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Arts council to offer concierge services

By Jessica Tuggle
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The Cultural Council of Indian River County is implementing a new program to help residents and tourists get involved in arts

activities throughout the year.

The council will soon be offering a concierge service to the public, which will provide information and suggestions for restaurants,

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Health clinic up in air

School board undecided if clinic is best choice

By Jessica Tuggle
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The idea of a health clinic for Indian River County School District employees has the minds

of the Indian River County School Board spinning, but they need more information before a

decide- See CLINIC, A3

'Break for Breakfast' Friday



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Theresa Woodson with the American Cancer Society, right, talks with Monica Pierini, a physician in internal medicine at Indian River Medical Center about the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk during 'Break for Breakfast' held Friday at the Indian River Medical Center's Cancer Center. Volunteers handed out free breakfasts, as well as information about the upcoming walk to be held Saturday, Oct. 20 in Sebastian's Riverview Park.

Hospital tops in stroke care

By Jessica Tuggle
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VERO BEACH — An area hospital received a top award for stroke patient care this month.

Indian River Medical Center is always improving on the services it offers and was recently recognized by the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association with a silver achievement recognition award for stroke patient care.

Stroke is the No. 4 cause of death and the leading cause of adult disability in the U.S. Taking preventative measures against a stroke

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Your guide to this fall's area festivities

WEEKEND WEATHER

Friday: Partly cloudy, chance of fog; high: 86; low: 66; high tide: 12:12 p.m.; low tide: 6:07 p.m.
Saturday: Partly cloudy, chance of storms; high: 84; low: 70; high tide: 1:09 p.m.; low tide: 7:09 p.m.
Sunday: Partly cloudy; high: 82; low: 72; high tide: 2:09 p.m.; low tide: 8:16 p.m.
Weather courtesy of www.weather.com

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Vivacious defender of industry leaves indelible mark

By Jessica Tuggle
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — George Hamner Sr. will always be remembered as a man who went the extra mile to protect the name and brand of a

product that makes Indian River County internationally famous: citrus.

Mr. Hamner, 88, was a World War II veteran, proud Indian River County resident and citrus

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Love of cars ties family to loved one

Jeff Velde will be missed

By Jessica Tuggle
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VERO BEACH — The sound of an engine cranking, the smell of motor oil and seeing car parts baking in the kitchen oven are just a few of the treasured

memories Trish Velde has of her father, Jeff Velde.

"My dad raced, worked with and sold cars. He knew everything there was to know about every stinkin' car," Ms. Velde said.

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Groups seek to create 50-year plan for seven counties

Public meetings scheduled for Treasure Coast

By Samantha Joseph
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TREASURE COAST — Residents of the tri-county area will have a chance to give input to planners creating an economic development plan for Southeast Florida during public workshops

this month and next.

Martin, Indian River and St. Lucie counties will become the central focus as the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership, South Florida Regional Planning Council and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council host a series of work group meetings in the

area.

The organizations are hosting the road show as part of an effort to gather public input about Seven50, a long-term plan for economic and civic growth across seven southeast Florida counties.

They say the 50-year plan is a blueprint for

prosperous communities, a cleaner environment, improved education systems, more efficient transportation and stronger economies for the participating areas: Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward

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To change or not to change

A voter's guide to 12 state amendments

By Samantha Joseph
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TREASURE COAST — Twelve proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution will appear on the Nov. 6 general election ballot.

They cover a broad range of issues, including allowing religious organizations to receive public funds, increasing homestead exemptions for new homebuyers, providing a tax break for disabled veterans and requiring Senate confirmation of the governor's nominees for the Florida Supreme Court.

Over the next three weeks, *Hometown News* will outline the amendments in groups due to space consid-

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The stroke team, back row, from left: Kathy Clark, nurse manager, intermediate cardiac care and cardiac stepdown unit; Theresa Urban; Randi Gravlee, nurse manager, critical care; Cory Richter, training battalion chief, Indian River County Emergency Services; Kim Leach-Wright, marketing and public relations coordinator; and Debra Alderman, director of patient safety and quality management. Middle row, from left: Linda Mason, clinical data abstractor; Lisa Williams, core measures coordinator; Susan Blackburn, stroke program/clinical practice coordinator and Emilia Andrascik, emergency department. Front row, from left: Marie Munroe, manager, health information management department; S. James Shafer, IRMC neurologist and medical director of the stroke team and Colleen King, manager, rehab services. Not pictured: Eric Carter, medical director, emergency services; Teri Tedesco, secretary and Sharon Wolfe, director of emergency services and diagnostic imaging.



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Hospital

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and seeking medical assistance during a stroke are the best things to optimize a person's life and well-being. But once a patient is at a hospital, there are definite standards for care and Indian River Medical Center is meeting and surpassing those standards, said Kathy Clark, nurse manager for the cardiac care unit and leader on the stroke care team.

Silver recognition is given when a hospital has met seven treatment guidelines with 85 percent or higher compliance for 12 consecutive months. After 24 months of the same high standard, the medical center could receive a gold award for patient care, Ms. Clark said.

The medical center is equipped with staff who are trained to evaluate and treat stroke patients and even administer clot-busting medications if the patient's condition is appropriate.

Vero Beach neurologist S. James Shafer said the award is only possible because of cooperation between various departments and staff.

"The achievement is a sign of the combined efforts and commitment of the entire stroke team, which involves multiple departments. The administration has been very supportive

and given resources to develop this program and that has been very important," Dr. Shafer said.

As an institution, the medical center sees between 30 to 45 stroke patients each month, said Lisa Williams, a registered nurse and co-chair of the stroke team.

"And that is just those that come to see us," she said.

Strokes are caused by clots obstructing the flow of blood to the brain or by a blood vessel rupturing and preventing the flow of blood to the brain. When the brain does not receive the blood and oxygen it needs, the brain begins to die, a report from the American Stroke Association said.

"Stroke is a symptom of an underlying condition," said Ms. Williams.

Age is not the best indicator for pre-disposition to stroke, rather, it's all about overall health and lifestyles, she said.

A heart rhythm disorder, such as atrial fibrillation, diabetes, uncontrolled hypertension, or high blood pressure, smoking, poor diet and a sedentary lifestyle are some of the factors that increase chances of a stroke, said Ms. Clark

The number of stroke patients coming in in their 40s to Indian River Medical Center is increasing, most likely because of lifestyle choices.

"Stroke is not isolated to

our geriatric population," Ms. Williams said.

Dr. Shafer said there is a four-step process to help identify if a stroke has occurred. It can be easily remembered by the acronym, FAST, which stands for face drooping, arm weakness, speech difficulty and time to call 911.

Asking an individual to smile will indicate if there is any facial drooping, and asking them to raise both arm will demonstrate any weakness, Dr. Shafer said.

Repeating simple sentences can be difficult for people who have experienced a stroke. If any person shows one or more of those symptoms, the best thing to do is get them immediately to a hospital, he said.

"That will capture 80 percent to 90 percent of stroke victims," Dr. Shafer said.

The faster a stroke victim is treated, the better the chance at an optimal recovery, Ms. Clark said.

The medical center is an advanced primary stroke center of excellence, as designated by the Joint Commission. The Joint Commission is an independent, not-for-profit organization that accredits and certifies more than 19,000 health care organizations and programs in the U.S.

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and Palm Beach counties.

