



Community Calendar

FRIDAY, FEB. 7

• **Butterfly hike at the center:** The Barrier Island Center, 8385 S. Highway A1A, Melbourne Beach, will present "Attracting Pollinators and Butterfly Hike" at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7.

Cost is \$12. Call ahead to enroll.

For more information, call (321) 723-3556 or visit www.barrierislandcenter.com

• **Women voters' guest speaker:** The League of Women Voters Space Coast will host guest speaker Deirdre Macnab, president of the League of Women Voters of Florida at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7 at the Suntree Country Club, 1 Country Club Drive, Melbourne.

For more information, call (321) 254-7183 or visit www.lwv-spacecoast.org.

• **SSWD group to meet in Cocoa Beach:** The Single, Separated, Widowed and Divorced group will meet for lunch at the Florida's Seafood and Bar Grill, 480 W. Cocoa Beach Causeway, Cocoa Beach, on Friday, Feb. 7 at 12:30 p.m.

All are welcome to join the group.

Please call (321) 868-7775 for details.

• **Crane Community Center events:**

• Kids Klub (5-11 years): Friday Feb. 7 and 28, 4:30-8:30 p.m.

• Video Game Domination (ages 14-17): Friday, Feb. 7, 8:45-11:15 p.m.

• Fabric Painting (Floral): Monday, Feb. 10, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

• Kids Valentines Party (6-12 years): Friday, Feb. 14, 6-10 p.m.

• No School Day Camp (6-12 years): Monday, Feb. 17, 7:15 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

• Urban Hunting Dogs: Tuesday, Feb. 18 (four weeks), 5:45-6:45 p.m.

• Rummage Sale: Friday, Feb. 21 and Saturday, Feb. 22, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Glass Painting: Monday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m. to noon.

• Yoga Thursdays: Feb. 27 (four weeks), 5:45-6:45 p.m.

The Crane Community Center is at 1440 Mosswood Drive, Melbourne.

For more information, call (321) 255-4609.

• **Chowder Cook-Off:** The 29th Annual Chowder Cook-Off with a Twist will be held on Friday, Feb. 7 at Cruise Terminal No. 4 in Port Canaveral.

The event is open to the public, with the V.I.P. admission beginning at 5 p.m. and the general admission at 6

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Adoption event helps hundreds of Space Coast pets find homes

By Chris Fish
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MELBOURNE — Hundreds of pets found loving homes on Jan. 25-26 at a Mega Adoption Event, hosted by local animal welfare agencies.

Brevard Community Mega Adoptions, which consists of the SPCA of Brevard, Brevard County Animal Services, Brevard Aiding

Shelter Animals Project, Hope for Brevard, the Central Brevard Humane Society and the Space Coast Feline Network, hosted its first Mega Adoption Event of the new year at the Azan Shrine Center in Melbourne.

The weekend saw 277 animals find a new place to live, including 149 cats and 128 dogs.

"People love Mega Adop-

tion Events and other types of off-site adoption events because many of them will never enter a shelter, even a no-kill one, like the SPCA," Susan Naylor, media specialist for SPCA of North Brevard, Inc. "Adoption events allow people to save the life of a shelter animal, which makes them feel good without ever having to step foot in a shelter. Plus, they have the added bonus

of finding a new best

friend."

Ms. Naylor said that it is Mega Adoption Events that help Brevard County move

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Double-trouble on the field



Photo by Paul Lepinski

Luke Kelly, 7, of Melbourne gives the ball a kick, while his twin brother Mark observes the play, during a soccer game, held at Melbourne Central Catholic High School sports field Saturday, Feb. 1. His team, from Ascension Catholic School, played against the first-graders of St. Joseph's.

EFSC offers law enforcement program

By Amanda Hatfield Anderson
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MELBOURNE — As children, many dreamed of becoming a law enforcement officer — saving lives and helping the community.

Eastern Florida State College is offering a unique opportunity for those, who are Correctional Officers, to apply to a special Correctional Officer Cross-Over to

Law Enforcement Officer Academy.

The deadline to apply for this part-time academy is Friday, Feb. 28. The program is set to begin on Monday, April 7.

"Applicants must possess a current Correctional Officer Certification in the state of Florida, or have completed the Corrections Academy within the last four years and passed the Correctional Officer State Certification Exam," said Melissa

Walker, advanced and specialized training coordinator at EFSC's Public Safety Institute.

Interested candidates for the 2014 Correctional Officer Cross-Over to Law Enforcement Officer Academy must complete a specialized application process with the Public Safety Institute.

"Twenty-four students will be accepted into the program," Ms. Walker said.

The part-time program

will begin on Monday, April 7 and run Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with some Saturdays at the Public Safety Institute on EFSC's Melbourne campus.

"The program is 489 hours of instruction over 24 weeks," Ms. Walker said. "Graduates earn a Postsecondary Adult Vocational certificate."

Some of the classes in the

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Zoo celebrates 20th anniversary, 'Brick-Day'

By Amanda Hatfield Anderson
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MELBOURNE — Twenty years ago, 70,000 students from all over the Space Coast were given a special opportunity, which laid the foundation for the Brevard Zoo.

These students created special bricks — some decorated with stones, initials and their names — that would create the walkways for the Zoo.

To this day, the bricks remain the very stepping stones throughout the Brevard Zoo, guiding visitors to and from the many exhibits it has to offer.

On Saturday, Feb. 8 and Sunday, Feb. 9, the Brevard Zoo invites these now "grown-up" children, as well as the community, to celebrate "Happy Brick-Day Weekend" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Regular Zoo admission applies.

"The Zoo has experienced tremendous growth

since opening in 1994, with Paws On and the Latin America loop," said Cheri Purnell, director of membership programs. "We added Wild Florida, Australasia and Expedition Africa loops, a fun train ride — giving guests the opportunity to see animals otherwise not viewable — did a total renovation of the original Paws On, to include a water play area, a 20,000-gallon aquarium and other interactive experiences."

Along with these addi-

tions, Brevard Zoo's animal collection has grown substantially.

"We currently have more than 880 animals, representing 182 species, located in Florida, South America, Africa, Asia and Australia, and our conservation programs continue to expand," Ms. Purnell added.

The Zoo prides itself on carrying out its mission of Wildlife Conservation, through education and

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Brevard Teacher of Year remains humble

By Chris Fish
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BREVARD — Atlantis Elementary School is now the home to its third Brevard County Teacher of the Year in less than a decade.

On Thursday, Jan. 30, Matthew Yount, a six-year veteran of Brevard Public Schools and a sixth-grade math teacher at Atlantis Elementary in Port St. John, was named the Brevard County Teacher of the Year.

Mr. Yount, who received the honor during the third-annual Applauding Brevard's Champions Awards ceremony at the King Center for the Performing Arts, marks the third time since 2007 that an Atlantis Elementary School teacher received this top honor.

"It's an unbelievable honor and blessing because I know what amazing teachers we have in Brevard County," he said. "I am humbled, yet excited, to represent such a hard-working, selfless and skilled group of people."

Mr. Yount said that growing up, he originally intended to be a lawyer, but his life took a different path.

"I originally went to school to become an Army JAG officer (lawyer), but realized God had different plans for me. I thought back to my childhood, and some of my fondest memories were working with my little sister, who has Down syndrome, and her classmates and friends," he said. "So, I decided to switch schools and change my major to pursue a degree in exceptional education."

Cynthia Adams, principal of Atlantis Elementary School, said that the award could not have gone to a more deserving educator, who she described as having a "wonderful sense of humor" and one, who engages his students.

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Tallahassee native to headline Pioneer Day this weekend

By Amanda Hatfield Anderson
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BREVARD — Michael Koppy has certainly had an interesting journey through his life.

Raised in Tallahassee, Mr. Koppy hitchhiked and hopped freight trains across the country, from ocean to ocean, a whopping nine times after being expelled from high school.

Throughout his many different careers, working as

a carpenter, carnival roustabout, elevator operator, Broadway stage-hand, newspaper editor and more, music has been at the core of Mr. Koppy's heart.

On Saturday, Feb. 8, Mr. Koppy will travel from his home in Honolulu to serve as the headliner for Merritt Island's third annual Pioneer Day.

The all-day celebration marks the 170th birthday of founder John Sams, who was also known as a promi-

nent community figure.

"How does tropical Hawaii compare to tropical Florida, you may ask? There's much less humidity here and a constant trade winds breeze," Mr. Koppy said jokingly. "On the other hand, there are similarities. I mean, for instance, we have mosquitoes, as well. Can't deny that. I've seen four, maybe five, in the year I've been here."

While Mr. Koppy loves to crack jokes, the well-traveled musician is unbelievably passionate about his craft.

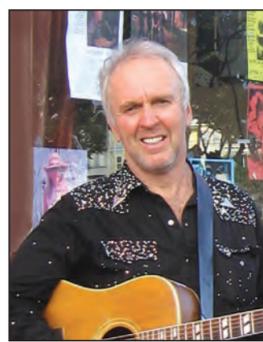
"The questions I always ask of a song — mine or someone else's — is 'Why does it exist?' and 'What's the reason for it?'" Mr. Koppy said. "I demand that a song doesn't waste my

time or insult people's intelligence with either rambling pseudo-poetic blather or simplistic and puerile inanities. Say something substantive and coherent, darn it — and show some insight and invention."

There is no doubt that Mr. Koppy's music is truly insightful and inventive.

The San Francisco Chronicle called his "One Great Mornin' (The South's Gonna Rise Again)" "an ultra-left wing Confederate call to arms."

Mr. Koppy will also perform "Nineteen Years Old," which he described as the true story of one man's life and the woman he loved throughout that life, "Behind Every Great Fortune There Lies a Great



Michael Koppy

Crime," and "Til Hell's Dang Done Froze Over."

Hoping folks, who attend Pioneer Day, find a lot to laugh about, as well as a few things to consider and think on, Mr. Koppy said performing this weekend is an absolute privilege and

honor.

"I'm really looking forward to seeing what Pioneer Day is all about," Mr. Koppy said. "It seems to me what you're creating there is a nascent throwback to the Chautauquas of the late 19th Century — wonderfully, uniquely American events that celebrated intellectual investigation, progressive political values and true community engagement and fun."

Pioneer Day is Saturday, Feb. 8 on Merritt Island. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased in advance.

For more information on Michael Koppy and Pioneer Day, visit www.mipioneer-day.com and www.michaelkoppy.com.

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admission ticket includes early admission, sampling without the crowds, a complimentary beer or wine, a special giveaway, early silent auction bidding, and one out of eight V.I.P. attendees will receive a door prize. All tickets sold will be entered in a grand prize drawing.

The Chowder Cook-Off with a Twist is hosted by the Convention and Visitors Bureau of the Cocoa Beach Regional Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by the Canaveral Port Authority, Ron Jon Surf Shop, Victory Casino Cruises and Walkabout Golf Club.

This is a great opportunity to sample foods from local restaurants and support the tourism community.

Tickets are available at VisitCocoaBeach.com, the Cocoa Beach Regional Chamber of Commerce office (400 Fortenberry Road, Merritt Island), the CVB's Tourist Information Center (8501 Astronaut Blvd., Cape Canaveral), The Exploration Tower in Port Canaveral, Baja Tavern and Eats, Grills Seafood in Port Canaveral, Rusty's Seafood in Port Canaveral, Fishlips in Port Canaveral, Milliken's Reef, Wild Ocean Seafood Market in Titusville and Port Canaveral and all Crest Cleaners locations.

All admission includes sample tastings of all chowders, appetizers and desserts, hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, silent auction, drawings and live entertainment.

Event information is available at www.VisitCocoaBeach.com and www.CocoaBeachChamber.com.

• **Black History Celebration:** Friday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m. at the Grant Street Community Center, 2547 Grant St., Melbourne.

