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The public is invited to comemmorate the last Naval battle of the **American Revolution**

NICE CATCH

Dalton went fishing with dad near the Titusville railway bridge

CATCH OF THE WEEK



PARLEZ-VOUS? Marie and Ron take a delicious trip to the French Quarter of New **Orleans**

TOURING WITH THE TOWNIES

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Community Calendar

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Friday, March 1

Americana by Scott Kirby: Eastminster Presbyterian Church presents "Scott Kirby in Concert" Main Street Souvenirs: a tour through America's Heartland, Friday, March 1. The performance will take place at 7:00 p.m. at Eastminster Presbyterian Church is located at 106 North Riverside Drive in Indialantic. Cost is \$15 at door. For more information, call 321-723-8371 or visit www.epcfl.org.

Saturday, March 2 Wagon's Run Walk Roll

5K: On Saturday, March 2, the Wagon's Run Walk Roll 5K, an annual family friendly event benefiting Central Florida children battling leukemia, will take place from 8-11 a.m. Run, walk or roll Chain of Lakes' paved trails surrounded by beautiful wet-See CALENDAR, page 4

NEXT LAUNCH

March 2, 2:48 a.m. EDT: A SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket will launch a Crew Dragon Demo 1 to the International Space Station.

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Serving up tasty barbeque



Alex Schierholtz/Staff photographer

Jay Kearney and Jessica Kearney, both of Melbourne, serve up homemade BBQ to Nick Correy, of Melbourne, during the '3rd Annual Blues & Brews Backyard BBQ Cook-Off & Family Fest' on Feb. 23, at Eastern Florida State College in Melbourne.

Lose weight with something that works

By Brittany Mulligan

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 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MELBOURNE}}$ — Losing weight can often be a frustrating and discouraging problem, but it doesn't have to be with the right help.

Medi-Weightloss is a new physician-supervised weight loss provider that recently opened its doors in Melbourne.

While geared toward those looking to shed weight, its wellness program offers an opportunity to learn more about clean eating and keeping up a healthy lifestyle.

Alicia Halliburton, a 26-year-old middle school social studies teacher from Orlando, lost more than $50\,pounds\,from\,using\,Medi-Weightloss\,services.$

"I have struggled to maintain a healthy weight

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Teachers continue protests for higher wages

By Josh Whitener

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Editors note: This is the first part of ongoing coverage regarding Brevard County School teachers and their fight for better pay and classroom conditions.

BREVARD COUNTY months, teachers across Brevard County have rallied with signs and shouts for increased wages for competitive pay. Adorned in red shirts to symbolize and support their union, the educators of Brevard continue the fight for better compensation and classroom conditions.

Anthony Colucci, president of the Brevard Federation of Teachers (BFT), says that reaching a compromise has been frustrating.

"I would say [the school board] is indifferent to the teachers opinions on what needs to be done to make things better," Mr. Colucci said.

Mr. Colucci has been the president of the Brevard Federation of Teachers since August of 2018.

"I taught in Brevard County for 16 years. The last place I taught was Oak Park Elementary school in Titusville," Mr. Colluci said. "I came See PAY, page 8



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TOGETHER HEARING - THE BEGINNING

Kassandra and Nick Smythe

Hello all my friends! Welcome to another Friday! I know that some of you see and follow my page each week, but I also know that many of the people I speak with haven't seen all my stories. So this week I wanted to go back to the first story, the introduction, so that any of my readers who missed it the first time would know who we are and why we do what we do. I hope you all enjoy it and please give us a call if you have ANY questions about your hearing.

I'd like you to ask yourself four questions: How important is your hearing? How important is the "I LOVE YOU" of a loved one? How important is the laughter of your child or grandchild? How important is the sound of the waves or that favorite tune you love? If you answered any of those questions with "it's important!" then I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Kassandra and I feel blessed to be one of those people who has found her mission and purpose in life. I love turning patients into friends and seeing the joy on those friends' faces when they hear sounds they thought they'd never hear again. Each week in Hometown News, I'll be sharing bits of our lives with you and I'd love for you to follow along with us on our journey.

I have been married for 14 years to a man named Nick; a Jeep loving, "I want Sriracha on EVERYTHING", big kid at heart, who is also the greatest dad to our babies. I am the mother of two great kids, ages 7 (Evan) and 10 (Isabel). My little man, Evan, is like a Lego master builder - this boy can build anything! One day he walked into the kitchen with a giant smile on his face as he proceeded to show me the "tiny wheelchair" that he had just built - it had wheels that would turn

and move and everything!" His big sister, Isabel, is honestly my shadow and people call her my "mini me". When I decided to open Together Hearing she stood up and said, "I

will take care of all the art and pictures in the new office!" I hope one day you will come by for a visit and see some of her work.

Every patient I have come across for the past 10+ years has become a piece of the puzzle that has put Together Hearing TOGETHER!

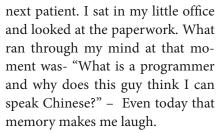
Many years ago I worked for a great ophthalmology practice checking patients in and out, making charts, checking insurance, etc.... After working there for a few years I was ready to begin training as an ophthalmic tech - until the practice decided to add a hearing

I still remember the day I was heading up the stairs and almost literally ran into the Hearing Specialist for the new center (I didn't realize that's who he was at the time). I was called in later that week, introduced to him (I was glad I didn't knock him down the stairs!) and offered the position of being the assistant to the new Hearing Specialist. I was told to think about it over the weekend so I did. Sharing this story with you now, I can see how all the dots connected – something I didn't see at the time. So many pieces fell into place by fate, God, "the cards", the cosmos, the universe, whatever you

I remember sitting in my new, little, empty office as the new Hearing Assistant Technician and thinking, "Wow, it's like a blank canvas.

I am starting a new department from scratch"; I was nervous and proud at the same time. My first day went a little like this: the Hearing

> Specialist ed me some paperwork and said, "We need to send this hearing aid out for repair and I need a programmer in China." I grabbed those papers confidently and said, "OK, you got it!" The specialist then headed back out to meet with his



I worked with the Hearing Specialist for about two years helping to build that hearing center. One day the Specialist called me into his office where one of my favorite patients waited; a husband and wife in their 70's and 80's.

I remember the wife's voice (she was what you'd call a Southern Belle) and her husband always came dressed in a suit. I always thought of him as someone that still opened the door for his lovely wife.

I sat quietly in the corner of the office observing the delivery of the patient's new set of hearing aids. The Specialist programmed them and said to her that he was getting ready to un-mute the hearing aids and her husband was going to ask her a question. The specialist gestured to the husband to stand a few feet behind his wife. He then unmuted the hearing aids and pointed to the husband who said, "My love, will you

join me for dinner after we are done with your appointment?" I looked at his wife to see if she had heard his invitation. "Now isn't that the sweetest sound!" she replied with tears in her eyes. She could hear him! Her husband was as excited as I was! That experience was the start of my journey to become a Hearing Specialist. After a few years as a Hearing Specialist at two great hearing centers, helping so many patients hear their loved ones and enjoy the sounds that connected them to the world, I was ready for another chapter and decided to open my own practice.

Together Hearing LLC was established with a vision of creating a continuous connection between hearing care provider, patient, community, and the world. The doors of our new office at 201 E. New Haven Ave. opened for the first time on July 9th, 2018.

We also assist the hearing needs of our fellow US Veterans, and we are currently the exclusive hearing care provider for three assisted living facilities.

One of our goals is to have everyone we talk to get their hearing evaluated and if you are over the age of 50 and have not had your hearing evaluated recently it's a healthy idea to do so. Also, if you have hearing devices and are not currently happy with your hearing care, we'd love for you to give us a try!

We would truly be honored if you followed our story here in Hometown News each week, as we share our growing process and fun stories that will help you learn about who we are. And if you would like to come by and meet us please give us a call – We would love to meet you!



Kassandra Smythe, HAS



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OASIS brings comforts of home to troops

By Josh Whitener

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BREVARD COUNTY – When Tess Heribacka said goodbye to her sons as they left for their first deployment to Iraq in 2007, she carried the worries any mother would have for the safety of her children.

Both sons, Zach and Doug Heribacka, were Army infantry and deployed at 19 and 20 years old respectively.

"My sons both deployed and one of my sons, on one of his calls home, asked if I could send a package to one of the guys in his unit. He didn't receive packages and I said of course I can," said Mrs. Heribacka

That altruistic gesture revealed an unknown need for many soldiers deployed overseas.

She had no idea that her openhanded nature would give birth to a larger, magnanimous effort to ensure troops overseas could enjoy the commodities of home while they were deployed.

"The next time I talked to him I asked him if there were any more guys that needed it, and the next time I talked to him he found out there were six other guys that didn't get packages," she said.

Mrs. Heribacka was a part of another organization, Homes for Our Troops, that helps to build and provide housing for veterans. Working with others, Mrs. Heribacka formed Operation America

Standing in Support (OASIS).