"This is a great opportunity for the seven-county region. It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," said Marcela Cambor-Cutsaimanis, project director of the sustainable commu-

nities initiative at Southeast Florida Regional Partnership, a collaboration of hundreds of public, private and civic groups from the southeast Florida region. "It's the most expansive, comprehensive, long-term planning that this region has ever engaged in."

The plan focuses on

education, workforce and economic development, environmental protection, climate resilience, preserving natural resources, agriculture, creating healthy communities, culture, inclusive regional leadership and equity, protecting community assets, and controlling development patterns in housing and transportation.

Seven50 planners say the goal is to examine factors that impede growth and then seek solutions to these problems.

They want public input in identifying focus areas and key factors.

"This doesn't promise a job; it doesn't promise educational opportunities, but it lays the ground work to make these things happen. It all amounts to becoming a more economically competitive region," Ms. Cambor-Cutsaimanis said.

"This is everybody's opportunity to express their concerns and their hope for the region."

In Martin County, the workshop is set for Oct. 24 at Indian River State College, located at 2400 S.E. Salerno Road in Stuart.

In Indian River County, it's scheduled for Oct. 25 at the county commission chambers, 1801 27th St., Vero Beach.

St. Lucie County's session is set for Nov. 14 at the Port St. Lucie Civic Center, 2195 S.E. Airoso Blvd., Port St. Lucie.

All meetings will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and are free of charge. Organizers will serve breakfast and refreshments.

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Concierge

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hotels and arts-related activities, such as concerts, shows and art exhibitions, said Barbara Hoffman, executive director of the Cultural Council of Indian River County.

The recommended establishments will come from a list of businesses that have agreed to sponsor the program, she said.

There will be no cost to the public for the service to recommend and direct people to the ticket offices of the arts and cultural events, but if people want the council to actually place the orders for the tickets and make reservations, a small handling fee would apply.

Savvy volunteers will man the phone systems during business hours and will be well-versed in the activities

in and around Vero Beach and Indian River County, Ms. Hoffman said.

The idea for the service came after the council heard comments from several seasonal residents lamenting the fact that they were not aware of tickets for fall events going on sale before they were sold out, Ms. Hoffman said.

Some seasonal residents don't come down until December or January, but they still want to be a part of exciting lectures, concerts, plays and more. The council has the unique opportunity to connect people with the arts with the concierge service and thereby promote the arts at a whole new level.

"We are looking at it as part of our responsibility as cultural tourism," Ms. Hoffman said.

"We know what is available and we can develop a

personalized and special tour for them," she said.

The council will draw from their annual arts and information calendar, which is available in print at the office, or online.

With the service, seasonal residents can call and learn how to book tickets to their desired events, or tourists can call for dining and entertainment suggestions and even have locations booked before they arrive, Ms. Hoffman said.

As far as she can discover, this is the first time in Florida that a nonprofit arts council has offered a free or low-cost concierge service, Ms. Hoffman said.

For more information about the concierge service, call (772) 770-4857. For more information about the Cultural Council of Indian River County, visit www.cultural-council.org.

Velde

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Mr. Velde, 70, was the owner of Velde Ford in Vero Beach for more than 35 years. He died on Sept. 25.

Patty Velde, his wife of 45 years, and daughter Trish, sat down with Hometown News to celebrate his life with shared memories last week.

"Cars were his thing and he loved it," Mrs. Velde said.

"I remember one time he invented something, a manifold, and it needed to be baked and so he baked it in my oven," she said.

"We came home and asked, 'What's for dinner,' and we see that we've got car parts in the oven!" said Ms. Velde with a laugh.

Mr. Velde is also survived by daughter, Carrie Grass, five grandchildren and three siblings.

His dealership in Vero Beach is what many people in town know him for, but Mr. Velde was also a successful drag racer, Mrs. Velde said.

He was a member of the National Hot Rod Association and raced super stock and professional stock cars and won dozens of awards. He was inducted into the National Hot Rod Association Hall of Fame in 2008.

Ms. Velde recalls sitting in the stands with her sister during races and listening to people talk about her father's expected perform-

ance.

"No one knew who we were sitting in the stands. I felt really cool, watching the race and then when he won, I could say, 'That's my dad.' Sometimes kids would ask for his autograph. It was a cool experience," Ms. Velde said.

When schoolwork permitted, the whole family would go to the races, which were held all over the country.

"My sister and I got paid 50 cents an hour to wipe fingerprints off the car," Mrs. Velde said.

A favorite racing story of both women features a red Pinto.

The car was holding up well in the races that day, but in the semi-finals, the door completely blew off, Mrs. Velde said.

Mr. Velde was able to complete the race and qualified to race in the finals, but the missing door was a problem. The crew quickly took the car off the track, pop-riveted and duct taped the door back on, and Mr. Velde went on to win that finals race.

"He won the biggest trophy he ever won that day. And we still have the door hanging from the ceiling in Velde Ford," she said with a laugh.

Mr. Velde owned dozens



Velde

of cars and motorcycles through the years, and everything he had, he tinkered with, Mrs. Velde said.

She had a golf cart she used to get around in while at the races, and even that vehicle had the Velde racing stamp of approval on it.

"If you're a racecar driver, you're a racecar driver and you have to win," Mrs. Velde said.

"He used to tease us that he'd get a tractor and fix it up for racing, too," Ms. Velde said.

Cars were his livelihood, but people were also extraordinarily important to him, Mrs. Velde said.

"At the dealership, in the community, people have such a respect for him. We have gotten sympathy cards from everywhere, but not just sympathy cards, thank you cards, too," she said.

"He would have moved mountains for people, I can't tell you how many people have told us, he did this for me, that for me," Ms. Velde said.

"He was a very private person, he didn't do it for the recognition," Mrs. Velde said.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Strunk Funeral Home and a service was held at Central Assembly of God Vero Beach.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice Foundation at 1110 35th Lane, Vero Beach.

Clinic

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sion can be made.

The school board, minus board member Carol Johnson, participated in a workshop about starting a health clinic for employees who are covered under the district's insurance plan. The clinic would also be open to families of the employees.

The main goal of considering the clinic is to see cost savings for the district, but what those savings would be are still unclear to the school board.

The next scheduled workshop on the clinic is scheduled for Nov. 6.

CareHere is the company the school district is considering working with to open a clinic. CareHere had a three-year contact with St. Lucie County when they opened a health clinic in 2007.

CareHere did not seek to renew its contract with St. Lucie County after it expired, CareHere officials

said.

CareHere's presentation claims the district will see lowered costs because of fewer insurance claims for medical services and reduced prescription costs.

In addition, CareHere's business model includes a medical team that is dedicated to identifying and mitigating future medical issues for the employees.

The clinic would be operated by CareHere and the school district would be billed monthly based on the services that were used during the month, said CareHere officials.

The basic clinic startup costs are estimated to be about \$25,000, but that number is a generic estimate, not customized to the needs of Indian River County users, Superintendent Fran Adams said.

School board members agreed that before any decision could be made they needed more financial information to present idea to the community and the employees.

Chairman Jeff Pegler said he was initially strongly

but in presentations from district staff, attorneys and the clinic company, he has more questions than answers.

For the Nov. 6 meeting, board members asked district staff to come up with more concrete figures on startup costs, monthly expenses and projected cost savings.

Mr. Pegler said he was also concerned that while CareHere would manage the clinic itself, someone in the district would need to have oversight on it, and departments are already stretched extraordinarily thin.

Denise Roberts, executive director of human resources for the district, said a survey was sent to 1,900 benefitted employees of the district. With 1,280 responses, 74 percent said they would take advantage of an on-site medical clinic provided by the district.

