



## Community Notes

### Upgraded street reopening

Georgia Avenue is set to reopen to the public following a facelift that included the addition of brick pavers, infrastructure upgrades and reconstructed sidewalks.

The reopening will include a block party from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, April 28. Vendors will sell hot dogs and ice cream. There will be live music, costumed characters, raffle prize drawings and children's activities.

Mayor Robert F. Apgar will be joined by other city officials to officially cut the ribbon for Georgia Avenue at about 5:20 p.m. Saturday.

### Learn how to avoid computer scams

An officer from the DeLand Police Department will offer tips to improve cybersecurity and avoid computer scams at 10 a.m. Friday, April 27, at the DeLand Regional Library, 130 E. Howry Ave.

The free program, part of Money Smart Week, is sponsored by the Friends of the DeLand Library.

For more information, call (386) 822-6430, ext. 20762.

### VOTRAN hosts Triple Crown Roadeo

Votran will host the annual Florida Triple Crown Bus Roadeo April 27-28 at the Ocean Center in Daytona Beach.

The roadeo is a statewide skills competition for bus operators and maintenance technicians.

Tracey McClary, a 16-year Votran employee, was picked to compete in the fixed route competition. Fred Schrader and Robert Ward will compete in the paratransit competition. Select Votran employees also will compete in the maintenance competition.

The winners will compete in See NOTES, page A2

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# Cities disagree on I-4 Automall, but still talking

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The lines of communication between the Cities of DeLand and Lake Helen are still open regarding the controversial Interstate 4 Automall property annexation.

Mayors, city managers and city attorneys met April 17, getting ahead of probable mediation regarding DeLand's formal challenge of Lake Helen's land use amendment request with the Volusia County Growth Management Commission.

The Lake Helen City Commission April 12 unanimously passed the voluntary annexation request made by the I-4 Automall property owners in January, after tabling the issue at the request of the City of DeLand. The delay gave DeLand additional time to gather input from citizens and those affected by

the proposed I-4 Automall on a 57-acre parcel of previously unincorporated property at the interchange of I-4 and Orange Camp Road.

The property owners' request to annex into Lake Helen came as a surprise to the City of DeLand, which would provide utilities to the area.

To continue moving the project forward, Lake Helen must modify its comprehensive plan and that amendment has been sent to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and the VGMC. As part of the VGMC process, other affected jurisdictions, in this case the City of DeLand, are notified and have the opportunity to become part of the process and get their concerns and issues addressed. This is the normal process when land is annexed or a comprehensive plan is amended in

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Volusia County municipalities.

To get ahead of that mediation, city officials sat down together in a closed meeting April 17, city officials said after publicly announcing the meeting had occurred.

"During the meeting, the two cities agreed upon a

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## River cleanup



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Leslie Mercado, left, of Orange City, and Saraie Martinez of DeLand pick up small pieces of trash along the riverbank near the State Road 44 bridge on Saturday, April 21, during the 22nd annual St. Johns River Cleanup.

## SunRail may be giving Volusia County a bad ride

By Gina McKee  
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Volusia County Commissioners will attend en force the upcoming SunRail Commission meeting.

"This is political, and it's time for some political posturing," said Deb Denys, council vice chair. "I think if we all show up to a SunRail Commission when our representative (Commissioner Bill) Patterson is there fighting the good fight for Volusia County ... it's time to go on record. We could turn on live Facebook audio (to keep the meeting public)."

The 2021 deadline for the county to take over maintenance costs on the 12 miles of track from DeBary to DeLand, which is currently the end of the line despite

promises for a station in DeLand and expansion into more of Volusia County, is approaching without any assurances the expansion will happen. Also, estimated costs are increasing to nearly five times more than what Volusia County agreed to shoulder.

"I keep getting this verbal reassurance there's no way in the world that Volusia County would suffer in any way in 2021, and I keep reminding them I want that in writing, but of course that didn't happen," Mr. Patterson said. "What we're trying to do is just too make sure we aren't going to pay anything more than what we agreed to when we got into this. It's just really frustrat-

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## Water quality and human safety are his concerns

By Gina McKee  
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Helping others is its own reward, and that's what Andy Natal says is the best part of his job.

The environmental program specialist recently was named Employee of the Year for the Department of Health in Volusia County. In addition to his daily work of overseeing the county's drinking water quality, Mr. Natal also serves on the emergency strike team deployed within the state when emergencies, such as hurricanes, devastate an area.

Following Hurricane Irma, the Puerto Rico native and DeLand resident volunteered to go to the Florida Keys despite having family in Puerto Rico he could not reach after the island was devastated by back-to-back hurricanes last year.

"It actually helped me to know I was working to help others in a similar situation

my own family. The area was devastated," Mr. Natal said. "I knew there wasn't anything I could do for my family (in Puerto Rico at the time), so this was something I could do (to assist others dealing with total loss)."

Mr. Natal, who oversees the public drinking water program in Volusia, saved the department thousands of dollars without impacting the protection of public health by using an innovative approach to free up staff to do field inspections, according to his supervisor's nomination. The nomination also cited Mr. Natal's belief in leading by example and not hesitating to jump in and get his hands dirty when there is a problem, according to information provided by DOH-Volusia.

DOH-Volusia is responsible for ensuring all public water systems are providing safe drinking water, including large, city-owned plants and



Photo courtesy of Department of Health

DOH-Volusia County Administrator Patricia Boswell, left, administrator of the Florida Department of Health in Volusia County, congratulates Andy Natal, the department's Employee of the Year.

smaller water systems, such as those in private communities, mobile home parks and RV parks. Volusia County has 143 public water systems, DOH-Volusia officials said in a news release announcing the Employee of the Year.

Mr. Natal, who joined DOH-Volusia in March 2006 as an environmental scientist

and specialist, was promoted to environmental supervisor in July 2016, and within a year he took the reins of the public drinking water program.

"I'm extremely fortunate to have such a wonderful team and to work with the various municipalities on maintaining the highest quality drinking water to Volusia County

residents," he said.

Mr. Natal earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the Universidad de Puerto Rico and a master's degree in business administration from Metropolitan University of Puerto Rico.

Employee of the Year nominees were selected by employ-

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# SunRail

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ing, going on with them. It leads us to wonder what we're going to do next here." Despite reassurances, the numbers aren't adding up; rather, they keep piling up. "I think there's numbers that are coming out that are troubling. We need to start probably doing some public record requests to get some numbers, because it's not adding up," Mr. Patterson said. "It is interesting that their attitude towards us is that we are the red-headed stepchild." Although SunRail Commissioners have stated Volusia's issues are with Washington D.C. and not with the local commission, the Florida Department of Transportation has prohibited the county from lobbying for their own interests regarding the lack of federal funding

coming through for SunRail's Phase 2 expansion into Volusia County. "As much as I would like to see this train coming into DeLand, we're really forbidden (by FDOT) from going up to Washington and lobbying for this," Mr. Patterson said. "They're not going to look for the money to extend the line to DeLand," County Chair Ed Kelly said. "Expenses (for Volusia) are estimated to be three-to-five times greater than what they were supposed to be." Also, the county has received no written assurances or official documents saying their cost will be no more than what they originally agreed to, and the county won't pay to maintain the track if the DeLand stop isn't added. "I keep hearing people outside of council saying we need to file a lawsuit, well,

that's easier said than done," Mr. Patterson said, adding there would be mediation and other steps required before such action could be taken. "It's almost like to them we are just a minor member because we have only one station. I'm ready to just start saying 'no.'" The SunRail Commission, which Mr. Patterson described as a "commission on training wheels" due to the lack of official power, with FDOT making all decisions on track, stops and spending, has largely ignored Volusia's concerns, Chair Kelly said. They've shown us no respect," he said. "We did this with a full understanding of what we would be receiving, and we are not receiving that." The next SunRail Commission meeting is set for early May in Orlando.



