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In recognition of Save Your Vision Month this February, Florida Eye Institute will host two free seminars on popular topics.

Friday Feb. 21, Dr. Thomas Baudo, Retina Physician & Surgeon, will speak on Macular Degeneration, a leading cause of severe and irreversible vision loss. The Seminar entitled "Macular Degeneration- Options for Best Vision" will review the differences between Wet/Dry variations and discuss treatment options to prevent loss and improve vision.

Friday Feb. 28, Dr. Val Zudans, Cataract and Refractive Surgeon, will review the latest options in Cataract Surgery. Titled "Nervous About Cataract Surgery?" the seminar will detail how No-Needle No-Stitch No-Laser custom cataract surgery has become known as the most common & effective procedure in all of medicine.

All seminars will be held at Florida Eye Institute 2750 Indian River Blvd., in Vero Beach. Registration begins at noon with programs scheduled from 1-2 p.m. Seminars are free to the public but seating is limited. Call to reserve seating at (772)569-9500 or visit fl eye.com for more information.

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Friday: Partly cloudy, chance of storm; high: 81; low: 72; high tide: 12:20 a.m.; low tide: 6:09 a.m.
Saturday: Clear; high: 84; low: 72; high tide: 1:17 a.m.; low tide: 7:09 a.m.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, chance of storm; high: 82; low: 64; high tide: 2:21 a.m.; low tide: 8:17 a.m.
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Celebrate reading with children's author

Free reading party in Vero Beach

By Jessica Creagan
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The Learning Alliance of Indian River County invites the community to come out and read to celebrate Read Across America on March 3. The nonprofit is hosting a

free family reading party from 5 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. on March 3 at the Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center with special guest Marc Brown, author of the popular "Arthur" book series and television show. The event is geared toward families with chil-

dren in preschool through elementary school, and is designed to promote the county's "Moonshot Moment" literacy goal of 90 percent of children reading on grade level by the end of the third grade in 2018, said

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Horses helping humans



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Cindy Devine grooms 'Praise,' one of 10 therapeutic horses at Florida Equestrian Foundation.

Equine therapy for autism program seeks sponsors

By Jessica Creagan
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FELLSMERE — A horse is a horse (of course, of course) but sometimes a horse can also be an encourager, a friend, a life coach and therapist.

Cindy Devine, owner of Scarlett Stables in Fellsmere and founder of the nonprofit Florida Equestrian Foundation, has discovered that horses are perfectly equipped to work with individuals that may need to build confidence, lower stress levels, learn self-control and develop life and social skills.

Since 2012, Ms. Devine has worked with at-risk students, seniors, war veterans, victims of domestic abuse and children with autism, using horses and day-to-day routines at a barn to positively impact

and enrich their lives. Sometimes the work is done in conjunction with certified therapists with specific goals, other times sessions are directed by Ms. Devine and her four-legged friends.

This year, Ms. Devine, her staff of eight horses and the dozens of volunteers that help the programs and stables run smoothly, is looking for sponsors to run a continuous program for children with autism.

"Indian River County doesn't have an ongoing social program specifically for individuals with autism like the surrounding counties do. We would love for our program to be the first social program for them in the county," Ms. Devine said.

"We have a huge waiting list for clients with autism and we're looking for 40 sponsors for 40 clients at \$250 per month," Ms. Devine said.

On Feb. 23 at 4 p.m. potential clients, volunteers and interested sponsors are invited to tour the barn facility and meet the volunteers and staff with

Florida Equestrian Foundation.

"Basically it will be a meet and greet so people can learn who we are, what we do and what they can do to support us," Ms. Devine said.

The open-stable event will also include hot dogs and s'mores over a campfire.

During the week, the sessions with clients are private and confidential and the length of each session depends on the individual and their capabilities, Ms. Devine said.

There are about 30 clients with autism currently participating in the equine-assisted activities programs during the week.

Something that individuals with autism, and coincidentally those with post-traumatic stress disorder, need to learn how to do is recognize when they are getting anxious or frustrated and know how to handle themselves in that situation, she said.