"I met two incredible friends, Carol Gambill, whose husband was retired Air Force, and Erin Hutchings, who also had a son deployed to Iraq, also as an Infantryman," she said. "Our friendship grew and we were inseparable, sharing the heart-breaking stories our boys would call home and share with us. We learned that some of the guys in all of our sons units didn't receive any packages from home."

OASIS has been aiding American military servicemen and women since 2007. The organization works to improve the morale of currently deployed troops overseas with themed packages and letters from the community.

"We have sent thousands of packages and received countless letters of gratitude from our military men and women," Mrs. Heribacka said.

Mrs. Heribacka started with veteran organizations like American Legion Post 81 in Melbourne, who were also helping with Homes for Our Troops at the time.

Local businesses have also been supporting OASIS.

"We utilize area businesses in Brevard county," said Mrs. Heribacka "River Lanes Bowling Alley, Beef O'Brady's in Merritt Island, Heroes Grill, Law Offices of Kristy Mount; some have reached out to us, others we've contacted."

OASIS has six holiday related packages the organization drives for and sends

throughout the year. The most recent was "Hearts for the Troops." The next will be their Easter themed packages.

The number of packages they send throughout the year varies on the number of soldiers being deployed, but the number continues to grow.

"In this past year we've been able to, adopt, if you will, Patrick Air Force Base airmen who are being deployed and that really added to our number of packages," Mrs. Heribacka said. "I think we had 110 just for them, and on average we send out about 50 boxes."

The organization has grown considerably since it's inception.

"As we moved forward with our plan, it got more recognition and the American people wanted to support our troops," Heribacka said.

The group also sponsors a ROTC scholarship for local students continuing their education in college or pursuing their path to the military.

"Our goal last year, which was the first time we gave it out, was \$10,000. We only met \$3,500 of that but this year we've met our goal and open enrollment is open through April," said Mrs. Heribacka.

According to the organization, postage is the primary cost concern the organization faces; costing approximately \$7,000 to \$8,000 per year for postage alone. Therefore, cash donations are also encouraged to help offset the cost of

shipping

Acceptable donations include food items such as water bottles, granola bars, and powdered hot chocolate. Practical items such as shaving razors, dental floss and T-shirts are also mailed to troops. If a contributor wishes to send fun activity items, OASIS sends puzzle books, board games and DVD's.

"The favorite thing in our boxes is cards from the community. We partner with Sunday school children, school children, scouts, business offices or anybody that's willing to write a note of thanks," Mrs. Heribacka said.

For those troops that return to Central Florida from their deployment, OASIS works to arrange for trips or leisurely activities for them and their family.

"We do things like send the families to the beach for the weekend, Kennedy Space Center passes and things like that," Mrs. Heribacka said.

The support of local residents has propelled Mrs. Heribacka and OASIS to continue its mission of gratitude to American military men and women.

"I'm always just overcome with how generous people are in supporting this," Mrs. Heribacka said. "People just want to be supporting and they just don't know a way to so we want to be the vehicle for that."

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Weight loss

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my entire life," Mrs. Halliburton said. "Several members of my family have also developed health conditions associated with being overweight, including heart disease, hypertension and diabetes. On a personal level, I felt it was important to lower my risk for these conditions."

In the classroom, Mrs. Halliburton said she struggled to stand for long periods, and noticed her feet and legs would become swollen and sore throughout the day.

"It was also difficult to maintain a high level of energy throughout the school day," she explained. "I did not want to be exhausted during my afternoon classes, or unable to participate in after school programs."

Dr. Sejal Shah, an associate medical director with Medi-Weightloss, explained that Medi-Weightloss offers individualized programs for each patient, a signature line of snacks, and works with most insurance carri-

ers.

"We have a clinically proven set of guidelines and our patients lose up to 20 pounds in the first month," Dr. Shah said.

For Mrs. Halliburton, other weight loss programs just didn't work. One weight loss clinic required her to drive to Tampa once a month to pick up supplements, vitamins and food packets.

"There were never any conversations about my progress or how to tailor the program to my lifestyle," Mrs. Halliburton said. "I felt like I was being sold products and that my results were not a priority. With Medi-Weightloss, each of my check-ins were with an educated provider who could explain my body composition, what steps I needed to take in order to reach my goals and could provide strategies on how to overcome weight loss plateaus and unhealthy cravings."

Through Medi-Weightloss, Mrs. Halliburton was able to reach her goal of losing 50 pounds in five months, and she went from being a size 16 to a size 10.

One of the most common factors patients struggle with in their quest to lose weight is

being too comfortable in their old habits, according to Dr. Shah.

"What we aim to do with our program is to change those habits, help them understand what it takes to be healthier, and provide them a level of accountability," Dr. Shah said. "Consistency is very important, and I think a lot of people struggle with maintaining a level of consistency in the changes they make."

"This program has changed my relationship with food and has given me the knowledge I needed to understand my body's needs," Mrs. Halliburton added. "I also have more energy to get through the work day and would say the significant weight loss has increased my confidence overall."

Medi-Weightloss is located at 1800 W. Hibiscus Ave., Suite 131, Melbourne. Its hours are noon to 7 p.m. Monday and Thursday, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Friday, closed Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

For more information, call (321) 234-4200



Photo courtesy of Kelly Wakelee

Alicia Halliburton lost more than 50 pounds through a Medi-Weightloss program, dropping from a size 16 to size 10 in five months.

or visit www.mediweightloss.com.

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lands and lakes. After post race awards, enjoy music and snacks while visiting vendor and sponsor booths. Cost is \$20. For more information, call 321-302-6011 or email Linda Roggenkamp at wagons5K@gmail.com.

Veteran Salute Everyday: Saturday, March 2, One Senior Place will host "Every Day is

Protection

Veterans Day", a musical salute to the Armed Forces. A 3 p.m. reception will take place before the 4 p.m. concert at the Scott Center for the Performing Arts located at 5625 Holy Trinity Drive in Melbourne. Cost is free, but tickets are required. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 855-252-7276 or visit www.SpaceCoastSymphony.org.

Garden Club Flower Show: Indian Harbour Beach Garden Club is sponsoring a flower show entitled: "A Garden Path". It will

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take place on March 2, 2019, 1:00-4:00 pm at the Satellite Beach Public Library, located 751 Jamaica Boulevard in Satellite Beach It is free and open to the public. For more information, call 321-779-4004 or email at *ihbgardenclub@gmail.com*.

Have fun at VFW Hall 4536: VFW & Auxiliary 4536 at 4401 S. Dixie Highway, Palm Bay, hosts several events throughout the week. Fridays: Haddock and shrimp dinner, \$8.Saturdays: First Saturday of each

month enjoy a steak dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. for \$12. For more information, call (989) 329-4763 or (321) 725-2999.

Doll Show & Sale: The Florida Space Coast Doll Show & Sale will take place Saturday March 2 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Space Coast Convention Center/Holiday Inn Express located at 301 Tucker Lane in Cocoa. Cost of admission \$5.00. Doll Doctor and Doll Identification will be on premises. All

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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. For complete daily arrest lists from the Brevard County Sheriff's Office, go to http://bit.ly/HometownArrestsToday.

Melbourne Police Department

Aaron Ballard, 45, of Cocoa Beach, was arrested Feb. 15 and charged with felony battery (2nd or subsequent offense), and resisting officer without violence.

Charles Pursley, 22, of Palm Bay, was arrested Feb. 15 and charged with trafficking cocaine up to 28 grams and less than 150 kilograms, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana under 20 grams, and use/display of weapon during commission of felony or under indictment.

Alexander Robair, 27, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 15 and charged with burglary of an occupied dwelling unarmed, criminal mischief over \$200 and less than \$1,000, felony battery by strangulation as domestic violence, grand theft larceny over \$300 and less than \$5,000, resisting officer without violence, robbery by sudden snatch without firearm or weapon, tampering in 1st degree felony proceedings.

Victoria Liles, 24, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 16 and charged with driving while license suspended with knowledge (3rd or subsequent offense), leaving the scene of a crash with property damage, and possession of marijuana under 20 grams.

Paul Sperling, 43, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 16 and charged with assault on a law enforcement officer/firefighter/EMT, possession of a controlled substance, driving under the influence and driving under the influence with

Stephanie Donald, 63, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 17 and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill, battery on a law enforcement officer/firefighter/EMT, depriving officer of means of protection or communication, resisting arrest with violence as aggravated assault, and resisting arrest without violence.

Austin Locke, 19, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 17 and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill.

John Snell, 58, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 17 and charged with threat with death or serious bodily harm to law enforcement officer, and resisting officer without violence.

Jacob Carlson, 27, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 18 and charged with felony battery.

Travis Allen, 32, of Indialantic, was arrested Feb. 19 and charged with burglary of an occupied dwelling unarmed, possession of cocaine, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana under 20 grams, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of synthetic narcotic with intent to sell/manufacture/ deliver.