In conjunction with the South Brevard Chapter of the NAACP, the city of Melbourne is hosting its first Annual Black History Celebration. This event will include a night of singing, education, and presentations of the history and culture of

Black America.
For more information, call (321) 674-5723.

SATURDAY, FEB. 8

• **Sensory sensitive cinema:** Carmike Cinemas presents sensory sensitive cinema at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 8 at 2241 Town Center Drive, Melbourne.

The volume is lower, the lights remain half on and moving around is OK.

Bringing special dietary snacks/drinks from home is encouraged.

The movies are shown in 2D, and regular matinee pricing applies.

For more information, call (321) 775-1210.

• **Sweetheart Brunch:** The South Brevard City Council of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority will host the fifth annual Sweetheart Brunch at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 8 at Doubles Beachside, 1896 S. Patrick Drive, Indian Harbour Beach. Cost is \$20 per person.

The following Sweethearts from each chapter will be introduced: Evelyn Kirchner, Lois Stacer, Linda Paiva, Rosanne Nelson and Ursula O'Brien.

The Laureate Alpha Nu Chapter is in charge of this event.

For information, call Jewell Patton at (321) 723-22250.

• **Free basketball clinic:** The First Baptist Church Indialantic, 170 Washington Ave., Indialantic, is offering a free basketball clinic for youth in third to sixth grades from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 8, and for youth in seventh and eighth grades from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 22.

For questions, call Scott Terry at (321) 723-5217.

• **Gem show event:** The 37th Annual Symphony of Gemstones Show and Sale, sponsored by the Central Brevard Rock and Gem Club, will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 8 and 9 at Kiwanis Island Recreation Center, 951 Kiwanis Island Park Road, Merritt Island.

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Correction

The Jan. 24 article, highlighting The Knowledge Exchange in Palm Bay, contained an error.

Jane's Gathering Place, Inc., hosted the Brevard County Sheriff's Office

Crime Prevention Unit's Women's Defense Tactics Program, as a past event at The Knowledge Exchange.

Hometown News regrets the error.

Celebrate Spring

We want your event listings

Attention, Brevard organizations, churches, nonprofits, clubs and businesses.

Hometown News is putting together a calendar listing for its upcoming Celebrate Spring publication, and we need your help.

If you have an upcoming event that you'd like to promote that will take place between April 1, 2014, and Sept. 30, 2014, please email your listing to news clerk Mike Hibbard at

brevnews@hometownnewsol.com and type "CELEBRATE SPRING" in the subject line of your email.

Please include your event name, a brief description, the date and time of the event, address where it will be located, ticket price and a contact number for more information.

The deadline for submissions is March 1, 2014, but the sooner the better.

For more information, call (321) 242-1013.

Local farm is growing the 'green' way

By Deb Alberto
For Hometown News

BREVARD — On the southern outskirts of Brevard County, tucked away on a 2.75-acre plot of picturesque Corey Road, a bounty of fresh, hydroponically grown vegetables are being harvested.

Liberty Farms of Florida, a venture by former Congressman Val Steele and others in his community, is a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) project, an idea that's growing, both literally and figuratively, throughout the Space Coast and beyond.

The energy and environmentally conscious method of hydroponics uses much less water by design, and is also space-efficient.

Farm manager Diane Solopek said the method is also more cost-effective and easier.

"The soil in Florida is hard to amend, and there's a lot to be said for Malabar's water, so hydroponics is a no brainer," she said.

The hydroponic method involves using a vertical grow system. The water from the top plants filter downward, nourishing the

lower plants. Plants are raised and stacked, which also provides a natural protection against pests.

The method only requires about 10 percent of the water used in traditional farming operations, Ms. Solopek said.

The design also eliminates the need for ground application of pesticides, which, in traditional farming operations, tend to wind up in Florida's waterways.

"The hydroponic method is one, where the plants are grown off the ground, which reduces the possible diseases and the need for spraying," Mr. Steele said. "The vegetables are ultra-fresh, delicious and have a much longer shelf life than the typically grown vegetable that you buy in the store."

The farm adheres to the Organic Materials Review Institute's standards of organic farming.

While Liberty Farms, which calls Grant-Valkaria home, hopes to open to the general public at some point, at present, it is only available to members. For \$25 per week, members can pick up a box of roughly



Staff photo by Deb Alberto

The hydroponic growing system at Liberty Farms in south Brevard County uses vertical space to prevent disease and minimize the necessity for pesticides.

eight different types of freshly grown vegetables. The seasons begin with leafy vegetables, like lettuce and greens, followed by cauliflower, broccoli and carrots. Finally, the season finishes up with hearty, delicious plants, like cucumbers, tomatoes and

peppers. Members will also find unique vegetables, like candy cane beets and pac choi.

Plans are also under way for "you-pick" strawberries to open next February.

For more information, visit www.libertyfarms.info/farm

Adoption

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one step closer to becoming a no-kill community.

"Obviously, one event will not achieve this goal by itself, but, along with other efforts in place, such as the SPCA Melbourne Square Mall Cat Adoption Center and week-end adoption events at Reninger's Flea Market, it is a step in the right direction," she said. "We wanted to start 2014 off in the right direction and with a bang."

All pets at the adoption event had already been spayed or neutered and were up-to-date on vaccinations.

Ms. Naylor said that these Mega Adoption Events show a community in unison, working together to achieve a common goal.

"We are starting to see teamwork between the various animal welfare organizations in this county, which is a big reason why this event was so successful," she said. "However, there must also be a county-wide funded, free and low-cost spay-neuter fund that is accessible to residents."

Ms. Naylor said that the next Mega Adoption Event is scheduled for Oct. 25-26 at the Azan Shrine Center in Melbourne.

For more information, visit www.spcanorthbrevard.com



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A whopping 277 animals found a loving home at a Mega Adoption Event held the Azan Shrine Center in Melbourne Jan. 25-26.

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Humane Society celebrates ribbon cutting of new facility

By Amanda Hatfield Anderson
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BREVARD — The Central Brevard Humane Society took another step in its mission of making the Space Coast a “no-kill” community.

On Thursday, Jan. 23, the nonprofit shelter celebrated the opening of its “new” Merritt Island Adoption Center with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Joining representatives from the Humane Society were Brevard County Commissioner Chuck Nelson, Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey, Cocoa Beach Mayor Dave Netterson, Port Canaveral Commissioner Frank Sullivan, Cocoa Councilman Tyler Furbish and representation from Congressman Bill Posey’s office.

The building was donated to the Humane Society in

2012 by the Platano family. “We officially opened the Adoption Center in June 2013,” said Eileen Cole, media relations manager. “The Adoption Center will enable us to care for more animals that need new homes until they are adopted into loving and caring families.”

Ms. Cole added that some of the animals up for adoption at the Humane Society’s new building include small dogs, puppies, kittens and adult cats.

The 8,000-square-foot building will also host the Humane Society’s executive offices, as well as three free roaming pet rooms, an expanded lobby area, a large conference room, a pet consignment boutique and room for expansion, to include dog training classes and other pet-friendly opportunities.

In addition to its Cocoa

location, the Central Brevard Humane Society’s Merritt Island Adoption Center receives no support from tax dollars, so the organization relies solely on funding through donations, adoption fees, product sales and fundraisers.

“With the addition of the Adoption Center, we are looking forward to being able to find new, forever homes for more animals in our community,” Ms. Cole said.

The Central Brevard Humane Society’s Merritt Island Adoption Center is located at 155 Pioneer Road, Merritt Island.

Business hours are Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, contact the Central Brevard Humane Society at (321) 636-3343 or visit www.crittersavers.com.



Photo courtesy of The Central Brevard Humane Society
Community leaders and volunteers gathered on Thursday, Jan. 23, as the Central Brevard Humane Society celebrated the ribbon cutting ceremony of its ‘new’ Merritt Island Adoption Center.

Law

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cross-over program include

“Correctional Cross-Over to Law Enforcement Introduction and Legal Overview,” “Correctional Cross-Over to Law Enforcement Human

Interaction and Communications,” “Crime Scene Investigations,” “Criminal Investigations,” “Traffic Stops” and “Cross-Over

Handgun Transition Course.”

“The program meets the minimum education standards for law enforcement officers, required by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission,” Ms. Walker said. “Following the program, graduates are prepared to sit for the Florida

Department of Law Enforcement State Officer Certification Examination.”

As Law Enforcement Officers, graduates of the program can work as police officers and Sheriff’s deputies, responsible for enforcing laws, maintaining order, helping during emergencies, making arrests and investigating crimes.

Eastern Florida State Col-

lege is currently accepting applications to the 2014 Correctional Officer Cross-Over to Law Enforcement Officer Academy. Applications are due by Friday, Feb. 28.

For more information and to obtain an application, contact Public Safety Coordinator Melissa Walker at (321) 433-5637 or email walk-erme@easternflorida.edu.

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For more information, call Roz Mestre at (321) 431-0159 or (321) 632-8281, email roz.mestre@att.net or visit www.centralbrevardgems.org.

• Merritt Island Pioneer Day: St. Luke’s Episcopal Church is

again partnering with Sams House at Pine Island for the Merritt Island third annual Pioneer Day, held on Saturday, Feb. 8 at both locations.

This year, St. Luke’s, located at 5555 N. Tropical Trail, Merritt Island is honoring some of the Modern Pioneers of Brevard County.

R.L. Lewis, one of the original Highwaymen artists and long-time Brevard resident, will be demonstrating his painting technique at 10:30 a.m. During the demonstration, the history of the Highwaymen artists will be discussed.

At 1 p.m., Rosemary McGill will be presenting “A man named JUSTICE, a lady named LIBERTY, and a land called FREEDOM.”

Ms. McGill was a Freedom Rider, while attending Cocoa High School.

The Sams House, located at 6295 N. Tropical Trail, will be displaying for the first time, Sams family artifacts and historic clothing. Other educational exhibits will be on display, along with living history demonstrations.

Guided tours of the historic house and cabin will be given by guides in period clothing. Children’s crafts and games will also be available. Returning will be the crafts fair and farmer’s market

For a complete listing of events, times and locations, visit www.mipioneerday.com.

• Vintage Market comes to Melbourne: Shabby Chic & Vintage Home and Garden is coming to Shriner’s Temple in Melbourne.

Markets that offer shabby and distressed home and garden items have flourished across the country over the past several years.

Melbourne is now hosting its own Vintage Market.

On Saturday, Feb. 8 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. the inaugural Vintage Market will showcase a variety of vendors at the Azan Shriner’s Temple Pavilion at 1591 Eau Gallie Blvd., across from Eau Gallie High School, in Melbourne.

Doors open at 11 a.m. and close at 4 p.m.

The vendors will include those specializing in painted, recycled and reinvented furniture, jewelry and clothing to organic beauty products, new and vintage French linens and colorful tablecloths, typically seen everywhere in France, but especially in the south of France.

Admission is free, and parking is plentiful, so come enjoy this inaugural event.

Shabby chic is a decorating style, where furnishings are valued for being aged or distressed to look antique.

Vintage Market will host a second much-larger event in the summer, with that date to be announced.

For all details, visit www.vintagemarketfl.com, including links to the vendors who will be there.

SUNDAY, FEB. 9

• **Brevard’s Got Music:** The Fifth Annual Brevard’s Got Music Talent Competition/Show will be Sunday, Feb. 9 at 4 p.m. at the Henegar Center, in Melbourne. The event is sponsored and produced by the Creative Arts Foundation of Brevard, Inc.

Twelve highly talented music students, selected as finalists after extensive auditions, will perform before a live audience and three judges, vying for prizes as follows:

- First prize: \$1,000
- Second prize: \$500
- Third prize: \$250
- Fourth prize: \$125

Tickets cost \$22 and are available at the Henegar Center or online at www.henegar.org.

Intermission includes refreshments, wine and cheese.

The 12 students, ages 13-18, are comprise of: three pianists, four vocalists, three violinists, one violist and one flutist.

