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Martin County High School announced their Homecoming royalty, King Nicholas Ciampi and Queen Jessica LoSardo, at half time of their Homecoming Game on Friday, September 21.

School District rejects closing MCHS pool

By Donald Rodrigue
For Hometown News

STUART — The Martin County School Board voted unanimously Sept. 18 to not close its community pool located at Martin County High School in response to more than two dozen public speakers, as well as phone calls, emails and hundreds of signatures on petitions against the proposed closure.

The Board faced a packed chambers that evening full of youthful swimmers and their parents, many of whom pleaded with the District to forget the idea of closing the Dick Wells Training Center. Some of the younger students speaking that evening could barely see over the lectern, prompt-

ing Board Member Tina McSoley to request that a step-stool be brought for just that purpose in the future. Bessey Creek Elementary fourth-grader Julia Murphy was the first person to address the Board, explaining that the pool helped her make friends in a brand-new community.

"The Martin County pool provides a place where kids like me come together after school and on weekends to learn and demonstrate things like dedication, commitment and responsibility," she said. "It is a place that helps us all stay out of trouble, exercise and learn the importance of sportsmanship and competition. This pool gives me and my brother a safe place to work towards our dreams."

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Microcystin bacteria blamed for dog's death

By Donald Rodrigue
For Hometown News

STUART — Not only has Martin County served as ground zero for the blue-green algae plague flowing in from Lake Okeechobee, but now the City of Stuart and its environs are also seeing a rash of canine illnesses and at least one death resulting from the polluted water entering the St. Lucie River Estuary.

The issue came to light Sept. 10 after newly-sworn-in Stuart Commissioner Merritt Matheson made two motions addressing the algae problems the city has faced since the discharges began early this summer. The commissioner asked city staff to create an online letter template so residents could send uniform messages "not only to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the South Florida Water Management District, but to all elected officials deemed necessary" with their concerns about the algae-laden water. His second motion that evening was for city staff to schedule a time period soon for a showing of a film on the dangers of such algae he found on the toxicpuzzle.com website so all city staff and members of the public could be better informed on the issue.

"The general goal of this motion would get all of the city commissioners, city staff and a few members of the public — my thought was to participate here — and that we're all working up to speed on the same knowledge," he said.

Both motions were seconded by Commissioner Eula Clarke and passed unanimously, actions that prompted a wave of public speakers and a lot of

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• **Autism Friendly Cities Institute 2018:** 9-11:30 a.m., Florida Atlantic University's John D. MacArthur Campus at Jupiter, in the AD Theater, 5353 Parkside Drive, Jupiter. FAU CARD will host a presentation from Debbie Majors, ADA coordinator, and Stephanie Soplop, Recreation and Assessment Specialist, who will share how Boynton Beach developed inclusive programming, accessible events, and inclusive hiring processes to become the region's only Autism Friendly City. FAU CARD's Jennifer Percival will discuss how your city, county, business or community program can become Autism Friendly. Free. *To participate, contact Jennifer Pollack Percival at (561) 212-4203 or jpollack@fau.edu. To register, visit <https://faucardafci2018.eventbrite.com>.*

SATURDAY, SEPT. 29

• **2018 Walk to End Alzheimer's - Treasure Coast:** Help take the first step to a

world without Alzheimer's. Fundraiser will be held at Indian RiverSide Park, 1707 N.E. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach. Registration is at 7:30 a.m., ceremony is at 8:30 a.m., walk begins at 9 a.m. Route is two miles. To sign up for a team, visit http://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2018/FL-SoutheastFlorida?fr_id=11141. *For more information, contact Jessie Brooks at (954) 786-1533 or jbrooks@alz.org.*

• **Race for Recovery:** 8th annual race, hosted by New Horizons Mental Health, will be held from 6:30-10 a.m. at First Data Field, 525 N.W. Peacock Blvd., Port St. Lucie. Fast, fun 5K to raise awareness for mental illnesses, addiction and recovery in our community. Not a fan of running? There's also a 1-mile walk option. Registration for both the 5K and the 1-mile walk are \$25 per person. *For more information or to register, visit www.active.com/port-st-lucie-fl/running/distance-running-races/race-for-recovery-5k-1-mile-walk-2018*

• **Run, Walk & Roll Fundraiser:** Second annual event will be held at First Data Field, 525 N.W. Peacock Blvd., Port St. Lucie, to benefit the First Step Foundation, to help individuals with spinal cord injuries to walk again. Check in at 8 a.m., followed by the 5k run at 9 a.m. and the one mile fun run at 10 a.m. An awards ceremony will follow the fun run at 11 a.m. Trophies will be distributed to the top three finishing times in each 5k age category, as well as overall best times. The 5k race route will begin in front of the stadium, wind through the minor league baseball fields, and end on the First Data Field home plate. Registration is \$40 and sponsorships of all levels are available as well. Visit www.barwis.com/run-walk-roll.

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Michael Leonard's Salon: A close-knit family in Palm City

By Donald Rodrigue
For Hometown News

PALM CITY -- Twenty-six years ago, a young couple from New Jersey decided to launch out on their own in new territory in order to find their own hair-styling niche in the world, ultimately founding Michael Leonard's Salon in Palm City. More than 5,000 Treasure Coast residents have reaped the benefits ever since, enjoying an extensive menu of salon services ranging from manicures and pedicures to waxing services, facial massages, AVEDA makeovers and, of course, cutting-edge hair design.

The dream actually began in 1986 when the former Kimberly Miele wandered into DePasquale Colour and Design Salon in Fair Lawn, N.J. and met the love of her life, Michael Izzolo, who had started there shortly after graduating from the Artistic Academy of Hair Design that same year. The two eventually married and in 1992 followed Ms. Izzolo's parents down to Martin County after she earned a bachelor's of science degree in marketing with a concentration in the cosmetic, fragrance and toiletry industry. That same year they inaugurated Michael Leonard's Salon, whose namesake says he never originally planned on making a name for himself in the hairstyling industry.

"Believe it or not I started in the sporting goods industry working as a buyer," he said. "A good friend of mine owned a barber shop in a nearby town and needed some help on weekends at his front desk so I



Photo courtesy of Michael Leonard's Salon
Sarah Powell works on a client at Michael Leonard's Salon.

decided to help him out. Watching him work and interact with people, not having to wear a suit every day, really intrigued me. During those days I watched him work and saw his talent and how much he enjoyed it so I decided to try cosmetology school."

Mr. Izzolo spent six years under the watchful eye of his mentor Carmen DePasquale before his desire to strike out on his own and his wife's goal to be closer to her family in Florida prompted a new direction for the couple.

"The truth be told, I thought we would have better luck bringing our work ethic

and education down to Florida than trying to compete in the rat race of New York and New Jersey," he admitted.

His hunch proved to be right. What began as a newlywed operation 25 years ago with six stylist stations and one nail technician has mushroomed to 15 employees with a variety of specializations over the ensuing years. In 2007, they built a new, state-of-the-art salon boasting 13 stylist stations, a color processing bar/area and a nail department, as well as private treatment rooms. Their success has not gone unnoticed. In 2011, the industry trade magazine Salon Today named Michael Leonard's its Salon of the Year. Ms. Izzolo herself also has a long history in the beauty and fashion industries, even before she graduated from The Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City.

"When I was a teenager, I worked not only behind the counter for Christian Dior at Bloomingdales, but I also as a freelance makeup artist," she said. "I would do photo shoots with NYC fashion photographers, weddings and a local TV show. My experience as a professional was credible, but many years later after moving to Florida, I did receive my cosmetology license."

Today Ms. Izzolo manages and oversees the retail operations of the salon. She said the most rewarding part of her career is the creation of long-term relationships with both clients and employees she considers family, an atmosphere she strives to maintain at the salon.

"We laugh together all the time," Ms. Izzolo said. See SALON, page 4

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Salon

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Izzolo said. "We celebrate marriages, births and successes and sometimes mourn losses. Our team is an extension of our own family, and we together are very family oriented. Some of our staff has been with us for almost as long as we have been here."