Photo courtesy of the Volusia County Sheriff's Office

The Volusia County Sheriff's Office honored volunteers at its 22nd annual dinner on April 11. During the presentation, the spring 2018 graduating class of the Citizen Observer Program was honored. From left top are Sotirios George Kaminis, Chief Deputy John Creamer, Guy Dragon, Edward Groel and Peter Best, and from left bottom, Linda Mineer, Sharon Beall, Francisca Vargas and Evelyn Roman.

## VCSO honors volunteers at 22nd annual dinner

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The Volusia County Sheriff's Office took time April 11 to say thank you to dozens of people who spend time volunteering for our agency all year long because they care about law enforcement and our community. From helping direct traffic or investigate crashes, performing clerical duties, to assisting detectives with cases of fraud against the elderly, our Sheriff's Office volunteers are counted on and valued for all they do. The VCSO hosted its 22nd annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet on Wednesday at the Shores Resort & Spa in Daytona Beach Shores. Chief Deputy John Creamer presented awards to the recipients as Sheriff Mike Chitwood could not attend. But the honorees were treated to a video message from Sheriff Chit-

wood, who thanked them for the nearly 49,000 volunteer hours they served in 2017. That translates to more than \$1.1 million of taxpayers' money saved, the sheriff said. During the presentation, the spring 2018 graduating class of the Citizen Observer Program was honored. They are: Sharon Beall, Peter Best, Guy Dragon, Edward Groel, Sotirios George Kaminis, Linda Mineer, Evelyn Roman and Francisca Vargas. Also recognized was a group of 13 new volunteers who have joined since the last volunteers banquet. Chief Creamer presented a special President's Call to Service Award to two volunteers on behalf of the U.S. President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. The VCSO has previously presented 84 such awards. This award recognizes volunteers who have contributed at least 4,000

years. For 2017, the award went to Michael Lawrence and David Whitmore. Also honored were four recipients of the Volunteer of the Quarter for 2017. They are: Earl Bennett, Betty Cohn, Daryl Pryce and Patsy Rains. The Sheriff's Office also honored three members of the Citizen Volunteer Auxiliary Program for their contribution of five years of service. They are: Kenneth Gilleo, Sheryl Lodge and Linda Wands. In addition, CVAP members were honored for their accumulated hours, which ranged from 250 hours to 7,158 hours of service to the Sheriff's Office. Members of COP were also honored for their years of service, which ranged from five to 20 years. For accumulated hours, COP awards ranged from 250 hours to 15,834 hours.

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the National Bus Rodeo, sponsored by the American Public Transportation Association.

### Mayor recognized as Home Rule Hero

Mayor Robert F. Apgar has been recognized by the Florida League of Cities for the second consecutive year as a Home Rule Hero. Mr. Apgar was one of 89 city officials recognized for their tireless efforts to advance the league's legislative agenda and help protect the Home Rule powers of Florida's cities during the 2018 Legislature. Home Rule is the ability for a city to address local problems through and by local decision makers with minimal state interference.

### Airport plans annual community appreciation day

Daytona Beach International Airport will host its second annual Community Appreciation Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 28, to thank the com-

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series of meetings and topics, including meetings on utility service and a joint planning agreement for the interchange, a meeting with the Florida Department of Transportation, Volusia County and city staffs to discuss traffic impacts along Orange Camp Road and a meeting with the developer to discuss DeLand's remaining concerns on the proposed I-4 Automall project," city officials said in a new release. "During this process, both

cities understand and appreciate the importance of discussing all of these interrelated issues together to ensure better planning and quality development at the interchange and create an opportunity for collaboration and not adversity," the release states. The preliminary discussions identified agreements both cities would be interested in negotiating with each other. As a result of that productive meeting, Lake Helen and DeLand jointly requested a 30-day continuance of the April 25 meeting of the VGMC, which was scheduled

to hear the Lake Helen land use change for the I-4 Automall Property. DeLand has challenged that land use amendment, the release states. "Communication is a hallmark of great relationships, and I believe now we are on the right track," Lake Helen Mayor Daisy Raisler said. "I believe that by maintaining open dialogue followed by using established processes, will provide the structure needed to ensure a positive and forward direction in resolving issues that have concerned both cities." The meeting showed the cities are more willing to work together to hopefully bridge the gap in that spirit of communication.

"I am encouraged by the spirit of cooperation between the two cities and am pleased that meaningful conversation has commenced between DeLand and Lake Helen on issues at the I-4 interchange," said DeLand Mayor Robert F. Apgar said in the release. "We have a shared history and any development at that interchange affects both our cities. I am optimistic both cities will work to address all areas of mutual concern as this interchange is a gateway to both our cities."

## Concerns

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ees who recognized their co-workers for their commitment to the agency's values of innovation, collaboration, accountability, responsiveness and excellence, according to DOH-Volusia. An employee committee reviewed the nomination applications and selected the employee of the year using an impartial process. Other nominees this year for Employee of the Year were David Arndt, Kevin Billiot, Regina Harris, Susie Haughton, Dawn Hewitt, Sherri Hobbs, Melinda Koller, Paul Marz, Bill Stahara and Susan Stewart.

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# A day with drag-racing king Don Garlits

During that big rain episode we had in the second week of April, folks from the Motor Racing Heritage Association and I drove over to spend some time with Big Daddy Don Garlits at his museum of drag racing and antique autos.

It had been several years since I was there, and I was happy to see all the improvements and additions Don had made to his fine facility. On the way, we stopped for lunch at Alligator Joe's.

That is an old-time Florida fish-camp-type bar and grill that sits on the shore of Lake Weir just a bit from where the feds shot up Ma Barker's gang in 1935. The place was as funky as the name implies, the food was great and our group of around 30 lingered there longer than we had intended.

Once at Big Daddy's, we were met by the man himself and ushered into the drag-racing area. Club President Roland Via talked with Don about the time he spent with us on the beach for the 2003 racing centennial. Mr. Garlits was as cordial as ever, and as I gushed over him, he didn't seem to mind.



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When I mentioned the 1904 Peerless he rode on Ormond Beach was a Barney Oldfield car, Don told me Oldfield was his hero. (That prompted me to tell him he was mine.) As always, Don seemed to enjoy talking about the tricks that make racing engines go faster. Our group gathered around the master and hung on his every word.

My favorite part of the tour was seeing so many of the dragsters driven by the top performers when I was a young man. Cars that belonged to Connie Kalitta, Cris Karamisenes, Don Prudhomme, TV Tommy Ivo and Cha Cha Muldowney were there along with so many more. Just being close to the dragsters I saw run in my youth made me want to get behind the wheel again.