Joseph Cunningham, 39, of Indialantic, was arrested Feb. 20 and charged with battery by strangulation as domestic violence, and battery as domestic violence.

Gregory Eason, 45, of Cocoa Beach, was arrested Feb. 20 and charged with possession of cocaine.

Sean Saraka, 43, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 20 and charged with driving while license suspended with knowledge (3rd or subsequent offense).

Nicholas Woolery, 29, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 20 and charged with felony batterv as domestic violence, false imprisonment. and simple assault with intention threat to do violence as domestic violence.

West Melbourne Police Department

Jamiel McDowell, 20, of Palm Bay, was arrested Feb. 17 and charged with possession of marijuana with intent to sell/manufacture/ deliver, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Elizebeth Novalsky, 54, of West Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 17 and charged with burglary of an occupied dwelling unarmed, criminal mischief \$200 and under, and simple assault with intentional threat to do violence.

Jimmy Dowling, 41, of West Palm Beach, was arrested Feb. 20 and charged with keeping building/shop/vehicle for drugs (1st violation), possession of methamphetamine with intent to sell/manufacture/deliver, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lee Swartz, 42, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 20 and charged with driving while license suspended (habitual offender).

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Angela Abshire, 34, of West Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with possession of heroin, possession of methamphetamine, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Heather Austin, 49, of Merritt Island, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana under 20 grams, driving while license suspended with knowledge, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Michael Breaux, 40, of Merritt Island, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with possession of cocaine, and possession of marijuana over



Allen Engel, 30, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with driving while license suspended (habitual offender), and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Tyler Hackett, 26, (address not listed), was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with assault on a law enforcement officer/firefighter/EMT, and disorderly intoxication.

Keith Lynch, 59, (address not listed), was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with aggravated battery.

Alexander McDonald, 28, of Palm Bay, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with possession of heroin, sale of heroin, possession of marijuana under 20 grams, possession of drug equipment, possession of drug paraphernalia, and resisting officer without violence.

Mark Papczynski, 62, of Merritt Island, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with child neglect without great bodily harm, and permitting any unauthorized person to drive.

Lisa Serna, 33, of Cocoa, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with possession of cocaine with intent to sell/manufacture/deliver, possession of heroin with intent to sell/manufacture/ deliver, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lauren Tebbe, 20, of Melbourne, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with possession of a controlled substance, battery, and possession of drug paraphernalia with residue.

Dominick Viglione, 33, of Palm Bay, was arrested Feb. 14 and charged with possession of a controlled substance, non-support of children or spouse, and possession of drug paraphernalia



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Email the Hometown Rants & Raves at

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The Rants & Raves section provides readers a chance to share their thoughts. The opinions included here are not those of Hometown News or its employees.

Please limit your submissions to 250 words, so we can include more entries. Readers are asked to refrain from making libelous statements.

Gun violence needs action

To Senators Marco Rubio, Rick Scott and Representative Posey: How disgusting and despicable to accept a single cent from the NRA.

We celebrate Valentine's Day as we mourn the one year anniversary of those we lost in our own state and reflect upon the 1,200 children we've lost since then. 1,200 siblings, daughters, sons and brothers. 1,200 hopes, dreams, and change-makers. 1,200 lights that were taken away to soon. Don't send thoughts and prayers - send action. Senator Rubio, Senator Scott and Representative Posey should vote yes on H.R. 8 for universal background checks and no on S.B 7030.

We need to save our children, our future. We have more guns than any country in the world yet we are the most unsafe with them. We have lost more Americans to gun violence than on foreign soil in wars or other developed countries.

We must act now.

Scamming tech needs to be outlawed

I was watching a segment on the afternoon news, probably the 50th one I've seen on skimmers and the scams that are going on at gas station and

I wish someone could tell me why they are even allowed to sell "skimmers" which are meant for nothing other than committing a crime. Buying TNT is outlawed.

Why don't they just put these manu-

facturers out of business?

More on hospital security

In reference to the rant about the hospital having unnecessary security. I too felt unnecessary intrusion into my purse, including opening an inside, zippered, flat pocket which included my credit cards

Not even Disney goes that far and I'm sure they're on a watch-list as well.

The authors stated they were in their seventies and I'm in my eighties and I don't think I pose a threat either.

Who's really paying for a wall?

If Trump is fulfilling his campaign promise about the wall, why are we, and who voted for him, paying for it?

I remember him and his supporters shouting: "Mexico will pay for the wall". He is a liar. Plus, wait until you see when you file your income taxes, including you from New York and New

He's your man.

Auto repair center wins over customer

Here's a rave about the new, much needed, auto repair center that recently opened in the former SEARS Auto Repair at the Titusville Mall.

While the customer waiting area shows it has been abandoned for quite a while, the actual work area is fully functional and staffed with great mechanics. I had shocks and struts

Strawberry delights



Alex Schierholtz/Staff photographer

Emille Diaz, 3, of Melbourne tries a fork full of strawberry shortcake during the 'Annual Strawberry Festival' on Feb. 23, at Wickham Park in Melbourne.

replaced on my 2010 Dodge Grand Caravan quickly and at a reasonable

The general manager's knowledge about my car and many others was very impressive however I felt his overall workload is greater than one person can handle for much longer and that additional counter staff and mechanics will need to be hired soon to cover ever increasing customer interest.

Will I return for my next repair

Less dogs in public places

I agree with the author of "unfavorable Cocoa Beach visit" about the dogs on the beach and people using the beach as an ashtray. I think it's terrible, they need to protect our beaches.

I think it's also terrible at Home Depot. It's like a dog kennel.

I love animals, but there's a place for animals; not shopping at the Home Depot, pooping on the floor and leaving it there. That's my rant for today and I thank you.

working in Chicago. Knowing that I liked gardening, my employer gave me a Sears Craftsman rototiller as a retirement gift. I was elated, as I didn't need another watch. I moved to Palm Bay and purchased a home in June of 2018. My rototiller needed a tune up, so I called the number listed in the local yellow pages for sears home repair.

I retired about three years ago while

After dealing with a "robotic receptionist", I was referred by a young lady to another 1-800 number. I called the number and dealt with another "robotic receptionist" who referred me a lady who told me I needed to call a place in Melbourne. I called that number, and got the "robotic greeting" that the number had been changed. I called that number and was greeted with the following message: "The number you have called cannot be accessed from your area code".

Well, that was more than 25 minutes of my life that I'll never get back. I'm going to check again under "lawn mower repair", or "motorcycle engine repair" to get my rototiller tuned up. Edward Lampert, take note!

Why Sears is losing business

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Melbourne firm earns financial accreditation

For Hometown News

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MELBOURNE - Ken Whittaker, of Whittaker Cooper Financial Group, has been awarded the Accredited Investment Ficuciary (AIF*) designation from the Center for Fiduciary Studies, the standards-setting body for Fi360.

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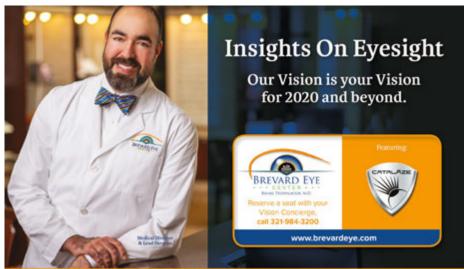
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out of the classroom and served two years as vice president, and now I'm doing this,"

He's been in his position since the negotiation talks began.

On Feb. 26, another rally brought more awareness to the community, furthering a sense of urgency to this plight that many teachers and union members feel is sorely needed.

Tensions have mounted between teachers and administrators of Brevard County Public Schools since negotiations reached an impasse in December 2018. The deadlock in negotiations will now require a hearing from a special magistrate.

The Florida Constitution and Florida Statutes Chapter 447.505 prohibits teachers from going on strike, a move that's been made in other states like West Virginia and Colorado producing more favorable results for educators. If teachers in Florida tried to strike, they could face heavy penalties including fines and loss of certifications.

Because Florida law prohibits educators to strike, their voices are being heard through rallies and raising aware-

"Our state statutes make it extremely difficult for us to make advancements on our contract," Mr. Colucci said "Not only can't we strike, but after we go to a special magistrate hearing, its decision is nonbinding so they could still steamroll

us."

Teachers are left with little option but to demonstrate.

"Our power is going to come at the ballot box and bringing this issue to the public," Mr. Colucci said. "That's been the purpose of these rallies; so the public understands that the teachers voices are being ignored by the school board."

Brevard County has the second most experienced teachers in the state; however, teacher pay is \$1,103 below the state average. As of Dec. 17, 2018, the last day of bargaining before the negotiations reached impasse, there were 79 instructional vacancies in the district.

Pre-Recession Florida ranked around 30th in the nation in teacher pay.

Post-Recession, Florida fell to 35th and then fell to 45th in the nation in 2018. New rankings are scheduled to be issued in the coming weeks.