"Horses are flight creatures. If they are about to

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Classroom provides a pre-K model for all

By Jessica Creagan
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VERO BEACH — When Deborah Iacano and Nicole Meyers teach 18 voluntary pre-kindergarten students, they know they have the backing and support of dozens of community supporters.

Last week, the Education Foundation of Indian River County, together with the school district dedicated a community-supported and funded model VPK classroom at Dodgertown Elementary.

This is the first time that such a model has been developed in Indian River County and it was made possible by the partnership with the John's Island Foundation and the John's Island Service League, said Cynthia Falardeau, executive director of the Education Foundation.

The classroom has been used by Mrs. Iacano's students since the beginning of the school year, but Feb. 10 was the first time the funding partners were able to see what their resources

were producing.

All of the preschool-aged children at Dodgertown, including those from the model classroom, sang for the special guests, using enthusiastic hand motions and body movements that coordinated with the lyrics.

The songs were part of the children's curriculum that emphasizes verbal communication and links language and social skills, said Kim McCarrison, school district readiness coordinator.

With four-year-olds, it is very important to have structure and a disciplined environment, Ms. McCarrison said.

While the items in the model classroom may be very similar to what might be found in other VPK classrooms around the county, the model classroom goes beyond the "stuff" inside of it.

The curriculum, strategies and methods used in the classroom can also be looked at as a model, Ms.

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County administrator to retire in 2016

By Jessica Creagan
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Joe Baird signed another contract to continuing working for Indian River County as county administrator, but when the contract expires in 2016, Mr. Baird expects to say goodbye for good.

Mr. Baird has been serving as county administrator since 2004, but has held various positions in county government since 1981. If his retirement happens as planned, with his last day as June 30, 2016, Mr. Baird will have served the county for 35 years.

Mr. Baird's contract has the same salary as previous years, \$190,000 per year, and an annual car allowance typical to other county employees, according to back-up material in the agenda packet provided at the Board of County Commissioners meetings.

During the discussion of



Joe Baird

Mr. Baird's contract, Charlie Wilson came to the podium to ask commissioners why a county employee who has declared an intent to retire at a time certain would not be encouraged to use up the accrued sick and vacation time instead of collecting it as a payout at the end of service.

In addition to cash for unused time, Mr. Baird will also collect a large check

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TREASURE COAST — Cash for College at Indian River State College is a one-

day event to help new and returning students obtain financial aid for college. The event will be held on Saturday, March 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at all IRSC campus-

es and the IRSC Blackburn Educational Building in Fort Pierce.

The event is designed to help college-bound individuals of any age with the financial aid application process. Those attending the event will get no-cost professional assistance completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA is required for any student seeking federal and state financial aid,

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Games will be at South County Regional Park, Hobart Park, and North County Regional Park. Registration is \$35 per player and \$150 per team sponsor. Players will be supplied with a shirt, hat, and season ending trophy.

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For more information, contact the Recreation Department at (772) 226-1732.

Retire

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from the Florida Retirement System as he participated in the deferred retirement option program.

At press time, the amounts of unused time and retirement funds were unconfirmed.

For more information about county government business or to view meeting agendas, visit www.irgov.com.

Recreation Department to host free community open house

For Hometown News
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VERO BEACH —The Vero Beach Recreation Department extends an invitation to the community to attend a free Community Open House at Leisure Square, Vero Beach's sports facility.

The first-time event will be held on Saturday, March 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature a day of fun, food, sports and exercise, children's activities and exhibitions for the whole family.

The day will begin with a Pancake Breakfast by the Vero Beach Lions Club beginning at 8:30 a.m. and the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Community Poolside Pavilion at 9 a.m. Demonstrations and exhibits throughout the day will include summer camp registrations with special one day discounts, fitness testing and assessments for seniors, water workouts, yoga and kettleball demos, frisbee and football clinics, ask the master "fun swim" as well as free swimming

time. Also, stop in to the open house at Vero Classical Ballet and Center Stage Gymnastics, tour the weight room, sign up for the Leisure Square Beautification Day, or pick up information on all the Recreation Department run facilities in Vero Beach.