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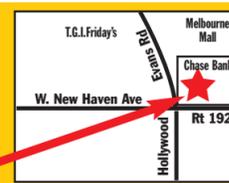
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Roberta Rose, M.D.
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November 14 | 6:00
Living Well with Chronic Kidney Disease
Saathiah Jaffry, M.D.
Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Nephrology
In the early stages, most people with Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) don't even realize they have it. The most common causes of CKD are diabetes and high blood pressure. Find out how to make changes to your lifestyle or treatment options to help manage CKD.

November 28 | 6:00
Managing Sleep Apnea: Alternatives to CPAP Therapy
Andrew Colgan, M.D.
Board Certified in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Untreated sleep apnea can have a negative impact on your quality of life and may be associated with high blood pressure, heart attack, stroke, diabetes and other medical conditions. Learn about the latest options for treatment.

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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.

Arrests listed were made from Oct. 3 to Oct. 9, 2012

Sebastian Police Department

- Robert Ellsworth Shreffler, 60, 1001 Foster Road, Apt. 1B, Sebastian, was charged with dealing in stolen property.

Indian River County Sheriff's Office

- Gary Allen Bloom, 72, 7400 U.S. 1, Micco, was charged with dealing in stolen property.

- Keith Michael James, 52, 3830 47th St., Vero Beach, was charged with felony petit theft.

- Calista Marie Krasotkin, 29, 3761 21st St., Vero Beach, was charged with possession of oxycodone and alprazolam, fraudulent use of a credit card, organized fraud and misdemeanor charges of possession

of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

- Lisa Marie Kennedy, 48, 5600 Corsica Place, Vero Beach, was charged with obtaining or attempting to obtain a controlled substance by fraud.

- Karen Marie Losher, 50, 485 Lanfair Ave., Sebastian, was charged with possession of cocaine and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

- Keylom Chambliss Maycock, 48, 4122 N. Cypress Green Lane, Vero Beach, was charged with driving while license permanently suspended.

- Talmadge Edward McHenry, 47, 9158 Blindpass Road, St. Petersburg, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for possession of clonazepam, tampering with evidence and driving under the influence.

- James Dean Threadgill, 27, 8366 99th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with burglary and grand theft.

- Nicolas William Vonier, 18, 5960 Ridge Lake Circle, Vero Beach, was charged with grand theft, burglary, dealing in stolen property and giving false ownership or identification information to a dealer.

- John Dewayne Wynn, 22, 8175 101st Court, Vero Beach, was charged with burglary and grand theft.

- Jaime Marie Adams, 32, 946 18th Place Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with two counts of violation of probation. She was on probation for sale or delivery of oxycodone, two counts of possession of oxycodone and possession of alprazolam.

- Keira Keesha Durden, 38, 8411 58th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation. She was on probation for dealing in stolen property and giving false information to a secondary metals recycler.

- George Charles Duve, 47, 656 16th St., Vero Beach, was charged with neglect of elderly.

- Brismayda Gricelda Miranda, 35, 5657 Spanish River Road, Fort Pierce, was charged with second-degree grand theft and organized fraud.

- Neal Columbus Sirmons, 22, 1545 Pineburke Lane, Fort Pierce, was charged with vio-

lation of probation. He was on probation for organized fraud.

- Quinton Tyrel Tomlin, 20, 305 Sixth Road S.W., Apt. B, Vero Beach, was charged with three counts of possession of a firearm by a delinquent, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and misdemeanor charges of improper exhibit of a firearm or weapon and no Florida driver license.

- Bryan Patrick Dodson, 26, 901 23rd Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with two counts of felony petit theft.

- Tammy Annette Howard, 43, 245 Cedar Creek Drive, Blairsville, Ga., was charged with violation of probation. She was on probation for organized fraud.

- Jerry Lee Streeter, 30, 4340 26th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with driving while license suspended with knowledge and misdemeanor charges of giving a false name while detained and resisting arrest without violence.

- Carlene Jannone, 48, 1586 Highland Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with felony bat-

tery on a law enforcement officer, two counts of assault or battery on an emergency medical care provider and misdemeanor charges of disorderly intoxication and resisting arrest without violence.

- Nicole Renee Lanovara, 35, 1316 24th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with giving false information to a pawn broker, third-degree grand theft and dealing in stolen property.

- Arthur Lee McDougald, 42, 4311 35th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with possession of cocaine, tampering with or destroying evidence and a misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest without violence.

- Darrin J. Miller, 47, 7726 99th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, resisting arrest with violence, felony battery on a law enforcement officer and misdemeanor charges of two counts of resisting arrest without violence and disorderly intoxication.

- William Harold Shirey, 36, 1745 20th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for two counts of battery with a history of violence.

- Paul Edward Tyler, 46, 8315 104th Ave., Vero Beach,

was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for third-degree grand theft.

- Stephen Christopher Calhoun, 24, 9345 Flemming Grant Road, Micco, was charged with felony criminal mischief.

- Charles Roy Masterson, 19, 105 S.W. Carter Ave., Port St., Lucie, was charged with aggravated battery on a pregnant woman.

- Rashard Kadeem McGriff, 20, 1595 18th Ave. Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for attempted fleeing or eluding.

- James O. Bryant, 50, 3991 47th St., Vero Beach, was charged with two counts of sale of cocaine and seven counts of obtaining or attempting to obtain a controlled substance by fraud.

- Jahquie Shantell Daniels, 20, 420 Fontana Circle, Bldg. 7, Apt. 209, Oviedo, was charged with violation of probation. She was on probation for felony retail theft.

- Jacoby Lamar Wynn, 20, Six Bouldercrest Lane S.E. Apt. D, Atlanta, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for dealing in stolen property.

If you have information about a crime, call Treasure Coast Crimestoppers at (800) 273-TIPS.

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Amendment

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ture the first four amendments.

Here's a voters' guide based on information from The Collins Center for Public Policy, a think-tank that examines statewide issues, and analysis from The James Madison Institute, a non-partisan policy center based in Tallahassee. For additional analysis and the full text of the proposed amendments, visit www.FLAMendments.org.

Hometown News does not endorse any amendment, but instead, provides information about each proposal for voters to make educated decisions.

AMENDMENT 1

Title: Health Care Services

In brief: Prohibits laws or rules compelling anyone to buy health insurance. It would add an amendment to the state constitution that attempts to prohibit the government from requiring individuals to purchase health insurance.

If you vote yes: It means you want the Florida Constitution to include a provision that prohibits the government from requiring you to purchase health insurance.

If you vote no: It means you do not want the Florida Constitution to include a provision that prohibits the

government from requiring you to purchase health insurance.

Arguments for: Supporters say the federal government cannot force people to purchase health insurance, and this amendment is an attempt to protect Floridians from that requirement in the federal health care act passed in 2010. They say it would show that Congress overstepped its authority.

Arguments against: Opponents say despite its stated intention, this proposed amendment will not allow Floridians to opt out of the requirement that all Americans purchase health insurance. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled on June 28 that the federal requirement to purchase insurance is constitutional.

AMENDMENT 2

Title: Veterans disabled due to combat injury; homestead property tax discount

What it would do: This amendment would allow certain disabled veterans, who were not Florida residents prior to entering military service, to qualify for a discount on their property taxes. According to The James Madison Institute, about 74,000 veterans disabled in combat would qualify for a property tax break, prorated based on their level of disability.

If you vote yes: It means you want the state to give a property tax discount to disabled veterans who moved

to Florida after entering the military.

