Merit Scholarship semifinalists



Left to Right: Sean Gregson, Robert Morris, Ariel Sauer, Mia Morin

St. Johns Country Day School announced that four of its seniors have been chosen as semi-finalists in the 67th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. They are Sean Gregson of Fleming Island, Mia Morin of Orange Park, Robert Morris of Orange Park, and Ariel Sauer of Jacksonville. This is the most from any one school in the Jacksonville area.

"I'm very proud of each of these students. They've worked hard over many years to achieve this recognition, and it's very well-deserved," said Head of School Valorie Baker.

"Only one percent of high school seniors nationwide achieve this recognition, so

these four Spartans have a lot to be proud of," said Director of College Counseling Caroline Morris.

They are four of approximately 16,000 students who were named by officials of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. As semifinalists, they now can continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$30m that will be offered next spring. To be considered for an award, performance on standardized exams, participation in school and community activities, and demonstration of leadership abilities are just a few of the qualification specifications.

## Piper Davis, fourth grader, leads Afghan relief effort

Piper Davis, fourth grader at Hendricks Avenue Elementary, led an Afghan relief effort. She collected monetary donations from classmates to buy personal and household items for refugee families who are resettling in Jacksonville.

At the beginning of the school year, Davis was assigned the role of "Community Outreach Leader." Many of her ideas for leading the class in reaching out to the community and helping a cause were not possible due to COVID protocols. Activities such as bake sales and lemonade stands are currently restricted. So, Davis thought bigger than that.

She heard in a service at River City Church about a local nonprofit organization, Lutheran Social Services of Northeast Florida (LSS), that helps refugee communities. Her mom, Leighton Davis, contacted LSS directly to get a list of refugee families' needs. But again, due to pandemic restrictions, Davis would not be allowed to collect in the classroom physical items from fellow students. But what she could do was collect money from them to be used toward the purchase of new items that could then be donated to LSS to help support their local efforts. Davis thought this would be a great first project for her class! Her teachers, Joy Kettel and Patricia Henderson, agreed.

"Students were encouraged to do chores to earn their own money for donations."



Piper Davis

said Leighton Davis. And that they did. Together, the class raised over \$1,000.

With the assistance of her mom, a teacher, and a classmate, Davis went shopping. As most refugees arrive with nothing more than the clothes on their backs, the list was long. It consisted of basic wardrobe items like underwear and socks, household items like towels and soap, and games and toys for children. What the class is most proud of purchasing are two Chromebooks, which had been requested by two Afghan women who desire to learn English online so that they can get jobs.

In addition to collecting monetary donations, Davis and her classmates created welcome notes to be given to the arriving Afghan children along with the purchased supplies that were dropped off at LSS.

LSS is assisting the refugee community by setting them up in furnished apartments. There is a need for new or slightly used furniture, including mattresses, that, for now, is beyond what Davis and her fourth-grade class can help supply. Residents looking to assist can contact Laura Cook via the LSS website: [www.LSSJAX.org](http://www.LSSJAX.org).

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**Jacob Skiles**  
*Class of 2016, Instrumental*  
Since graduating from DA, Jacob has studied piano under 1997 Van Cliburn silver medalist, Yakov Kasman at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). In 2018, Jacob made his orchestral debut performing with the National Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine and had the opportunity to give a recital in the historic house of Romanian composer George Enescu. During his college career, Jacob participated in and won numerous solo and Concerto competitions in Alabama. In addition to his piano studies, he conducted research on mathematical analyses of rhythm in Baroque dance forms as part of his involvement in the Science and Technology Honors Program at UAB. Since graduating from UAB in spring of 2020, Jacob will be continuing his studies at Florida State University, pursuing a Masters in Piano Performance with a graduate assistantship in teaching.

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## Ellen Josephine McGehee Cavert

JUNE 30, 1920 - AUGUST 4, 2021

Sometimes one life has a long-lasting reach into the lives of future generations. This is true of the life and legacy of Ellen Josephine McGehee Cavert, 101, who passed away on Aug. 4, 2021. Her volunteer leadership touched thousands of lives of children and families in our region. Most notably, as founder of The Women's Board of Wolfson Children's Hospital, she inspired women to work together to collectively raise millions of dollars for pediatric care at Wolfson Children's Hospital. Cavert served as president and then chairman emeritus over a 49-year period.