Children can enjoy the bounce house or meet with Ronald McDonald who will pay a special visit at 10:30 a.m., walk and talk with the animals from Busch Wildlife Sanctuary from noon until

1:30 p.m. and the cow mascot from Chick-fil-a who will be there all day.

Food vendors will be on hand with lunch, novelty food items and cold drinks. Free drawings for classes at Leisure Square will be offered, and free coupons to McDonalds and Chick-fil-a will be handed out.

The day is free of charge outside of food and drink purchases.

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'Shadow' knows how to get a treat from Ms. Devine.

Cliff Partlow staff photographer

Horses

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be attacked, all they can really do is run from danger. Because of this they are keenly aware of their environment," Ms. Devine said

In a session, if someone is having trouble controlling their angry emotions, the horses will have a physical response, sometimes backing away and hiding behind other things, Ms. Devine said.

Once a client sees the connection between their emotions boiling up and how it affects the animals, they can learn to identify when they are about to lose control and can work to calm themselves, she said.

This practice of identifying triggers to their emotions translates out of the stables and into daily life at school or at home, Ms. Devine said.

Sometimes clients also see benefits in increased language and tactile skills from working with the horses.

"One child has been coming for about eight months and when he first came, he was mostly non-verbal," Ms. Devine said.

"Now when he comes, he talks about the horses, talks about his friends at school and he's very aware of his body and his tone," she said. "He knows he can't just blow up in anger and run away or the horses will do the same thing. He's much more aware of his actions," she said.

The equine-assisted activities programs don't necessarily mean clients will be riding horses; sometimes the tasks will be to groom or feed a horse, or even to walk with the animal from one place to another.

Napoleon, an 18-year-old Welsh miniature pony, is

often the go-to guy for working with children as his size is generally less intimidating, Ms. Devine said.

"He just loves to be brushed," she said.

The list of programs offered by the Florida Equestrian Foundation also include Hi-O Silver, a social and interactive group for senior citizens, War Admiral, an alternative rehabilitation program for veterans and wounded warriors, Black Beauty, for victims of domestic abuse, Hidalgo, for at-risk teens, Seattle Slew, for education groups, retreats and team building activities, War Horse, a recreational men's horseback riding group, and Black Velvet, a women's empowerment group.

As a nonprofit organization, Florida Equestrian Foundation relies on volunteers and donations to cover the operational costs and chores at the barn. More

information about how to become involved is available on the nonprofit's website.

The Florida Equestrian Foundation is based out of Scarlett Stables at 9745 141st Ave., Fellsmere. For more information about the Florida Equestrian Foundation, call (772) 538-3748 or visit www.floridaequestrian-foundation.org.



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Ralph Braunstein volunteers and grooms as part of his therapy.

Celebrate Spring: We want your event listings

Attention, organizations, churches, theatres, galleries, museums, nonprofits, clubs and businesses:

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

If you have an upcoming event that you'd like to promote that will take place

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Event raises money for those with special needs

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — SunUp ARC and Vero Beach Elks Lodge 1774 joined forces to present Casino Magnifique on Jan. 24 to benefit people in the community with special needs. Event co-chairs Mary Jacoby and Elaine Jones and their committee of volunteers turned the Elks Lodge into a Las Vegas-style casino with blackjack tables, roulette wheels, slot machines and other gaming hot spots that drew more than 200 guests. Winners vied for more than 50 gift baskets and other raffle prizes donated by local merchants and organizations.

Brandt Appliance Services provided a fabulous buffet of delicacies cooked on premises on the company's special Salt Rox. Mistah Music DJ Greg Evans filled the casino with upbeat music that matched the tempo of the event.

The benefiting organization SunUp ARC, provides programs to residents of Indian River County with special needs and helps them live meaningful, productive lives. Services include life skills training, employment placement, group homes, educational and life enrichment activities on three campuses. SunUp ARC clients and staff thank all the volunteers, sponsors and auction and prize donors for making the event a success.