Of course, the Drag Racing Museum is filled with the machines that made Don

famous. On display were some of his earliest "Swamp Rat" dragsters and many of the experimental machines he produced. We saw the famous "Mad Dog" winged car of Art Malone and visited a replica of Smokey Yunick's engine shop (complete with a statue of Smokey.)

The entire facility is accented by beautifully restored engines that sit under glass. One wall has seemingly every type of racing flathead carburetor and head setup ever made.

At the Antique Car Museum, we all found our favorites. Big Daddy's collection of restored 1930s Fords has to be one of the world's best. I enjoyed seeing the 1904 Brush, a car that was in the early Chrysler family tree. The museum has everything from a Crosley Hotshot to a gorgeous 1934 Cadillac, and all are perfectly restored. There truly is something there for everyone.

President Via announced Don has been selected as the 2019 recipient of the prestigious Tim Sullivan award given annually by MRHA. He truly seemed honored and

promised to be with us for the presentation at The Back To The Roots Celebration at Main Street Station next February.

Folks, our day with drag racing king Don Garlits was one to remember. He has built a wonderful facility to honor the sport he loves so much. It sits right off of I-75, just south of Ocala, and is well worth the time for any lover of speed or automobiles. Actually, there is so much to see, it is difficult to get to it all in one day. Do yourself a favor and stop in.

While we were there, we had fun watching the tourists who had pulled off the interstate for a quick look, never expecting to see Mr. Garlits himself. A couple times there was an audible gasp. Great fun!

*Dan Smith is on the board of directors for the Ormond Beach Historical Society and The Motor Racing Heritage Association and is the author of two books, "The World's Greatest Beach" and "I Swear the Snook Drowned." Email questions and comments to fishwdan@att.net or call (386) 441-7793.*

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## Health News

### Hospital hosts seminar on genetic counseling

Florida Hospital DeLand will host a free community seminar on genetic counseling for cancer risk, featuring Cindy Trawick, board certified advanced registered nurse practitioner and specially trained genetic counselor.

The luncheon seminar will be at noon Tuesday, May 8, at Cresswind at Victoria Gardens Clubhouse, 101 Garden Club Drive, DeLand.

Lunch will be provided and space is limited.

For a reservation, visit [FHCancer.org](http://FHCancer.org). For more information, call (386) 231-4284.

For a reservation, call (386) 943-7160.

### Men's Cancer Support Group

Florida Hospital DeLand will host a support group for men diagnosed with any type of cancer at 6 p.m. May 1, at the Cancer Institute, 680 Peachwood Drive.

The group provides support as well as education about cancer-related topics. Cancer patients and survivors are invited to participate.

### Diabetes Support Group

Florida Hospital DeLand will host a free diabetes support group at 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, in Classroom at 701 W. Plymouth Ave.

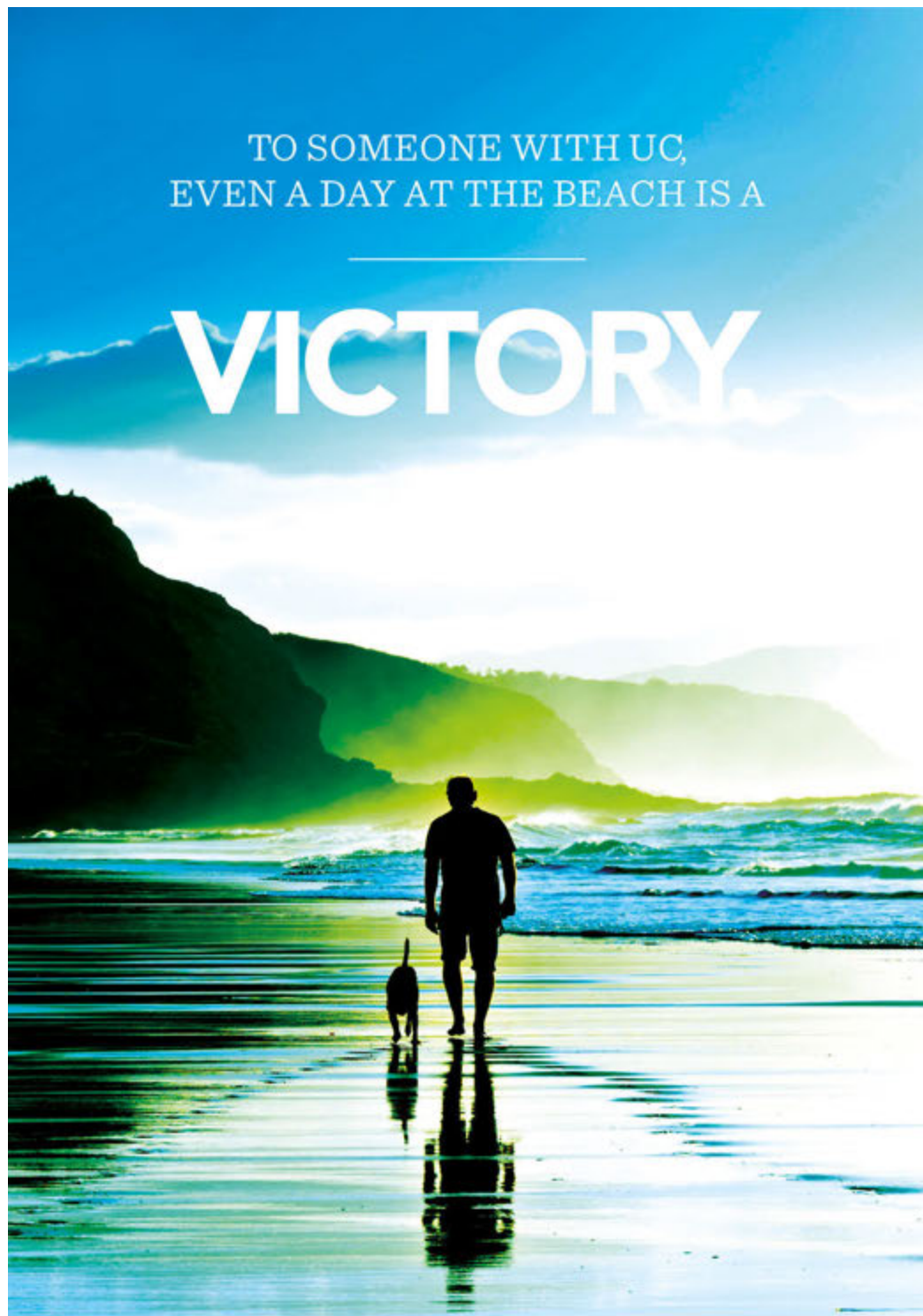
The group provides open discussion, question and answers, and various guest speakers. The group is open to the public and attendees are welcome to bring someone for support. For more information, call (386) 943-4727.

### Parkinson's Group Exercise Class

Florida Hospital DeLand will host a free exercise class for those with Parkinson's disease from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on May 1, in Classrooms B and C at 701 W. Plymouth Ave.

The class will focus on balance, strength and mobility, and requires a medical waiver signed by a physician.