According to Mr. Colucci, for the past three years both Orange and Volusia county teachers received better pay increases than Brevard. Indian River and Seminole counties also fared better in the past two years. Indian River County is also currently in impasse.

Several factors have caused the current impasse. One contributing factor were state mandates for more school security and mental health programs in the wake of the Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Parkland, Florida on Feb. 14, 2018.

"Had Parkland not happened, we probably wouldn't be at impasse right now," said Matt Reed, assistant superintendent for Government and Community Relations. "There were the kinds of deadlines and spending mandates on more [Student Resource Officers]...that's why there isn't as much money left."

Senator and former governor of Florida, Rick Scott, signed into law the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act in March, 2018.

According to an April 27, 2018 memorandum from the Florida Department of Education the law "requires school districts to complete a school security risk assessment at each school district and public school site in the state." The deadline was "to complete a security risk assessment for each public school campus by August 1, 2018."

Mr. Reed stated he is not a spokesperson for the school board itself, but considers himself a staff member.

He explained that the school board has been instructed by an attorney not to comment on the ongoing negotiations in order to be as impartial as possible.

"Even though Brevard Public Schools received more money than last year from a mix of property tax rates that the legislators sets and general revenue," Mr. Reed said, "we also had new state mandates that we spend on security and mental health."

But Mr. Colucci argues that prioritizing has been the issue over state mandates.

"Every school district had to deal with the new state statutes revolving around security, every single one," Mr. Colucci said. "We know of about 30 districts that have settled their contract and nearly all of them have received better raises or better offers than our school district has. That's just a flat-out excuse."

Deborah Muller, who is the Chief Financial Officer at Volusia County School District, explains that the funding they had for teacher pay was something that was accomplished, but not an easy feat.

"We had already budgeted for a one percent salary increase. That was already included in our budget," Mrs. Muller said. "We also had funds from a health insurance ProShare refund, which is basically, if your claims don't exceed what you paid then you split the money with the health insurance company."

The total for that, according to Mrs. Muller, was \$6M.

Mrs. Muller explained that the board was able to put a cap on healthcare spending and, because of a known total amount of cost, they projected a savings that was consistent.

Volusia County Public Schools took a similar route as Brevard County when it came to school safety. A decision that Mrs. Muller explained saved them additional funds from Safe Schools that could go to teacher bonuses and increased pay.

"We decided to use the Guardian program so we had a combination of contracts with sheriff's departments and with several of our cities... who were paying a portion of their salaries," Mrs. Muller said. "That was a savings over the Student Resource Officers."

In May of 2018, Volusia County teachers marched and rallied with the same

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red shirt and cries for reform in their pay; the same way both their national and local colleagues have done.

Volusia County, however, was able to come to a compromise: a 7.5 percent raise for teachers over the next three years, and the extension of the elementary school day.

The struggle for competitive compensation ultimately effects the teachers day-to-day work day. Jonathan Hilliard teaches fourth-grade at Apollo Elementary School in Titusville.

"We've got a really wonderful administration at our school and I know they're under a lot of pressure from the district," Mr. Hilliard said "I think everyone is looking for that silver bullet, but there is no silver bullet.

In the last year, Mr. Hilliard has experienced more pressure to meet the guidelines implemented by the district, such as teaching a new math curriculum.

"The thing is you work hard, you adjust to the kids you have in front of you each year...and you work effective methodologies to make those kids successful each year," Mr. Hilliard said.

When it comes to school security, he believes it's not a question of placing one before the other.

"It's not a versus. I look at our school board and the school board should direct staff," Mr. Hilliard said. "They should say bring me back a budget where teachers get [a certain] amount of pay raises, go through and cut whatever you need to cut to make that budget work."

To Mr. Hilliard, it's not a matter of finding funds for teacher pay. Money can be found by formulating a disciplined budget to produce the money needed for teachers the same way funds are allocated to keep other school programs sustained.

After Parkland, the state's public schools received \$400M to bolster school security from former Gov. Rick Scott.

"You can move anything around to prioritize whatever you need to prioritize. We got a half a billion dollars after Parkland. The priority has to make the list," Mr. Hilliard said. "The rhetoric is it's an either-or, or an it-versus-that. It's all of this versus the raise and that's just noise."

He believes the stagnated process of the negotiations is partially, if not entirely, due to the school boards inability to consider pay a priority or even one aspect of how to rank it.

Another factor in locating the money for these raises stems from the board's inability to place programs on the chopping block to help locate money for teachers. Another derives from not pursuing to place a property tax increase on the ballot in November of 2018 that, if passed, could have paid for school resource officers, more security upgrades, and could have been used for staff raises.

A domino effect of indecision and budget juggling have put both BFT and the district at a stalemate.

It was reported that the increase in

property taxes by \$1M over four years would have brought in \$37.2M per year and cost the average homeowner about \$14.58 per month, according to estimates from the district's chief financial officer Pennie Zuercher.

Some board members went against Superintendent Mark Mullins recommendation to include the extra millage on the ballot last election.

"They were afraid it would hurt their chances for reelection to just ask the tax-payers if they wanted to help fund teacher salaries and additional security measures. They dug themselves a hole," Mr. Colucci said.

According to Mr. Colucci, assurances that the board would find the money elsewhere were made. Six months later, a compromise on money is still ongoing.

"If you make something versus the raise, then you'll never find a good reason to get a raise on the books. You will always have something in its place," Mr. Hilliard said.

Mr. Colucci reinforces this sentiment.

"This is not an either/or situation. The district says things like do you want air conditioning or do you want a raise, do you want to be safe, or do you want a raise. That is just incredibly questionable to frame issues like that," Mr. Colucci said.

Teachers like Mr. Hilliard don't wish to strike even if they could; a move that's undisciplined and antithetical of most teachers devotion to the students and community.

"A strike is an extreme tactic. I don't think there's winners in strikes, just less losers," Mr. Hilliard said. "It's disruptive to the district, it's disruptive to the teachers, the students and the community. It's unfortunate that that extreme measure has to happen for a district to finally come out of their comfort zone and reshuffle budgetary priorities."

To Mr. Hilliard, teaching is his passion and civic duty. It's the reason he became one. To feel unheard and disrespected stems from a deeper, systematic struggle that teachers like himself have suffered for years both locally and national; using their devotion to students against them.

"We just had a government shutdown; soldiers went to work, nurses went to work, police officers went to work. Why did they go to work? They weren't getting a paycheck for over a month. They went to work out of a sense of duty, honor and passion for their job. Teachers are the same way," Mr. Hilliard said.

To simply relax the workload and ease off the daily requirements of grading papers or planning lessons isn't an option to teachers like Mr. Hilliard.

"They keep telling us you don't have to take that work home, you don't have to stay the extra time, but that is our passion," Mr. Hilliard said. "That is our integrity. That is our honor. That is our duty. What you're saying is don't meet the need of your passion."

As the impasse heads towards the special magistrate's recommendation, teachers like Mr. Hilliard continue to pursue the students needs.

"We're going to do it regardless, that's who we are and that's why we're in this profession," Mr. Hilliard said.







Cumberland Farms opens new location

For Hometown News

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MELBOURNE — Cumberland Farms, a convenience and gas retailer, has a new location at 890 North Apollo Boulevard in Melbourne and will be opening its doors to the public on Wednesday, Feb. 27.

According to a press release, the new convenience store "...is complete with outdoor patio seating for convenient, in-store dining, 19 customer parking spaces, and 10 fueling stations. The food menu has also expanded to feature a variety of specialty items, including ciabatta sandwiches and Mac N' Cheese Bites, all of which can now be ordered quickly and easily on self-service electronic ordering terminals. The brand is also offering several new beverage options, like smoothies, frozen espresso and milkshakes, as well as specialty coffee drinks including espresso, cappuccino, and lattes."

A ribbon cutting ceremony is said to likely take place in the coming weeks as well as a "fundraising event for a local community organization in the area".

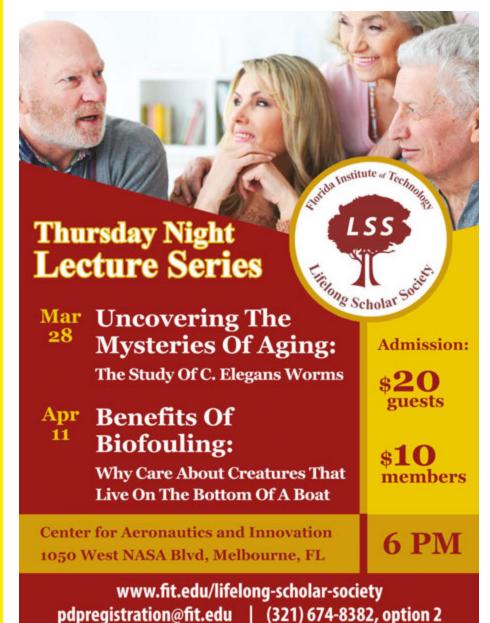
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proceeds from the show helpers will be donated to Nana's House. For more information, call Joanne Collazo at 856-266-2518.