The Henegar Center is at 625 E. New Haven Ave., Melbourne.

• **The Guardian Ad Litem program needs you:** More than 30 percent of the abused and neglected children in the Brevard County Court System do not have a volunteer guardian in their corner.

Now, more than ever, the Guardian Ad Litem program needs volunteers to serve as child advocates.

Registration is under way for volunteers, who can advocate for abused or neglected children, and help prevent them from suffering more harm.

The 30-hour training program, teaches regular folks, with big hearts, how to be a child advocate and begins March 15 at the Moore Justice Center in Viera.

Regardless of where you live in Brevard County, there is a child, who could use a supporter in their corner.

Guardian Ad Litem means “guardian for the case.” Therefore, a Guardian Ad Litem is not a foster parent, legal guardian or someone expected to provide a home for the child.

The children are the victims, and Guardian Ad Litem are the volunteers, who find information, investigate, make recommendations and report, based on the child’s interest. Our motto is, “I am for the child,” and we firmly believe their interest is our only interest.

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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.

Melbourne Police Department

- Jacob Henry Laneuville, 33, of 437 Poinciana Drive, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 24 with felony battery on a person 65 or older.
- Mitchell Allan Dienger, 32, address unknown, was charged Jan. 25 with larceny, resisting arrest without violence and driving while license suspended.
- Ernst L. Storey, 56, of 2290 Hickory Drive, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of cocaine.
- Mathew Mark Rindge, 30, of 1886 Imperial Ave., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 26 with possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- James Nathan Sutherland, 38, of 2100 Melbourne Court, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 26 with possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Ivan Winchell, 28, address unknown, was charged Jan. 26 with unarmed burglary of an unoccupied conveyance and felony battery.
- Brandon Lee Madill, 19, of 2053 Adams Ave., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 27 with unarmed burglary of an unoccupied conveyance, petit larceny, carrying a concealed electric weapon, fraud-giving false identification to law enforcement officer and felony violation of probation.
- John Doe, 25, of 1837 Guava Ave., Melbourne, was

charged Jan. 28 with arson and resisting arrest without violence.

• Amanda Marie Green, 28, of 1596 Virginia Drive, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 28 with petit larceny.

Brevard County Sheriff's Office

- Ryan Brady Chesser, 35, of 2000 Commerce Drive, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 24 on an out-of-county warrant.
- Stefanee R. Forrest, 39, of 815 Fee Ave., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 24 with passing a forged/alterd instrument, attempting to solicit/conspire and fraud-swindling to obtain property.
- Adam Martinez, 33, of 814 Brother Ave., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 24 on an out-of-county warrant.
- Meralys Carolina Puerta, 34, of 4015 Edwards St., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 24 with larceny, forgery of a motor vehicle title and motor vehicle title fraud.
- Joseph Paul Blanco, 25, of 5507 Nobility Ave., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 25 with fraud-swindling to obtain property, larceny and possession of a weapon/ammo by a convicted felon.
- Kira Lyn Nelsen, 25, of 5507 Nobility Ave., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 25 with fraud-swindling to obtain property and larceny.
- Matthew B. Labate, 30, address unknown, was charged Jan. 26 with unarmed burglary of an unoccupied conveyance, petit larceny, attempting to solicit/conspire, possession of drug paraphernalia, loitering/prowling and possession of burglary tools with intent to use.

- Mary Elizabeth Phillips, 30, of 1398 Eva Lane, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 26 with larceny and felony violation of probation.
- Nicholas Aaron Prince, 28, of 675 Orange Grove Ave., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 26 with loitering/prowling, possession of burglary tools with intent to use, unarmed burglary of an unoccupied structure and larceny.
- Brittany Ann Barker, 26, address unknown, was charged Jan. 27 with grand theft auto, driving while license suspended and hit-and-run.
- Joshua Anthony Bennett, 24, address unknown, was charged Jan. 28 with unarmed burglary of an unoccupied dwelling and larceny.
- Teresa Graham, 48, address unknown, was charged Jan. 28 with larceny and unarmed burglary of an unoccupied structure.
- Francis Edward Danna, 26, of 317 Carmel Drive, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 29 with trafficking a controlled substance and carrying a concealed electric weapon.
- Dantavious Quanta French, 31, of 7607 Wickham Road N., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 29 with grand theft auto.
- John Edward Jenkins, 28, of 1833 Happy Acres Lane,

- Melbourne, was charged Jan. 29 with larceny, dealing in stolen property and fraud-giving false ownership information to pawn items.
- Richard Francis Ludwig, 52, of 2452 St. Swithin Lane, Melbourne, was charged Jan. 29 with failure to register as a sexual offender, sex offender violation-failure to report email address, sexual offender violation-failure to report driver's license and with registration as a sexual offender.
- Hillary Carole Braddock, 29, of 580 Ford Circle E., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 30 with possession of cocaine with intent to sell, possession of drugs with intent to sell, possession of marijuana with intent to sell, two counts possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, two counts of possession of not more than 20 grams of marijuana and two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Andre B. Phillips, 47, of 210 University Blvd., Melbourne, was charged Jan. 30 with larceny, two counts of dealing in stolen property, two counts of fraud-giving false ownership information to pawn items and four counts of fraud-issuing a check with insufficient funds.

Business News

Ribbon cutting, grand opening

The Victoria Landing ribbon cutting and grand opening will be from 4-6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 at 1279 Houston St., Melbourne.

Victoria Landing is hosting an official ribbon cutting, in partnership with the Melbourne Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Come tour Brevard's only assisted living community directly on the Indian River Lagoon. Light refreshments will be provided.

To schedule a tour, contact Kathleen Cummins at Kathleen@victorialanding.com or Maxime Suchoski at Maxime@victorialanding.com.

For more information, call (321) 622-6730 or visit www.victorialanding.com.

Re-opening of bar and grill

A ribbon cutting for the grand re-opening of Royal Oak Resort & Golf Club's Bar and Grill Room, 2150 Country Club Drive, Titusville, will be at 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7.

A reception will be from 4:30-7:30 p.m. with complimentary refreshments, giveaways and tours of the new facility. For more information, call (321) 607-6836.

Grand opening in Melbourne

Rock Paper Simple, 1360 Sarno Road, Suite C, Melbourne, will have a grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13. For more information, visit www.rockpapersimple.com or call (321) 474-7513.

Medical Center opens first valve clinic

Health First Holmes Regional Medical Center is pleased to announce the newest addition to its Heart & Vascular services, the newly opened Valve Clinic – the first one in Brevard County.

An estimated 1.5 million people in the United States suffer from aortic stenosis.

The Valve Clinic at Health First Holmes Regional provides a comprehensive and team approach that includes a variety of medical experts, who come up with individualized treatment options to ensure all patients receive the right care at the right place at the right time.

Severe symptomatic AS is a life-threatening condition. Without treatment, the two-year mortality rate is as high as 50 percent. In many cases, aortic valve disease can show no signs or symptoms until it worsens to a critical state. Not treated, severe aortic stenosis can lead to death due to cardiac arrest, heart failure, stroke, or end stage organ failure. In addition, there is no medical management for aortic stenosis. Treatment options at the Valve Clinic at Health First Holmes Regional Medical Center include the following: Traditional Aortic Valve Replacement; Minimally Invasive Aortic Valve Replacement; Referral for Trans-Catheter Aortic Valve Replacement; Palliative Medical Management/Balloon Aortic Valvuloplasty. For more information, call 321-434-VALVE or (321) 434-8258.

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It's time to be a parent again

I would like to take the next few guest columns to provide tips on how to empower parents, grandparents and guardians to be the Chief Law Enforcement Officer in their child's life.

The Chief Law Enforcement Officer is not the Sheriff or Chief of Police, but instead is the mom, dad, grandparent, or foster parent that is raising the child.

As a young man growing up in North Florida, I never worried about being in trouble with law enforcement, as I was more worried about being in trouble with my parents.

Granted, today's parents and children face challenges like never before: Drugs, gangs, bullying and even social media have completely changed our ability to keep watch and hold them accountable for their actions.

Today's parenting is 24-hours-a-day and one of the most demanding jobs in the world, but it is also one of the most rewarding opportunities that life has to offer.

As a parent of four, I personally know how hard it is to "tough love" your child. As a veteran law enforcement for more than 35 years, I know that going to visit your child in prison is even harder, and going to see them in a cemetery is truly unimaginable!

Unfortunately, in today's society, those may just be the only choices you have. That's why it's important for you to have every tool possible, to be your child's personal cop.

Here are some helpful tips to start our series on how to stay involved in your child's life, hold them accountable for their actions, and also how to recognize potential problems they may face:

- Establish expectations and consequences for actions. Kids want and need fences in their lives and having clear-cut expectations is a great way to establish right from wrong.
- Be a good role model by showing understanding, respect for others, patience, and firmness.
- Know who your child's friends are in person and online.
- Be suspicious (as bad as that sounds, when parents are consistently suspicious of their children's actions, they have a tendency to be



BREVARD COUNTY SHERIFF
WAYNE IVEY

more involved and aware).

- Stop believing everything they tell you is the truth. Ask yourself this question... Did you ever lie to your parents? If the answer is "yes," then it is only reasonable to assume that your kids are no different.

- Discipline your child and hold them accountable for their actions. Don't be afraid to do what's right, and also make sure you praise them for doing what's right, as well.

- Be innovative in your approach to parenting. Think outside-the-box on ways to involve your children in positive things and to make sure they understand the consequences of their actions and the importance of responsibility.

- Establish open lines of communication with your children. Your child can't be scared to talk to you, even when they know they have done something wrong. Remember, if they don't feel they can talk to you, they will find someone else to discuss their problems with, who may not be the right role model for them.

- Encourage your child to do great things, and praise them for their accomplishments. It can't be one way, in which they are only talked to about something they do wrong.

- Teach your child to solve and cope with problems. Problem-solving is one of the most sought-after abilities in employment and life.

- Volunteer at your child's school, and be involved in his or her extracurricular activities.

- Plan family activities, without technology styled devices. Today's world is surrounded by texting, video and social media. Remember to refer to No. 2 on this one, and be the role model you hope they will be for their kids one day.

In the coming months, we will talk more about the many challenges parents and children face in today's society and the warning

See **SHERIFF, A7**

Fighting the dragons



Meta Krause, 7, of Melbourne gets a push from Adam Nichols of Melbourne Village at Dragon Fest, held at Wickham Park Pavilion Sunday, Jan. 26. The Dragon Fest was a fundraiser for the Save Dragon Pointe project that featured a Renaissance flair.

Photo by Paul Lepinski



Got something to say?

Email the Hometown Rants & Raves at brevnews@hometownnewsol.com

or call (321) 242-1276. Callers are asked to refrain from making slanderous statements. Statements of fact will be checked for accuracy.

Better bus system needed

I hope this is read by any of the people who work for the city of Palm Bay and Melbourne.

Here is an idea that can help people. How about the two cities investing in a better bus system?

There are many of us, including myself, who are disabled.

I have no car and I have a lot of appointments to make; and to rely on the poor bus system that exists, makes it very hard on us and myself.

Now, the city of Palm Bay made an investment to change the garbage pick-up, with the recycle and yard pick-up, why not invest in a better bus system?

Think about it and thank you for your attention.

What's holding up legalization?

Booze is legal, and drunk drivers kill millions of people around the world every year.

Cigarettes are legal, yet they kill millions of people around the world every year.

What good are they? Absolutely nothing.

Booze could be used to cleanse a wound, if alcohol or other medicine is not around, but nothing else.

And cigarettes are good for nothing, except for misery, but they are legal.

Marijuana is actually medicinal, and you can't overdose on it; so what the heck is holding up legalization, when those other two poisons have been legal and not even questioned? And yet, they shouldn't even be on the market.