In 1972, Cavert's eight-day-old granddaughter, Abbie, died at Wolfson Children's Hospital because the facility did not have the proper equipment to care for the needs of critically ill newborns. Cavert's daughter, Ray Martin, had given birth months prematurely to twin girls. At the time, Wolfson had no neonatal equipment to support even one premature infant, let alone two. After Abbie died, her twin, Annie, was transported in an incubator in the back of her parents' station wagon to Shands Hospital in Gainesville, where she received the lifesaving care she needed for the next four months before finally coming home.

Determined no other family would have to experience such a loss, Cavert gathered 40 women she knew had a heart for children, and The Women's Board of Wolfson Children's Hospital was born. Caro Powell shared her recollection: "I shall remember always that meeting in Ellen's living room where she shared her story of pain and loss, her vision for a cutting-edge children's hospital, and her goal to raise funds to ensure it would become a reality. In



Ellen Cavert, 2014

a morning filled with passion and enthusiasm, The Women's Board was formed. Walking out, Joannie Stein Newton turned to me and said, 'Do you realize we just launched a dream?'"

The Women's Board's mission is to raise funds and awareness so every sick child who enters Wolfson's doors can have access to the best healthcare possible. Under Cavert's leadership, The Women's Board established two well-known events – the annual Art and Antiques Show and the Florida Forum, with proceeds from both benefiting Wolfson Children's Hospital.

Recently retired Baptist Health CEO Hugh Greene said: "Ellen Cavert was steadfast and immovable in her commitment to children through all these years. The depth of her devotion emanated from her faith. The first time I met with her more than 30 years ago she began the meeting by asking if she could pray. To my surprise, she got down on her knees, reached for my hand and prayed for me in my new role and then, of course, for the children at Wolfson."

Karen Wolfson, whom Ellen mentored, said: "I really loved Ellen. Knowing a person whose life work is God-inspired and directed is remarkable because of the direction, confidence and encouragement she always instilled in others. Ellen was the master teacher of choosing Joy and Hope as life guideposts. No job, especially for babies and children, was ever too much, and Ellen's faith, strength, love and persistence were gifts to all of us."

To commemorate her nearly five decades of committed service and leadership, The Women's Board established the Cavert Legacy Society and Endowment.

At the age of 95 Cavert was the 2015 recipient of the Times-Union's EVE Lifetime Achievement Award for her contribution to children's healthcare throughout Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia. Her enduring contribution to our region's families was recognized at the national level as well. In 1991 she was presented with the Jefferson Award by the American Institute for Public Service in Washington, D.C.

Moved by her mother's premature death from cancer, she served on the American Cancer Society executive board for decades and on the boards of the YWCA, Young Life and Jacksonville Garden Club. As founding members of the San Jose Church of Christ, she and her husband led during the initial design and construction of the original church buildings, a commitment that continued for many years thereafter. They also were founding members of San Jose Country Club. She was most recently a member of Southside United Methodist Church.

A Jacksonville native born to Ray Sutton and Clifford G. McGehee on June 30, 1920, Cavert graduated from Landon High School in 1938, then studied interior design at Ward Belmont in Nashville, Tennessee, where she met Tillman Cavert, Jr., attorney and youngest member ever of the Tennessee state legislature. They married two years later at the McGehee family home, Heaven Trees, on the banks of the St. Johns River in Jacksonville.

During her husband's active duty in WWII, Cavert accompanied her husband to 26 different military bases, where he trained pilots. Two of their children were born during this time. In 1945 the young family returned to Jacksonville where her husband joined his father-in-law



Some of the founding members of The Women's Board, 1994.



Ellen Cavert with granddaughter Grace McGehee Martin Sarber, Past President of The Women's Board, 2016.

at Jacksonville Paper Company, and two more children were born.

Mrs. Cavert is preceded in death by her husband of 73 years, Tillman Cavert, Jr. and her son, Tillman Cavert, III. She is survived by her three daughters: Ray Cavert (Mrs. Richard C. Martin) of Jacksonville; Ellen "BaBa" Cavert (Mrs. Albert McCaffrey) of St. Simons Island, Ga.; Grace Cavert (Mrs. C. William Nelson) of Orlando; 11 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren. A private family graveside service was held at Oaklawn Cemetery in August, and a memorial service at Southside Methodist is being planned for a later date.