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# Police Report

*Editor's note: This is a list of arrests, not convictions, and all arrestees are presumed innocent unless or until proven guilty in a court of law.*

## DeLand Police Department

- Christina Marie Ayulo, 40, of DeLand, was arrested April 13 and charged with operating a vehicle with a canceled license and a drug offense. Bail was set at \$2,500.
- Raylene R. Brunson, 44, of DeLand, was arrested April 14 and charged with habitually driving with a revoked license. Bail was set at \$2,500.
- Chelsey J. Jackson, 30, of DeLand, was arrested April 16 and charged with a drug offense and permitting an unauthorized person to drive. Bail was set at \$3,000.
- Eladio Suarez, 29, of DeLand, was arrested April 17

and charged with criminal mischief, domestic violence assault, resisting an officer without violence and burglary of an occupied dwelling. Bail was set at \$3,500.

•Victoria Teresa Platt, 38, of DeLand, was arrested April 18 and charged with aggravated battery. Bail was not set.

## Volusia County Sheriff's Office

- Nathan Pixley, 33, of DeLeon Springs, was arrested April 13 and charged with possession of methamphetamine. Bail was set at \$2,000.
- Shelia Rainey, 46, of DeLand, was arrested April 13 and charged with fraudulent use of a credit card. Bail was set at \$5,000.
- Becky S. Urbeck, 34, of DeLand, was arrested April 14 and charged with possession of paraphernalia, metham-

phetamine and a Schedule II substance. Bail was set at \$3,500.

•Gary D. Shelton, 47, of DeLand, was arrested April 15 and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, possession of a Schedule II substance and false imprisonment. Bail was not set.

•Jonathan D. Ponder, 32, of DeLand, was arrested April 16 and charged with possession of paraphernalia and a Schedule III and IV substance. Bail was set at \$15,000.

•Hector J. Rosado, 33, of DeLand, was arrested April 17 and charged with grand theft, dealing in stolen property and burglary of a structure or conveyance. Bail was not set.

•Kentrell Devon Williams, 34, of DeLand, was arrested April 18 and charged with possession of paraphernalia, cocaine and cannabis with intent to sell. Bail was set at \$5,500.

•Journetta L. Watkins, 46, of DeLand, was arrested April 18 and charged with possession of paraphernalia, cocaine and cannabis. Bail was set at \$4,000.

•Richard C. Wright, 33, of DeLand, was arrested April 18 and charged with child abuse. Bail was not set.

•Matthew W. Lewis, 33, of DeLand, was arrested April 19 and charged with domestic battery by strangulation and false imprisonment. Bail was not set.

•Michael T. Trevisan, 26, of DeLand, was arrested April 19 and charged with possession of paraphernalia and cannabis with intent to sell. Bail was set at \$5,500.

•Wyatt D. Peterson, 33, of Pierson, was arrested April 19 and charged with unarmed burglary of an occupied structure and dealing in stolen property. Bail was set at \$26,500.



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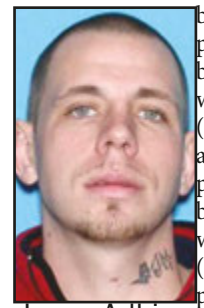
## Wanted

Volusia County sheriff's detectives need the public's help to locate two suspects wanted for using a stun gun to rob a victim at 117 Angeles Road, DeBary.

The robbery took place about 2 a.m. March 17. Detectives say the suspects, Stephanie Campaign, 29 (DOB: Aug. 25, 1988), of Deltona, and Jesse Adkins, 36, (DOB: July 21, 1981), of Osteen used a missing key to enter the home.

The pair stood outside the victim's bedroom door, banging on it, and when the victim opened the door, Adkins rushed in, holding an active stun gun to the victim's face. Adkins accused him of beating up someone and threatened to beat him in retaliation. The victim refuted the claims and then Adkins instead demanded to know where his "stash" was. The victim said out of fear he pulled out his wallet and Adkins took cash. His cell phone, a jar containing 3-4 grams of cannabis and a blue pocket knife were also taken.

Volusia County arrest warrants have been issued for



Jesse Adkins  
Stephanie Campaign

both suspects: robbery with a weapon (Adkins) and principal to robbery with a weapon (Campaign) for the incident. They may be armed and should be considered dangerous. Anyone with information about this pair is asked to call the Volusia County Sheriff's Office's non-emergency number at (386) 248-1777, or contact Detective Tucker at tucker@vcso.us. Or to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers of Northeast Florida at 1-888-277-8477 (TIPS) or through the website/app at westop-crime.com.

# Summer Camps

## Volusia County camps

Volusia County's Parks, Recreation and Culture Division will coordinate summer day camps at 14 locations across the county.

The camps will be offered from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 4 to July 27.

Staff will lead supervised activities, indoor and outdoor games, field trips, arts and crafts, and a talent show for children ages 5 to 15.

Five-year-olds must have completed kindergarten.

West Volusia sites include:

- Boy Scout Hut, 716 N. Frankfort Ave., DeLand
- DeBary Hall Historic Site, 198 Sunrise Blvd., DeBary
- Chisholm Community Center, 520 S. Clara Ave., DeLand

•DeLand High School city gym, 800 N. Hill Ave., DeLand

- Gemini Springs Park, 37 Dirksen Drive, DeBary
- Orange City Elementary School, 555 E. University Ave., Orange City
- T. Dewitt Taylor Middle/High School, 100 E. Washington Ave., Pierson

Registration will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays, May 12 and 19, at each site. The cost is \$65 per week plus a one-time \$15 registration fee. Parents must pay the registration and first-week fees when they register.

For more information visit [volusia.org/recreation](http://volusia.org/recreation) or call (386) 736-5953.

ecosystems during weekly summer camps at Lyonia Environmental Center, 2150 Eustace Ave., Deltona.

The camps will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 4 to Aug. 3. The fee is \$80 a week.

Children should bring lunch and water in a refillable container. All camps will feature nature hikes, live animal encounters, games, snacks, and arts and crafts. Off-site field trips will be for 10- to 14-year-olds.

For more information or to register, contact Education Coordinator Shari Smith at [ssmith@volusia.org](mailto:ssmith@volusia.org) or (386) 789-7207, ext. 21026.

tration for summer camp at DeBary City Hall.

Camps are 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, starting June 4 at Florence K. Little Town Hall. Camps are for students entering second grade through sixth grade.

Online registration is available for past participants with an account. Space is limited to 60 campers per week.

Participants do not have to attend the entire summer.

The cost is \$85 per week. All weeks must be prepaid. The cost includes camp T-shirt and field trips. Lunch is not provided. Children may be required to bring money for lunch on field trips (estimated range of \$8-\$15/trip)

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# A jobs report too far out of whack

After years of grumbling about some of the state labor department's employment reports, I'm giving up on its non-agricultural jobs report.



**VOLUSIA BUSINESS CECIL G. BRUMLEY**

Some of the latest report, for March, makes sense for Volusia and Flagler counties. Construction jobs were up 1,100 from March of last year with the combination of large commercial projects and a hot housing construction market. Hospitality jobs were up 800 jobs from last year, with several new hotels and restaurants opening. Retail jobs were up 600, which is surprising given the number of store closings as brick and mortar stores struggle to compete with Internet sales.