Our controlled press

For the past two months, a huge billboard was in New York City's Times Square, asking onlookers to "Re-Think 9/11."

It was referring to the thousands of architects and engineers who are calling for a new independent investigation into the collapse of the three World Trade Center skyscrapers on 9/11/2001, citing proof for controlled demolitions.

Last month, the major newspapers in New York City were inundated with more than 2,000 emails, orchestrated by AE911Truth.org, imploring them to report the story behind the billboard; yet, not one chose to cover it.

No doubt, they declined to do so because these building professionals also have proof the government withheld crucial evidence from their investigation into 9/11, which is in itself evidence of fraud.

Another big billboard is currently displayed directly outside of the New York Times Building, at the corner of 40th Street and 8th Avenue, asking them why they refuse to print this news.

Until they do, the flagship of our corporate media has decided it is better for us to believe what is likely false, than to suffer what is evidently true; and we are living under the tyranny of censorship parading as a free press.

Fundraiser update

We want to thank you for being a part of our first fundraiser for Rock the Town Café.

We were overwhelmed by seeing so many people show up from various churches in the area to support us.

We were also blessed by those of you who couldn't make it, yet still were generous in giving a donation, and some of you gave above and beyond the meal you purchased. Praise God!

We received a phone call from the manager of Texas Roadhouse, and she was thrilled to tell us that our fundraiser was the best one they had there to date.

They have not had so many people at lunch and ordering from the main menu. She said that if we ever need anything, to let them know and that they would love to have us back again when it works for us.

With your help we raised \$142.

We believe that Texas Roadhouse experienced the love of God through his children in November.

Rock The Silence of Palm Bay has several more fundraisers planned for the New Year. We will be sending out flyers soon.

We pray you all have a blessed Thanksgiving and find many things in your life to be thankful for.

Freedom of speech gives you the right

Here in the United States of America is what is known as the freedom of speech, or perhaps the freedom of opinion.

Every American has the right to say what they would, concerning anyone or anything, even if it is about the president.

If I choose to write what I do not like about him; well, that is my right to do so.

If I choose to write what I do like about him, well that is my right, as well.

This paper, the Hometown News, does not pick and choose what they put, for they even know that "we the people" have the right to say or write our opinions about anything, and they have the right to put it into the paper, known as Rants and Raves.

If you like the president and want to write something good about him, that is your right to do so.

If I don't like the president and want to write something about him, that is my right.

This is what we, as Americans, fight for.

I am a Vietnam veteran; and even though I am against war and killing, I did what I had to do for the rights of those people, as well as our own right to live.

By the way, I trained myself to be a medic, to save lives not take them.

That is my right as a born American to choose the choice I make and live by it, breathe it and share the joys of life.

As far as I am concerned, I believe this president has done more against this country than for it.

Look at what happened some time ago. Veterans were getting arrested for going to the Washington Monument.

This country is in more debt than even before, and it is just getting worse.

So, if you who likes the president want to say something good about him, guess what? You have that right to do so.

I am hoping that this letter will save lives

I have been a property owner on (Highway) A1A in south Melbourne Beach since 1988. Here is my story.

I was a 6-year-old Army brat in Italy during the height of the cold war.

I watched in horror as the local paper boy on his bike, got run over by a car and was dragged 100 feet. Thank God he lived, but was crippled for life.

I remember it like it was yesterday. Fast forward to today.

PLEASE, all you bike riders, pay close attention.

I measured the distance from the double yellow line to the white line, where you guys like to ride. It came out to 11 feet. I then measured the width of my F-150 mirror to mirror and that came to eight feet. So 11 minus eight is three feet.

I then measured the distance from the middle of my bike handlebars to the outside of the handlebars. It was 16 inches.

So take an 8-foot wide truck in an 11-foot wide road minus 16-inch handlebars means there's 20 inches left. Wow!

So, if we split it, you take 10 inches and I take 10 inches, were BOTH less than a foot away from an accident.

I admire and respect you bikers. You are athletes. I surf, See **RANTS, A7**

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its my sport.

If you stay single file when you ride, we are all safer.

When you ride side by side you force us around you into oncoming traffic at 55 miles per hour, whether it's legal or not.

There are trucks much larger than my F-150 on the road.

A rider decided to pull side by side and chit chat at the last second and forced me into an oncoming garbage truck.. I knew the guy. His wife was killed in a bike wreck.

A large group of 30 bikes went by my house Sunday, riding three or four abreast, as a dually truck almost rear ended them.

In the 25 years I have lived in this house, four people have died in car wrecks 100 yards from my house. Three were girls, 20 years old or younger – sad facts, but true.

Trust me, I have better things to do than make things up like this.

Please accept my apologies if I offended anyone, that is not my intention.

Please slow down and focus on the road.

Our families, friends, kids and pets are everything to us. Lets all arrive safe and alive this holiday season.

Sheriff

From page A6

signs of potential problems in our children's lives.

While I know that parenting today is different than parenting of yesterday, the one thing that has not changed is that today's parents are training their kids to be parents of the future.

Wayne Ivey is the sheriff of Brevard County

Hometown News PET OF THE WEEK



A 3-year-old, 20-pound Maine Coon rescue cat, 'Jack' is the dog-like pet of Bill and Diane Preston of Palm Bay. Some of Jack's favorite things to do are chase lizards on the screen, lick his Daddy's face, get brushed and play with his laser toy.

Is your pet worthy of the spotlight? Hometown News will be the judge of that.

We are asking our readers to submit photos of their beloved pets, as part of our "Pet of the Week" Contest. The winner for the week will have his or her pet displayed in our newspaper, while also being qualified to become the Hometown News "Pet of the Year!"

Email a photo of your pet (one entry per owner) that is at least 1 MB in size to brevnews@hometownnewsol.com. Write "PET OF THE WEEK CONTEST" in the subject line, and in the body of the email, please include the following information:

- Name of pet
- Age
- Breed
- Three of your pet's favorite things to do
- Pet owner's full name and hometown
- Phone number (in case we have questions)

Holy Trinity "reins" in the Chinese New Year

For Hometown News



The students at Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy welcomed the Chinese Year of the Horse in a big way on Jan. 31.

One of the most important celebrations on the Chinese calendar, the festival of Nian (or Festival of the Year) was kicked off with a procession of horse sculptures, created by Mrs. Hulse's art students. During the procession, traditional Chinese flute music was performed by Holy Trinity 10th-grader Simon Lu. People born in the year of the horse are said to be animated and energetic, a fitting celebration for the students at the Upper and Lower schools.

Other activities for the day included teaching Chinese phrases to the students in the auditorium (some of whom competed against one other, as they demonstrated their language mastery), a Chinese writing contest and stick horse races during lunch. Holy Trinity has 31 international students, each staying with local host families during the school year, and it offers language classes in Chinese at its elementary, middle and high schools.

Ninth-grader Ada Wang had an extra treat this New Year, as she taught a traditional Chinese line dance to a few Holy Trinity teachers on stage. Her mother, Rose Lee Wang, and two of her cousins from China, were here to celebrate. Mrs. Wang said sharing this significant holiday with her daughter is important, since they are so far apart most of the school year.

"The Chinese New Year is big holiday for our family," Mrs. Wang said. "I know Ada misses some of the more traditional foods when she's away. Her favorite is noodles, and nothing is better than noodles made at home."

Ada will be enjoying the weekend in Orlando with her parents and cousins.

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Teacher

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“Matt is a genuine person, who puts others and their needs before his own,” she said. “That comes across in his relationship with students, as well as with his coworkers. The kids feel that he values and is interested in them because of that real connection he builds with his students.”

Ms. Adams said that the school’s recognition for producing some of the area’s



Matthew Yount

top teachers is a positive sign for the learning institution.

“We are the only school in Brevard that has multiple years of (winners), and what that means is a huge sense of pride of our faculty and staff,” she said. “They are very professional, are constantly learning about new research and high-yield strategies, and they are always trying to engage their students.”

Michelle Irwin, public information officer for Brevard County Schools, said that Mr. Yount received the recognition based upon a

voting and ranking system by his peers throughout the school year.

After ballots were collected for the award’s nominees, the Office of Recruitment and Retention calculated a ranking, selecting six finalists in November.

From there, each finalist was interviewed to determine why he or she would be the best candidate for the award.

To qualify for the state of Florida’s Teacher of the Year award, applications must be

submitted to the Florida Department of Education by March 3.

From there, a state selection committee will select its district finalists, and then a final decision will be made in the summer.

The last Brevard County educator to be named Florida’s Teacher of the Year was Tracey Bailey of Satellite High School in 1993.

When asked if this honor would impact his teaching style, Mr. Yount remained humble.

“This honor validates my teaching philosophy that God has given us all unique and wonderful gifts to affect a positive change in the lives of others,” he said. “Our job, as teachers, is to help students find those gifts and use them to make our world a better place.”

For more information about the selection process, visit www.fldoe.org/profdev/year_tch.asp.

Calendar

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• **Sponsors, vendors, rescue groups needed:** The Central Brevard Humane Society would like to invite local businesses and rescue groups to take part in its 8th Annual Mardi Gras Paws in the Park event (in conjunction with Cocoa Village Mardi Gras) on Sunday, Feb. 23 from noon to 3 p.m. at Riverfront Park in Historic Cocoa Village.

Sponsorship opportunities for Mardi Gras Paws in the Park are for individuals and businesses at all levels, beginning at \$50 for the “Purple” sponsorship and up to \$1,000 and above for the primary sponsorship, “The Big Easy.”

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For more information, contact the Central Brevard Humane Society at (321) 636-3343 or visit www.crittersavers.com.

MONDAY, FEB. 10

• **Chopper Dropper set for Suntree Country Club:** Florida Institute of Technology is making plans for the Sporting Affair XXII Golf Tourney and 11th annual Chopper Dropper, which will

be held March 14 at the Suntree Country Club.

Sporting Affair is the university’s biggest fundraiser for athletics scholarships and Chopper Dropper – the helicopter drop of 2,000 numbered golf balls onto the green – is the key event.

The 2013 Sporting Affair grossed \$480,000 for scholarships that support Panther student-athletes this academic year. The 2014 proceeds will help student-athletes with scholarships in 2014-15.

Chopper Dropper raises funds by selling 2,000 numbered golf balls, at \$100 each, and dropping them in a helicopter flyover. The ball that lands closest to the pin wins \$50,000, and last year Josh Baker of Jacksonville held the ticket with that ball’s number. Other cash prizes are \$10,000 and 15 prizes of \$1,000 each for a total of \$75,000 given away. The cocktail party is part of the fun, and one individual per \$100 ball sponsorship may enjoy a generous selection of food, soft drinks, wine and

beer from a variety of restaurant partners. Sporting Affair proceeds consist of major sponsorships, the golf tourney, cocktail party, silent

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Twenty years ago, children from across the Space Coast were invited to create a brick to line the walkways of the Brevard Zoo. As the Zoo celebrates 20 years in 2014, it welcomes those grown-up children and Brevard County residents to celebrate with them during ‘Happy Brick-Day Weekend,’ Saturday, Feb. 8 and Sunday, Feb. 9.

Brick Day

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participation.

A popular destination for many, who travel to the Space Coast, the Brevard Zoo crossed the 400,000-visitor mark in 2013.

The Zoo also adds more than \$28 million to the economy, annually.

Wanting to celebrate its 20th year, the Brevard Zoo decided to host “Happy Brick-Day Weekend.”

“The bricks throughout the Zoo still have tremendous meaning for many people — especially the children, who made the bricks, and are all grown up now,” Ms. Purnell said.

During “Happy Brick-Day Weekend,” attendees will have access to some areas of the Zoo, which are not typically available for public access, such as the Education Complex and Zoo Schools classrooms.

Those grown-up children, who made the bricks, will also be given a special opportunity during “Happy Brick-Day Weekend.”