Her husband added that the years together have cemented the professional work ethic of the group.

"We can all learn from each other and help one another grow and succeed because that's what a team does," Mr. Izzolo said. "Together, we make up the best team of stylists on the Treasure Coast."

In addition to professional makeup services, Michael Leonard's offers an array of skin care services, therapies and facials. The salon can even be reserved after hours for spa-themed parties to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, wedding parties or baby showers.

Male patrons are not overlooked here either. Both men and women are welcome at the salon's contemporary and relaxing Unisex Nail Salon, where they can indulge in an exfoliating scrub and a massage before either a manicures or pedicure. Michael Leonard's hair stylists are trained in the latest hair fashion trends for both men and women, so male customers can also expect to turn heads upon leaving the salon.

Ever on the cusp of improvement and self betterment, the Izzolos decided four years

ago to join forces with the Minnesota-based Aveda Corporation, a manufacture of natural skin- and hair-care products made from pure flower and plant essences. Michael Leonard's staff and its owners are proud to be aligned with the company founded by Horst Rechelbacher and now owned by Estée Lauder Companies.

"With Aveda, there is constant training and education as well as an even more enhanced awareness of the latest hair care advances and styles," Mr. Izzolo said.

His wife emphasized they finally found a product line they could depend on in an ever-changing industry.

"We found so many products that work well but many didn't offer the performance that Aveda provided us," she explained. "We decided this was a great product that we wanted to invest in, and so we embarked on a new relationship with a proven successful company."

The salon founder who made the leap from sporting goods to hair styling said the transformation and the ensuing journey have given him a new-found passion and helped him make "long-time friends for life."

"My wife said to me the other day that not once in 27 years of marriage have I woken up and said I did not look forward to going to work," Mr. Izzolo said.

Michael Leonard's Salon is located at 3371 S.W. Martin Downs Blvd. in Palm City. The salon opens at 9 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday and is closed on Sundays and Mondays. For more information, call (772) 288-4022 or visit <http://michaellleonards.com>.

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Alina Baker, 37, of NE Railroad Street, Jensen Beach, was arrested Sept. 14 and charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Jorge Calderon, 31, of Old FFA Road, Fort Pierce, was arrested Sept. 14 and charged with driving while license suspended (3rd or subsequent offense).

Veronica Delancy, 42, of SE Lake Drive, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 14 and charged with sale/delivery of buprenorphine within 1,000 ft. of business, and possession of a controlled substance.

Steven Ellis, 34, of SE Evergreen Avenue, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 14 and charged

with burglary of conveyance, and grand theft larceny over \$200 and less than \$1,000 (subsequent offense).

James Johnson, 40, of Railroad Street, Jensen Beach, was arrested Sept. 14 and charged with felony battery.

Kristan Lucas, 29, of St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, was arrested Sept. 15 and charged with malicious child abuse.

Keith Moorhead, 39, of SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, was arrested Sept. 14 and charged with possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Fernando Ortiz, 42, of Grape Avenue, Yeehaw Junction, was arrested Sept. 14 and charged with grand theft, and utterance of a false instrument.

Michael Crousillat, 25, of Huron Circle, Kissimmee, was arrested Sept. 18 and charged with grand theft of a motor vehicle, and fleeing/attempting to elude police officer.

Lisa Parr, 32, SE Amherst Street, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 18 and charged with three counts possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana less than 20 grams, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Cicilio Perez, 55, of 34th Terrace, Palm City, was arrested Sept. 18 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and

Police report

possession of drug paraphernalia.

Eric Joseph, 44, of SE Salerno Road, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 18 and charged with felony battery causing great bodily harm.

Timothy Van, 53, of NE Ixora Avenue, Jensen Beach, was arrested Sept. 20 and charged with grand theft.

Daniel Jackson, 30, of 28th Street, Rivera, was arrested Sept. 20 and charged with five counts possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell/deliver, sell/manufacture/deliver/traffic of drugs, resisting officer with violence, three counts use of a two-way communication deliver to facilitate felony, and two counts sale/deliver buprenorphine within 1000 feet of convenience/business.

Kevin Ortega, 23, of SE Iris Street, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 21 and charged with battery by strangulation, and abuse without great harm.

Stuart Police Department

Wilner Azor, 26, Wirily Lane, Cordova, was arrested Sept. 16 and charged with possession of controlled substance, and possession of marijuana less than 20 grams.

Jennifer Baer, 44, of SE Letha Circle, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 16 and charged with grand theft.

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Francisco Menendez, 29, of SE Forrest Park Drive, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 19 and charged with aggravated assault.

Thomas Hines, 53, of SE Federal Highway, Stuart, was arrested Sept. 20 and charged with burglary.

Pool

From page 1

Colleen Florio of Stuart told the Board the swimming team made the transition from middle school to high school much easier for her teenage son.

"My son started high school last year in ninth grade and he was a good kid that wouldn't say boo to anyone," she said. "I permitted him to go out for a sport, and he went out for swimming last year. It has been an eye-opener to see the group and morale that these kids have. My son did not miss a day of school last year, loves going to school,

went from having Bs and Cs to straight As. He loves going there."

Stuart Middle School student Jackson Brown echoed the fears of many students that closing the pool would force them to share an already overcrowded practice facility at Sailfish Splash.

"I've played sports and done this and that, but swimming is something that I really enjoy: It's fun and really does bring out your character physically and mentally," he said. "If they close down this pool, I know that when I go to Sailfish, it's going to be way

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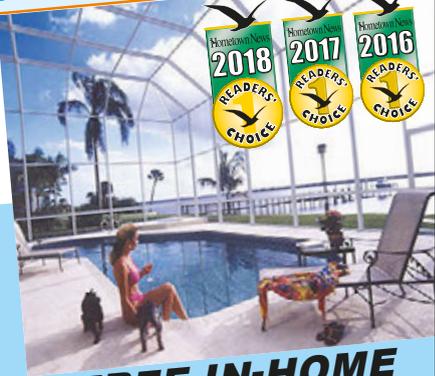
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Florida's toxic algae

This is in answer to the man who said the Feds don't want to clean up Florida's waters.

The Federal Government has been trying to get FL to clean up its waterways since 1998. When they finally got tough 6 years ago, Gov. Scott and the Repubs in control all stonewalled, and said these "onerous" regulations would be too hard on FL businesses.

Gov. Scott slashed the budgets of all 5 of FL's water management districts, by 40 percent. Scientists and engineers were laid off; all land buying projects seem to have stopped. Then FL's Environmental Commission, whose board is appointed by Governor Scott, weakened criteria for 23 toxic chemicals in FL waterways, allowing higher levels of benzene, for instance.

Live clerks vs. machines

A reader lamented the limited number of live clerks vs. scan checkout options and his/her preference for live clerks. I heartily endorse those sentiments and clerks replaced by machines certainly felt the same way. It's a safe bet that overworked real people who are still employed are earning minimum wage and stay because they don't have a choice. Florida minimum wage is among the lowest, if not the lowest in the nation.

Big corp billionaires tempt consumers with low prices and the ease of ordering. The downside is: lost jobs and lost privacy. Every time you access the Internet for information and order via the internet you are tracked and your information can be used for more than marketing purposes. Apps are required in some stores for sale items. No app - you pay regular price. The Internet is largely responsible for the creation of this go along to get along society.

This morning this headline caught my attention: Should cashless retail stores be banned? Amazon and Walmart are fighting

a New Jersey bill that would require stores to accept cash, i.e., if corporations get their way all purchases would have to be made via plastic or app or from some other technical device. Again, technology taking away consumer choice - and rights.

Would Hometown News consider doing a survey about how locals feel about this? Businesses would benefit from the information which comes directly from consumers, who should be the ones determining how they want to do business.

Also prefers live clerks

I happen to agree. People need to stop and realize you don't get a discount for not only doing your own shopping, but checking yourself out and bagging your items and taking them to your car.

You're paying as much, if not more, and there are less employees. The only place making money off this scam is the store.