Memorial gifts should be sent to The Women's Board of Wolfson Children's Hospital, 1325 San Marco Blvd., Suite 802, Jacksonville, FL. 32207, or can be donated online at [www.womensboardwch.com](http://www.womensboardwch.com). Gifts should be designated for the Cavert Legacy Endowment.

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Tillman and Ellen Cavert, Art & Antiques Show 2011

## Thomas Lester Hazouri



Thomas "Tommy" Lester Hazouri, Sr., 76, was born in Jacksonville on Oct. 11, 1944 and died at home in Jacksonville, FL on Sept. 11, 2021.

He served for 12 years as a member of the Florida House of Representatives from 1974 – 1986, as Mayor of the City of Jacksonville from 1987 – 1991, and as a Duval County School Board member from 2004 – 2012. While in the Florida Legislature, he was Chairman of the Duval Legislature Delegation, House Committee on Education K-12, and House Committee on Retirement, Personnel and Collective

Bargaining. He was also a member of the House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education Funding and Subcommittee on Personnel. He was appointed by Gov. Lawton Chiles to the Florida Ethics Commission, and Chaired the Sheriff's Mental Health and Crisis Episodes Task Force. As Mayor, he led the effort to eliminate the tolls from Jacksonville's roads and bridges. He also implemented an anti-odor ordinance to relieve the city of its foul odor. Tommy was honored for the opportunity to serve Jacksonville again as an At-Large City Councilman. He earned a Bachelor's degree in History and Government from Jacksonville University, where he was Student Body President. He was an honorary member of the San Jose Rotary Club. He and his wife, Carol were married for 42 years and were members of Mandarin Presbyterian Church.

As a young man his brothers caught him singing to his girlfriend on the phone. He enjoyed fishing with his brothers & son. While he was an avid football fan he really didn't know much about the rules. He was not athletic & was a poor golfer. Playing cards & gambling

at the casinos was a pastime & he liked going to The Hard Rock. Tommy was always late-never on time. His family called it "Tommy Time". He really enjoyed a good cigar & would fight anyone for the turkey wing at holidays. His second office was Panera Bread where he gathered with his cronies almost every morning. He truly loved people & their stories & was one of the greatest listeners. His extra-large family clan will greatly miss his big smile.

Preceded in death by his father, Neal Elias Hazouri, his mother, Amelia Ann Abraham and one brother, Neal Elias Hazouri, Jr. He is survived by his wife, Carol O'Brien Hazouri, his son, Thomas Lester Hazouri, Jr., 2 brothers, Richard P. Hazouri, Sr. and his wife, Jo, Robert E. Hazouri and his wife Sandra Davis and countless nieces, nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the American Lung Association.