“Brick makers will receive a special, complimentary family photo, with a Zoo brick them,” Ms. Purnell added.

With the opening of the Brevard Zoo’s newest exhibit, “Meerkat Hamlet,” this March, the Zoo is currently offering the opportunity to purchase “bricks” on the Children’s Naming Path, which will be a part of “Meerkat Hamlet.”

With its official birthday celebration taking place on March 15 through 16, to coincide with the opening of “Meerkat Hamlet,” the Brevard Zoo is looking forward to a tremendous 20th birthday.

“It is our vision that this birthday celebration will bring back the community-wide excitement and engagement, that defined the original creation of Brevard Zoo, so that it can harness that energy to power the next 20 years of the Zoo’s grown,” Ms. Purnell said. “What better way to start than to bring back the brick-makers?”

The Brevard Zoo will host “Happy Brick-Day Weekend” on Saturday, Feb. 8 through Sunday, Feb. 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Regular Zoo admission applies.

The Brevard Zoo is located at 8225 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne.

For more information, call (321) 254-9453 or visit www.BrevardZoo.org.

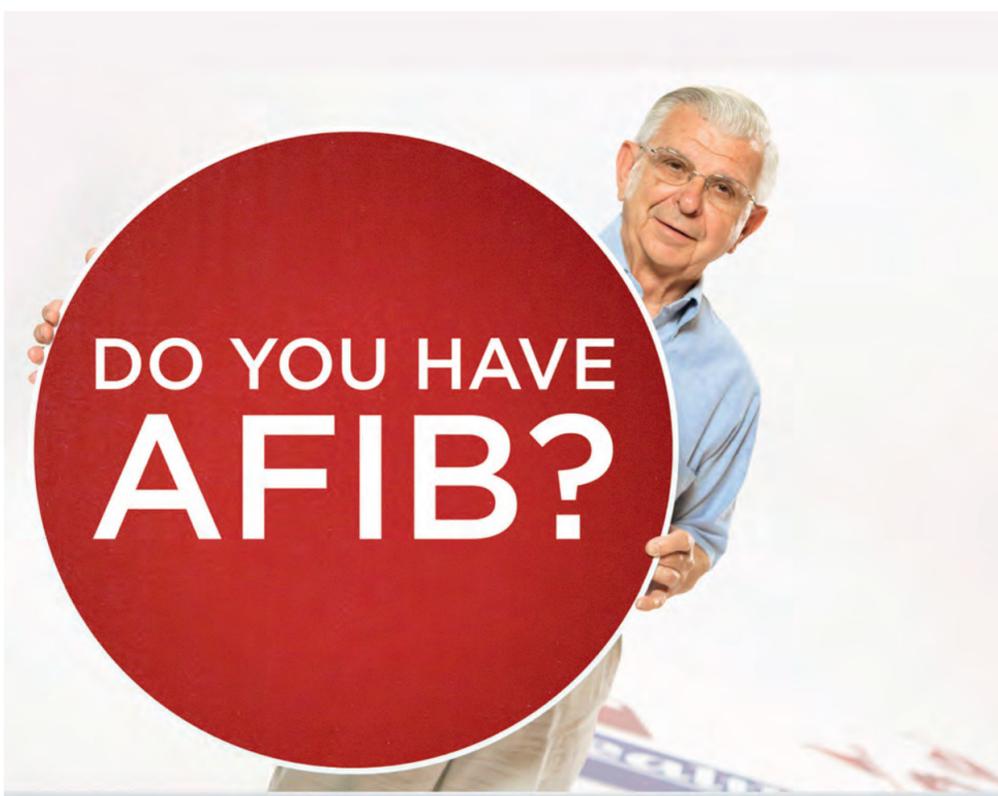
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Heart Health Month

American Heart Month in February

Series of workshops to highlight heart disease

By Chris Fish
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BREVARD — In an effort to raise awareness about heart disease, Health First Heart and Vascular Services is hosting a series of workshops this month, American

Heart Month.

From Feb. 12-13, the facility will host three workshops at different locations throughout Brevard County.

On Wednesday, Feb. 12, a “Healthy Eating for a Healthy Heart” cooking demo will be presented by McCauley Reed, Health First dietary director, at the Holmes Regional Medical Center auditorium in Melbourne from 11 a.m. to noon.

Following the workshop will be “Healthy Eating for the Diabetic Diet,” presented by Tristan Soyka, RD, LD with Health First Dietary Services, at the Holmes Regional Medical Center Auditorium in Melbourne.

The next day in Cocoa Beach, a workshop called “Hypertension: What You

Should Know” will be presented by Ross Goodgelow, DO, a cardiologist with Health First Medical Group, at the Cape Canaveral Medical Plaza Auditorium.

The workshops are a part of a series of events happening throughout Brevard County, designed to raise awareness of the disease and prevention.

“The workshops can be a tremendous source of information on the topics being presented,” said Faud Ramadan, Chief of Vascular Surgery and Medical Director of the Vascular Laboratory at Health First Holmes Regional Medical Center. “The speakers are highly experienced professionals, who are experts in their fields.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention, heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, with 323 per 100,000 people dying in Brevard County, as a result of the disease, from 2008-10.

Dr. Ramadan said that the workshops are designed to encourage and attract people to attend.

“The workshops take place in an informal, comfortable setting that promotes interaction with the speakers and allows for questions and answers,” Dr. Ramadan said. “During our workshops, people can expect slide presentations on specific topics of relevance to the heart and vascular (system) by experts on the subject. There will be an opportunity for free blood pressure screens, prior to the presentation.”

Seven more workshops will be presented throughout the county from Feb. 19-28.

“These workshops are quite informative and cover exciting, state-of-the-art advances in cardiovascular health,” Dr. Ramadan said. “I believe members of our community will find them very worthwhile.”

The Holmes Regional Medical Center Auditorium is located at 1350 S. Hickory Street in Melbourne.

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• **Capt. Hiram's:** Bullet Theory will play from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday. The Steve Cowden Duo will play from 2-6 p.m. Saturday. County Line Road will play from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Saturday. And the Runaway Country pre-party will be from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday. Greg & Brian will play from 2-6 p.m., with the St. Baldrick's pre-shave party from 2-6 p.m. Sunday. Kevin McCullers will play from 6-10 p.m. Monday. Micah Read will play from 6-10 p.m. Tuesday. Lucy Iris will play from 6-10 p.m. Wednesday. Hypersona Lite will play from 6-10 p.m. Thursday. Capt. Hiram's is at 1580 U.S. Highway 1, Sebastian. *For more information, call (772) 589-4345.*

• **Coconuts on the Beach:** The Mighty Scoundrels will play at 7 p.m. Friday. The Tiki Band will play at 1 p.m. (weather permitting), and Karalyn & the Dawn Patrol will play at 7 p.m. Saturday. Tapedeck will play at 2 p.m. Sunday. The Shain Honkonen Duo will play at 7 p.m. Tuesday. El Dub will play at 7 p.m. Wednesday. Dos Brohams will play at 7 p.m. Thursday. Coconuts is at 2 Minutemen Causeway, Cocoa Beach. *For more information, call (321) 784-1422.*

• **Earl's Hideaway:** Angry Magoo will play at 8:30 p.m. Friday. The Spacecoast Playboys will play at 2 p.m., and Wicked Game will play at 8:30 p.m. Saturday. Kelly Richey will play at 2 p.m. Sunday. Kevin McCullers will play at 8 p.m. Thursday. Earl's is at 1405 Indian River Drive, Sebastian. *For more information, call (772) 589-5700.*

• **Fill-N-Station Saloon:** JohnnyRock1 and Linda Lavis will host "Southern Talent Karaoke" 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday nights. The Fill-N-Station Saloon is at 2685 U.S. Highway 1, Mims. *For more*
See **SCENE, B2**

Steagles Pub offers best cheesteaks, unique concept for diners, fans

By Chris Fish
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MELBOURNE — As a child, Mike Patrick's grandfather told him the story of how two football franchises saved the NFL. "I remember my grandpa mentioning the Steagles to me as a child, and it just always stuck in my mind," he said. "I just thought, 'What a great concept.' You have two of the best football franchises, with a following. Anywhere you go with this concept, there will be a following."

During World War II, there was a shortage of NFL players due to the war. The Stealers were down to six players, and the Eagles had only 16.

The teams were merged for one season in 1943 to allow both teams to play and to possibly keep the NFL from canceling the whole season, Mr. Patrick said.

The Steagles went 5-4-1 and gave the Eagles its first winning season, and the Steelers its second.

Mr. Patrick has taken this memory and turned it into a unique concept for a family-friendly, nonsmoking, traditional Pennsylvania eatery, with a modern twist, featuring healthier options.



Staff photo by Chris Fish

Mike Patrick offers authentic, family-friendly Pennsylvania dining and entertainment at Steagles Pub in Melbourne.

"I am from Philly," Mr. Patrick said. "I have a culinary degree, and I get my meat from the Philly area. The quality of meat makes all of the difference. Not to mention our Philly-style hoagies."

Since opening three-and-a-half years ago, Steagles Pub has doubled in size, and has been awarded the honor of "Best

Cheese Steak in Brevard County" by *Florida Today*, an honor Mr. Patrick said is due to his meat quality and the way he prepares his delicious, non-greasy sandwich.

"Customers also have the option of adding sweet peppers to their cheesteaks," he said. "Most people just throw a green pepper on there, and it's

too strong, but, by pickling it, you sweeten it up. It just makes it better."

The restaurant also prides itself on its fresh, soft amoroso bread and fresh meats, shipped straight from Philadelphia.

"It's the quality of the meat and bread that make the difference," Mr. Patrick

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Out & about

Free Friday movies

The Cocoa Beach Public Library will present the following free movies at 3 p.m. on Fridays: Feb. 7: "Earth"

Free popcorn and refreshments will be provided.

These movies tell stories about the human experience, with some nature's grandest settings as a backdrop.

For more information, visit www.cocoa-beach-public-library.com or call (321) 868-1104.

League of Women Voters of the Space Coast Honors "Women of Action"

The League of Women Voters of the Space Coast honors "Women of

Action" on Friday, Feb. 7. Five local women will be recognized for their achievements at a luncheon to be held at the Suntime Country Club, 1 Country Club Drive, Melbourne, at 11:30 a.m.

The keynote speaker will be Deirdre Macnab, president of the League of Women Voters of Florida.

Ms. Macnab has been recognized by La Prensa newspaper as a "Community Champion" for their annual Mujeres Destacadas Awards, by the Florida Commission on the Status of Women as a recipient of its 2012 Florida Achievement Award and by the Orlando Sentinel as the 2012 Most Influential Central Floridian of the Year.

The honorees include Joan Borders, Polly Cordell and Mary Eason, co-

founders of Rolling Readers in Brevard; Maureen Rupe, president of Brevard Partnership for a Sustainable Future; and Alberta Wilson, chair of the Space Coast Chapter of the National Congress of Black Women.

The cost is \$30. *RSVP to Doreen Archer with entrée selection at (321) 622-4071.*

First Friday Art Walk

The First Friday Art Walk will be from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 in Eau Gallie Square, Melbourne.

The event is keeping the spirit of Mardi Gras alive. Wear your beads,

See **OUT, B2**



Week of 2-7-2014

ARIES - March 21/April 20

Aries, you want more than you can acquire this week and your desires may lead you astray. It is important to exercise self-restraint, even if you get a thrill from living on the edge.

TAURUS - April 21/May 21

Taurus, make a concerted effort to improve your focus in the weeks ahead. There is much to lose if you cannot tackle the tasks at hand, particularly at the workplace.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Gemini, it's unlike you to slow down, so don't be surprised when friends start looking at you curiously after you take your foot off the gas. Your free spirited nature will soon return.

CANCER - June 22/July 22

Cancer, find a routine that works for you and then stick with it. There is no need to reinvent the wheel, and when actions become automatic, you can focus on other things.