I have gotten into the habit now if there are only one or two lanes open with a real person and the lines are long, I go back into the store, fill my cart to the brim with non-food items and then leave it.

At least one of the few employees left in the store might get some overtime pay for putting the stuff back. If I want to self check, I will stay home, save my gas and shop on Amazon. At least they deliver.

'Give bicyclists more room'

Where would you propose bicycle riders ride? On the sidewalks that are meant for pedestrians?

It sounds to me you are one of the people who don't move over and give a bicycle rider proper clearance. The only time I see a bicycle in the middle of the road is usually when the rider is crossing a road, or going around an obstacle, or in a neighborhood on a back street. This is where you find the neighbor-

Here come the Tigers!



Sevin Bullwinkle/staff photographer

The Martin County High School Tigers take the field.

hood children riding who delight in racing and riding in circles and generally doing innocent kid stuff.

Bicycles are subject to the same rules as motor vehicles. Just like motor vehicle operators, you will find some breaking the law, riding against traffic. This is a danger to all because most cars, when pulling out of a driveway or into an intersection, are not looking for bicycles riding on the wrong side of the road, and just not paying attention.

They should be ticketed as should a motorist. Maybe we need more bicycle rider education, but how in the world would requiring a bicycle to be registered solve any of these issues? How about motorists and bicyclists alike use more of what seems to be missing in large amounts these days - common sense and courtesy?

As it stands, the law is give bicyclists three feet of clearance. That means stay three feet off of the bicycle lane, not drive next to or on the line. Give more than three feet when driving highway speeds.

Democratic socialism often misunderstood

A democratic socialist is not Marxist socialist or communist.

A democratic socialist is one who seeks to restrain the self-destructive excess of capitalism and channel the government's use of

our tax money into creating opportunities for everyone.

Democratic socialists believe that the economy and society should be run democratically, to meet public needs not to make profits for a few.

If you're tired of the rich getting richer, consider socialism.

13 amendments

The first two times I saw the amendments published in a local newspaper, I read through the article twice - once incredulously, the second more studiously and took notes to try to understand what was being proposed - to no avail. There is no understanding or reasoning behind these proposals presented as they are, other than to confuse, obfuscate, and trick voters into voting for some things / rules no one wants, and no legislator wants to be blamed for. This is an example of government at its worst.

I STRONGLY urge every voter to vote "NO" on all 13 items. None of these need to be elevated to the level of incorporation into the state's constitution, but should be addressed individually by the legislature, where each elected official must take a public stand for or against each item. Vote "NO" to the process which only serves to benefit, via power and/or money, to a few, and takes rights / power away from the people of the state of Florida.

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CIRCULATION AUDIT BY



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Microcystin

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debate on the topic, beginning with local veterinarian Cristina Maldonado. She described the cases of five dogs from the St. Lucie River waterfront area that she'd treated for the same symptoms within the last few weeks.

"I've now become the go-to veterinarian for what appears to be an epidemic," she said. "I just wanted to share with you what myself and other veterinarians have been going through for the last two weeks, and what some of our local families have been going through as well. I did have them join me because I think it's important for you to see the faces of the dogs that have been sick and the faces of the owners whose dogs were not so lucky."

Dr. Maldonado went on to describe the cases of two area dogs that were brought to her clinic. Pandora a two-year-old Pomeranian, and Costa, a four-year-old Golden Retriever, who both snuck off from their owners homes. Pandora apparently ate a dead fish Aug. 26.

"A couple hours later she was throwing up and couldn't keep her head out of the water bowl," she said. "It was a near death situation: She had severe elevations in liver enzymes and decreased platelets. She was hospitalized four and a half days and had one plasma transfusion. We still don't know what her future is and how much damage that was done to her liver that will be per-

manent."

In the case of Costa, whose family lives in Rio, the Golden Retriever was brought back from down by the river by an unsuspecting neighbor.

"She started vomiting and was lethargic," Dr. Maldonado explained. "By the time she got to the emergency clinic, her belly was distended with fluid, her liver enzymes were off the charts, she had no platelets or clotting factors — the same as Pandora. After four days and three plasma transfusions, she's pulled through. We'll be monitoring her once a week indefinitely."

Not all Dr. Maldonado's cases have had a happy ending, however. The Adeylotte family's nine-year-old standard poodle, Finn, who lived close to Costa, also ending up lethargic and vomiting after sneaking off down to the water. His owners took him to their primary veterinarian, where he spent eight hours before being transferred to an emergency clinic. "By the time he got to the emergency clinic, he was unfortunately too far gone," Dr. Maldonado explained. "Even with all the plasma transfusions we did and everything the Adeylotte family did, he didn't make it."

Alex Adeylotte spoke at the hearing, and pleaded with commissioners to continue pressuring the state and federal government to stop the discharges from Lake Okeechobee. The family agreed to an autopsy on Finn so officials could know for certain what took his life.

"This is obviously more serious than just respiratory issues, this is not just a rash," he

said. "This algae killed my dog in 24 hours, and he was a 50-pound dog. So what that proves is a child could die just as easily or even more easily, so it's serious stuff. I don't think the information was out there as to how lethal this stuff really is and I just hope more awareness is put out there for Finn's sake and for other families so they don't have to go through what we went through."

Alex's grandmother, Jackie Pakonis, also addressed the Commission:

"What I would like you to consider is the spraying of the glyphosates and the Roundup in our ponds and our lakes and in our parks," she added. "It's rampant, and I know because I go to these parks a lot, and I have seen this toxic chemical sprayed in the water that leads to the river and all over the place where little kids are playing. There are cities, counties and states all over this country that have banned this terrible chemical. How long are we going to wait to do something?"

Mayor Kelli Glass-Leighton then admitted she didn't know which chemicals the city used and deferred to staff members. City Attorney Michael Mortell confirmed Ms. Pakonis' allegations.

"We do use Roundup," he said.

Mayor Glass-Leighton then passed the gavel to Commissioner Becky Bruner so she could make a motion.

"I would like to make a motion that staff look into using an organic, non chemical based herbicide," she said.

Commissioner Mike Meier, who was also sworn in that evening, seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Public Works Director David Peters then said he would report back to the Commission on his findings by the next meeting.

"We'll look at the alternatives and provide you with an update on what we propose to do," he said.

Dr. Maldonado said that evening a pair of other canines had also gotten ill more recently, two Golden Retriever siblings that lived on the water.

Dr. Maldonado believes that owners whose pets get ill from the algae should not be expected to pay the elevated cost for such treatment.

"Just so everybody knows, these plasma transfusions cost \$400 or \$500 each," she explained. "It's not fair to these owners -- I don't think they should be responsible for all these bills."

The veterinarian added that the Martin County Sheriff's Office had done investigations on each case and assured her that foul play had not played a factor in any of the reported cases. Researchers are also examining Finn's brain for signs of BMAA, a non-proteinogenic amino acid produced by cyanobacteria that's suspected of contributing to degenerative neurological diseases such as dementia and Parkinson's Disease.

Dr. Maldonado said Sept. 24 that BMAA results are still pending, but other tests positively concluded that the blue-green algae bacteria is the culprit in the canine sickness.

"The autopsy was definitive: Finn had microcystin in his blood, liver and urine at toxic levels."

Pool

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overcrowded. They don't have a diving pool,

so the divers won't have enough room for them to dive and for us to swim. It'll all just kind of be some big mess."

The co-captain of the Martin County Swim Team, Dorian Fezuli, has been swim-

ming and practicing in the pool for the last nine years.

"We are the only school in the county with our own pool on campus, and the convenience of our pool is what makes us the

strong team we are," she said. "If we were forced to share Sailfish with Jensen, South Fork and the Pine School, our meet schedule, practice times and overall success of our

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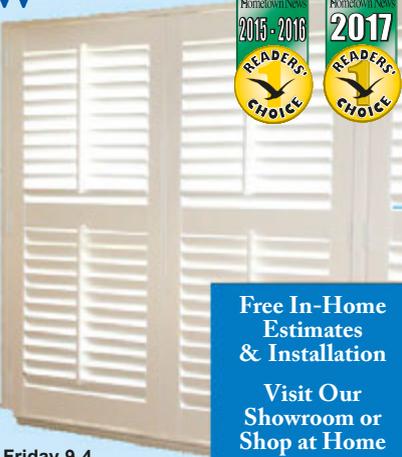
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Pool

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team would diminish greatly. So please, allow us to keep swimming and bettering ourselves because this pool means everything to each and every one of us.”