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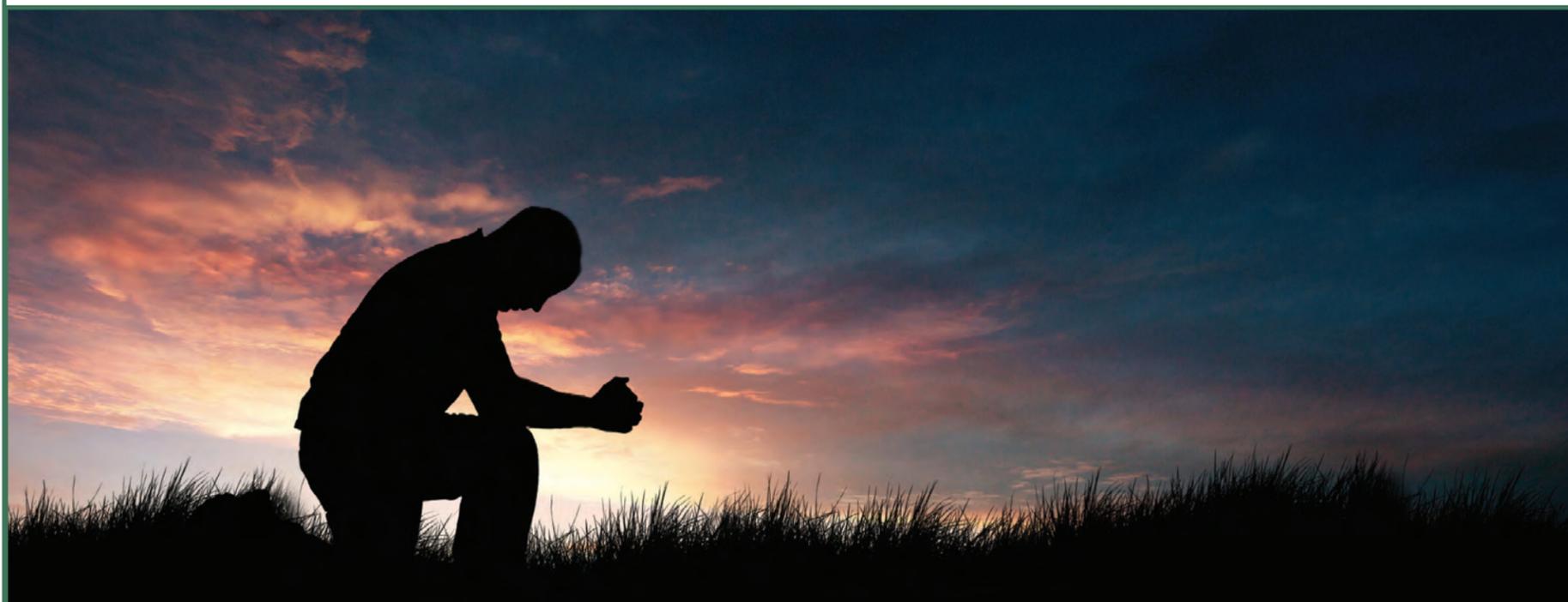
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## Wilda Ann Turner

Wilda Ann Turner, died September 20 surrounded by her loved ones. A Florida native, Ann was born in Tampa and grew up in Lake City. She loved all that Florida and the sunshine had to offer. She was an avid Deep Sea Fisherwoman and was the only woman named as the N.E. Florida Marlin Assoc. Captain of the Year. She was athletic and enjoyed participating in and watching all sports. Even though she attended the University of Alabama, where she met her husband, Worth, Ann was a Gator fan naming their boat Navi-Gator. Ann helped her husband run their family business, Turner Plumbing Company, which they happily turned over to family now in their fourth generation. Worth and Ann lived the most beautiful and fulfilling life.

Ann is survived by her husband of 64 years, Worth; their children Worth Bradley Turner (Carla Jean) and Deborah Ann Hyers (Steve Leo); grandchildren Worth Bradley Turner, Jr., (Zach Neumann) Kendal Turner Rohane (Quinn), Kristen Ann Pizzo (Chris), Kaleigh Ashton Hyers, and great-grandchildren, Christopher Turner Pizzo, Annie Bea Pizzo and Reagan Louise Rohane.

Private family services will be held. The family suggests donations in Ann's memory to Community Hospice, The Bailey Center. Please visit [www.hardagegiddensoaklawnchapel.com](http://www.hardagegiddensoaklawnchapel.com) to leave words of comfort for the family. Arrangements under the care and direction of Hardage-Giddens Oaklawn Chapel, 4801 San Jose Boulevard, Jacksonville, FL 32207, (904)-737-7171.



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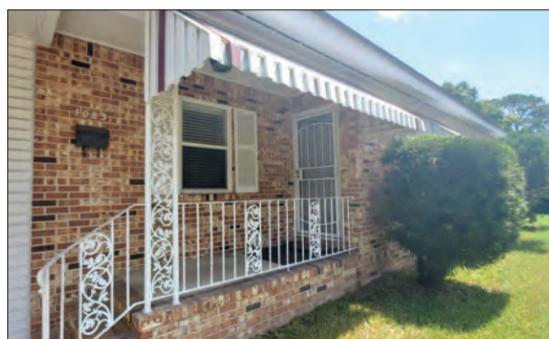
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**5213 BIRKENHEAD RD - \$1,275/mo.**  
2 BR / 1 BA / 1,064 sqft.



**1083 WILLOWBRANCH AVE - 1,325/mo.**  
2 BR / 1 BA / 1,414 sqft.



**803 ACOSTA ST - 1,200/mo.**  
2 BR / 1 BA / 920sqft.