But where the report goes off the rails is in listing business and professional services jobs down 1,500 and government jobs down 900. That's a lot of jobs to disappear over the past 12 months and I thought maybe I missed some big layoffs.

So, I went to the folks who deal with the unemployed the most, Career Source of Volusia/Flagler.

"We have not seen any major layoffs that would account for such a downward spike in jobs," Christine Sikora, a Career Source vice president wrote in an email. "With lower unemployment numbers and less people looking for work, many

and Flagler, and I don't really keep up with what's going on with our neighbors to the north.

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After taking a few days off for my son's wedding, I'm a little behind on the individual deals going on around the county, but I'll include as much as I can.

An Orlando couple bought the Night Swan B&B and adjacent properties in New Smyrna Beach for \$1.7 million. A California businessman bought the long strip center in the 2200 block of South Ridgewood Avenue in South Daytona for \$1.65 million. Some airplane hangar condos at Spruce Creek Fly-In sold for \$1.525 million. Realty Income Corp. of San Diego bought the Krystal property at 2550 W. International Speedway Blvd. in Daytona Beach for about \$1.44 million. D.R. Horton has bought another chunk of lots in the new Coastal Woods subdivision in New Smyrna Beach from Geosam Capital for \$1.4 million.

A couple of land sales that should result in immediate construction projects are Denver-based medical real-estate specialist NexCore Group buying land for \$666,000 on Veterans Memorial Parkway in Orange City, where it is planning a 91-unit

senior living community, and Dollar Tree buying land from O'Reilly Auto Parts in Edgewater for \$430,000 for what we could assume is a new store, although it might be a Family Dollar Store.

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The travel and tourism business in Volusia seemed to be doing fine in March. Passenger traffic at Daytona Beach International Airport was up 4.2 percent in March with 72,957, compared to 70,023 passengers in March 2017. Bed tax collections were up 6.24 percent in February from February 2017 in Volusia. All three market areas were up.

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A final note: A developer is seeking to build a 108,000-square-foot, five-story self-storage facility, 100-room, five-story hotel, and 5,200-square-foot restaurant on 7.31 acres at the southeast corner of Taylor road and Williamson Boulevard in Port Orange.

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## Notes

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3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 29. Watch "Ocean Odyssey." Free popcorn will be served. Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase.

•Scrub strolls: 9 to 10 a.m. every Monday and Friday. Environmental specialists lead these exploratory hikes through the preserve. Participants should wear closed-toe shoes, bring water and be prepared to hike on sugar-sand trails.

## Gardener to address pruning

Master Gardener Howard Jeffries will demonstrate pruning techniques and discuss reasons for pruning at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 3, in DeBary Hall Historic Site's stable, 198 Sunrise Blvd., DeBary.

Participants are encouraged to bring their pruning tools for hands-on experience.

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businesses have chosen ways to become more efficient without hiring new workers. This would not be uncommon in this type of labor market."

But, she noted, "In the last month, we saw 1,347 job-seekers, which is the lowest number we have had register with us in over 10 years."

Not exactly a ringing endorsement of the non-ag jobs report. The report is supposed to be based on a survey of employers and applications for unemployment compensation, but apparently something in that got way out of whack.

On the other hand, the unemployment report, based on a survey of households and the unemployment apps, is more of what you'd expect. The number of unemployed workers went down (below 10,000 in Volusia for the first time in a while) and the unemployment rate was at 3.9 percent. The same as in February, but down from 4.3 percent in March 2017.

So, I won't be using the non-ag report for my column any more, which is just as well, since it includes Volusia

## Business News

### Small-business virtual conference slated

The U.S. Small Business Administration and SCORE will host a free, three-day Virtual Conference during National Small Business Week.

The online conference will be from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, through

Thursday, May 3.

To register, visit [score6conex.com/event/vc/nsbw/log-in?lang=en-us&mcc=website](http://score6conex.com/event/vc/nsbw/log-in?lang=en-us&mcc=website).

For more information, visit [volusiaflagler.score.org](http://volusiaflagler.score.org).

### Area chamber hosts monthly events

The DeLand Area Chamber

of Commerce and the Orange City Alliance have several regularly scheduled events.

The business discussion group Fuel meets at 7:30 a.m. each Monday at Boston Coffee, 109 E. New York Ave., DeLand.

Let's Do Lunch networking meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Tuesday at The Cloister's of DeLand, 400 E

Howry, DeLand.

For more information, call (386) 734-4331 or visit [DeLandChamber.org](http://DeLandChamber.org).

### Hospital chain named top place to work

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# This tax question gave me a workout!

I've got a stock that has grown from \$10 a share to \$50 a share. I don't need the money. Is it better to sell it, give it to my kids now, or leave it to them when I die?



**PLAN STRONGER**  
**DAVID D. HOLLAND**

This excellent question was posed to me by "Jack" between dumbbell curls at the gym. It provides a great example of how taxes and investing can be interrelated. The "correct" answer will depend on each person's individual situation, but here are some options for Jack to consider:

**No. 1 – Sell it.** There would be a \$40 per share capital gain. I don't know the specifics of the stock transaction, but let's assume Jack purchased 1,000 shares, at \$10 a share, five years ago. That would mean a \$40,000 long-term capital gain to report on the sale.

The amount of tax due would depend on a variety of factors, including: Jack's other income, his marital status, and

whether he has any capital losses to offset the gain. For example, if Jack is married, has no losses to offset the gain, and has at least \$77,201 of taxable income for 2018, he'd owe 15 percent tax (\$6,000) on the \$40,000 of capital gain.

**No. 2 – Gift it.** Now, if you give an appreciated asset to someone else during your lifetime, the recipient will use your basis (what you paid for it) when it comes time to figure what they owe in income taxes (like in option No. 1). So, if Jack gives the stock to his son, who later sells it for \$100 a share, the son will have a \$90 capital gain per share. He'd still use the initial purchase price of \$10 per

share when he figures his gain and how much tax he owes.

**No. 3 – Leave it.** An interesting "wrinkle" in the U.S. tax code is that, if you die owning an asset (like stock, per this example), the basis gets "stepped-up" to the value of the stock on the date of your death, not what you paid for it. So, if Jack kept the stock, died, left it to his son, and then the son sold it, the son would only pay tax on the gain above what the stock was worth on the day Jack died. In effect, both Jack and his son escape the capital gains tax.

Please note federal income taxes and federal gift and estate taxes are two separate taxes. Some people pay one or the other or both. However, most people are no longer affected by gift and estate taxes since the exemption for 2018 is now \$11.2 million per person. That means you can either give \$11.2 million to

someone during your lifetime, or leave him/her that amount at your death, and there'd be no gift or estate taxes (also known as "death" and "inheritance" taxes).

Good to know, right? Got a financial question you'd like answered here? Just drop me a note . . . or, you can always try to catch me at the gym!

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# Star student



Courtesy of DeLand High School

The Hometown News March Student of the Month is Matthew Jolliffe. A senior at DeLand High School, Matthew is 18 years old and is ranked fifth in this year's graduating class with a 4.68 GPA. Matthew has earned more than 200 volunteer hours with Volusia County's Seventh Judicial Circuit Teen Court. Matthew also is a member of the varsity tennis team and volunteers as a math tutor on his own time after school. He plans to study aerospace engineering after graduating high school.