Retired Martin County High School teacher Pat Biondi concurred with the students’ assessment, saying the District should be ramping up the use of the pool named after the late swimming teacher who spent three decades there, rather than mothballing it.

“Although there is expense in operating the Martin County Community Pool, it is offset by the many benefits it provides,” she said. “And like the other sports whose venues also cost money to maintain, swimming is an integral part of the school system.

You’ve heard how many teams are at this pool and how many teams are at Sailfish Splash -- it would be nearly impossible for all these teams to practice together.”

Phyllis Fazoli wanted School Board members to consider the economic benefit brought to the community by the high school pool.

“If our club team that swims at this pool is not viable because we’re forced out of the pool, that hurts our community,” she said. “Every year for the past four years, we have hosted the Junior Olympics at the Sailfish pool. That’s a big deal: 730 swimmers, their parents and their coaches all come to this area and stay in our hotels and eat food in our restaurants. That brings money during off season, so that’s a pretty big deal.”

Amy Wells Martin, the daughter of the facility’s namesake who died in 2014, reminded those in attendance that the Dis-

trict never actually paid for the pool to begin with.

“The pool was built in 1975 by the Kiwanis Club: It was donated to the community, they raised the money for this pool, they put everything into building it and they gave it to our community,” she said. “As stewards of this pool, we as a community have the obligation to keep this pool. The facility was there for these children, these young adults, and what they got from it is lifelong learning.”

School Board member Tina McSoley launched the Board discussion on the matter as soon as public comment ended, reminding everyone that the District was “\$98 million in a budget deficit for our capital expenditures over the next five years,” and that future budget cuts would affect many extracurricular activities.

“On top of that, we have been mandated to harden schools -- there’s not enough money to do that,” she said. “I want every child in this county to be able to swim if they want to swim, and I want every child in this county to be able to play football and flute and whatever else they want to do. I am willing to make a motion tonight that we don’t close the pool or that we wait until after the sales tax vote and see what happens, but I’m going to tell you these are the hard decisions that are going to have to happen after November.”

Board Member Michael Diterlizzi seconded her motion for discussion, but insisted questions raised by both the Board and members of the public about the operation of the pool and its relationship to Sailfish Splash be answered in the future. He also refuted comments by some members of the public that the pool makes a profit.

“It cost us hundreds of thousands of dollars a year to operate, and according to your budget analysis, it’s losing about \$160,000 a

year,” he said. “Not a big deal, but we need to think about how we’re operating this, how our staff is operating this pool, and just some things I want addressed when we do bring this back.”

Board Member Marsha Powers reminded her fellow Board members that major money had been spent on pool renovations several years ago and the group at the time decided to wait until they were needed again to discuss a possible closure.

“I don’t think we’re at that point where we’re investing a lot of money into the general maintenance of the pool, so I’m okay sticking with that decision and dealing with it when we have to,” she said. “Right now we have an investment that we’ve already made. I don’t think we need to discuss it depending on what happens in November.”

Chairwoman Christia Li Roberts also opposed bringing the matter back after the elections. “At this point I don’t think it needs to even be brought back for an additional discussion unless something happens tragically that we have limited funded and we end up with an issue,” she said.

Superintendent Laurie Gaylord had recommended the Board reject the closure prior to the meeting and said the annual maintenance was a small price to pay for such benefits.

“\$100,000 or \$150,000 to keep the pool open is not a lot when you think about what it provides for us as an asset to the School District,” she said.

Board Member McSoley subsequently amended her motion to satisfy the Board majority. “I withdraw my motion and make an alternative motion that we not close the pool and get the questions answered and get them sent out to the public,” she said.

Board Member DiTerlizzi seconded the amended motion, which passed unanimously to thunderous applause.

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ON CARS
EARL STEWART

I wrote this letter to Florida car dealers almost over decade ago and, so far, I've received no replies...at least from car dealers. But I've received thousands of replies from car buyers thanking me for taking a stand against the Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practice of dealer fees. I thought that I'd give it another try.

SUBJECT: ELIMINATE THE DEALER FEE

I started in the retail auto business in 1968, about 50 years ago, and I have seen a lot of changes in the way we dealers sell cars and the expectations of our customers. My remarks in this column are made sincerely and with a positive intent toward you and your customers. I'm not trying to tell you how to run your business; I'm suggesting a change that will reward both you and your customers.

Every car dealer in Florida (except me) adds charges to the price of the cars he sells, variously referred to as a "dealer fee", "documentary fee", "dealer prep fee", "electronic filing fee, notary fee, closing fee, tag agency fee, e-filing fee, etc. This extra charge is printed on your buyer's orders and is programmed into your computers. It is regulated in many states including California. You charge this fee to every customer and it ranges from a few hundred dollars to several thousand. Florida law requires that

you disclose in writing on the buyer's order that this charge represents profit to the dealer. Florida law also requires that you include this fee in all advertised prices. You don't usually do this, and you get around the law by limiting the number of advertised vehicles (as few as one). You also disclose only in the fine print that there is a dealer fee, but don't include in the price. You don't even disclose the amount of the fee. You usually have multiple dealer fees by different names.

The argument that I hear from most car dealers when I raise this issue is that the dealer fee is fully disclosed to the buyer on his buyer's order. But, most car buyers are totally unaware that they are paying this. Who reads all the voluminous paperwork associated with buying a car? The few who notice it assume it is an "official" fee like state sales tax or license and registration fee. Those few astute buyers who do question the fee are told that your dealership must charge this fee on very car which is not true. These astute buyers are also told that all other car dealers charge similar fees. This is almost true, but, as you know, my dealership does not.

The reason you charge this fee is simply to increase the price of the car and your profit in such a manner that it is not noticed by your customer. This is just plain

wrong. Dealers will admit this to me in private conversations and some will admit that they have considered eliminating the fee as I have but are afraid of the drastic effect to their bottom line. By being able to count on an extra \$999 in profit that the customer is not aware of or believes is an "official fee", you can quote a price below cost and end up making a profit. Or, if the price you quote the customer does pay you a nice profit, you can increase that by several hundred dollars.

This "extra, unseen" profit is even better for you because you don't pay your salesmen a commission on it. That's being unfair to your employees as well as your



customers. When the rare, astute buyer objects to the dealer fee, the right thing to do would be to decrease the quoted price of the car by the amount of the dealer fee. This would have the same net effect of removing it. The salesman won't permit this because he will lose his commission (typically 25

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The main stage will feature an array of talent throughout the day and our talented Palm City school children will again sing & dance along with other local entertainers.

Fall Fest will also feature again this year the fantastic classic car show; numerous vendors showcasing gifts, services, arts, crafts and community organizations. And, of course, there will be a great selection of delicious ethnic, grilled, bar-b-que and frozen delight treats that will satisfy any palate. At the end of our Fall Fest the Car Show Cruise through the event.

We look forward to seeing you again at our 10th Annual Family "Fall Fest". Call us now as there are still opportunities to participate as a Sponsor, Vendor and in our Car Show.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please contact Sophia Lopez, Marketing Coordinator at the Palm City Chamber of Commerce – Sophia@palmcitychamber.com /772-283-8121/ Palm City Facebook Page or visit our website www.palmcitychamber.com.

Palm City Chamber of Commerce Lunch & Learn Thursday, September 13, 2018

The Palm City Chamber's newest event called "Lunch & Learn" was held at Manero's Restaurant located at 2851 SW High Meadow Avenue.