Dyer Chevrolet and George E. Warren Corporation were major sponsors of this year's Casino Magnifique.

Other sponsors included Dick and Chris Picken; Coleman Family Foundation; Morgan, Jacoby, Thurn, Boyle & Associates; Vero Beach Elks Lodge 1774; Clements Pest Control; Gold Coast Landscape Lighting; Rossway, Moore and Swan; Vero Chemical; Vocelle & Berg, LLP; ABCO Garage Door Company; Dr.



Attendees enjoy the evening at Casino Magnifique on Jan. 24 to benefit people in the community with special needs.

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Model

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Falardeau said.

Shaping young lives with quality early education programs can make a world of difference, Ms. McCorrison said.

"What if we all took pre-K values and implemented them in our lives," she said. "What if we shared, what if we took turns, we played nicely, if we took the time to look, to listen and learn," Ms. McCorrison said.

She thanked all the community partners and funding donors at the dedication for their foresight and desire to give high-quality programs to students in Indian River County.

Superintendent of

Schools Fran Adams said she was very pleased to see what a targeted collaboration could create.

"This really is a celebration," Ms. Adams said. "Pre-K is the gift that keeps on giving," she said.

The long term domino effect of having quality early education programs includes not only kindergarten readiness, but parental involvement in their child's academic success and literacy levels, Ms. Adams said.

The classroom start-up costs were covered by the funding partners, but in the future, the operating costs will be handled by the state.

The John's Island Foundation provided a \$25,000 capital grant and the John's Island Community Service League provided a \$35,000 grant to fund the operation, a press release said. In addition, the Education Foundation contributed \$10,000 from a matching grant from the Florida Legislature.

The classroom was envisioned as a model for both public and private pre-kindergarten providers, promoting best practices in early education to prepare children for kindergarten, and began four years ago, Ms. Falardeau said.

At the time, the Education Foundation was pursuing a



Photo courtesy of Cynthia Falardeau

Pre-K students at Dodgertown Elementary School sing for donors and community partners at a classroom dedication last week. The John's Island Foundation and the John's Island Community Service League, partnered with The Education Foundation of Indian River County to open and operate a model pre-kindergarten classroom at Dodgertown Elementary School at the beginning of the school year.

different local grant opportunity, but when it didn't materialize, Hope Woodhouse of the John's Island Service League, saw the potential and continued to pursue it with Ms. Falardeau.

"This was a win-win any way you look at it," Ms. Woodhouse.

At the classroom dedication, Ms. Woodhouse announced that the John's Island Service League

pledged to further help the district with kindergarten readiness with a \$35,000 grant for summer VPK programming for 90 at-risk students.

The grant will extend the VPK school year five and a half weeks into the summer, shortening the gap between when the students begin school in the fall to three and a half weeks instead of nine.

Studies have shown that

students typically lose about 25 percent of what they have learned in a typical summer break, which can be crippling for students that didn't have a good grasp on their subjects to begin with, Ms. Falardeau said.

"This is so very exciting, we weren't expecting this," she said.

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Chem, Fat Cat Graphics and Paris Productions. Proceeds from the day will assist in expanding facility hours, underwriting summer camp scholarships, and defraying the costs associat-

ed with the building of the new Community Poolside Pavilion at Leisure Square.

All the details pertaining to the special events and exhibits can be found by visiting www.covb.org.

Leisure Square is located at 3705 16th Street in Vero Beach.

For more information contact Jeff Matthews, Leisure Square Director at (772) 770-6500.

Reading

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Marie O'Brien, spokeswoman for The Learning Alliance.

The first 250 children will receive a book by Mr. Brown and Dr. Seuss-themed hats, as the Read Across America event is in conjunction with the late author's birthday, she said.

The free picnic will be available for the first 300 people at the event and the reading party and Mr. Brown's speaking engagement is scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m.

At the close of the program there will be celebratory birthday cake for Dr. Seuss and Mr. Brown will be available to sign books.

"We were lucky enough to get Marc Brown and he is a great presenter, everyone loves him," Ms. O'Brien said.