If you vote no: It means you do not want to extend the tax discount to disabled veterans who moved to Florida after entering the military.

Arguments for: Supporters say this amendment will benefit older veterans who were injured in combat but did not live in Florida at the time they entered the military. They say the property tax discount can help with medical bills, may allow veterans to stay in their homes longer as they age and stimulate the housing market.

Arguments against: Opponents say state and local governments face mounting budget shortfalls in part, because of diminished property tax returns brought about by the collapse of the housing market. Schools and local governments need to maintain the tax base or consider cuts to public services.

AMENDMENT 3

Title: State government revenue limitation

What it would do: Would set a state revenue limit each year based on a formula that considers population growth and inflation, instead of using the current method of calculating the revenue limit based on personal income.

If you vote yes: It means you want the state to change the way it calculates its revenue limit.

If you vote no: It means

you do not want the state to change the way it calculates its revenue limit.

Arguments for: Supporters say this amendment would ensure the state budget never grows beyond a family's ability to pay the taxes and fees needed to fund that growth. They say it would make government more efficient.

Arguments against: Critics say during tough economic times, when tax revenues drop and there is a greater need for government services, this amendment would make it impossible for agencies to meet demand, even when there is available revenue. They say it threatens funding for critical govern-

ment services like health care and education.

AMENDMENT 4

Title: Property tax limitations; property value decline; reduction for non-homestead assessment increases; delay of scheduled repeal

What it would do: Reduce the maximum annual increase in taxable value of non-homestead properties from 10 percent to 5 percent; provide an extra homestead exemption for first-time home buyers; allow lawmakers to prohibit assessment increases for properties with decreasing market values.

If you vote yes: It means

you favor the enhanced tax breaks being proposed.

If you vote no: It means you are against the enhanced tax breaks being proposed.

Arguments for: Supporters say this amendment would make Florida property taxation more equitable, stimulate the housing and commercial real estate markets and attract investors to the state.

Arguments against: Opponents say it would create tax disparities and strip an estimated \$1 billion from the tax base over the next three years at a time when local governments are struggling to provide basic services.

Hamner

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businessman. He was known for his determination and desire to protect and preserve Indian River citrus and make it the best citrus in the world, said Doug Bournique, vice president of the Indian River Citrus League.

Mr. Hamner died on Sept. 27.

"He worked to create a better citrus industry. George was one of the cornerstones of what this area is all about," Mr. Bournique said.

Though he has many fond memories of Mr. Hamner, one special one is from the mid-1980s. The Miss USA organization wanted to film a segment with the participants in a citrus grove and Mr. Hamner convinced the producers to feature the Indian River citrus groves, not just use them as a backdrop.

"In his best public relations effort, he dared the film crew to keep on filming. He used reverse psychology on them and they ended up staying two hours in the grove and got over two minutes of air-

time," Mr. Bournique said with a laugh.

The cost of the national and international attention was priceless to the industry, he said.

"It was the first national and global recognition we ever had," said Mr. Bournique.

International success is evident in today's citrus shipping statistics. Japan is the largest consumer of Indian River Citrus, receiving more than 320,000,000 pounds of fruit a year.

Mr. Hamner was also a big supporter of Hanley Hall Gate Lodge, a drug and alcohol treatment center, in Vero Beach.

"Besides being in the citrus business together, one of my best friends and the best ever grandfather/great-grandfather, my father's legacy is really one of helping numerous cope with despair, conquer their addiction and buff up their spirit allowing them to live better lives," said George Hamner Jr. in an email interview.

His circle of friends will certainly miss his presence and his passion.

"I think we lost a national treasure," said Ben Bai-

ley, a close friend of the family.

"He was a force, a successful force in just everything he did, his family, his career and his philanthropy," he said.

His dedication and perseverance in the citrus industry helped shape the current Indian River Citrus League and put it on a path to success, he said.

"We're reaping the benefits of what he and others did early on," Mr. Bailey said.

Mr. Hamner Sr. is survived by his wife, Ann Graves Hamner, brother Nicholas Hamner of Kalamazoo, son George Hamner Jr. and his wife Toni of Vero Beach, daughter Nancy Hamner Gordon and her husband Bill Gordon of Charlottesville, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Cox-Gifford Seawinds Funeral and Crematory and a service was held at Trinity Episcopal Church in Vero Beach.

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Use program pull-down menus to find answers

Most of the time, when I get calls for computer help I can usually figure out how to fix things out instinctively. Why? Well because I examine the contents of different menus looking for the option that will most likely get me closer to my goal (while keeping in mind whatever it is I'm trying to do).

As an added bonus, just about every program out there that has pull-down menus have "help" listed as the last one to the right. So by the time I get to the last pull-down menu, I can always open that programs' help file and do a search on what I'm trying to do. The help file will then list all the topics that contain whatever words I searched and from there I can usually figure out how to take the next step.

Let's take a look at this in an example. Let's say I'm writing my column with a typical word processing program and I wanted to make the next line that I type bold and larger. Let's also say that I only have a very basic understanding of computers.

At this point I have two choices, I can stare at the screen with a blank expression and then call Bob (who's pretty good with computers) and ask him or, I can start looking around the screen for something that may help me reach my goal.

As I move my mouse (and my eyes) around the screen I notice a couple of things; first at the top of the screen, above where the words are being typed, there are (usually) rows of pull-down menus and buttons available. And, as I move my mouse slowly over the buttons, little boxes pop up telling me what each button does. When I click on the "file" option it opens (or "pulls down") and I can see all of the commands that are available that have to do with filing. As I move my mouse to the right, the file pull down menu closes and the edit menu opens displaying all of the commands available for editing.



COMPUTE THIS
SEAN MCCARTHY

Next the view pull-down menu opens and then the insert menu opens. As each menu opens, I look at all the options available and for each one I ask myself, "Does this option look like it will help me change my text to bold and larger?" And as each menu does not present an option, I go onto the next one, eventually getting to the "format" pull down menu.

When format opens, I see it lists bullets and numbering, borders and shading and what's this? Font? Hmmm, let me think. I'm trying to change the formatting of my text and text is made up of "fonts." Thinking I may be on the right track, I click the fonts option and a screen opens that allows me to change the characteristics of the type. Bingo! Exactly what I am looking for! It says I am typing in Times New Roman, regular, size 12. I change the specs to Times New Roman, bold, size 14, click OK and voila! My typing is now larger and darker.

OK, so, that rather tame demonstration is just an example of how intuitive computing works; at no time did I ever get the urge to go get a book or call tech support for help, I kept in mind what I was trying to do and, after seeing what options were available, discovered the answer on my own. Instinctively.

Now, I know what a lot of you are thinking; that the things you have trouble doing are far more complex than just changing the characteristics of text, how can this possibly help me? And to that I answer the lesson is not in how to change the font size, the lesson is where to go for your answers!

Notice that the pull-down menus I looked at were all

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Information and a bagel



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Janice Lavorgna with the Indian River Medical Center's Cancer Center, hands out insulated totes filled with bagels and such from Einstein Bros. Bagels Friday during 'Break for Breakfast.' The event allowed the center workers to get useful information about cancer awareness to nearly 500 people as well as provide a wholesome meal.



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Say it while you can

Don't let time pass you by. Before you know it, your children are grown and your parents have aged. You have let harsh words separate you from family and before you know it, it's too late to say I'm sorry.

Don't let stubbornness keep you from saying the things you should. One day it will be too late and you'll have to live with the regret of not doing it. Mom, I love you. Mom, I'm sorry.