Antique Car Show in Melbourne: The "Celebration of Cars" is a family-oriented festival/event sponsored by the Antique Automobile Club of America, Cape Canaveral Region that includes 300 antique, classic and modern automobiles on display. Proceeds will be donated to South Brevard Sharing Center, Space Coast Honor Flight and Brevard County Public Schools Automotive Technical Program Scholarships. The Annual "Celebration of Cars" Antique to Modern Auto Show, hosted by the Cape Canaveral Region of Antique Automobile Club of America at the American Muscle Car Museum located at 3500 Sarno Road in Melbourne. For more info, call Linn at 321-427celebrationofcars@ email 4615. or antiqueautoclubcc.com.

Trailblazers monthly social: The monthly meeting/social held on the first Saturday of every month to learn about all of the fun and various activities we have planned. We start with pot luck style food and soft drinks provided by our members starting at 6:30 p.m. on March 2, followed by a short meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. to discuss our upcoming

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Free housing, financial education workshop

By Brittany Mulligan

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BREVARD COUNTY — There are some important life lessons that aren't taught in school, which makes doing adult things such as balancing a checkbook, budgeting or buying a house that much more difficult.

The city of Melbourne has partnered with Community Housing Initiative Inc., and the South Brevard Women's Center to host a free housing and financial education workshop.

The workshop is scheduled to take place from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 12 at the South Brevard Women's Center, 1425 Aurora Road, Melbourne.

There will be limited seating available, and those interested in attending can RSVP to (321) 242-3110.

Dinner will be provided to all in attendance, and gifts and gift cards will be raffled off throughout the event.

"We want to support affordable housing in all arenas," said Nicole Tinpenny, executive director of the Community Housing Initiative. "Part of it is renters and folks wanting to buy a home one day will need an idea of where to start and what they need to do, and that's what this class is for."

Topics covered will include improving financial wellness, managing finances, understanding credit cards and prepaid credit cards, establishing a budget, credit repair, and the ABC's of home buying.

The Community Housing Initiative is a not-for-profit charitable development corporation. It offers housing workshops throughout the year in partnership with other local organizations.

I think education is the most important thing anybody can have," Ms. Tinpenny said. "Our goal is for successful ownership at one point in the future. As a homeowner, there are so many things that most folks as renters don't even realize they need to spend money on. We want to educate folks on as much as we can beforehand so they can be a successful homeowner."

For more information, call (321) 242-3110 or visit www.chibrevard.org.

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activities and plan new ones. The club will continue to meet every 1st Saturday of the month. The club's focus is to provide a social

circle of friends. The meeting/social is at 1089 South Patrick Drive in the David Schechter Community Center in Satellite Beach. The club has members from North, Central, and South Brevard as well as a few out of Brevard County and out of state. For more information, call Judy at 321-259-8680.





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Premier wind ensemble returns to Brevard

By Brittany Mulligan

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BREVARD COUNTY — Central Florida's premier wind ensemble is at it again with its first performance of the year set for this weekend.

The Central Florida Winds will present "Music for Winds", a musical tour through time going back 150 years. Pieces performed will take audiences through a cultural musical set list of music from around the world.

This free concert is scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 3 at Suntree United Methodist Church, 7400 N. Wickham Road.

"It's quite a diverse concert and I think people will enjoy it," said Richard Sabino, music director of Central Florida Winds. "We're not leaving anything to the imagination."

The concert will put on some challenging compositions for the musicians, which adds a level of music not often seen in Brevard County.

The music featured will include "Circus Overture" by William Schuman; "Dionysiaques" by Florent Schmitt; "Symphony No. 3" by Boris Kozhevnikov; "Variations on America" by Charles Ives; "Irish Tune from County Derry" by Percy Grainger; and more.

"What drives performers to come here, I think, is the level of the music

and the musicianship of the group," Mr. Sabino said. "I like the fact that they're willing to try pieces that stretch their ability. They're very interested in producing something with lots of musical content."

While many members of the Central Florida Winds ensemble are from Brevard, others are dedicated enough to drive up to one or two hours to make it for practice and performances.

Milford Kuhn, of Haines City, has been a member of Central Florida Winds for four years. He plays the French horn for the group and is a regular member.

"It's a combination of the conductor, it includes the decisions and the pieces that we play," Mr. Kuhn said. "I play in several different groups and I find that the Central Florida Winds is much more practiced, professional and I enjoy the rehearsals. There's no other group in Central Florida that plays the type of music that we play."

Jason Packard, of Orlando, said he agrees that the level of quality is unparalleled. As a percussionist for the Central Florida Winds, Mr. Packard has been playing with the ensemble for three years now.

"The Central Florida Winds is the best ensemble I have played with in over 20 years," he said. "There's a certain quality and professionalism to it, and the pieces we play are challenging



Photo courtesy of Central Florida Winds

Members of Central Florida Winds rehearse in preparation for this Sunday's concert.

in a sense that it brings a musician out of their comfort level; it's not something where you can be experienced and you can predict what notes to play next. It's worth it for me to travel because it's such exceptional music with exceptional players."

Mr. Sabino also conducts the Central Florida Chamber Winds, a smaller ensemble which puts on limited performances each year.

For more information, call (321) 405-2359 or visit www.cfwinds.org.



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Fine Art & Craft Fair headed to **Cocoa Village**

By Brittany Mulligan

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BREVARD COUNTY — Local artisans from around the county will present oneof-a-kind items made by hand during the Spring Fine Art & Craft Fair this weekend.

The annual fair will be spread throughout Historic Cocoa Village for two days this Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on March 2 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on March 3.

Admission and parking is free to those who attend.

"People know that they can come to the Village consistently and get a pretty good show," said Allan Chapman, executive director of the Historic Cocoa Village Association. "We want to promote local arts and it's one of four arts and crafts fairs we host each year."

Historic Cocoa Village is known for promoting local artists, small businesses, various food services and its playhouse.

Attendees strolling through the fair will find quality custom arts, crafts, clothing and more. Featured items may include jewelry, handbags, photography, restored items and unique woodworked pieces.

Live entertainment will be spread in



Photo courtesy of Historic Cocoa Village Association

The Historic Cocoa Village Spring Fine Arts and Crafts fair is returning with more than 150 artisans with one-of-a-kind items to browse and

different locations of Cocoa Village, and judges will present \$6,000 in cash prizes and awards on Sunday for those vendors in attendance.

"We try to stay true to the art and craft concept," Mr. Chapman said. "We try to keep the flea market style away, and we don't take goods that are not handmade or

hand-modified at least. We try to keep it as much fun as possible for people in attendance."

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Turn off the logical part of your mind for a little while, Taurus. Let your fantasies run wild. Trying to manage everything down to the minute can short-circuit your brain.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, a truckload of new ideas is coming your way. These may serve as catalysts for new hobbies, projects and even developing new friendships along the way.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

You may not be entirely sure what's holding you up this week, Cancer. But once you put your finger on it, you'll be able to work through the issues that much more readily.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

You have carte blanche to hibernate for the week if you feel you need some alone time, Leo. But try to put your self-imposed exile to some good use around the house.

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Friday, March 1

• Gabriel Iglesias takes stage at King Center: Comedian Gabriel Iglesias, one of The Hollywood Reporter's Top 40 Comedy Players of 2018, will perform March 1. The event is a part of the "Beyond the Fluffy " World Tour. In addition to being one of America's most successful comedians, Iglesias is also one of the most watched comedians on YouTube with over

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• "Best Little..." at Surfside: Beginning Friday, March 1 the Surfside Playhouse presents "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas", a musical Comedy about the carefree 'Chicken Ranch'. Showtimes are Fri / Sat 8:00 p.m, Sunday, March 3 at 2:00 p.m. Surfside Playhouse located 301 Ramp Road in Cocoa Beach. Tickets start at Adult \$25 Senior/Mil/Stu \$22. For more information,

321-783-3127 visit SurfsidePlayhouse.org

Saturday, March 2

• Stayin' Alive headed for King Center: Stayin' Alive will perform a full Bee Gees play list at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 2, at the Maxwell C. King Center for the Performing Arts, 3865 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne. Stayin' Alive has played intimate settings as a six-piece band and huge venues with a 62 piece orchestra. Tickets start at \$33.25. For more See OUT, page 16





Touring with the Townies



Marie Pecorella and husband Ron Oliveri of Cocoa Beach enjoy a sandwich at the Central Grocery on Decatur Street in the French Quarter of New Orleans after reading Chef Costa's column in *Hometown News*.

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Spring Fling to offer party, vegan style

By Jamie Desena-McFarland

For Hometown News

BREVARD COUNTY — The list of plantbased items now available at restaurants, supermarkets and fast food venues is growing right alongside the population of people who seek vegan food options.