LEO - July 23/Aug. 23

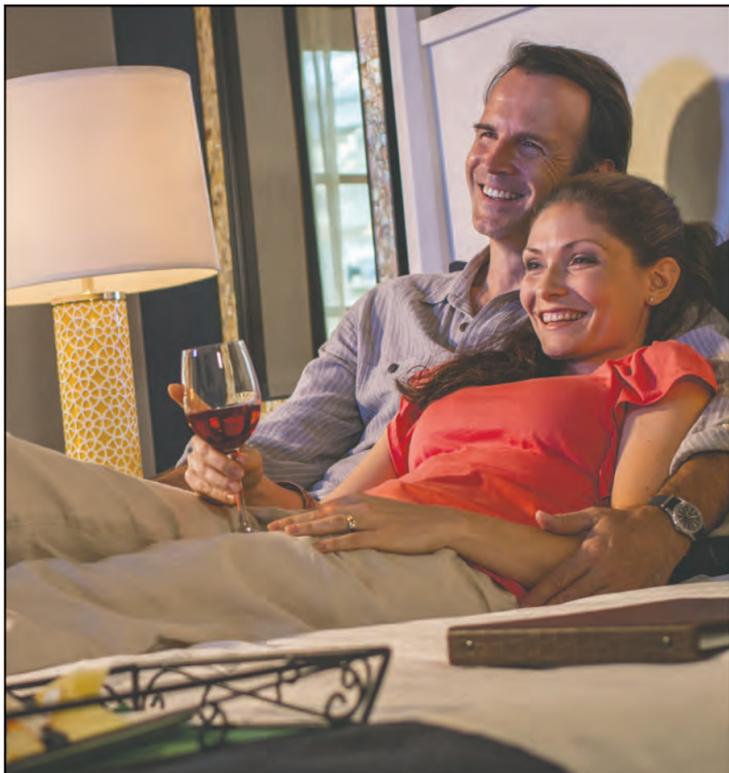
A need for attention could get the better of you, Leo. A little humility goes a long way and can alter others' perceptions of you. You may end up being seen in a more positive light.

VIRGO - Aug. 24/Sept. 22

Virgo, you can differentiate between right and wrong, but your judgment might be off this week. Rely on your intuition, but don't make any big decisions without first thinking carefully.

LIBRA - Sept. 23/Oct. 23

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and come listen to the New Orleans Jazz styling of Ron Pirtle.

Visit the shops and galleries, and help welcome Restoration Antiques, as it has its grand opening at 1475

Highland Ave.

Wine and dine at the two new EGAD restaurants that are open for business and would be delighted to welcome you: Chef Mario's Cafe at 1437 Highland Ave., with Italian cuisine; and the TapRoot Lounge at 1385 Highland Ave., with plenty of good food and comfortable

outdoor seating.

Drop by the Foosaner Art Museum from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for Captain Winston Scott and the FIT Jazz Syndicate.

For further fun, check out the Father/Daughter Dance at the Eau Gallie Civic Center. The Father/Daughter Dance is a night of dancing, games, food, music and fun. This is a semi-formal event for fathers and their daughters from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Call (321) 255-4608 for more information about the Father/Daughter Dance.

Okinawa Kenjin-Kai Yuimaru-Kai New Year Celebration

The Okinawa Kenjin-Kai Yuimaru-Kai 2014 New Year Celebration will be at the Elks Lodge No. 1744 at 211 S. Nieman Ave., Melbourne, Saturday, Feb. 8 from 2-7 p.m.

The members will perform traditional Okinawan dances, wear colorful Japanese-style kimonos and apparel, play Okinawan musical instrument (sanshin) and perform a drum dance.

Cocoa Beach Karate, Matsubayashi Ryu, Sensei Chaskelson and his student will perform katas and weapon demonstration.

The menu will be chicken or pork with the fixings, and chicken fingers for children younger than 12.

For tickets, contact yuimaru-kai@yahoo.com. The price of tickets defray the cost of facility rental and the dinner.

Ticket prices are: adults \$15, children younger than 12 \$6.

Seating is limited.

Barbershop harmony

The Greater Canaveral Chapter of The Barbershop Harmony Society will present "Now, That Was Fun" at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Scott Center for the Performing Arts at Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy, 5625 Holy Trinity Drive, just off the Pineda Causeway, Melbourne.

The show will feature the comedy quartet Lunch Break, past Dixie District champions; the International Silver Medalist quartet, The Sunny Boys; and The Space Coast Chorus.

Cost is \$15. For tickets, call Rick Ricker at (321) 639-9699 or Lonnie Freund at (321) 449-4030.

Sip & Stroll

The Historic Cocoa Village Association will present "Sip & Stroll" Champagne & Chocolate Sweethearts from 5-9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8 at Cocoa Village.

Cost is \$20 in advance and \$25 on event night. A commemorative wine glass and shopping bag is included with every ticket purchased.

For ticket information, contact The Village Spiceman at (321) 749-3407, Ossorio Cafe & Bakery at (321) 639-2423, Scentchips Cocoa Village at (321) 632-7800 and Magic Dove Magic Shop at (321) 433-1130.

For more information, visit www.cocovillage.com or call (321) 631-9075.

Free concert down by the riverside

Riverside Presbyterian Church, 3400 N. Atlantic Ave.,

Cocoa Beach, will present The Ditchfield Family Singer's "Best of Broadway" free concert at 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9.

A free ticket for either show is required and can be reserved online at www.RiversidePres.org or by calling (321) 525-7825.

Melbourne Chamber Music Society

On Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 2030 N. Highway A1A, Indialantic, the Melbourne Chamber Music Society will present the award winning Danish String Quartet in a concert of Beethoven, Debussy, Mendelssohn and Danish Folk Music.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students and may be purchased at (321) 213-5100, by mail at MCMS, P.O. Box 033403, Indialantic, FL 32903, online at MelbourneChamberMusicSociety.com or at the door.

Kenny Loggins at the King Center

Kenny Loggins will play at the King Center for the Performing Arts at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Mr. Loggins started out with a psychedelic rock band, became a young songwriter, with a publishing deal, was half of the country-rock duo Loggins & Messina and became a solo artist with songs like "I'm Alright," "Danger Zone," "Footloose," "This Is It" and "Danny's Song."

Twelve of his albums have gone platinum and beyond. Mr. Loggins has enjoyed hit

songs in four straight decades and continues to write and record.

The King Center is at 3865 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne.

For tickets or more information, call (321) 242-2291 or visit www.kingcenter.com. Kenny Loggins web page is www.kennyloggins.com.

'Love and Other Afflictions'

The Downstagers will present "Love and Other Afflictions" at the Palm Bay Public Library, Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 6 p.m.

"Love and Other Afflictions" is a series of sweetly funny skits about those connections that we hold in our hearts to spouses, children, friends and partners.

The Downstagers troupe has performed sketches, monologues and comedy skits in Brevard County since 1999.

The performance is free. The Palm Bay Library is at 1520 Port Malabar Blvd. N.E., Palm Bay.

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information, call (321) 383-0053.

Grills at the Port: Hyper-sona will play at 8 p.m. Friday. Don't Quit Your Day Job will play at 8 p.m.

Saturday. Quick Change will play at 3 p.m. Sunday. Two Rare will play at 6 p.m.

Wednesday. Johnny Danger will play at 5 p.m. Thursday. Grills at the Port is at 505 Glen Cheek Drive, Port Canaveral. For more information, call (321) 868-2226.

Grills Seafood & Tiki Bar Riverside: The Kore will play at 7:30 p.m. Friday. Bittersweet will play at 3 p.m. Sunday. Grills Riverside is at 6075 N. U.S. Highway 1, Melbourne. For more information, call (321) 242-8999.

Heidi's Jazz Club: Steve Kirsner & Friends will play from 5-8 p.m., and Veronica Swift will play from 8:30

p.m. to midnight Friday. Veronica Swift will play from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday.

The jam session will be from 7-11 p.m. Sunday. Steve Kirsner & Friends will play from 5-7:45 p.m., and Howard Laravea & Pearl Joy will play from 8 p.m. to midnight Wednesday. Linda Peterson will play from 7-11 p.m. Thursday. Heidi's is at 7 N. Orlando Ave., Cocoa Beach. For more information, call (321) 783-4559.

Kenny D's Grill & Bar: The Temptations and Four Tops Tribute Show, The Motowners, will be from 8-10 p.m. Friday. The Dean Martin Tribute Show will be from 8-10 p.m. Saturday. A

karaoke contest with a chance to win a 10 DC recording session in Nashville will be from 8 p.m. to midnight Tuesday. Ladies Night, with "The Dating Game," will be 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday. The Swamp Fox open jam night is from 8-11 p.m. Thursday. Kenny D's is at 4711 Babcock St., Palm Bay. For more information, call (321) 724-9462.

Melbourne Elks: Karaoke and dancing with Lou Phillips is from 5-9 p.m. on Mondays and is open to non-members. The Melbourne Elks is at 211 S. Nieman Ave., Melbourne. For more information, call (321) 768-1744.

Scopes

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Libra, it may seem like you are being led astray by one thing after another, when all you want is to focus on one task at a time. Find a way to block out any and all distractions.

SCORPIO - Oct. 24/Nov. 22

Scorpio, work on a creative project with a sweetheart or friend early in the week. Ideas will flow easily and

your imaginations will soar together. It is a productive pairing.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 23/Dec. 21

This is not your week to mix love and money, Sagittarius. In fact, keep the two as separate as possible, and exercise caution before lending anyone money.

CAPRICORN - Dec. 22/Jan. 20

Capricorn, you want to play outside of the rules this week. You normally like to follow a relatively traditional course, so this catches others

off guard.

AQUARIUS - Jan. 21/Feb. 18

You don't always have the patience to stick with the same routine, Aquarius. That means others cannot expect you to conform to their whims if they want you as a friend.

PISCES - Feb. 19/March 20

Pisces, you may need to sacrifice some security for a chance to have a memorable experience. Do something out of the ordinary.

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Musician returns home for Florida Tech residency, performances

By Amanda Hatfield Anderson
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BREVARD — Growing up on Merritt Island, Christian Tamburr has always had a passion for music.

"I was very fortunate to grow up in a home, where there was music playing all the time," he said. "My father, Owen, plays guitar, and from the time I can remember, would find myself sitting on his lap, strumming the strings while he played the chords of the guitar."

After inheriting a baby grand piano from his great aunt at 8 years old, Mr. Tamburr recalled his love for the instrument, attempting to play along with his dad on guitar.

"It was through this process that I developed my ear for listening and playing along to music, without the notes or chords," Mr. Tamburr said.

Now an accomplished musician, with his own Las Vegas show, Mr. Tamburr has been named the Florida Tech School of Arts and Communications "Music Artist in Residence" for periods during the spring and fall 2014 semesters.

Mr. Tamburr's residency will kick off with a special performance of the Christian Tamburr Quintet on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gleason Performing Arts Center. Admission is free.

"During the day of the 11th, I will be on the FIT campus, working with various music ensembles and private lessons," Mr. Tamburr said. "We will present our kick-off concert that evening, featuring my internationally touring Quintet, with my special guest vocalist, Matthew Bryan Feld from NYC."

The master classes Mr. Tamburr will host will focus

on the needs of the students in their perspective ensembles and classes.

"Our goal is to expand some of those master classes for students outside of the immediate FIT student body, inviting students from other schools and age groups," he said.

Mr. Tamburr added that the Quintet will then travel to DeLaura Middle School and Space Coast Junior/Senior High School to present outreach performances on Wednesday, Feb. 12.

"My music is always evolving and changing, but my passion lives in the jazz genre," he said. "With that being said, it is important for me to always keep one foot rooted in the past, with the other in the future."