Too much hate

In response to the letter-writer who's not a fan of the presidential hug: lighten up there, fella. You seem to be watching too much Fox News these days. And do you believe everything the right wing tells you?

Here in my town, we're a fairly small, fairly proper community, but you wouldn't think that with the level of political rage that goes on here. Republicans hating Democrats and Democrats hating Republicans. Right-wingers hating left-wingers. Hate, hate, hate. Enough already.

Let's stop with the divisiveness, the anger and disrespect for politicians (and people in general I'm guessing), just because you have a beef with them. We wonder why our children argue and fight during soccer games. They're just a mirror of our own grown-up behavior.

Maybe we should all try to be a little more constructive and caring and less agitated. The two-party system in this country was created by our forefathers to provide us the ability to balance differences of ideology and opinion, and still move forward as a nation. It's our moral responsibility to work together, often side-by-side, to make this place a better community and a better country to live in. I'll respect you and you respect me. What a novel idea.

Road rage

I was stuck along with many other drivers on the road because of two reasons.

No. 1 if the first car at the light hangs way back from the stop line on the road they won't trip the sensor that makes the light change. So, please pull up to the white line at the light.

No. 2 this is Florida; you can make a right on red unless

otherwise posted.

Also, if you are going to drive, please go the speed limit. There are few places to pass slow drivers, drivers talking on phones, drivers texting who shouldn't be driving anyway and if you are afraid to pass one of those drivers you really shouldn't be driving, either.

Counting down the days

I can't wait to sit in front of the television to watch my weekly dancing or singing shows and not have to be subjected to these absolutely ridiculous political commercials. They're terrible.

Do these stupid candidates, all of them, really think that these advertisements are worth the millions spent on them?

I'm taking a guess here, but it's doubtful that these pitiful 30 seconds are really going to change the way one is going to vote. They're deplorable. We should vote against the guy who smears the most crap, not for him.

Poor numbers

How is this for a scorecard? The unemployment numbers are horrible. They would be even worse if all those who had given up searching had been counted. There is a crushing national debt. It's increased almost 50 percent in the past four years. Small business bankruptcies are at an all-time high and rising. A record number of citizens are on food stamps, and the specter of a draconian tax increase is right around the corner.

Would any teacher give a student with this record a passing grade?

Don't cut defenses

Why does President Obama want to cut back on our defenses? An excellent question. China is investing heavily on its military, both offensive and defensive weapons. Iran threatens a holocaust by developing nuclear weapons and delivery systems. North Korea, run by a psycho, already has nukes. But our president plans to weaken our military. Is he crazy?

Tango with the president

The left blames Congress as a "do-nothing Congress." It is more accurate to blame Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nevada, and the Democrats who control the Senate. The republicans in the House of Representatives have written and passed numerous proposals only to have them buried, un-debated in the senate. It takes two to tango but President Obama and the Democrats refuse to dance.

Religious views

A new nation-wide poll on spirituality indicates that only 5 percent of us do not believe in God, while most Americans are, of course, Christians. It seems strange, then, that so many judges have ruled — despite the realization that we do not want religion removed from American life — we are constantly lectured that we cannot openly display our faith because we might offend someone.

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Business

Attorney's stay current, prepare for the future

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TREASURE COAST — Treasure Coast estate planning attorneys, Robert J. Kulas and Andreas A. Kulas, attended a national educational summit in San Diego, during the first week of October hosted by the American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys.

The academy is an exclusive national educational organization that has culti-

vated excellence in estate planning by providing member attorneys with research and critical updates in estate, business planning, and tax laws for nearly two decades.

At the conference, the Kulas attorneys benefited from the educational training sessions focused on tax law updates and the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid documents and other Medicaid updates, \$5 million

exemption and portability, international estate planning, social media ethics for attorneys and planning for blended families.

Many Americans will need Medicaid planning in their lifetime. One entire morning of the summit focused on incorporating Medicaid pre-planning into a law firm's systems, from educating the community to consulting with clients. The education depart-

ment also reviewed new Medicaid trust documents that academy attorneys now have available to help their clients "pre-plan" to qualify for Medicaid and preserve their assets from nursing home costs.

"The academy provides us with access to hundreds of experienced attorneys in estate planning across the country, the ability to provide unparalleled education and service to our

clients, the newest strategies, and consistent updates to changes in the law," said the Kulas.

"This event provided the education, tools and resources to help our clients and families plan ahead for the possibility of needing long-term health care."

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Training class offered

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TREASURE COAST — Those interested in making a positive impact in the lives of local residents facing life-limiting illnesses can take a volunteer training class with Visiting Nurse Association Treasure Coast Hospice beginning Oct. 22.

Participants will gain knowledge about VNA Hospice and its essential role in the community as well as various volunteer opportunities available.

Training will be held on Oct. 22, 24, 26 and Nov. 2, 5 and 7 from noon-4 p.m. at the VNA office, 1110 35th Lane, Vero Beach, in the third floor conference room. There is no cost to participate; however, space is limited and reservations are required.

To reserve a space or for more information, call (772) 978-5553.

Library seeking magazine sponsors

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SEBASTIAN — The Friends of the North Indian River County Library have begun their annual sponsor-a-magazine campaign, asking individuals and businesses to donate funds to keep magazines on the library shelves for 2013.

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appear for the entire year on the front of the binder for the current issue of the magazine sponsored. It's a low-cost way to show support for the library and receive visible and long-term recognition for efforts.

Budget constraints will make it necessary for the library to drop any unsponsored titles.

Those interested can call (772) 589-1355, Ext. 4519.

Nonprofit offering career training

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Feed the Lambs enrichment program has openings in its electrical 101 4Me class.

This is an opportunity for those 16-24 years of age to acquire training in a field that could lead to a worthwhile career as an electrician, as well as provide practical experience that can be used in maintaining a household.

The training is a 20-week course providing a total of 56 hours of training, 30 classroom hours and 26 hands-on experi-

ences. There will be 16 on site volunteer hours wiring homes for Habitat for Humanity. At graduation students will be able to keep their complete 150-page training manual and tool set they worked with throughout the period.

Testing for comprehension and mentors for each student are also provided to help make the class a success for all students.

A workshop on resume writing and interviewing will help students market their newfound competence and confidence.

FTL is working with Workforce Solutions to

become a credentialed provider, which will enable employers to receive wage subsidies for hiring program graduates.

Some previous graduates have gone on to further their education in this field and some have been offered internships and future employment with local companies.

The course is held at Indian River Habitat for Humanity and is taught by professionals in the field.

For more information on enrollment, becoming a mentor or donating, call (772) 501-5482 or (772) 231-0188.

Compute

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within the program I was using. You should look at the menus and options available within the program where you are stuck.

Also, notice that each pull-down menu is a category; all filing options are under "file" and we found our font options under the "format" pull-

down menu. That was no coincidence. I would have been very surprised to find the fonts option under the file pull-down menu but starting at file and moving to the right covers all the bases and rapidly gets you familiar with all the menus available.

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Out & about

FRIDAY, OCT. 19

• **Variety show**, Sebastian Elks Lodge No. 2714, Sebastian, 7 p.m. The nonprofit organization, The Welcome Wagon, will present the "Fall Follies Variety Show." Proceeds will go toward local charities. Cost: \$7. For more information, call (772) 571-7715.

FRIDAY, OCT. 19- SATURDAY, OCT. 20

• **Riverside Theatre presents "The Comedy Zone,"** Waxlax Stage, Riverside Theatre, Vero Beach, 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Featuring Frankie Paul and Gid Pool. Cost: \$15. Website: www.riversidetheatre.com.