## Business

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which includes the Florida Hospitals in Volusia County, has been recognized by national health care publication Becker's Hospital Review as one of the top places to work in health care.

The 2018 "150 Top Places to Work in Healthcare" list highlights hospitals, health systems and health care companies that promote diversity within the workforce, employee engagement and professional growth.

### Travel week celebration

The Lodging & Hospitality Association of Volusia County will present Celebrate 2018 National Travel & Tourism Week at 8 a.m. Wednesday, May 9, at the Hard Rock Hotel, 918 N. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach.

Tourism leaders will talk about what's new in Volusia.

Reservations are required by May 4. For a reservation, email Eileen Gaines at eqaines@daytonahotel.com or call (386) 257-6828.

### WILLOW luncheon planned

The West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce will host a WILLOW Ladies Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 27, at DeBary Golf & Country Club, 300 Plantation Club Drive, DeBary.

Guest speaker is Michelle Patterson with Heart Peace Counseling discussing "The Power of NO."

The cost is \$19 per person. Chamber membership is not required.

For a reservation or more information, visit [westvolusia-regionalchamber.org](http://westvolusia-regionalchamber.org) or call

(386) 490-4606.

### Hospital certified in shoulder joint surgery

Florida Hospital DeLand is one of only five hospitals in the state to earn the Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval for shoulder replacements, designating the hospital as a Center of Excellence for total shoulder replacement surgery.

Shoulder joint replacement, also called shoulder arthroplasty, is surgery to replace the bones of the shoulder with an artificial joint. The procedure is usually performed to relieve pain and restore mobility when other treatments are ineffective.

### AM Connection set

The West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce will

present an AM Connection at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 1, at Gateway Center for the Arts, 880 N. C.R. Beall Blvd., DeBary.

Julie Baker of Model Furniture Warehouse & Gallery will be the guest speaker.

Free for members, the cost is \$10 for non-members.

For a reservation or more information, visit [westvolusia-regionalchamber.org](http://westvolusia-regionalchamber.org) or call (386) 490-4606.

### Registration open for Chamber Mega Mixer

Registration is now open for the annual Volusia County Chamber Alliance's Mega Mixer June 7.

The table top expo will be in the Jim Henderson Welcome Center at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Sponsor and exhibitor information available at [volusia-chamberalliance.com](http://volusia-chamberalliance.com).

## School News

### DSC hosts Campus Safety Awareness Day

Nineteen Daytona State College employees, students and associates were honored April 13 for their contributions to maintaining a safe campus environment as part of the college's 11th annual Campus Safety Awareness Day.

The Wall of Fame honorees included: Faith Baker, student; Bruce Barton, groundskeeper; Tycee Bates, student; Ashley Bossardet,

student; Christina de la Osa, advisor; Russ Gibbons, campus safety manager; Daytona Beach Police officers Matt Hamilton, Tearany Hardaway, Justin Huckaby and Rico Santana; Ines Harris, horticulturalist; Campus Safety officers Charles Hinton, Nancy Hodge and David Howell; Jimmy Lane, trades supervisor; Paige Londre, student; Suzy McDowell, Adult Education; Edgar Santiago, irrigation specialist; and Mary Elisabeth Thompson, tutor.

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# Dining & Entertainment

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## Out & about

Friday, April 27

• **Concert:** Stetson University Symphony Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. at Lee Chapel in Elizabeth Hall, 421 N. Woodland Blvd., DeLand.

Tickets are \$10 for adult, \$5 for youth and student, no charge for 12 and younger. Tickets available at the door or at [stetson.edu/music-tickets](http://stetson.edu/music-tickets). There will be a pre-concert talk with Daniil Zavlunov, musicologist from 6:30-7 p.m. at Tinsley Room in Presser Hall.

• **Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center:** Florida Dance Theatre of Polk County will present "Chapters, An Evening of Contemporary Dance" at 7:30 p.m. at 399 N. U.S. 1, Ormond Beach.

Tickets are \$25 for preferred reserved or \$20 general reserved. For information or tickets, visit [ormondbeach.org/pac](http://ormondbeach.org/pac) or call (386) 676-3375.

• **Shoestring Theatre:** "Dearly Departed," the brainchild of authors David Bottrell and Jessie Jones will be presented by Shoestring Theatre. Show dates are 7:30 p.m. April 27-28 and 2:30 p.m. April 29, at 380 S. Goodwin St., Lake Helen.

Tickets are \$18 for adult, \$15 for senior, and \$10 for students and children. Thursdays are BOGO, buy one adult ticket and get one free. For reservations, call (386) 228-3777.

• **Cinematique:** Now playing is "The Leisure Seeker" at 242 S. Beach St., Daytona Beach. Tickets are \$7 general or \$5 members. For more information, call (386) 252-3118.

Saturday, April 28

• **Water Festival:** The Water Festival, an annual event, will be in historic downtown DeLand between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The free, family-oriented event is presented by Volusia Water Alliance, a non-profit group composed of the City of DeLand, Stetson University's Institute for Water and Environmental Resilience, Blue Spring Alliance, St. Johns Riverkeeper and others.

Festival activities will include a sidewalk chalk-art competition, live DJ and dancing, educational displays, interactive dance performances, live mermaids, a Blessing of the Waters inspired by a Native-American tradition, children's games and activities and vendor booths. West Indiana Avenue will be blocked from traffic.

• **Cracker Day Rodeo:** Cracker Day will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Volusia County Fairgrounds, 3150 E. New York Ave., DeLand.

Cracker Day is a deep south tradition for more than 60 years and is celebrated with good ol' fashioned bull riding, barrel racing, calf roping and greased

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Photo courtesy of Daytona Beach Symphony Society

The Daytona Beach Symphony Society announces its 2018-19 season. Opening night concert will feature GRAMMY award winning ensemble, Chanticleer.

## Symphony Society lists performances

For Hometown News  
[newsdy@hometownnewsol.com](mailto:newsdy@hometownnewsol.com)

Subscriptions for the next season of the Daytona Beach Symphony Society will go on sale May 1.

The Daytona Beach Symphony Society recently announced its schedule of performances for its 2018-19 Season at The Peabody Auditorium, 600 Auditorium Blvd., Daytona Beach.

Featuring seven international perfor-

mances, the season will run from Nov. 28 to March 31.

"Our stellar, upcoming season includes orchestras from London, Shanghai, Buffalo and Jacksonville; a world class vocal ensemble; an unforgettable opera of frightening power; the most famous of ballets; and incredible cirque acrobats," said Tracy Marino, the society's director of marketing and development.

At a savings of 20 percent off single

ticket prices, subscriptions range from \$220 to \$386 per seat and are available at the society office by calling (386) 253-2901.

The opening night concert, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28, will be the Grammy-award-winning ensemble Chanticleer. Founded in San Francisco, America's orchestra of voices was named Ensemble of the Year by Musical America. See SYMPHONY, page B2

## Feast on wild game and fete top citizen

For Hometown News  
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Nearly 1,200 hungry bellies will congregate in festivities from 5-9 p.m. on Thursday, May 3, for the 27th Annual Wild Game Feast in the Tommy Lawrence Arena at the Volusia County Fairgrounds, 3150 E. New York Ave., DeLand.