The luncheon was for businesses to get better acquainted with a local chamber member to learn something new about their business as well as get a chance to ask questions about subjects pertaining to that business. The event allows local business members who want to sponsor a small group instead of a large group be able to do just that. The Business who sponsors the luncheon is also the speaker for the day. That allows them to speak about what they do in more detail. The Zweben Law Group was the first and is dedicated to helping injured people receive the compensation they deserve since 2001.

The founder of the law firm and managing partner, Gene Zweben has practiced injury law since 1996. Zweben Law group practices in the areas of personal injury, wrongful death and family law. They are located in Stuart – 532 Colorado Avenue – 772.223.5454

For more information about the Lunch & Learn please contact the Palm City Chamber of Commerce at 772.286.8121.



Gene Zweben, Zweben Law Group, and Tara Zweben, Zweben Law Group



Fabiola Simon, Two Men and a Truck; Linda Daniel, Coastal Pest Control

Palm City Ribbon Cutting Life's Abundance HealthyLives365.com Wednesday, August 29, 2018

On Wednesday, August 29, a ribbon cutting after the Palm City Chamber Monthly Breakfast, Wendie Berardi – Independent Field Representative with Life's Abundance/HealthyLives365.com. After the Monthly Breakfast the Palm City Chamber Board Members, friends and Ambassadors attended the ribbon cutting.

At Life's Abundance/HealthyLives365, they understand commitment. They have pledged to providing the best possible products for their customers, to help them live longer, healthier and happier lives. They provide an array of superior quality, safe and effective products that are inspired by nature, informed by science and born of a commitment to improving the health of people, pets and the planet.

For more information contact Wendie at: 772-260-4742.



HealthyLives365.com Ribbon Cutting

Palm City Ribbon Cutting Jaguar Land Rover of the Treasure Coast Thursday, September 6, 2018

Thursday, September 6th - Ribbon Cutting - Jaguar Land Rover of the Treasure Coast

On Thursday, September 6th a ribbon cutting for Michele Miller with Jaguar Land Rover of the Treasure Coast was held at the Palm City Chamber of Commerce office. Board Members, Friends and Ambassadors with there to welcome Michele to the Chamber! Over 30 people attended the ribbon cutting, where Board Members, Ambassadors from the Chamber and friends enjoyed delicious refreshments that were served for everyone who attended the event.

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Michele Miller - Jaguar Land Rover of the Treasure Coast Ribbon Cutting Photo

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Palm City Chamber Monthly Breakfast August 29, 2018

The Palm City Chamber of Commerce Monthly Breakfast was held at Monarch Country Club. Over 100 people attended the Breakfast and the service very good! Monarch Country Club is located at 1801 SW Monarch Club Drive, in Palm City. For more information on this very exclusive and wonderful Country Club community visit them at www.monarchclub.com or call them at 772-286-8447.

Sponsor for the Breakfast was Andrea Davis with Tender Touch Caregivers, LLC. Tender Touch Caregivers LLC provides non-medical home care services to the residents of Port St. Lucie, Florida and its neighboring communities. They take pride in the fact that their founder has 2 decades of experience in nursing homes, hospitals, and healthcare facilities. For more information contact them at 772.626.4969.

Speaker for the Breakfast was William Snyder The Martin County Sheriff's office. Sheriff Snyder spoke about the most important things with the Martin County community and added a little warmth and humor as he spoke. He gave the latest updates and answered questions after he spoke. For more information contact the Martin County Sheriff's office at: 772.220.7000.



Breakfast Sponsor, Andrea Davis, Tender Touch Caregivers, LLC



Rick Hartman, President, Palm City Chamber of Commerce; David Bradford, Edward Jones Investments, August Ambassador of the Month; Robin Hall, Out2News, Ambassador Chair

Wednesday, August 29 Ribbon Cutting Luxury Renovations & Additions

On Wednesday, August 29, a ribbon cutting after the Palm City Chamber Monthly Breakfast, was done to celebrate the new chamber membership of Derrick Dukes with Luxury Renovations & Additions. Their Executives will meet & converse with their clients to ascertain the desired body of work to be performed. With the approved scoped of work, their project manager will begin developing the preliminary budget & work with their clients to schedule all design meetings with the necessary design professionals.

For more information contact Derrick at: 772-260-4742.



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A.C.T. Studio Theatre presents "The Velocity of Autumn" by Eric Coble

For Hometown News
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STUART – As the poet Dylan Thomas wrote, "Do not go gentle into that good night . . ."

"The Velocity of Autumn" swirls around an 80-year-old artist named Alexandra in a showdown with her family over where she'll spend her remaining years. In Alexandra's corner are her wit, her volcanic passion, and the fact that she's barricaded herself in her Brooklyn brownstone with enough Molotov cocktails to take out the block.

No sooner are the words "Hi, Mom" uttered than the emotional bombs start detonating. But Alexandra still clearly has the good humor to see the bright side, pointing out that she can reread her favorite mysteries without remembering "whodunit."

"This play portrays the rich and poignant story of a mother and son—both alike, both in crisis. The play mixes drama, humor and brutal honesty in telling the lives of these complex and entertaining characters," said the show's director Dennis O'Donovan.

This wonderfully touching discovery of the fragility and ferocity of life stars Pat Burgemeister and Stuart Mohr. "The Velocity of Autumn" will be performed at A.C.T. Studio Theatre on Oct. 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21. Friday and Saturday evening performances are at 8:00 p.m.; Sunday matinees are at 3:00 p.m.

A.C.T. Studio Theatre is located in the Cedar Pointe Plaza, 2399 SE Ocean Blvd., Stuart. Reserved seating is \$25. For tickets and information, please visit actstudiotheatre.com or call (772) 932-8880.



A.C.T. Studio Theatre presents "The Velocity of Autumn" by Eric Coble.

Alexandra (Pat Burgemeister) is threatening to blow up her apartment building if forced to leave. Her son Christopher (Stuart Mohr) returns from years of self-exile to talk her out of it. Fireworks ensue. For tickets, call (772) 932-8880 or visit actstudiotheatre.com

Photo courtesy of A.C.T. Studio Theatre

Horoscopes



ARIES - March 21/April 20

Information that seems suspect on the surface may turn out to be much more if you're willing to dig a little deeper, Aries. Do not discount anything right away.

TAURUS - April 21/May 21

Taurus, if faced with a few different scenarios, do not immediately pick the path of least resistance. Sometimes the best reward is earned with some sweat equity.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Gemini, when social engagements seem to be slim pickings, you may have to broaden your social circle just a bit. Try putting a toe into new waters for a change of scenery.

CANCER - June 22/July 22

Cancer, put your money where your mouth is regarding an important issue this week. You must lead by example, and you're fully capable of doing so.

LEO - July 23/Aug. 23

Don't let a minor setback derail all of the plans you have been working on for so long, Leo. This can be easily remedied with the right people offering their support.

VIRGO - Aug. 24/Sept. 22

Virgo, you do not need an engraved invitation to attend an event that could put you in a position of power and influence. Walk into the party with flair and confidence.

LIBRA - Sept. 23/Oct. 23

When someone seeks your advice you are always willing to give it, Libra. Just do not freely offer unsolicited advice all the time or friends could view it as lecturing.

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Out & about

FRIDAY, SEPT. 28

• **What's on TAP – Safe Bars, Safe Drinks!** 10 a.m. to noon, Children's Services Council of Martin County, 101 S.E. Central Parkway, Stuart. Learn about the risk of drink spiking, and how to respond if someone is drugged or overly intoxicated. Free seminar and informational opportunity for anyone working in the food and beverage industry, hospitality, entertainment, parents, law enforcement, first responders and healthcare. Learn about drug facilitated

sexual assault, how to intervene as a bystander, and how to become part of the solution. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/pg/InnerTruthProject/

• **Cult Classic Film Series:** Showing 'Pulp Fiction' at 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. at The Lyric Theatre, 59 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart. Tickets are \$10; tickets for the seven-film series, which runs Aug. 17 through Nov. 9, are \$50. For more information, call (772) 286-7827 or visit www.lyrictheatre.com

• **San Juan Festival:** The 15th annual festival celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month, presented by the Puerto Rican Association for Hispanic Affairs, will be held from noon to 10 p.m. at the Port St. Lucie Civic Center, 9221 S.E. Civic Center Place, Port St. Lucie. Open to the public. \$15 for adults, \$5 for children under age 12, free for ages under 5. Call (772) 216-0285 or visit www.PRAFHA.org.