• **Musical**, Waxlax Center for the Performing Arts, Saint Edwards School, Vero Beach, times vary. "The Sound of Music" will be presented by the theater students. Cost: not available. Website: www.steds.org.

FRIDAY, OCT. 19- WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31

• **Scarecrows in the Garden**, McKee Botanical Garden, Vero Beach, times vary. View dozens of scarecrows created by local families, schools and businesses. Cost: Garden admission fees apply. Website: www.mckeegarden.org.

SATURDAY, OCT. 20

• **The Visiting Nurse Association** will be at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1301 Sebastian Blvd., Sebastian, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. offering flu shots. High dose shots are also available for those 65 and older. Those on Medicare get shots free, others vary with their insurance coverage. Open to all. For more information, call (440) 212-0329.

• **Star party**, Sebastian Inlet State Park, Sebastian, 7:15 p.m. The Indian River Astronomy Society will host a stargazing party at the day use area, a half mile south of the bridge, weather and clouds permitting. Telescopes will be provided, or bring your own. Cost: Park entry fees apply. Website: www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/vents.cfm.

• **Education program**, Sebastian Inlet State Park, Sebastian, 1 p.m. Learn how to make, repair and throw a cast net. Cost: park entry fees apply. Website: www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/vents.cfm.

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Frightening, funny fall festivities

Halloween events for all ages

By Jessica Tuggle
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Halloween parties and fall festivals dominate the entertainment calendar this time of the year all over the world and Indian River County is no exception.

Cities, businesses and nonprofits have been working hard to put together excellent activities for everyone to enjoy. The following is a roundup of many such activities, but not an exclusive list.

Several haunted houses will be open for those who love a good scare.

• In downtown Vero Beach, at 2043 14th Ave., a haunted house will be open from Oct. 18-20 and again from Oct. 25-31. Hours will be 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on weekdays and 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. on the weekends.

On Oct. 27 and Halloween, the house will be open beginning at 5:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$6 and proceeds will benefit Vero Beach High School ROTC and Main Street Vero Beach.

• The General Federation of Women's Clubs Sebastian River Junior Woman's Club will open their 32nd annual haunted house at 1036 Main St. on Oct. 19-20 and Oct. 25-31 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Cost was not available.

The club will also host a trunk or treat event on Oct. 31 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the same location.

• Vero Beach's Riverside Theatre's haunted house themes are "Psycho Circus" and "Wacky Carnival." The haunted houses will be open Oct. 21 and



Oct. 26-28, beginning at 6 p.m. Entry fees vary from \$5 to \$8.

Main Street Vero Beach is excited about its upcoming downtown Friday event with a Halloween twist.

• On Oct. 26 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., children are invited to trick-or-treat in downtown Vero Beach on 14th Avenue between 20th and 23rd streets. The festivities will include live music by Collins & Co., dancing, a beer and wine garden, a marketplace and food.

• The Junior League of Indian River will host Oktoberfest at Pointe West in Vero Beach on Oct. 27 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Oktoberfest celebrates German culture, traditions, food and drink. Entry to the event is free, but charges will apply to the various food vendors.

Sixteen-month-old Michaela Elliott waits with for her turn to go on stage at the annual Sebastian Halloween parade in Riverview Park in 2009. Each year an estimated 100 or so children show off their Halloween costumes for candy and prizes.

File photo

The Skate Factory will offer a trick-or-treat costume skate with a candy giveaway from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. with regular admission price.

• Early birds might enjoy participating in the fourth annual Halloween hustle 5k run/walk and tot trot on Oct. 27 benefiting Maitland Farm Preschool.

The 5K is \$20 in advance, \$25 on race day. A 1-mile fun run is \$5 per person and the tot trot, a 100-yard dash race for children 5 and younger, is free.

Adult race time begins at 7:30 a.m., but participants are encouraged to come early.

For more Halloween or fall-themed entertainment or activities, look for Hometown News' special section, In Season, online at www.myhometownnews.net.

Birding festival, art show taking place Oct. 26-28

For Hometown News
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TREASURE COAST — The Cultural Council of Indian River County and the Pelican Island Preservation Society are partners in the inaugural Treasure Coast Birding Festival and bird art show.

There will be 19 birding tours across the Treasure

Coast from TM Goodwin in south Brevard County to the 4-H Ranch in St. Lucie County.

There are two tours, an artists and birders reception and a lecture on Friday. Saturday starts with a tour to Blue Cypress Lake at 6:15 a.m. and is followed by seven more tours.

The juried bird art show

is open to the public, as is a vendor show until 5 p.m. There will be three lectures in the afternoon and the evening consists of a keynote speaker dinner at the Vero Beach Elks Lodge featuring a silent auction, artists awards and the guest speaker, Bob Montano.

Sunday starts with tours

at 6:15 a.m. to TM Goodwin, followed by eight tours including a kids birding and book signing. The bird art show is open from 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

For more information, on the tours and art shows, call (772) 770-4857, email Debbie@cultural-council.org or visit www.cultural-council.org.



Week of 10-19-2012

ARIES - March 21-April 20

Aries, you may need some creative strategies to clear up some conflicts in your schedule this week. You must be quite popular since you have so much going on.

TAURUS - April 21-May 21

Taurus, there's so much to get done this week that you may not know where to begin. Making a list of your responsibilities may help you get organized.

GEMINI - May 22-June 21

Gemini, you may be on the fence about making a large purchase, but the stars indicate that now could be a good time to buy and things will work in your favor financially.

CANCER - June 22-July 22

Cancer, instead of rushing along through the daily grind, take some time to slow down and enjoy the scenery along the way. This will help you clear your head and relax.

LEO - July 23-Aug. 23

Leo, the weekend will not be fun unless you finish up all of your work at the office. Don't procrastinate and leave all the difficult tasks until next week.

VIRGO - Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Virgo, there are serious things to consider with respect to your family life, and not all of the conversations will go your way. Be patient and work through everything a little at a time.

LIBRA - Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Libra, whether feedback from work is positive or negative, rest assured that hard work will ultimately garner some recognition. Keep working hard and all will work out.

SCORPIO - Oct. 24-Nov. 22

No one is going to know how you feel unless you speak up, Scorpio. Don't slink into the shadows; get out in the open and have

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Scopes

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SAGITTARIUS – Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Projects around the house seem to grow with every passing day, Sagittarius. If you do not think you can get them all done on your own, it may be time to hire a professional.

CAPRICORN – Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Experiencing car troubles, Capricorn? This may be the ideal time to go shopping for a new vehicle. A new ride can lift your spirits and put to rest those fears about your current vehicle.

AQUARIUS – Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Don't work yourself silly, Aquarius. It's good to be productive and company-minded, but not if it comes at the price of your health. Recharge before you tackle anything else.

PISCES – Feb. 19-March 20

Pisces, while it can be challenging to sit idle, lazy days are very often great ways to catch up on some rest and personal time.

Art club holds show and sale



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

The Sebastian River Art Center was home to the fourth annual autumn art fest Saturday, Oct. 13. Many Sebastian River Art Club members were on hand to demonstrate technique and answer questions. Beve Bruffey of Sebastian, added highlights to a jungle painting she was working on. Club members have also painted nearly four-dozen miniature paintings, complete with easels, to benefit the Rosalee Taylor Hume scholarship fund. Ms. Hume was a former art club member. For information, call (772) 388-2547.