Parking for the event will be free at the fairgrounds.

The event is a fundraiser for local charities and is conducted by the DeLand Breakfast Rotary with support of the Rotary Club of DeLand and Rotary Club of Downtown DeLand. Daytona Beverages is the event's title sponsor. Last year, the DeLand Breakfast Rotary distributed \$110,000 to local nonprofit organizations from the proceeds, bringing the grand total of charitable donations to \$1.75 million since the first event in 1992.

Wild Game Feast tickets (ages 18 and up) include refreshments (including adult beverages), food and entertainment. Tickets, \$60 each, are available through



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Sheila Robinson of Daytona Beach is served some yellow rice by DeLand resident Bernadette Dimitriadis during last year's Wild Game Feast presented by the DeLand Breakfast Rotary Club.

DeLand Breakfast Rotary members and online at [wildgamefeast.org](http://wildgamefeast.org).

The Wild Game Feast has become one of the largest annual fundraisers in West Volusia County, typically hosting more than 1,000 for an evening of entertainment and wild-game delicacies,

including pound after pound of venison, cooter, turkey, rattlesnake and tables full of country fixin's.

The 2018 West Volusia Citizen of the Year will be announced at the event. Past winners include Philanthropist Ed Lacey (2017), Freedom Playground: Next Gen-

eration Committee (2016), Jennifer White (2015), Mamie Oatis (2014), Jerry Frierson (2013), Linda Ryan (2012), Cecil "Paul" Jones (2011) and Pastor Owen Strickland (2010).

For more information, visit [wildgamefeast.org](http://wildgamefeast.org).

## Horoscopes



### ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, swirling emotions may be affecting your peace of mind. This may cause you to obsess and lose control if you let it. Try to stay calm and regain your perspective.

### TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Don't be envious of other people's relationships and possessions, Taurus. You never know what is going on behind others' closed doors. Appreciate what you have.

### GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Interactions with others may be causing you to remain guarded, Gemini. Open yourself up a bit if you want to foster new friendships and relationships.

### CANCER - June 22/July 22

Cancer, if you are fearing rejection, give yourself a much-needed pep talk and then hang out with good friends. Friends can help you regain your confidence.

### LEO - July 23/Aug 23

Try not to react without thinking things through, Leo. Knee-jerk reactions are a surefire way to land yourself in trouble. Take a moment to think before offering a response.

### VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, openly expressing your thoughts and feelings can help you form close bonds with others. Share what is on your mind. True friends will commend you for it.

### LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, dedicate yourself to work for a few days so that you can feel reliable and needed. Otherwise, you may flounder around for a little while seeking purpose.

### SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, consider volunteering your time to causes that are important to you, either in your local community or on a grander scale. This will provide a deep sense of satisfaction.

### SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

You may feel like taking a few risks or stepping outside of your comfort zone, Sagittarius. Following your instincts can lead you to try things with confidence.

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# Too many cooks spoil the broth

The Cambridge Dictionary defines this statement as, "too many people involved in trying to do the same thing, the final result will not be good."

Sorry Cambridge, not being a chef, you got it all wrong. In the professional kitchen, chefs work together as a team to produce great meals. Let me enlighten you on the real problem and where it originated.

It is in my home kitchen and I am sure my home is not the only one where this problem exists. It has nothing to do with cooking soups or anything. It has to do with the kitchen organizational set up. That's right, who decides how the kitchen is set up is the problem.

In my home, too many cooks is fine except they reorganize the kitchen every day. Two weeks ago my wife decided to reorganize the kitchen to help me. She went out and bought open shelving so you could see everything stored just by looking around. She organized all the cooking pots and pans under the open



**CHEF COSTA'S COOKING CORNER**  
COSTA MAGOULAS

work tables. It was a spectacular job. People visiting come into the kitchen and comment how great the setup is.

I agree. I really love what she did. The only problem is she organized it and knows where everything is, I don't. A location chart would have been nice. Each day I find new surprises where things are stored.

All kidding aside, I am so fortunate she redid the kitchen and her main purpose was to make it easier for me to cook in, not to change wall paper or hang knick-knacks on the wall. It was designed to be functional and a place to create great meals.

Wait a minute! Sometimes I forget just how smart my wife really is. That's OK, I love cooking for her and once I find everything it should be easier.

## Feta Cheese Mousse

12 servings

### Ingredients

- 4 ounces heavy cream
- 6 ounces feta cheese
- 2 ounces olive oil
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons sun dried tomatoes in olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

### Directions

Place all ingredients in the blender. Mix well. Garnish with freshly ground black pepper and serve. Can be served as dip or spread on toasted rounds of French bread. It can also be used on slice beef or lamb as an entrée sauce.

*Costa Magoulas is dean of the Mori Hosseini College of Hospitality and Culinary Management at Daytona State College. Contact him at (386) 506-3578 or magoulc@daytonastate.edu.*

# Art among the Trees



Photos by Bruce D. Henderson/staff photographer  
Anita Patten of DeLeon Springs looks at one of artist Kealoha Pa's wood batik pieces on Saturday, April 14, during the DeLeon Springs Community Association's Art among the Trees art, craft and music festival.

# Art Notes

## Guild hosts fundraiser for museum

The Museum of Art DeLand Guild will host May Day Extravaganza Fashion Show and Luncheon to benefit the museum from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, at Victoria Gardens Magnolia Ballroom, 1001 Garden Club Drive, DeLand.

Sponsored by Nejma's Boutique and the Museum Guild.

The cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

Reservations are required. For more information, call (386) 734-4371.

## Tapestry group meets

The Tapestry Reading Group meets from 8 to

9:30 a.m. each Thursday at the Boston Coffee Shop, 109 E. New York Ave., DeLand.

The public may attend.

## West Volusia Artists of DeLand to meet

Members of the West Volusia Artists of DeLand will meet at 9 a.m. Friday, May 4, at the Sanborn Center, 815 S. Alabama Ave.

Local artist Gary Thomas will give a demonstration on layout/composition at 10 a.m.

First time guests are welcome to attend.

For more information, call (386) 738-5515.



DeLand artist Don Nedobeck creates a drawing as part of signing the back of one of his prints for a customer on Saturday, April 14, at his booth at the DeLeon Springs Community Association's Art among the Trees art, craft and music festival.

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pig races for children. Admission includes a barbecue dinner. Admission is \$20 for adults, \$10 for children 6-12 and free for children 5 and younger.

For more information visit VolusiaCountyCattlemensAssociation.com.

• **Turtle Day:** Marine Science Center hosts this event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 100 Lighthouse Drive, Ponce Inlet.

Animal rehabilitation staff will explain how they care for injured birds and sea turtles, while vendors will sell food, beverages and frozen custard. Other activities will include face painting, crafts and live music.

Admission is free. For more information, call (386) 304-5545 or visit marinesciencescenter.com.

## Sunday, April 29

• **Walk:** AVA Happy Wanderers will host a 5K, 10K walk at 8 a.m. at the DeLand Regional Library, 130 E. Howry Ave. Cost is \$3. For more information, call (386) 256-2160, (386) 214-3890 or visit happywanderersfl.org.