Pulling inspiration from the great American songbook all the way through to The Beatles, Adele, Katy Perry, Sting and Ed Sheeran, Mr. Tamburr said his goal is to take his musical approach, with a typical jazz instrumentation, and present music that an audience, aged 17 and older, can relate to.

"For me, it's about the integrity of the talent, the level of musicianship and the content that the audience can relate with," he said. "Finding that balance is key."

The members of the Christian Tamburr Quintet include special guest vocalist Matthew Bryan Feld, Scott Giddens on piano, Billy Thornton on bass and Peter Miles on drums.

Mr. Tamburr's residency dates include return visits on March 10 through 12, April 1 through 2 and April 21 through 23, with fall dates still to be announced.

"This residency is the first of its kind for FIT and our area," Mr. Tamburr said. "It's an opportunity to support a



Photo courtesy of Christian Tamburr

Florida Tech Music Artist in Residence Christian Tamburr will kick off his residency with a performance of the Christian Tamburr Quintet on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at the Gleason Performing Arts Center. Admission is free.

program that is thinking proactively about the importance of the arts in education and our community."

He added that, by supporting live music and the people, who are wishing to develop and create more of it, people are showing, as a town, that they are able to put down their smart phones for an evening and see something real, something tangible — something that cannot be downloaded, but must be experienced live.

"We want more for our children, our students and our culture," Mr. Tamburr said.

Grateful for the opportunity Florida Tech has presented to him to help build its music program, Mr. Tamburr is looking forward to returning to the Space Coast.

"Brevard is my home. I love coming home," he said. "I love that, through FIT and this residency program, I will have the ability to inspire and create new musical and artistic opportunities for the students in our area. My band is excited and I am excited to be home for a few days to play for an audience that I have grown up with."

The Christian Tamburr Quintet will kick-off Christian Tamburr's "Music Artist in Residence" at Florida

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Community Notes

NASA advances effort to launch astronauts again from U.S. soil

NASA took another step recently to restore an American capability to launch astronauts from United States soil to the International Space Station by the end of 2017, subject to the availability of adequate funding.

The agency's Commercial Crew Program requested proposals from U.S. companies to complete development of crew transportation systems that meet NASA certification requirements and begin conducting crewed flights to the space station.

This phase of the program, called Commercial Crew Transportation Capability, will enable NASA to ensure a company's crew transportation system is safe, reliable and cost-effective.

As with all of NASA's human spaceflight activities, astronaut safety will be a priority.

NASA expects to award one or more CcTcap contracts no later than September 2014.

While CcTcap will enable NASA to acquire a capability to transport crews to the space station, systems developed by U.S. industry can be marketed and used by other customers.

For more information, visit <http://www.nasa.gov/commercialcrew>.

Two BPS high schools in top 50 in the nation

Newsweek and *The Daily Beast* analyzed data from thousands of high schools, and two Brevard high schools are among the top 50 in the nation: Edgewood Junior/Senior High School in Merritt Island comes in at No. 27, and West Shore Junior/Senior High School in Melbourne is ranked at No. 45.

The ranking is based on how effective the schools are in turning out college-ready grads and is based on six components.

For more information, visit <http://mag.newsweek.com/2013/05/06/america-s-best-high-schools.html>.

Junior League community grant opportunities

The Junior League of South Brevard, Inc. (JLSB) is pleased to announce that its 2014 Community Grant Application is now available online at www.JLSB.net.

For more than four decades, the JLSB has provided administrative guidance, financial support and volunteer services for its adopted projects throughout South Brevard.

In accordance with our mission, the JLSB is now accepting applications for grants from community organizations. JLSB will be awarding a grant of \$2,000 each to three community organizations in fiscal year

2013-14 that are requesting funds for programs and/or projects that support the South Brevard community.

Applications must be submitted by Friday, Feb. 28, 2014.

Nonprofit organizations seeking funding for programs/projects that meet the criteria and benefit South Brevard County are invited to apply.

Visit www.jlsb.net/Resources/Documents/Grant%20Applications%202013-2014.pdf or email crpd@jlsb.net for more information about submitting an application for consideration.

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Preserving Your Home Movies



By Mike C. Northrup

In today's YouTube world, many might ask if home movies are still relevant. As a company who has spent over 50 years helping people capture and preserve their memories, we wholeheartedly believe that your home movies are not only relevant, but an important part of our visual

history. After all, if Vine ceased to exist, no one would miss those 6-seconds videos that tickle our funny bones and cater to our short attention spans. If something happened to your home movies though, you and your loved ones would certainly miss out!

Different formats of home movies present unique challenges for preservation and archiving. For example, if you've videoed or inherited reels of 16mm, 8mm, or Super 8, the dyes in the film will begin to fade over time, discoloring your videos or making them look as if they are slowly disappearing. Home movies on tapes such as VHS, Hi8, Digital 8, and MiniDV will also degrade with age as the tapes begin to

demagnetize. Luckily, there are some steps you can take to preserve and protect your home movies.

When storing your home movies, avoid direct sunlight, heat, and humidity. These environmental factors can cause damage to film and tapes and cause them to degrade faster. Your crawlspace and garage are not ideal storage locations for your home movies! We recommend storing them in a cool, dry area of your house. If you are in an area that's susceptible to flooding, store your home movies on a high shelf. By following this advice, you can significantly slow the rate of degradation.

For long-term preservation, we recommend transferring your

home movies to an archival medium like a DVD. There are several advantages to consider. First, the "industry standard" format for home movies have changed a lot over the years. It's getting harder and harder to find ways to watch these older home movies. (I, for one, haven't owned a VCR since at least 1998!) When you transfer your home movies to a DVD, it will be easier than ever to relive your favorite moments.

Another reason to transfer your home movies to DVD is that you will permanently capture your home videos at their currently quality. While your originals may continue to degrade, the DVD won't, and will last for generations.

Finally, we recommend transferring your home movies to DVD for the ease of sharing. Not only are duplicate copies inexpensive they make great gifts for family and will eliminate the old family fight over who gets to inherit the home movies.

While there are many places that advertise home movie to DVD transfers, Southern Photo is the only place in town that doesn't ship your precious originals out of the state. Stop by or call us to learn how we can help you preserve your home movies so they last forever!

Mike C. Northrup is the General Manager of Southern Photo: Melbourne's #1 Camera Store Since 1963. Southern Photo can be reached at (321) 254-4224 or info@southernphotosupply.com.

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Gorgeous and Green



By Jim Katehakis

When it comes to comfort and the "cozy factor" no flooring is better than carpet. When you want to stretch out in front of the TV on movie night or just enjoy a quieter, softer living environment, carpet is still king.

The latest advances in technology have brought us fibers that are softer, more durable, more colorfast and most importantly more stain resistant. The most notable fiber is Smartstrand. Karastan carpet partnered with DuPont to explore the technology to create carpet from crops. Smartstrand renewably sourced polymer is made in part with naturally occurring sugar from readily available and renewable crops. Smartstrand fiber's key ingredient is Bio-PDO™ which is produced from corn sugar. In fact, 37% of the fiber is made from renewable sources instead of petroleum based ingredients. The fact that renewable crops grown in America are used to produce Smartstrand is just the beginning of its sustainability story. The rest of the story is in the energy savings realized in the actual production of the fiber as opposed to fiber traditionally derived from petroleum.

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Cost Effective

Better doesn't necessarily mean "costs more". Smartstrand is on par with most nylon carpets when comparing like-qualities. A longer lifecycle is the big separator when you really assess value. A product that cleans better, wears better and doesn't stain will ultimately last longer and will be more cost effective in the long run.

Jim Katehakis is the owner of K & Y Carpet One in Melbourne. He can be reached at (321) 725-0021. His website is www.KandYCarpetOneMelbourne.com.

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Avoiding Kitchen Nightmares (Part 3)



By Mario Stradi

So we had closed a deal on a new building in the Arts District, and my initial target date to open was somewhere in mid-November. Things didn't quite work out that way, but we didn't miss by much.

We banged out the licensing, with a few delays here and there, but nothing too time consuming. Then we had to do the build out, and paint it with some neutral colors. We redid the floors and lighting. One big delay was our pizza prep unit that we ordered did not work properly, even though it was brand new.

One of the surprising things was as we were doing the work, lots of people came in off the streets to ask when we were opening, and how happy they were to see a new restaurant opening up.

During the process, I had about 250 resumes to go through, and selected and interviewed prospects and hired the best.

Finally we had a "soft opening" in mid-December. We opened up for 2 "First Friday's", and that went very

well. We had a limited menu, then added a few more items during the second weekend. We wanted to make a good first impression, so we kept the menu a bit limited, so as not to put too much pressure on our new staff.

Also, though at the time we did not have a beer and wine license, the city informed us that we were able to give away free wine during these meals and so we did. Overall we did get slammed, and I was pleased.

We also had a couple of "Friends and Family" meals on Saturdays. The feedback we received was all positive.

However, things were not perfect, and so I shut it down over the holidays to tune things up on the service side with some additional training. We trained for 5 hours each day with the staff to get things perfect. I also had to wait for my pizza prep unit to get repaired and sent back.

Our Grand Opening took place on the 13th of January, and it seems like we're a big hit. I'm still tweaking my website and making some other minor adjustments.

That being said, I invite you to come by and see me and enjoy a great meal. See you next week, when I'll highlight some things on my menu.

Chef Mario Stradi is owner/chef of Chef Mario's Café, located at 1437 Highland Ave. in Melbourne. It has just opened. You can call (321) 241-4890 or try chef-mario.com

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To sleep, perchance to rest



By Richard Hendry

Nothing feels quite as good as a good night's rest but if you like millions of Americans you can't fall asleep or stay asleep - over 40 million Americans have some type of sleeping disorder and 62% of American experience a sleep problem a few nights per week. Lack of sleep is responsible for over 18 billion dollars in estimated lost productivity due to sleep loss issues and countless accidents not to mention poor health.

Most people sabotage their chance to fall asleep by staying up past that natural time zone (10p-12a) when the body slows and wants to sleep. Almost all the people in a Harvard study that woke up between 1am-4am had low blood sugar levels and low B-12 levels. Reading, watching TV and falling asleep and then getting up and trying to go to bed are all killers of a good night's rest.

Your bedroom environment can play a large roll in sleep. Cell phone and clocks should not be close to your head, keep them 6-8 feet away. Pets should not be on the bed or in the room and overhead fans, too much light or listening to music or TV, all can disrupt a good

night's sleep. Even the scents from air fresheners and fabric softeners can have an effect on rest; many scents are stimulating and should not be used in the bedroom. Of course a good bed that supports your body and does not create those sore spots in the night makes a big difference, but so many other things play a part in waking, feeling rested or like you did not sleep at all.

To help sleep, try increasing your B-12 intake during the day, B-12 helps you produce Melatonin (a brain chemical that aids in sleep). 1000 mcg. per day under the tongue will give you better energy during the day and help you fall asleep at night. Hot milk and/or some peanut butter before bed can help too. Milk has Tryptophan which helps you relax and fall asleep, peanut butter can help sustain your blood sugar levels longer at night so low blood sugar will not wake you up. Herbal supplements like Chamomile tea also work to help you relax and welcome sleep. A step up from those is Theanine (gamma-glutamylmethylamide) which can help relax and aid in the path to rest (check with your doctor for drug interaction before taking Theanine). Next week - beating stress naturally.