• **Roaring 20's Casino Night:** Benefit for See OUT, page 13

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Martin County's George Johnson, No. 7, fires off a pass.



Photos by Sevin Bullwinkle/staff photographer
The Tiger's George Johnson, No. 7, heads up the field.

Tigers vs. Fighting Eagles

The Martin County High School Tigers Varsity Football Team's home non-conference game against St. Lucie West Centennial High School's Fighting Eagles was held at Martin County High School Stadium in Stuart on Friday, Sept. 21. The Fighting Eagles defeated the Tigers with a final score of 30-0.



The Tiger's Trevor Parent, No. 2, intercepts a pass intended for the Fighting Eagles Myles Youngblood, No. 1.

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Elev8hope will be held from 6-11 p.m., Indian RiverSide Park, 1707 N.E. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach. Enjoy an exciting night of "gambling" and fun for participants. Guests will have the opportunity to play Vegas casino games including Roulette, Craps, Texas Hold 'Em, and Black Jack. Buffet will be available throughout the evening with an available open bar. Guests will be able to participate in a silent auction, live auction and stop in our photobooth with friends. The night supports Elev8hope's mission and benefits low-income families and individuals across Martin County to move up to self-sufficiency and beyond. Tickets are \$125; sponsorships are also available. *For tickets, visit* www.eventbrite.com/e/roaring-20s-casino-night-all-in-for-elev8hope-tickets-45041943666

SUNDAY, SEPT. 30

• **Ais on the Lagoon Community Paddle:** 8-11 a.m., U.S. Sailing Center, 1955 N.E. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach. Enjoy a free 4.5 mile round-trip paddle across the Indian River Lagoon. Start at the U.S. Sailing Center and stop along the shoreline of the Florida Oceanographic Coastal Center where you'll learn about the Ais Indians who inhabited our area centuries ago. Enjoy a breakfast of grits and clams followed by a short historical presentation by Indian Riverkeeper, Marty Baum. This event is a bring your own canoe, kayak or paddleboard event. If you don't have a watercraft then there will be a limited number of kayak rentals available through the U.S. Sailing Center. Reservations are required. *To reserve a kayak, please call (772) 334-8085. To RSVP, register online at* <http://bit.ly/ais-community-paddle> *For more information, contact the Florida Oceanographic Society at (772) 225-0505, or* info@floridaocean.org.

TUESDAY, OCT. 2

• **Climate-Wise Landscaping:** 6:30-8 p.m., hosted by Martin County Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society at Indian River State College, 2400 S.E. Salerno Road, Stuart. Ginny Stibolt, botanist, garden writer

Scopes

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SCORPIO - Oct. 24/Nov. 22

Disagreements can cause emotions to run hot, Scorpio. It is best if you find a cool-down measure so that problems do not escalate - especially this week.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 23/Dec. 21

Take a break this week and reconnect with some of the fun activities that you used to do to amuse yourself, Sagittarius. Think like a kid and go to a zoo, aquarium or park.

CAPRICORN - Dec. 22/Jan. 20

Capricorn, you're on the cusp of mastering a skill you have been honing for awhile. Use an opportunity this week to celebrate your hard-earned success.

AQUARIUS - Jan. 21/Feb. 18

Utilize all of the special skills you have at your disposal, Aquarius. You just may need every tool in your arsenal to get through an upcoming project. This work keeps you busy.

PISCES - Feb. 19/March 20

You may need to take a trip to become fully recharged, Pisces. New experiences and new sights can be good for the soul.

and co-author of "Climate-Wise Landscaping" will provide actions people can all do right now to help mitigate climate change and its effects on the planet. *For more information, visit* www.facebook.com/pg/mcfnp/evnts/

THURSDAY, OCT. 4

• **Jammin' Jensen:** 6-9:30 p.m., every Thursday night in downtown Jensen Beach except for Thanksgiving. *For more information, visit* www.jensenbeach.biz.

FRIDAY, OCT. 5

• **Fall Family Fun Festival:** Hosted by Martin County Parks & Recreation from 5:30-8:30 p.m., Langford Park, 2369 N.E. Dixie Highway, Jensen Beach. Arts and crafts, face painting, games and activities for children, interactive animal educational displays, plus food vendors and more. Free admission. *For more information, contact* Deanna Deakins *at* (772) 221-1430 *or* ddeakins@martin.fl.us, *or visit* www.facebook.com/MyMCParks. See OUT, page 14

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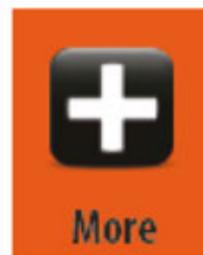
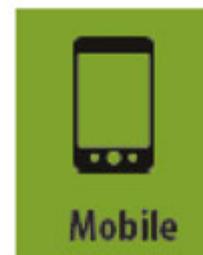
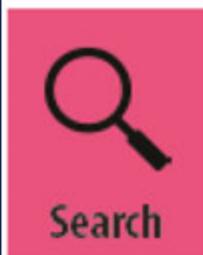
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percent) on the decrease in his commissionable gross profit.

If you don't know me, I should tell you that I don't profess to be some "holier than thou" car dealer who was always perfect. Although, I never did anything illegal, when I look at some of my advertising and sales tactics 20+ years ago and more, I am not always proud. But, I have evolved as my customers have evolved. My customers' expectations, level of education, and sophistication are much higher today. Your customers are no different. As I began treating my customers, and employees, better I discovered that they began treating me better. Yes, I used to charge a dealer fee (\$495), and when I stopped charging it many years ago, it was scary. But I did it because I could no longer, in good conscience, mislead my customers. Just because everybody else was doing the same thing did not make it right.

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giving them a fair shake and quoting the complete out-the-door price with no "surprises" the word spread. My volume began to rise rapidly. Sure, I was making a few hundred dollars less per car, but I was selling a lot more cars! I was, and am, selling a lot of your former customers. My bottom line is far better than it was when I was charging a dealer fee. You can do the same! Currently I'm the largest volume single point car dealer between Orlando and Coconut Creek (near Ft. Lauderdale). That's not bad for a little dealership in Lake Park, FL (population 9,000).

Why am I writing this letter? I'm not going to tell you that I think of myself as the new Marshall that has come to "clean up Dodge". In fact, I'm aware that this letter is to some extent self-serving. Lots of people will read this letter to you and learn why they should buy a car from me and not you. And, I'm also aware that most dealers who read this will either get angry and ignore it or not have the courage to follow my lead. But maybe you will be the exception. If you have any interest in following my lead, call me anytime. I don't have a secretary and I don't screen any of my phone calls. I would love to chat with you about this. My cell phone number is 561 358-1474.

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• **Parent's Night Out:** 6-9:30 p.m., Children's Museum of the Treasure Coast, 1707 N.E. Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach. Parents can drop kids off at the museum for a night of dinner, drinks, popcorn, a movie, and time to explore the museum. Meant for ages 4-12. \$15 for members; \$20 for non-members; \$10 for siblings. Space is

limited, register early to secure a spot. Call the museum at (772) 225-7575, Ext. 208 to register.

• **Arabian Nights Wonderland Gala:** Benefit for Port St. Lucie based CareBag Inc. will be held from 6:30-10:30 p.m. at the Port St. Lucie Civic Center. CareBag Inc. is a grassroots 501(c)(3) non-profit Treasure Coast organization whose mission is to devote the time and energy necessary to feed, assist and educate the homeless, as **See OUT, page 15**

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Getting ready for Fall, cooler temperatures

With cooler temperatures (hopefully soon) and the fall season just around the corner, many of us want to start introducing color back into our yards. A popular variety that is now widely available at most garden centers is Geraniums. Annual Geraniums are very popular for their wide range of brilliant, colorful flowers plus their foliage is also very attractive.