But as food is a major part of gatherings with family and friends, those who prefer to leave meat and dairy out of their diets often find that they must adjust their social lives as well

With an upcoming party, local nonprofit Healthy Planet of Brevard is offering a new kind of social gathering; one that allows attendees to have their vegan cake and eat it too.

The second annual Vegan Spring Fling will be held from 7-10 p.m. Friday, March 1 at the Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club, 1493 S. Fiske Blvd., Rockledge.

The evening – a fundraiser for Kindred Spirits Animal Sanctuary, the Environmental Club at Eastern Florida State College in Cocoa, and Mercy For Animals – will include a four-course vegan meal, vegan beer and wine, music, dancing and a silent auction.

Tickets are \$50 in advance at www.squareup.com/store/healthy-planet-of-brevardinc/, or \$60 at the door.

"We've talked about having a 'fancy party' for years and after several of us attended the

Vegan Prom in Orlando last year we decided to 'just do it,'" said Healthy Planet of Brevard's president, Kim Smith.

"The evening was a huge success and everyone asked us to do it again so we've added it to our schedule of annual events, along with the Turkey-Free Thanksgiving, Independence From Meat Picnic, and Space Coast VegFest," Ms. Smith continued.

Healthy Planet of Brevard is Brevard's original vegan society, Ms. Smith noted. It began in 1995 under another name to offer monthly potluck dinners and dining out events.

"This is just the next step in that design," Ms. Smith added, "a 'gala' event that gives us the chance to dress up and enjoy a nice meal, with music and dancing, like the rest of the world, without the unhealthy (for us, the animals, and the planet) animal products, and at the same time raise funds for some great organizations that are working to further causes close to our mission to improve our health, save animals and protect our planet by eating whole foods [plant] based diets."

The Spring Fling's main meal will be provided by A-Live and Healthy Café, which Ms. Smith co-owns.

Baked goods will be donated by Peace of Cake Vegan Bakery, and beer and wine will be donated by the Dog "n" Bone British Pub.

For more information about the event, go to www.facebook.com/events/2204912823059684/.



Hometown Heroes

Ceremony commemorates last naval battle

By Christine Edwards

For Hometown Heroes

BREVARD COUNTY — On March 9, the Sons, Daughters and Children of the American Revolution will host the Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Center on Merritt Island. Dozens of organizations will participate in a massing of the colors and wreath laying to honor those who fought in the final naval battle of the American Revolution, which took place off Cape Canaveral's coast on March 10, 1783.

The ceremony will include approximately 40 units marching and pausing to lay wreaths on a memorial wall to honor the 236th anniversary of the naval battle. Approximately half of those units will be Sons, Daughters and Children of the American Revolution from chapters across the state. They will be clad in period attire or period uniforms and invite questions about their clothing, said Brian Jensen, member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Units from the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Marine Corps League and Rolling Thunder will also participate in the ceremony.

The next generation of American military service members will be represented by the Sea Cadets Courageous Division and the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps from Titusville High School.

Part of the Veterans Memorial Center's mission is to help local youth engage in these historical ceremonies, said Donn Weaver, chairman of the Brevard Veterans Council and vice president of the Veterans Memorial Center.

This year's ceremony marks the 13th held by the Sons, Daughters and Children of the American Revolution and will feature speaker Lindsey Cook Brock III. Following the ceremony, pizza will be served to the more than 120 people expected to be in attendance.

It's important to hold these ceremonies because they preserve history, help us to learn more about what occurred and share that information with others, Mr. Jensen said.

The final naval battle of the American Revolution occurred south of Cape Canaveral on See BATTLE, page 18



Photo courtesy of Brian Jensen

Sons, Daughters and Children of the American Revolution assemble for the 2016 Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War Ceremony massing of the colors. The battle occurred off the coast of Cape Canaveral in 1783.



Resident contributes to Navy's Silent Service

By Christine Edwards

For Hometown Heroes

BREVARD COUNTY — Electronics Technician (Navigation) 3rd Class Isaac Williamson, is from Palm Bay, but these days you are more likely to find him aboard a submarine. He enlisted in the United States Navy and was assigned to the Los Angeles-class submarine USS Cheyenne (SSN 773). These days, ETV3 Williamson finds himself far from home, snapping photos at the U.S. Fleet Activities pier in Yokosuka, Japan and celebrating his first patrol across the International Date Line.

On July 12, 2016, ETV3 Williamson enlisted in the Navy. He later attended ETV3 "A" school in Groton, CT. While at the six-month tech school, he gained the necessary skills to prepare for and conduct basic submarine navigation and piloting evolutions, preventative maintenance on interior communications announcing circuits, atmosphere monitoring equipment and ship control subsystems.

As a navigation operator, ETV3 Williamson operates and monitors Atmosphere Monitoring systems, Inertial Navigation systems and Global Positioning Systems while at sea.

"I joined the Navy to serve my country," ETV3 Williamson said.

In 2015, the U.S. Navy released a video entitled, "The Silent Service,"

that describes the submarine service. It stated that at any given time there are more than 20,000 active and reserve submariners in the Navy. They serve on shore assignments and deployments. The latter can last for several months in space-limited confines.

The Navy's websites states that submarines are the most high-tech vessels in the world and can insert Sea Air and Land teams into hostile target areas, launch guided or ballistic missiles, perform anti-ship and submarine warfare and reconnaissance and rescue missions. Their top secret missions take place in the vast ocean depths that cover much of the globe.

"My best experience aboard the ship has been passing the International Date Line," ETV3 Williamson said.

According to the Navy, fast attack submarines comprise 73 percent of the force. They are divided into three classes, one of which is the Los Angeles-class. Considered the backbone of the submarine force, there are 40 commissioned Los Angeles-class submarines. Thirty of these vessels are equipped with 12 vertical launch system tubes for firing Tomahawk cruise missiles and four torpedo tubes for MK48 torpedoes. These submarines can patrol at a speed of 25 knots and are operated by a crew of 16 officers and 127 enlisted personnel.

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U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Ryan Litzenberger Electronics Technician (Navigation) 3rd Class Isaac Williamson, from Palm Bay, Florida, poses for a portrait on the pier at U.S. Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan. He is assigned to the Los Angeles-class submarine USS Cheyenne (SSN 773).

vice in 2017 describes the USS Cheyenne as a Los Angeles-class fast attack submarine homeported in Pearl Harbor, HI. Named after the city of Cheyenne, WY, it was the last of 62 Los Angeles-class submarines to enter service in the Navy. Commissioned on Sept. 13, 1996, the submarine is more than 360-feet long and weighs more

than 6,000 tons when submerged. According to the Submarine Force Pacific website, the USS Cheyenne is one of the most capable nuclear attack submarines on Earth and possesses the singular goal of operating the finest ship in the Navy at the forefront of our nation's defense. For more information visit www.navy.mil.

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Sunday, March 3

- Blood, Sweat & Tears to visit King Center: Blood, Sweat & Tears will perform at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 3, at the Maxwell C. King Center for the Performing Arts, 3865 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne. Blood, Sweat & Tears has won three Grammy's and been nominated more than 10 times. Tickets start at \$69. For more information, call 321-242-2219 or go to www.kingcenter.com.
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Orchestra presents "Persephone Concertos" Concerto competition winners in concert. The performance will begin at 3:30 p.m. at Satellite High School Auditorium located at 300 Scorpion Court in Satellite Beach. Admission is free. For more information, call 321-652-4913 or visit www.SCSYO.us.

Tuesday, March 5

• Experience Hendrix: Legendary artists will pay homage to Jimi Hendrix at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, at the Maxwell C. King Center for the Performing Arts, 3865 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne. Hailed by critics and fans alike as the "Guitar Event Of The Year," the tour is now in its second decade Tickets start at \$47.50. For more information, call 321-242-2219 or go to www.kingcenter.com.



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eteran appreciation event returns with concert

By Jamie Desena-McFarland

For Hometown News

BREVARD COUNTY - Events recognizing veterans are usually scheduled during months such as November, May and sometimes July.

During March? Not so much, but that's precisely why local organizations have teamed up to offer one this time of

The sixth annual "Every Day is Veterans Day" concert - a "musical salute to veterans" will be held Saturday, March 2 at the Scott Center for the Performing Arts at Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy, 5625 Holy Trinity Drive, Melbourne.

Presented by One Senior Place and co-sponsored by VITAS Healthcare, the event will include music, speakers, a pinning ceremony, a color guard presentation, refreshments and more.

"Every Day is Veterans Day!" is not just the title of the event, it's also the philosophy behind the event," said Don Kramer, founder and CEO of One Senior Place, a local marketplace for senior care resources.