Richard Hendry is operations manager of Nature's Market on 701 S. Apollo Blvd. in Melbourne. He can be reached at (321) 254-8688 or naturesmarketmelbourne.com

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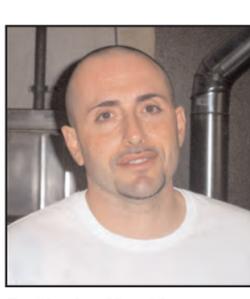
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By Charles Marchica

Just like that, the football season is over. We hate to see it go. Super Bowl Sunday was extremely busy here at Genna's, and a good time was had by all. I ran a valuable special for the game, and people took advantage of it. We are often involved in special events outside of my store, too, like "80's in the Park", activities with the Boy Scouts, The Cancer Walk, plus we cater for assorted grand openings. We always try to give back to the community, because we live and work here every day, and it's a symbiotic relationship that I have cultivated with my customers during the brief time I've been in business for myself. We all help each other. In fact, there is even a sense of camaraderie amongst my competition. It is not uncommon for other "Mom and Pop" restaurants to run out of certain ingredient, and when they call me, I bail them out, and vice versa.

I'm getting close to a year in business, and later in the year I have big plans. I'll do some remodeling, with new counters and some display shelves so my customers can see what we offer. I'll be busting out plenty of new and exciting menu items, including healthy selections, new salads wraps and soups. We'll also be adding a few

different kinds of desserts. Right now our desserts consist of cheesecake, chocolate cake and cannolis. You can look for online ordering in the next month or so. Another main focus will be to continue to provide great fast lunches, for the surrounding businesses and individuals who need to get in and get out.

I also want to get the word out about my delivery service. Did you know that we have no minimum order? I am the only place in town where if you just want a seven dollar sandwich, and your wife's out of town (and you're too lazy to cook) you can call me and I will bring it, no delivery fee. Moreover, my delivery area is expansive. I deliver all of Suntree Viera, then all the way down to Sarno Road.

So spread the word, as I have, both online, word of mouth and in the Hometown News. As a pizza chef and business owner, I strive everyday to please my existing customers, and also gain new customers so I can eventually expand my "empire".

We'll soon have our beer and wine license, too, so that'll be another plus. Now for this week, here is something just for the readers of this column - many people tell me I have the best meatballs, and I think I do. So for this week, if you come in and mention this column, I'll give you a free sample of Melbourne's best meatball!

I'll talk to you next week. Right now I gotta go for some gabagool!
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It takes a village

By Jeff Crawford

No athlete is an island, completely alone; rather every athlete is a part of a whole. They are bonded together, built and refined through relationships based on

These gyms assign members a number rather than a name and never invest in them on a personal level.

In turn, members have no direction, accountability or competition in which to compare their results. These gyms seem cold and lifeless, members hide behind the security of headphones, avoid eye contact and have little guidance. This avoids the very community that is needed to be successful.

At Maverick CrossFit not only will we know your name, you will become part of our family. Within our community you will form life long relationships with like minded individuals, all moving in a similar direction. These relationships help keep us on track by providing us with accountability. On days where our motivation is waning, one simple call or text can provide us with enough motivation to walk through the doors. When we know our friends and coaches are expecting to see us, we are more likely to stick to the commitment we have made. Suffering through workouts and pushing ourselves past perceived limitations creates a bond unparalleled in the normal gym atmosphere. There is a unique connection that is formed when we open up our hearts and pores simultaneously; in these moments of physical exertion we allow ourselves to be vulnerable, putting our weaknesses on display in hopes of becoming stronger together. This creates an environment of encouragement and trust rather than judgment.

No athlete is an Island, nor should they be treated as such. In order to reach our greatest potential we must become a part of a community. Each member contributing to the development of the whole. Within this community we will build relationships that will keep us on track and encourage us to keep plowing forward even when our goals seem out of reach. Let Maverick CrossFit be your family, together we can accomplish so much more.

Jeff Crawford is a trainer at Maverick CrossFit, located at 630 Atlantis Road, Melbourne. You may reach him at (321) 345-9348 or at maverickcrossfit.com.

Obituaries

Martha Matilda Sweeney

Martha Matilda Sweeney, 91, of Barefoot Bay, died Friday, Jan. 17, 2014. Arrangements were by Davis Seawinds Funeral Home & Crematory, Melbourne.

Sheldon Scott Johnson

Sheldon Scott Johnson, 61, of St. Cloud, died Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014. Arrangements were by Ammen Family Cremation and Funeral Care, Melbourne.

Maria Bender

Maria Bender, 90, of Indialantic, died Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2014. Arrangements were by

Ammen Family Cremation and Funeral Care, Melbourne.

Anne Shullette

Anne Shullette, 95, of Melbourne, died Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2014. Arrangements were by Ammen Family Cremation and Funeral Care, Melbourne.

Wesley D. Finch

Wesley D. Finch, 73, of Melbourne, died Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2014. Arrangements were by Beach Funeral Homes, Melbourne.

Harry Bruce

Harry Bruce, 88, of Melbourne, died Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014. Arrangements were by Ammen Family Cremation

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Barbara Ann Demko

Barbara Ann Demko, 75, of Melbourne Beach, died Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014. Arrangements were by Davis Seawinds Funeral Home & Crematory, Melbourne.

Joycelyn Mundy

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Norma I. Elliott

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Robert Lupella

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Henry J. Martinez

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Santo Gargalino

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Barbara L. Crosby

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Clarissa Elsa Allwine

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Barbara M. Newton

Barbara M. Newton, 83, of Palm Bay, died Saturday, Jan. 25, 2014. Arrangements were by Davis Seawinds Funeral Home & Crematory, Melbourne.

Kathleen J. Hahn

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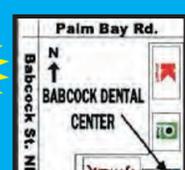
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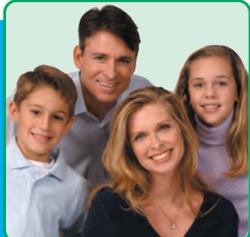
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Steagles

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said. Along with its famous Philly Cheesesteak, Steagles offers some of the best wings in town, as well as the delicious Polish Perogie, which is polish ravioli, grilled perfectly to crisp the outer shells, and stuffed with mashed potatoes and cheddar cheese. Once its ready, the dish is dipped in sour cream and onion to add the perfect flavor. Besides delicious and authentic Philly food, Steagles offers something for

fans of the Pittsburgh area, as well, including a Primanti-style sandwich, which many of his customers prefer to the original. The venue also provides top-notch entertainment, including a Pennsylvania party the third Friday of every month.

"We have had guys in from Boston, Whitesnake and Christina Aguilera's band," he said. "We try and have top-notch entertainment here, and I bring in a new band every month to try it out."

Steagles also provides a perfect dining experience for children of all ages.

"If you look at the McDonald's theory of 'if you get a Happy Meal as a child, you are a customer for life,' I want to do the same thing," Mr. Patrick said. "I want (children) to say, 'Mommy and Daddy, I want a cheesesteak from Steagles,' and that is slowly happening."

Mr. Patrick said that there is also a place located outside the restaurant for children, which includes a basketball net, ring toss and cornhole.

"If a parent wants a cold beer and some time to enjoy themselves, their kids have something to do," he said. "They won't be bothering them to leave, while they eat."

In the future, Mr. Patrick said he hopes to expand his unique concept to other areas.

"The idea is to franchise out, and we are currently looking for investors to help with this," he said. "That is the goal. The idea is to duplicate this concept."

Steagles Pub is located at 1395-C Cypress Ave. in Melbourne.

Steagles Pub is open Mondays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to midnight, Saturdays from noon to midnight and Sundays from noon to 8 p.m.

Steagles offers an Open Mic night Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 7-10 p.m., karaoke on Thursdays from 7 p.m. to midnight and live music on Friday and Saturday nights.

For more information, call (321) 757-8550 or visit www.steaglespub.com or find the pub on Facebook.

Tails from the Vet

Dr. Michael Ponte

In the past few years, we have seen vaccine clinics for pets at pharmacies, feed stores, etc. We have also been bombarded with requests to fill prescriptions through online pharmacies. In the case of vaccine clinics, these out-of-town veterinarians bring vaccines to a building or parking lot not zoned for an animal hospital and vaccinate your pets. State laws govern these clinics, but in many cases the law isn't being followed properly. Besides the law issues, they do not pay for local taxes and licenses like your established veterinarians do. This, of course, does not help pay any local community expenses. Once the vaccine is given, if your pet has an adverse reaction they are long gone and your local veterinarian and/or emergency facility must be sought out. In the case of prescriptions purchased from an online pharmacy, medicine purchased from them doesn't come with a manufacturer guarantee because the drug companies don't supply them with their inventory. As with the vaccine clinics, no portion of the money you pay them goes back to your local community through taxes. When you purchase drugs and vaccinate your animals at your local veterinarian, you are doing your part to support small businesses in your hometown.

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Military News

Benjamin A. Sharpe

Air Force Airman Benjamin A. Sharpe graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas. Airman Sharpe is the son of Chong Cooper and stepson of Nick Cooper, both of Palm Bay. He is a 2008 graduate of Melbourne High School.

Zachary R. Davis

Zachary R. Davis has graduated from the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps Leader's Training Course at Fort Knox, Ky.

The four-week course is a leadership internship for cadets that can lead to the ultimate goal of becoming an Army officer. College students experience and examine the Army without incurring an obligation to serve in the Army or ROTC, and are eligible to receive two-year college scholarship offers and attend the Advanced ROTC Course at their college.

Cadets are observed and evaluated during classroom and field training exercises to determine their officer potential in leadership abilities and skills. The cadets are trained to have a sound understanding of traditional leadership values during the challenging, motivating "hands-on" training. The training develops well-disciplined, highly motivated, physically conditioned students, and helps improve the cadets' self-confidence, initiative, leadership potential, decision making and collective team cohesion. The cadets receive training in fundamental military skills, Army values, ethics, Warrior ethos, basic rifle marksmanship, small arms tactics, weapons training,

drill and ceremony, communications, combat water survival training, rappelling, land navigation, and squad-level operations field training.

He is a student at the University of Central Florida, Orlando.

He is the son of Simone Spurlock of Melbourne.

He graduated in 2009 from Eau Gallie High School, Melbourne.

John W. Murray

Air Force Airman John W. Murray graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

Airman Murray is the son of Ericka Ross Murray of Palm Bay.

He is a 2012 graduate of Palm Bay High School, Melbourne.

Giovanni E. Brunelle

Army Cadet Giovanni E. Brunelle has graduated from the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps Leader's Training Course at Fort Knox, Ky.

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Cadet Brunelle is a student at Marrion Military Institute, Ala.

He is the son of Robert and Carol Thomas of Melbourne.

He graduated in 2013 from Viera High School, Viera.

Megan L. Donahue

Army Capt. Megan L. Donahue has graduated from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md. The graduate received a medical degree and was commissioned to the rank of captain, with a minimum seven-year active duty service commitment.

The university is a tuition-free institution, which manages a graduate nursing school, a graduate school with doctor of philosophy and master's degree programs, and a medical school that prepares men and women to be outstanding health care practitioners, physicians and scientists for careers in the Army, Navy, Air Force and U.S. Public Health Service in service to the nation. The medical school curriculum includes a concentration of preventive medicine,

primary care, military medicine, and emergency medicine. The curriculum programs are related directly to force health protection, tropical diseases, disaster medicine, military and public health medical readiness and adaptation to extreme environments.

The captain has served in the military for four years.

She is the daughter of Brian and Patricia Donahue of West Melbourne.

Maria A. Caulford

Army Sgt. First Class Maria A. Caulford has been named the 2013 U.S. Army Transportation Corps Noncommissioned Officer of the Year.

Selection was based on the individual's exemplary duty performance, job knowledge, leadership qualities, teamwork, significant self-improvement, personal achievements, notable accomplishments, and community service and support.

Sgt. First Class Caulford is an army transportation specialist assigned to the U.S. Army Africa at Vicenza, Italy. The sergeant first class has served in the military for 16 years.

She is the daughter of Maria and Gustavo O. Ruiz of Wharton, N.J.

She graduated in 1997 from Eau Gallie High School, Melbourne.

Matthew E. Huggins

Pvt. First Class Matthew E. Huggins graduated from Army Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, SC.

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