The types and varieties of these colorful plants vary widely from cultivars that grow six inches high to some that grow to be several feet tall. Geraniums need a bright location with at least a couple of hours of direct sun in order to thrive. These wonderful plants also need to be planted in well-drained soil otherwise the plants will be prone to fungus infection and disease.

After planting your colorful treasures, you will want to water them abundantly the first few days, taking care to be sure they drain between watering. Water regularly thereafter still ensuring the plants drain and the soil to dry out between watering intervals. When you water your plants, try to avoid getting water on the leaves of the plant as this can lead to possible disease problems. Do not plant geraniums where they will receive their water from a sprinkler system.



GARDEN NOOK
JOE ZELENAK

Geraniums are heavy feeders and if not fertilized properly, their leaves may yellow and drop. There are several options you can use for fertilizer such as a slow release fertilizer or a water-soluble fertilizer. The slow release fertilizer will need less intervention on your part as some products such as Osmocote and Dynamite feed for as long as six months. Water-soluble fertilizers such as Miracle Gro provide a more immediate fix but will require more frequent feedings about every two to three weeks. The water-soluble feeding solutions are quite

safe and there is little chance of burning your plants.

There are a couple of things you can do to prolong how long and how many flowers your plants will produce. Probably the single most important solution is to pinch the spent flowers off the stems on a regular basis. This will ensure a season of beautiful color. Pinching also has the advantage of helping to produce well-branched and full plants. A good rule of thumb when choosing your treasures is to pick plants that not only have abundant flowers but that have lots of tight buds also. Look for dark green foliage with not a lot of yellow leaves or yellowing at the tips of the leaves.

Today's garden tip: If you are growing Crotons in a container inside your home, yellowing, dropping leaves can often be a problem. To avoid or reverse this problem, there are several things that can help. First

of all, you should try to keep your plants at a fairly constant temperature. These tropical plants also enjoy a humid, moist climate so misting the plant will help raise the humidity levels around the leaves for optimal growth. Water your plants on a regular basis with tepid water and keep the soil evenly moist. Be sure to provide bright light near a window otherwise the plant may shed leaves if the area is too dark. Also be sure to fertilize once a month with a water-soluble fertilizer. With a little care and TLC, your colorful crotons will thrive for many years to come and will add a delicate tropical fare to your décor.

Joe Zelenak has more than 30 years experience in gardening and landscape. Send e-mails to hometowngarden@gmail.com or visit his website www.hometowngarden.com.

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well as individuals and families at risk. Tickets are \$90 per person. To purchase tickets, call (772) 222-7399 or visit www.carebag.net/events.

• **Out Laugh Hunger:** Fourth annual fun filled night of comedy at the Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second Street, Fort Pierce, to benefit the Treasure Coast Food Bank. 7-9:30 p.m. Headliner is Brad Upton, a regular performer in Reno & Las Vegas who has opened for many legendary recording artists including Johnny Mathis at his sold-out show at the Sunrise Theatre. Brad's hilarious observations and writing skills make him a hit with a wide variety of ages and audiences. General admission tickets are \$25. VIP tickets are \$50, which includes three drink tickets (two at Sunrise Theatre and one at the Meet & Greet on the patio at Sailfish Brewery). For tickets, visit <https://stop hunger.org/event/out-laugh-hunger-4thannual/>

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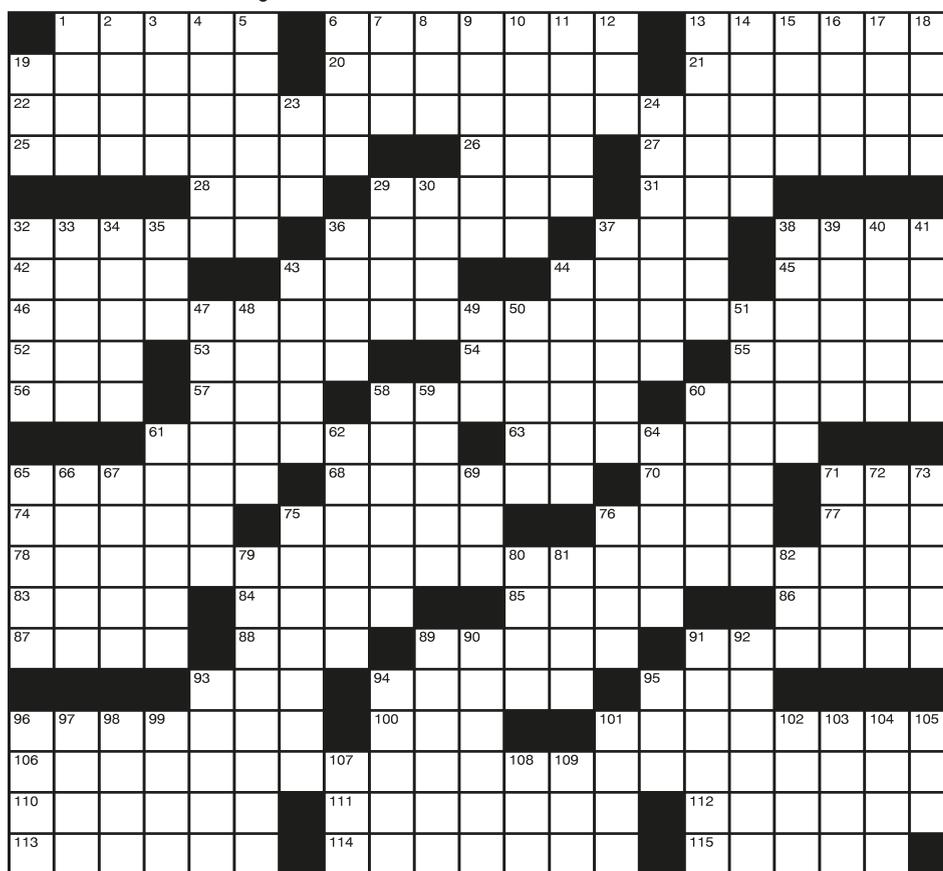
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- 6 Pets
- 13 Popular patio robe
- 19 Tosca
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- 21 Kay Thompson's Plaza girl
- 22 Start of a verse for September
- 25 Open to suggestion
- 26 Thai language
- 27 Wail
- 28 Verbal "gift"
- 29 "Golden Boy" playwright
- 31 Cow's chew
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- 42 Yearn
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- 44 Parlor piece
- 45 "Major Barbara's" creator
- 46 More of verse
- 52 Lamprey
- 53 Crucial March date
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- 55 Like an otary
- 56 B'way hit sign
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- 58 Caper
- 60 Uncover
- 61 Dustin Hoffman hit: 1982
- 63 Magician trick
- 65 Mend one's ways
- 68 Is
- 70 ___ glance
- 71 Sass
- 74 Hypothetical particle
- 75 Fishing net
- 76 Amorous Don
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- 78 More of verse
- 83 Songbird Brickell
- 84 Potter's medium
- 85 Ride to hounds
- 86 Descartes
- 87 Tear apart
- 88 ___ are you?
- 89 Kind of naked
- 91 Horse color
- 93 Valued bauble
- 94 "Pretty Little ___"
- 95 Protective coat
- 96 Sleeve opening
- 100 Intruder in the dust?
- 101 James Joyce's "___'s Wake"
- 106 End of verse
- 110 Grammy winner Krauss
- 111 Windflower
- 112 "___ of Honey": 1961 film
- 113 Lone Star State citizens
- 114 Part of AMA
- 115 Shrill barks