• **Concert:** Former Northeast

Florida Jazz Association Scholarship Winners now performing in New York return for this concert at 2:30 p.m. at the Museum of Arts & Sciences, 352 S. Nova Road, Daytona Beach. Mercedes Beckman, saxophonist, and Alex Nguyen, trumpeter, headline the Jazz Appreciation Month Concert. Tickets are \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members. For more information or tickets, visit nefja.org.

## Tuesday, May 1

• **Daytona State College:** Music Production Technology Rocks! Concert will be at 7:30 p.m. at the performing arts center at 221 N. Beach St., Daytona Beach. For more information, call (386) 226-1927 or visit DaytonaState.edu/TheArts.

• **Live Comedy:** Live Interactive Improv Comedy presented by Random Acts of Insanity is at 8 p.m. at the Cinematique Theater, 242 S. Beach St., Daytona Beach. Tickets are \$5. All ages welcome. For more information, call (386) 252-3118.

## Thursday, May 3

• **Daytona State College:** "On Broadway" will be performed at

7:30 p.m. at the performing arts center at 221 N. Beach St., Daytona Beach. Free for DSC and Volusia and Flagler kindergarten-12th grade students; all others \$8 per person or \$15 for two, general seating. For more information, call (386) 226-1927 or visit DaytonaState.edu/TheArts.

## Upcoming events

• **Movie in the Park:** "Wonder" will be played Friday, May 4, at Veterans Memorial Park, 426 S. Volusia Ave, Orange City. This is a free event for the community. Bring blankets and chairs. Movie begins at dusk. For more information, call (386) 775-5410.

• **Bonkerz Comedy Club:** The Center at Deltona invites the public to comedy night, starring comedian Myke Herlihy, who has been seen on CBS. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. Friday, May 4, and tickets are \$5 plus fees at bonkerzcomedyproductions.com until the day of the show. Tickets are available at the door for \$12. There is a two item purchase minimum, and food and a full bar is available. The age limit is 18. The center is at

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# Kids' creativity on display



Bruce D. Henderson/staff photographer

Jessica Osterhout, a McInnis Elementary School art teacher, sits with her husband, John Osterhout, on Saturday, April 14, at a display of art by kindergarten through fifth-grade students at the DeLeon Springs Community Association's Art among the Trees art, craft and music festival.

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## Religion Briefs

**DeLand Prayer Breakfast**  
 Florida Hospital DeLand will host its 17th annual City of DeLand Prayer Breakfast at 7 a.m. Tuesday, May 1, at the Wayne G. Sanborn Activity Center, 815 S. Alabama Ave. The event will draw upon DeLand's vast diversity of faith as a source of strength and hope for the community's future, as local leaders join together in prayer for divine blessing, guidance, wisdom and compassion for the city and its leadership. The public may attend. Seating is limited. For a reservation, visit [bit.ly/2HhGexj](http://bit.ly/2HhGexj) or call (386) 943-7169.

**Church hosts Lifetree Cafe**  
 First Christian Church will sponsor Lifetree Cafe with the topic, "Emergency: Make Room for God" at 7 p.m. Monday, April 30, in the Church Library, 1401 W. New York Ave., DeLand. Additional meetings will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, in the Activity Room, Grand Villa, 350 E. International Speedway Blvd., DeLand, and at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, May 3, at the Artisan Inn, 215 S. Woodland Blvd., DeLand. A food and beverage menu will be available. Jerry Drooker is the host. For more information, call (386) 734-0677.

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- **Riverfest at Riverwalk Park:** This inaugural event on the Halifax River will be May 5-6 at 3431 Ridgewood Ave. in Port Orange. A Land and Sea Dinner will kick off the activities Friday evening, May 4. Catered by Aunt Catfish's, there will be an Ice Cream Social and entertainment by Steel Daddy. The cost is \$25. Saturday events begin with a 5K at 7:30 a.m., followed by a Stand-Up Paddle Board race at 11 a.m. Local businesses will compete in a Corporate Challenge game at 1:30 p.m. There will be vendors, entertainment and food trucks in the park on Saturday, with entertainment by Hayfire from 3 to 7 p.m. A Kidzone with the splash pad, a water slide and rock climbing wall will be open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Additional events on Sunday will be a motorcycle show from noon to 5 p.m. and a Cornhole Contest at 2 p.m. For more information, call (386) 761-1601 or visit [RiverfestontheHalifax.com](http://RiverfestontheHalifax.com).
- **Art in the Park:** The 46th annual Art in the Park will be in Rockefeller Gardens from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, May 5, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, May 6. Returning for the third year will be the Girl Scouts Art Exhibit presented by Sunrise Community inside The Casements. A fashion show and awards presentation is at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6.
- **Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center:** European School of Performing Arts presents "Sound of Music" at 4 p.m. at Sunday, May 6, at 399 N. U.S. 1. Tickets are \$15. For more information or tickets, call (386) 676-3375 or visit [ormondbeach.org/pac](http://ormondbeach.org/pac).

**Ongoing Events**

- **American Legion Post 127:** Every first and third Saturday bingo is played at 1 p.m. with free hot dogs and coffee. Public hall rental is available at 109 Cassadaga Road, Lake Helen. For information, call (386) 228-2770.
- **Artisan Alley Farmer's Market:** The market is from 6-9 p.m. each Friday in Downtown DeLand and offers local, organic produce, plants, orchids and homemade breads. For more information, call (386) 589-3118.
- **Celebrate Recovery at TLC:** A 12-step program that meets at 7 p.m. every Friday in The Lighthouse Church Cafe, 1525 S. State Road 15-A, DeLand. Childcare is provided.
- **DeBary Hall Historic Site:** Tours of the 1871 hunting lodge are available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, \$2 for children ages 3 to 12, and free for children 2 and younger. For more information, visit [debarryhall.com](http://debarryhall.com).
- **DeLand Farmer's Market:** 7 a.m. to noon each Wednesday at the Volusia County Fairgrounds, 3050 E. New York Ave., DeLand.
- **DeLand Flea Market:** 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, at 535 Fair St. For more information, call (386) 631-6500.
- **Deltona Woman's Club:** Bunco is played at 7 p.m. the first Friday of each month. Arts & Crafts is at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Boat meetings are 11 a.m. the first Tuesday of each month. Membership meetings are at 11 a.m. the second Thursday of each month. The hall at 1049 E. Normandy Blvd. is available for rentals and social gatherings. For more information, call (386) 574-2311.
- **Gateway Farmers Market:** Every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Gateway Center for the Arts, 880 N. U.S. 17/92, DeBary. For more information, call Rob Rinaldo at (407) 443-6965.
- **Lake Helen Market in the Park:** 8 a.m. to noon each Saturday at Blake Park, 437 N. Lakeview Drive.
- **Meditation:** Offered at 9 a.m., each Wednesday at the Bamboo Arts Center, 4490 Cave Lake Road, DeLeon Springs. Previous experience is not a hindrance and probably a benefit. Admission is free. For more information, call (386) 277-2069 or visit [mentalillnessmyths.com](http://mentalillnessmyths.com).
- **Orange City Farmers Market:** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday at Dickinson Park, corner of U.S. See OUT, page B6

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