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

The Sebastian River Art Club held their annual autumn art fest at the Art Center on Main Street Saturday, Oct. 13. The event helps highlight local artists and the work they do. This year's event included original miniature paintings to benefit a scholarship fund for former member Rosalee Taylor Hume. The paintings are \$10 and include easels. For more information, call (772) 388-2547.

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Out

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- **Frightening formals on 14th Avenue**, The Heritage Center, Vero Beach, 7 p.m. Attire for the Halloween dance party is zombie formal. Event benefits the Heritage Center and Indian River Citrus Museum. Cost: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. *Website:* www.veroheritage.org.
- **Indoor garage sale**, Vero Beach Community Center, 8 a.m. Community garage sale. Cost: free. *Website:* www.covb.org.
- **Outdoor movie**, LaPorte Farms, Sebastian, 5:30 p.m. Watch a movie under the stars and enjoy the animals. Cost: Donations requested. *Website:* www.laportefarms.com.
- **Howl-O-Ween Dog Parade and Pet Expo**, Dogs for Life, Vero Beach, 2 p.m. A costume contest and parade with raffles, live entertainment, food and drinks. Rain date: Oct. 27. Cost: free. *Website:* www.dogsforlifevb.org.
- **Marching band festival**, Vero Beach High School, Vero Beach, 9 a.m. The 31st annual

Treasure Coast Crown Jewel Marching Band Festival. Cost: preliminaries and finals competition, \$12, finals only, \$10. *Website:* www.crownjewel.vero-beach.fl.us.

• **Making Strides Against Breast Cancer**, Riverview Park, Sebastian, 7:30 a.m. A noncompetitive fundraising walk to fund lifesaving research and support programs. Cost: not available. For more information, call (772) 562-2272.

**SATURDAY, OCT. 20-
SUNDAY, OCT. 28**

• **Haunted house**, Agnes Wahlstrom Youth Playhouse and the Anne Morton Theatre, Riverside Children's Theatre, Vero Beach, 6 p.m. Scares and surprises are in store, including a psycho circus for older children and a wacky carnival for younger children. Cost: \$5 for one trip, \$8 for two trips. *Website:* www.riversidetheatre.com.

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Art of networking party



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Marianella Tobar and Chris Rung dance the tango at the Cultural Council of Indian River County art of networking party at the Costa d'Este on Ocean Drive Thursday evening.



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From left, Carolyn Norton, attorney, George Paxton, artist and retired attorney and artist Quentin Walter took part in the Cultural Council of Indian River County's art of networking party at Costa d'Este Thursday, Oct. 11.



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer
Artist Sharon Morgan and Susan Grandpierre of the Old Vero Ice Age Committee were among those attending the art of networking party at the Costa d'Este Thursday Oct. 11.



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer
Susie Wilson, left and Dale Hooker of North Beach Realty in Vero Beach, were part of the Cultural Council's art of networking party at the Costa d'Este Thursday, Oct. 11. Members of local government, business leaders and members of the art community come together to discuss ways to help promote the arts in the community.



Crystal Corrigan, left, of Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center and Lisa Mayo of Artfully Managed, joined 200 or so at the Costa d'Este for the art of networking party Thursday, Oct. 11 sponsored by the Cultural Council of Indian River County.

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Annual Halloween parties taking place Oct. 27

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — This year, SunUp ARC, Special Olympics, Special Scouts, peer group, Special Equestrians and the advocacy committee will have two Halloween parties for the public to attend.

The west SunUp ARC campus at 2455 5th St. Southwest, Vero Beach, features friendly ghosts, goblins and princesses, special coloring contest and other fun games. The east SunUp ARC campus at 1375 16th Ave.,

Vero Beach, features the “hall of horrors” and other scary happenings.

Both parties are on Oct. 27 from 3-6 p.m. and both will have frighteningly fabulous food and devilishly delightful drinks.

RSVP is required. Please specify if for the east campus party or west campus party.

A \$2 per person donation is suggested. Prizes will be awarded for the best adult costume and the best child costume.

For more information, call (772) 562-6854, Ext. 217.

Tickets to event available

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — This year’s girls night out will be held Nov. 14 from 6-9 p.m. at the Sun Jet Center Hangar at the Vero Beach Airport. Tickets are \$25 (\$30 at the door).

“This is a fabulous evening to mingle with friends, enjoy complimentary wine and taste incredible hors d’oeuvres”, said Roni

Fuster, food chairwoman. “We have many of the area’s favorite restaurants and caterers returning, plus a few new ones to tingle your taste buds.”

This year’s event will benefit Hibiscus Children’s Center, a nonprofit organization serving Martin, Indian River, Okeechobee and St. Lucie counties.

Tickets can be purchased by calling (772) 564-0121 or visit GNOTickets@aol.com.

Out

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tee at Temple Beth Shalom is sponsoring Ken Hanson, a storyteller and scholar of Hebrew language and literature who teaches at UCF and Rollins College, as well as

author of numerous books and contributor to the History Channel. Temple Beth Shalom is located at 365 43rd Ave., Vero Beach. For more information, call (772) 569-4700.

THURSDAY, OCT. 25

• Florida Humanities Series lecture, The Emerson Center, Vero Beach, 7 p.m. Featuring archaeologist Robert Carr and his presentation, “Finding Bimini: Ponce de Leon’s Florida.” Cost: free. Website: www.theemersoncenter.org.

THURSDAY, OCT. 25- SUNDAY, NOV. 11

• Riverside Theatre presents “Ain’t Misbehavin,’” Riverside Theatre, Vero Beach, times vary. An award-winning musical tribute to jazzman “Fats” Waller and the rich and swinging era of 1930s Harlem. Cost: \$36-\$70. Website: www.riversidetheatre.com.

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

• Downtown Friday, downtown Vero Beach, 6 p.m. “Haunted Downtown Friday,” Themed street party with live music, food, drink, community booths and entertainment. Cost: free. Website: www.mainstreetverobeach.org

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FRIDAY, OCT. 26- SATURDAY, OCT. 27

• Rummage/treasure sale, St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, Sebastian, 8 a.m. Cost: Free admission. Website: www.stelizabethssebastian.org.

FRIDAY, OCT. 26- SUNDAY, OCT. 28

• Antiques extravaganza, Indian River County Fairgrounds, Vero Beach, times vary. Cost: Not available. Website: www.floridaantiqueshow.com/shows/html.

• Treasure Coast Bird and Wildlife Festival, Bethel Creek House, Vero Beach, times vary. Event will include tours to various bird locations in the county, lectures, presentations and a juried bird art show. Cost: to be announced. Website: www.facebook.com/TreasureCoastBirdingFestival.

• Riverside Children's Theatre presents "Edgar Allen Poe Academy," Annie Morton Theatre, Riverside Children's Theatre, Vero Beach, times vary. Some of the scariest stories from one of America's greatest writers. Cost: \$8. Website: www.riversidetheatre.com.

SATURDAY, OCT. 27

• Night sounds at Sebastian Inlet concert series, Coconut Point, Sebastian Inlet State Park, Sebastian, 7 p.m. Featuring recording artist

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At the High Hampton Inn in Cashiers, N.C., guests take a refreshing step back in time to an era where peaceful relaxation, without the distractions of today's "hurry up" world, is the theme.

Since 1922, the High Hampton Inn has been about getting out of your room or away from your cabin, and out into the world of nature.

Surrounded by the Blue Ridge Mountains, with eight hiking trails, a crystal clear, 35-acre lake for canoeing and swimming, tennis courts and a wonderfully fun golf course, there is no need to stay locked in your room. Unless reading that novel in a truly quiet place, alone and away from everything, is just what you ordered.