"We always schedule it at a time of year not normally associated with veterans events just so that people will ask, 'Why today?' And then we can answer, 'Because we believe that every day is Veterans Day, or should be," Mr. Kramer added. "We hope people will leave

with a renewed appreciation of what it means to be American and a better understanding of the debt of gratitude we owe to the few who gave and sacrificed so much for the rest of us."

In past years, the event mainly consisted of speakers, but a musical component of last year's event was so popular that more music has been added to this year's program, event organizers noted.

Prior to the concert, a 3 p.m. reception will offer refreshments and information on various veteran and military organizations.

The event will begin at 4 p.m. with "Reveille" - the military wake-up call typically played on a bugle - along with a Presentation of Colors by the Patrick Air Force Base Honor Guard and the Florida Institute of Technology ROTC Color Guard.

Space Coast Symphony Orchestra's wind instruments, the Indialantic Chamber Singers and the Space Coast Highlanders, a bagpipe and drum band, will play a variety of music.

A representative from Congressman Bill Posey's office is scheduled to address the audience.

And, a press release notes that as part of The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration - a national, multi-year initiative that began on Memorial Day 2012 and will continue until Veterans Day 2025 - the event will include a pinning ceremony for U.S.



Photo courtesy of Space Coast Symphony Orchestra

The Space Coast Symphony Orchestra wind band players will perform patriotic favorites during the sixth annual 'Every Day is Veterans Day' concert March 2. Presented by One Senior Place and co-sponsored by VITAS Healthcare, the event is free but tickets are required.

military veterans who served during the Vietnam War era.

The event has grown enormously since first beginning in 2014.

"Initially, we hosted Every Day is Veterans Day at One Senior Place," Mr. Kramer said. "The response was overwhelming, and we had to scramble a bit to squeeze 200 people in. Last year, we moved it to the Scott Center for the Performing Arts and had nearly 800

attendees."

Organizers recommend reserving tickets as soon as possible.

Almost half of all available seats had already been reserved within the first three hours of becoming available earlier this month, and the event is expected to reach capacity.

Tickets must be reserved at www. SpaceCoastSymphony.org or by calling (855) 252-7276.

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How to incorporate more reading into your schedule

Those who want to boost their health and happiness need look no further than a good book to do so.

Reading helps people of all ages expand their vocabulary. For students, that can translate into improved scores on standardized tests and performance in school. Reading also can lead to higher scores on general tests of intelligence, according to researchers at the University of California, Berkeley.

One of the main advantages to reading, particularly for adults, is that it helps keep minds sharp longer. According to the journal Neurology, reading gives the brain a good workout, which can improve memory function. This can slow down the process of cognitive decline.

Reading also helps boost concentration. Multitasking, checking email, watching television and chatting on social media can cause stress levels to rise and productivity to wane. Conversely, when reading a good book or informative article, all attention is focused on the story. This focus can be extended to other things, such as school or work projects.

Now that just some of the reasons to read have been presented, people may wonder just how to increase their propensity to read. The following are some ideas to get started.

· Buy several paper books. While all books and reading materials can be beneficial, paper books may help people stay focused longer. Based on the research paper, "Reading from paper versus screens: A critical review of the empirical literature," by Andrew Dillon, figures vary according to means of calculation and experimental design, but the evidence suggests a performance deficit of between 20 percent and 30 percent when reading from a screen. People can't toggle between apps when reading a paper book versus text on an e-reader, reducing distractions.

· Subscribe to magazines and newspapers. Have plenty of reading materials handy, which can easily be tossed in a tote bag or carried to and from appointments. Resist the urge to use a mobile device, opting to read a magazine or paper instead.

· Read at the gym. Bringing a book along to the gym has dual benefits. Not only will one be engaging the brain as well as the body, but also becoming absorbed in a chapter or interesting piece can prolong the workout. That means spending more time on that treadmill, elliptical machine or stationary bike to finish the meaty part of a chapter.

· Read before bed. Skip late-night television watching in favor of a relaxing read. Blue light, which is emitted from televisions, mobile phones and tablets, signals to the



brain that it isn't time for sleep. Therefore, melatonin production can be delayed, making it more difficult to fall asleep. Reading a paper book by a dim light may be relaxing enough to induce sleep. In addition, according to the organization Weight Watchers, snuggling up with a good read tamps down levels of unhealthy stress hormones such as cortisol. Feeling stress-free is a relaxing way to wind down from a tough day.

It is easy to include more reading in your day, especially when people understand the benefits reading provides the mind and body.

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Battle

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March 10, 1783. The fighting began when three British ships sighted two Continental Navy ships, the Alliance, a 36-gun frigate commanded by Captain John Barry, and the Duc de Lauzun, a 20-gun ship commanded by Captain John Green. The Continental Navy ships were loaded with 72,000 Spanish silver dollars as they sailed from Havana, Cuba to Philadelphia, PA to support the Continental Army.

The HMS Sybil, a 28-gun British frigate commanded by Captain James Vashon, chased the two Continental ships south and exchanged shots with the Duc de Lauzun. While under fire, the Alliance reversed course and waited for the HMS Sybil to draw close. When the British ship was alongside, the Alliance returned with a broadside. The battle lasted less than one hour and concluded when the outgunned and damaged HMS Sybil fled. The following day, the two Continental ships continued their mission.

About twenty years ago, a historic marker for the battle was relocated to the Veterans Memorial Center. The marker, which resembles a deck cannon from the era, rests on the edge of Sykes Creek. Due to hurricane repairs, the marker will not be accessible during the ceremony, Mr. Weaver said.

Those who would like to learn more about the naval battle can visit the Veterans Memorial Center museum. The 6,000-square foot museum is run by veterans and offers free admission. An entire section of the museum is devoted to the Revolutionary War. The exhibit features a painting depicting the little-known naval battle that happened off Florida's coast.

"The Veterans Memorial Center has a responsibility to...honor veterans and everything they've done, including going back to the American Revolution," Mr. Weaver said. "That's the first American veterans after all. And then to acquaint the public with what those veterans have done. It's our belief that without such veterans, there would be no America."

The Sons of the American Revolution is a patriotic, historical and educational nonprofit founded in 1889 that honors those who served or assisted the colonies during the Revolutionary War. The Daughters of the American Revolution was founded on Oct. 11, 1890 and has more than 950,000 members who seek to honor their heritage and make a difference in their communities. The Children of the American Revolution is the oldest, largest, patriotic youth organization in the nation.

"In order to be a member of any of the three organizations, one must have documented lineage to an ancestor who supported the resistance from British rule," Mr. Jensen said. "It takes extensive genealogical research to link oneself to a Patriot."

The Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War Ceremony starts at 10 a.m. on March 9 at the Veterans Memorial Center, which is located at 400 Sykes Creek Pkwy on Merritt Island. For those who would like their colors to be in the parade, registration starts at 8:30 a.m. Complimentary pizza will be served at this event, which is free and open to the public. For more information visit *veteransmemorialcenter.org*.



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Scopes

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Virgo, why slip quietly into a party when you can make a grand entrance? Don't be afraid of pointing the spotlight on yourself for a change. Then enjoy the rush that comes from it.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, home is where the heart is, especially this week. Spend as much quality time as you can with loved ones in the days to come. Find a cozy spot to read and unwind as well.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, might you be so fixated on a problem that you're overlooking the simplest solutions? Take a step back and refocus. The answer might be simpler than you think.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

You are always ready to take on more, Sagittarius. This week you may have to set some limits or you may burn out. An adventure with a BFF is doable.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

It is possible to accomplish much in stressful situations, Capricorn. But sometimes you don't realize when you need to take a step back. This is the time.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, a long-held belief might be holding you back or preventing you from moving forward. Once you let it go, you'll feel emancipated and ready to take a step in the right direction.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, a bad mood need not dictate how you approach the day or even the week ahead. Call up a friend and beat the funk.



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Harris P. "Bud" Coltrane



Harris P. "Bud" Coltrane passed away Tuesday Feb 12, 2019 at his West Melbourne home, he was 74.

Bud was born and raised in Miami Florida before enlisting ir the US Air Force. Bud was an accomplished upright bass player in the Air force Band. He also played as a jazz musician in the Cocoa area. After the Air Force, Bud earned his First Class Radio/Telephone certification that lead to his desire to pursue his career in advanced electronics. Bud moved to Palm Bay to work for Harris Semiconductor Corp. His career as a Test Development Enginee gave him great joy.

He played electric bass in several area bands for many years. He met his current wife Cindy at Harris Semiconductor, and after a short engagement, they have been married for 38 years.

Bud is survived by 2 brothers, 6 children, their current and previous spouses, 30 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and devoted mother in law.