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- 1 A New England bake
- 2 Earring site
- 3 Mashie or niblick
- 4 Sahara illusion
- 5 "___ Leroy Brown": song
- 6 Mystery author Kellerman
- 7 Sept. follower
- 8 Last degree
- 9 Insult avenger
- 10 Woolly
- 11 Guiding beliefs
- 12 Red or Dead
- 13 Peripatetic phone
- 14 Voiced
- 15 Good for the stew pot
- 16 "___ yellow ribbon . . ."
- 17 "___ of phrases learnt . . .": Swift
- 18 State bird of Hawaii
- 19 Ala. neighbor
- 23 Vestment
- 24 Satan himself
- 29 Buckeye State
- 30 Arp's art movement
- 32 Famed prison warden
- 33 Paint pigment
- 34 Sleuth Vance
- 35 ___ person: each
- 36 Table scraps
- 37 Take heed of
- 38 Give the slip
- 39 "Holding out for ___"
- 40 "Great" dogs
- 41 Sorenstam or Skarsgard
- 43 Concerning
- 44 Escargots
- 47 Leghorn, Italian style
- 48 Regional dialect
- 49 Court
- 50 Sea arm
- 51 Navigator's instrument
- 58 Stable state
- 59 Marie Antoinette, for one
- 60 ___ home: dine in
- 61 Leaned on the horn
- 62 Teeterboard
- 64 Boast about
- 65 Indy 500 entrant
- 66 Radiate
- 67 Make room for
- 69 Sun. talk
- 71 By and by
- 72 Papas from Greece
- 73 Jury body
- 75 Biblical dancer's namesakes
- 76 Unwanted email
- 79 Flying formations
- 80 Sear
- 81 Cather's "One of ___"
- 82 Hockey's Bobby
- 89 Transgressed
- 90 Japanese straw mat
- 91 Brunch day
- 92 Richly decorated
- 93 Boarded
- 94 "Mule Train" singer Frankie
- 95 Five-spot
- 96 Rat- ___: knocking sound
- 97 Upset
- 98 Nero's 2009
- 99 "For ___ jolly good fellow . . ."
- 101 Furnace feed
- 102 Equal, in Arles
- 103 Inhale sharply
- 104 River isles
- 105 Nearly no.
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5020 Notice to Creditors

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 IN RE: ESTATE OF MABEL FRANCES O'NEILL, Deceased.
 Case No.: 18000587CPAXMX, NOTICE

TO CREDITORS
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 Personal Representative: Stacy Colella 348 Kingfisher Drive Jupiter, FL 33458. Attorney for Personal Representative: Warren B. Brams, Esq. Florida Bar Number: 0698921 2161 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., Ste 201 West Palm Beach, FL 33409 Telephone: 561-478-4848 Fax: 561-478-0108 E-Mail: mgrbramslaw@gmail.com Secondary E-Mail: warrenbrams@bramslaw-onmicrosoft.com Pubs: 9/21/18 & 9/28/18

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 IN RE: ESTATE OF ALBERT SEBBAN a/k/a ALBERT M. SEBBAN, Deceased. FILE NO. 432018CP000660
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Albert Sebban a/k/a Albert M. Sebban, deceased, whose date of death was February 10th, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Martin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 9016, Stuart, FL 34995. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
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 IN RE: ESTATE OF DOROTHY M. SLAVIK, Deceased. File No. 432018CP000684CP
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Dorothy J. Slavik, deceased, whose date of death was June 17th, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Martin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 100 S. East Ocean Boulevard, Stuart, FL 34994. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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 Personal Representative: Carrie Lavargna, Lavargna Law, PLLC, 1805 S. Kanner Highway, Stuart, FL 34994. By: Carrie Lavargna Florida Bar No. 377422, E-mail: courtdosc@lavargnalaw.com Pubs: 9/21/18 & 9/28/18

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 IN RE: ESTATE OF REJEAN DUPRE a/k/a REJEAN H. DUPRE, Deceased. File No.: 432018CP000623
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Rejean Dupre a/k/a Rejean H. Dupre, deceased, whose date of death was April 18, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Martin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 100 S.E. Ocean Blvd., Stuart, FL 34994. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
 All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
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 Personal Representative: Gaetan Dupre Attorney Personal Representative: James P. Covey, Esq., Florida Bar No. 846880, 1575 Indian River Boulevard, Suite C-120, Vero Beach, FL 32960, Telephone: 772-770-6160, Fax: 772-770-6074 E-mail: courtremail@jcoveylaw.com Pubs: 9/21/18 & 9/28/18

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 IN RE: ESTATE OF DANNY W. BUCKLEY, Deceased. File No.: 18000652CPAXMX
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Florida 34997
 Attorney for Personal Representative: Raymond G. Robison, Attorney, Florida Bar Number: 26899, Fox McCluskey Bush Robison, PLLC, 3473 S.E. Willoughby Boulevard, Stuart, FL 34994, Telephone: 772-287-4444, Fax: 772-283-4637, E-Mail: robison@foxmccluskey.com Secondary E-Mail: Heidi@foxmccluskey.com Pubs: 9/28/18 & 10/5/18

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
 IN RE: ESTATE OF AVONELL C. CHILDERS, Deceased.
 CASE #2018-CP-681
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To all persons having claims or demands against the above estate and all other persons interested in the estate: You are hereby notified that the administration of the estate of Avonell C. Childers, deceased, File #182018-CP-681, is pending in the Circuit Court for in Martin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Martin County Courthouse, 100 East Ocean Blvd., Stuart, FL 34994

The personal representative of the estate is Maridel McMahon, whose address is 57 South Sewalls Point Road, Stuart, FL 34996. The name and address of the personal representative's attorney is set forth below.
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 Personal Representative: Maridel McMahon
 Attorney for Personal Representative: William D. Anderson, Jr., 2897 SE Ocean Blvd., Stuart, FL 34996, 772-283-2411, FL Bar #13150, Advantagetitle2@bell.south.net Pubs: 9/21/18 &

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 PROBATE DIVISION
 IN RE: ESTATE OF ALICE GERTRUDE GREEN, Deceased.
 File No.: 18000701CPAXMX
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 The administration of the estate of Alice Gertrude Green, deceased, whose date of death was May 11, 2018 and the last four digits of whose social security numbers are 2344, is pending in the Circuit Court for Martin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 100 SE Ocean Blvd., Stuart, FL 34994. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.
 All creditors of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
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 Personal Representative: Wellington Green 347 Wyona Street Apt 1 Brooklyn, NY 11207.
 Attorney for Personal Representative: Antonia L. Gentry Florida Bar No. 117509 Antonia L. Gentry, PLLC 745 SE Port St. Lucie Blvd Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
 Primary E-mail: tgentry@tonilawcpa.com Tel. 772-877-8008 Fax. 772-879-3155
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5060 Notice of Sale

NOTICE is hereby given that on 10/23/2018 at 9:00 am the following vehicles will be sold at public auction for monies owed on vehicle repairs & storage costs pursuant to F.S.S. 713.585. The lienor: Motor Cars of Stuart 309 SW Fed. Hwy Stuart, FL 34994 (772) 324-8755. Please note, parties claiming interest have a right to a hearing prior to the date of sale with the Clerk of Court as reflected in the notice. The owner has the right to recover possession of the vehicle without judicial proceedings as pursuant to F.S.S. 559.917. Any proceeds recovered from the sale of the vehicle over the amount of the lien will be deposited with the Clerk of Court for disposition upon court order.
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 Pub: 9/28/18

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
 ALL HOOKED UP TOWING & RECOVERY gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 10/14/2018 & 10/16/2018 6:00 am at 1801 SE Federal Highway Stuart, FL 34997, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. ALL HOOKED UP TOWING & RECOVERY reserves the right to accept or reject and/or all bids.
 Sale Date: 10/14/2018
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 Pub: 9/28/2018

Notice of Sale
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 Aron's Towing & Recovery Inc., 12872 SE Suzanne Dr. Hobe Sound, FL 33455 Phone: 772-220-1151 Fax: 772-932-7937
 Pub: 9/28/2018

Public Notice is hereby given that the Tri County Automotive & Towing will sell at Public Auction, pursuant to Florida Statutes section 713.78. Tri County reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids. To be held at Tri County Automotive at 2019 SW Poma Drive, Palm City, FL 34990 at 8:00 A.M. the following:
 Auction Date: 10/15/2018
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