To encourage guests to get outside and enjoy the beauty that surrounds this 1,400-acre resort, there are no televisions or phones in the rooms. Guests at the inn have found that truly being away from it all helps them relax and enjoy a true vacation. With so much room to roam, it's even possible to enjoy your own spot where the rest of the family cannot find you.

I discovered that many guests are return visitors who travel to the resort with generations of family members in tow. Spending a long weekend or a week together, without heading to the mall or sneaking off to the movies, gives many families time to reconnect, rejuvenate and grow together, something many of us are missing in our hectic lives.

Our room was quite cozy, with a beautiful view of Hampton Lake, Chimney Top Mountain and Rock Mountain. While there was no air conditioning, being 3,600-feet up in the mountains, the evenings were pleasantly cool and the days mild.

The High Hampton Inn, situated in what is called "Waterfall Central" in North Carolina and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, offers such long-standing customs as afternoon tea, dressing in coat and tie or dress for dinner and casual conversation. The inn is quite rustic, and may not appeal to those looking for bright lights and nightclubs, but many find it a welcome change. So much so, that they return year after year, generation after generation.

There is a children's program to keep the young ones occupied and entertained, as well as giving the adults time to relax. The children build crafts, play games and even had a parade using golf carts they decorated while we were



GOLF JAMES STAMMER

there. Being avid golfers, my son and I had to test the course. The course at The High Hampton Inn is by no means long. Measuring just more than 6,000 yards from the tips, you will find yourself playing a relaxed, controlled round surrounded by nature's finest beauty.

The course's defense is a plethora of elevation changes and tall, thick pines, hemlock, and mountain laurel surrounding the fairways. The par-3s are particularly tough, and the eighth sits along Hampton Lake with a breathtaking view of the entire resort.

The greens are about the best I've played in years. I had forgotten how wonderful bent grass greens are. Like the resort they are not speedy, but more measured and sure of pace.

There is not a single bunker on the property, so I'd suggest leaving the sand clubs at home, and instead, bring a trusty fairway wood or hybrid that you can hit nice and straight.

While my son and I were playing golf, my wife enjoyed a relaxing facial at the new Hampton Spa. Judging by the beautiful, relaxed glow of her skin when I saw her later, I'd have to say her time there was just what she needed.

The dining room is where we enjoyed all of our meals. Everything is buffet style, with the soup coming out an hour before dinner service begins. I strongly suggest trying the soup every day!

We were overwhelmed at the amount of food. While not fancy by any means, meals feature very southern "family" cooking. Of the meals we enjoyed, my family declared the barbeque lunch the best of the bunch. Breakfasts are especially filling with eggs, fruits, grits and a lot more to choose from. There is no excuse for a guest here to start or finish the day hungry.

Currently High Hampton Inn is celebrating Oktoberfest, and with the changing of the leaves, is truly a beautiful setting. To find out more and schedule your visit, drop by the website www.highhamptoninn.com or call them at (800) 334-2551.

James Stammer has been an avid golfer and golf enthusiast for nearly 40 years. He hosts the Thursday night golf show on WSTU 1450-AM. Contact him at stammeregolf@yahoo.com.



Out

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Grant Livingston, playing original and classic folk music. Cost: park entry fees apply. *Website:* www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/events.cfm.

• **Education program**, Sebastian Inlet State Park, Sebastian, 1 p.m. Take a stroll around the inlet with a ranger while learning about local history, flora and fauna. Cost: park entry fees apply. *Website:* www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/events.cfm.

• **FunShop**, Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, 1 p.m. Event is for children ages 3-15 and their families to enjoy exploring the exhibit, "Landscape Paintings of Adam Straus." Children can respond by making original artwork. Cost: \$2 for non-members, free to youth members. *Website:* www.verobeachmuseum.org.

• **The Met: Live in HD**, The Majestic 11 Theatre, Vero Beach, 12:55 p.m. Verdi's "Otello." Cost: \$275 for a season ticket. *Website:* www.verobeachopera.org.

• **Fall festival**, LaPorte Farms, Sebastian, 10 a.m. Event includes food vendors, bounce house and slide, dunk tank, pony rides and more. Participants can also submit a scarecrow for a chance to win a prize. Cost: \$1 admission. Scarecrow entry fee is \$25. *Website:* www.laportefarms.com.

• **Oktoberfest**, Pointe West, Vero Beach, 2 p.m. Presented by the Junior League of Indian River. Event includes children's activities, live entertainment and German food and drink. Cost: free admission, certain activities require a fee. *Website:* www.jlir.org.

• **"Walk a Mile in Her Shoes,"** Indian River Medical Center, Vero Beach, 8:30 a.m. Men walk against domestic violence. Cost: \$50. *Website:* www.safespacefl.org/events.

• **5k run/walk and tot trot**, Point West Heritage Park Pavilion, Vero Beach, 7:30 a.m. The "Halloween Hustle" will benefit Maitland Farm Preschool. Cost: \$20 in advance, \$25 on race day. *Website:* www.halloweenhustle.yolasite.com.

• **Halloween parade**, Riverview Park, Sebastian, time to be announced. Cost: free. *Website:* www.cityofsebastian.org.

• **Halloween parade**, Freshman Learning Center, Vero Beach, 9:30 a.m. The 54th annual Halloween parade by the Vero Beach recreation department will begin at the Freshman Learning Center and travel north on 14th Avenue to the Vero Beach Community Center. Prizes for best costume available. Cost: free. *Website:* www.covb.org.

• **Youth taken charge**, Gifford Youth Activity Center, Gifford, 9 a.m. Fun, games, lunch, giveaways and special speakers targeting young people. Cost: not available. *For more information, call (772) 794-7477.*

SUNDAY, OCT. 28

• **Art in the Park**, Humiston Park, Vero Beach, 10 a.m. Outdoor fine art and craft show by the Vero Beach Art Club. Cost: free. *Website:* www.verobeachartclub.org.

• **Concert, The Emerson Center**, Vero Beach, 2:30 p.m. The Space Coast Symphony Orchestra will present "By Special Request." Cost: \$20, \$25. *Website:* www.spacecoastsymphony.org.

MONDAY, OCT. 29

• **"Chocolate, Champagne and Chefs,"** Quail Valley River Club, Vero Beach, time to be announced. Fine and evening of fine dining and delectable desserts prepared by eight prominent chefs from Indian River County and support Big Brothers Big Sisters. Cost: \$175. *Website:* www.bbbsigs.org.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31

• **Trunk or treat**, St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, Sebastian, 5:30 p.m. A safe, not-so-spooky trunk or treat for the family. Cost: Not available. *Website:* www.stelizabethssebastian.org.

• **Trick or treat at McKee-BOOtanical Garden**, McKee Botanical Garden, Vero Beach, 6 p.m. Trick or treat along ghostly garden paths and

enjoy Halloween-themed fun and activities. Cost: Not available. *Website:* www.mckeeegarden.org.

THURSDAY, NOV. 1

• **Soup Bowl**, locations vary, Indian River County, 11:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. The 20th annual Samaritan Center Soup Bowl fundraiser will have soup and ceramic bowls for sale. The money will go toward services for homeless families. Cost: varies. *Website:* www.samaritancentervero.org.

• **Concert, Sebastian River High School Performing Arts Center**, Sebastian, 7 p.m. Fall concert featuring the concert and symphonic bands and the wind symphony. Cost: not available. *Website:* www.srhs-band.com.

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