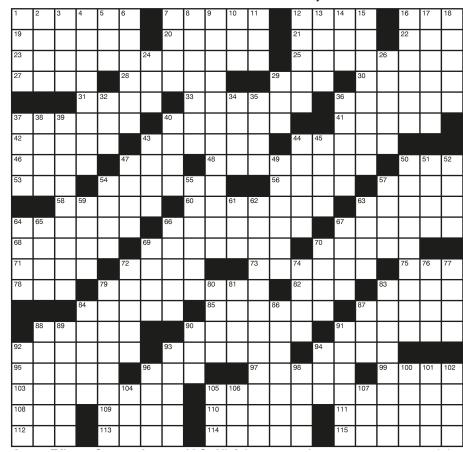
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Police volunteers, staff recognized with awards

By Josh Whitener

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BREVARD COUNTY — The crowded City Council chamber of Satellite Beach was brimming with both residents and friends and family of the honoree's selected for the city's annual Satellite Beach Police Department (SBPD) public service awards.

The city honored their chosen recipients with awards recognizing their selfless service with a ceremony on Feb. 20.

Presenting the awards, Satellite Beach Police Chief Jeff Pearson extended an abundance of gratitude and cited numerous examples of service and dedication the recipients were responsible for.

We have such an incredible staff that when you hear the numbers that they've provided for us and what that equates to in dollars, it's virtually staggering," Chief Pearson said.

According to Chief Pearson the volunteers contributed 6,895 hours in 2018. After factoring in background experience, organizational costs and healthcare this total of hours would equate to \$24.61 an hour per volunteer salary.

The volunteers time and effort saved the city approximately \$170,000 last year.

"We have such a great group of people that come from such different backgrounds," Chief Pearson said. "They bring in such a wealth of information, some from high ranking military, their own businesses, so many things and they choose to come spend time with us and it's just awesome."

Acknowledging awards for the number of years of dedication to the department were included in the ceremony.

Sally McAllister and Dave Ryan were recognized for their five years of service to the SBPD.

Joe Simonides was recognized for his 20 years of volunteer service to the department.

Volunteer of the Year was bestowed to Bill

Mr. Little volunteered 259 hours in 2018 to various special programs such as Citizens on Patrol, house checks and bike patrol.

Several staff members of the SBPD were also praised for their diligent work and exceeding loyalty to the department.

Heather Black was awarded Civilian of the

"Heather started as a volunteer with us... that's when we began to see that she's just really, really sharp," Chief Person said.

Heather was hired as a dispatcher because of her hard-work ethic and consistent drive.

Shaun Warburton was awarded Communications Officer of the Year, an award he's earned multiple times.

Mr. Warburton, fluent in areas of computer programming, went the extra mile last year to assist the department.

"There's the people who go above and beyond, the people who do more than they are paid to do," Chief Pearson said. "On his own [Mr. Warburton] decided to take a class to learn who to write the program, to come back, volunteer on his own, to write the program to put all this together."

Mr. Warburton enrolled at Udemy, an

online learning school, to learn a new computer program in Hypertext Preprocessor (PHP).

"I took C++ back in college, when I got my degree but I have never written anything in PHP before this," Mr. Warburton said.

Because of Mr. Warburton's efforts, patrol officers now have a cataloged computer system that includes the tracking and registration of civilian golf carts; required by residents of Satellite Beach by City Ordinance 1166.

"It makes you feel good when you get recognized for your hard work, especially when you go above and beyond your normal responsibilities," Mr. Warburton said. "This was not a simple project either, it took me a few months to complete."

Closing out the award ceremony, Chief Person stressed the specificity of character it requires to police Satellite Beach.

"It takes a real special person to be a police officer in Satellite Beach, because the expectations are high from the community," Chief Pearson said. "What we do and what we expect are way above other places."

Officer Austin Cocchiola was presented with both Officer of the Year and Hartmann/ Flagg DUI Officer of the Year.

It's an honor. I've been with them for a year and nine months now," Officer Cocchiola said. "It's definitely a surprise, but an honor as well. This is a great agency that's taught me

Staff photo by Josh Whitener

Satellite Beach Police Department presented volunteer awards for 2018. Sally McAllister (left) and Dave Ryan (right) were recognized for their five years of service by Chief Jeff Pearson.

everything I know. I couldn't be happier."

Office Cocchiola will be celebrating two years with the Satellite Beach Police Depart-

"I get constant comments about how kind and considerate he is because that's important, too," Chief Pearson said. "A lot of times law enforcement loses that there's compassion in this job. He has that compassion."

For more information about the Satellite Beach Police Department and their volunteer opportunities, contact Linda Harlow at (321) 773-4400 or visit www.satellitebeachfl.org/ departments/police_department/volunteers.

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05-2015-DP-0989XXXX-XX

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05-2015-DP-0989XXXX-XX
IN THE INTEREST OF:
J.K. DOB: 3/11/2010
Minor Child(ren)
NOTICE OF ACTION
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Farme (TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS)
To: Anthony Farmer, Address Unknown YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, has filed a Petition to terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child(ren) for adoption: J.K. born on March 11, 2010. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on March 28, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. before the Honorable Judge Charles Crawford, Juvenile Division, Courtroom 2C, at the Brevard County Courthouse, at the Moore Justice Center, 2825 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne, Florida for an ADVISIORY

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
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COUNTY, FLORIDA
JUVENILE DIVISION
C A S E N O .:
05-2017-DP-2625XXXX-XX
IN THE INTEREST OF:
K.P. DOB: 12/02/2017
Minor Child(ren)

Minor Child(ren)
NOTICE OF ACTION
(TERMINATION O
PARENTAL RIGHTS) To: Amanda Peyton Address Unknown YOU ARE HEREBY Address Unknown
YOU ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED that the State
of Florida, Department of
Children and Families,
has filed a Petition to
terminate your parental
rights and permanently
commit the following
child(ren) for adoption:
K.P. born on December 2,
2017. A copy of the
Petition is on file with the
Clerk of the Court. You
are hereby commanded
to appear on March 27,
2019, at 9:00 a.m. before
the Honorable Judge
Charles Crawford,
Juvenile Division,
Courtroom 2C, at the
Brevard County
Courthouse, at the Moore
Justice Center, 2825
Judge Fran Jamieson

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Way, Melbourne, Florida for an ADVISIORY HEARING.
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C A S E N O .:
05-2018-DP-2214XXXX-XX
IN THE INTEREST OF:
A.R. DOB: 11/20/2018
Minor Child(ren)
NOTICE OF ACTION
(TERMINATION OF

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PARENTAL RIGHTS)
To: Amanda Riberio,
Address Unknown
YOU ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED that the State
of Florida, Department of
Children and Families,
has filed a Petition to
terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child(ren) for adoption: A.R. born on November 20, 2018. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You

Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on March 28, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. before the Honorable Judge Charles Crawford, Juvenile Division, Courtroom 2C, at the Brevard County Courthouse, at the Moore Justice Center, 2825 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne, Florida for an ADVISIORY HEARING.
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C A S E N O .:
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Unknown
YOU ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED that the State
of Florida, Department of
Children and Families,
has filed a Petition to rights and permanently commit the following children for adoption:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

US-2017-DE-1365-XXXX-XX IN THE INTEREST OF: A.M. DOB: 07/10/2014 A.M. DOB: 01/12/2012 C.M. DOB: 09/06/2010 C.M. DOB: 09/11/2007 B.M. DOB: 09/27/2005 J.M. DOB: 08/11/2004 Minor Children NOTICE OF ACTION (TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS) TO: William Howard MCNerney, Address Unknown

commit the following children for adoption:
A.M. born on July 10, 2014, A.M. born on November 21, 2012, C.M. born on July 6, 2010, C.M. born on April 11, 2007, B.M. born on September 27, 2015 and J.M. born on August 11, 2004. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on March 26, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. before the Honorable Judge Charles Crawford, Juvenile Division, Courtroom 2C, at the Brevard County Courthouse, at the Moore Justice Center, 2825 Judge Fran Jamieson Wav. Melbourne. Florida

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TO THE CHILD OR
CHILDREN NAMED IN
THIS NOTICE.
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to participate in this
proceeding, you are
entitled, at no cost to you,
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5005 Fictitious Names

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE
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State, pursuant to Section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes. (Ad #1217080) (Print date: 3/1/19)

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE Notice is hereby given that John Stewart, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Laser Spine Brevard located in Brevard County, Florida, intends to register said name with said name with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to Section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes. (Ad #1217100) (Print date: 3/1/19)

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE Notice is hereby given that John Stewart, owner, that John Stewart, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Tampa Spine Institute located in Brevard County, Florida, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to Section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes. (Ad #1217110) (Print date: 3/1/19)

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NAME NOTICE

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NAME NOTICE
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that Francis E.
Blackketter, owner,
desiring to engage in
business under the
fictitious name of Shanny

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Shine located in Brevard County, Florida, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes

ad #1220570 03/01/19

FICTITIOUS
NAME NOTICE
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Statutes ad #1220580 03/01/19

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE Notice is hereby given that Tracey A. Wolff, owner, desiring to engage in business under the in business under the fictitious name of Critical Counseling located in Brevard County, Florida, intends to register the said name with the said name with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida

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