"We wanted to have a really fun event for the community and talk about the importance of literacy for our children," Ms. O'Brien said.

In 2012, the school district of Indian River County set the Moonshot Moment goal, an aggressive pursuit of literacy that will only be achieved with the partnership of the community and the school

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district, Superintendent of Schools Fran Adams said.

Studies show that if a child is not reading at grade level by the third grade, there is only a one in seven chance that the child will ever catch up and they are four times more likely to leave high school without a diploma, leaving them stuck in a cycle of academic failure and a lifetime of struggle, Ms. Adams said in a press release.

Since 2012, the district has been monitoring the academic progress of students in kindergarten through second grade using a nationally standardized test, said Barbara Hammond, executive director of The Learning Alliance.

The lower-performing schools in the district have 33 percent of third grade students reading at grade level, while the highest performing schools have topped out at

89 percent. With the district average at 66 percent reading at grade level there is clearly more work to be done, Ms. Hammond said.

The Moonshot Moment effort is unprecedented because of the community unification behind it, Ms. Hammond said.

"Schools cannot do this alone, that is why we spend a lot of time galvanizing support in the community, getting them to come on board this journey," she said.

The event is paid for by the generous support of sponsors including the United Way of Indian River County, Bob and Becky Allen, Chick-fil-A, Fidelity Investments and the Jungle Club.

The Learning Alliance is dedicated to promoting literacy in Indian River County in a variety of ways, including providing eyeglasses to

students who needed them and offering extra training for teachers and tutors on new methods for teaching reading skills, the nonprofit's website said.

Liz Woody, one of the founders of The Learning Alliance, oversees the professional development aspect of the nonprofit's mission.

Bringing "best practice" strategies from textbook theory into real-world classroom application helps teachers meet student goals, which is good for the students in the long and short term, Ms. Woody said.

For more information about the event or The Learning Alliance, visit www.thelearningalliance.org or g. For more information about the Moonshot Moment goal, visit www.moonshotmoment.org

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 Feb. 5 to Feb. 11

Sebastian Police Department

- Timothy Earl Olsen, 31, 113 Flint St. No. A, Sebastian, was charged with domestic violence aggravated battery.
- Sherisa M. Espinueva, 31, 118 Thunderbird Drive, Sebastian, was charged with violation of probation. She was on probation for grand theft and uttering a forged bill, check or draft.

Fellsmere Police Department

- Casey Jay Weisgerber, 24, 573 S.W. Inez Court, Port St. Lucie, was charged with possession of a controlled substance and two counts of the misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Vero Beach Police Department

- Keith John Fecke, 18, 4675 Stephanie Lane S.W., Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for possession of cannabis, posses-

sion with intent to sell or deliver cannabis and use or possession of drug paraphernalia.

- Dennis Jay Hyers, 30, homeless, Vero Beach, was charged with battery with a prior conviction.
- Filemon Fortino Sosa, 32, 1850 40th Ave. No. C, Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated assault.
- Galdino Sosa, 30, 1956 34th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated assault and a misdemeanor charge of assault.

Indian River County Sheriff's Office

- William Thomas Keller, 28, 1503 39th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for burglary of a conveyance and fraudulent use of a credit card.
- James Ralph Macolino, 33, 2320 11th Court S.W., Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- Thomas Edward Richardson, 49, 7605 Twin Beech Road, Fairhope, Ala., was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for third-degree grand theft and uttering a forged bill, check or draft.
- Marilyn Theresa Smith, 47, 4141 N. 16th St., Apt. 316, Vero Beach, was charged with possession of cocaine and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Jonathan Charles Sneed, 32, 2055 82nd Ave., No. 499, Vero Beach, was charged with two

counts of sexual battery of a child younger than 12, perpetrator 18 or older, and lewd and lascivious molestation, offender older than 18 and victim younger than 12.

- Isaiah Alford, 70, 4184 45th Place, Vero Beach, was charged with criminal violation of an injunction for protection.
- Tina Steele Brown, 58, 1895 17th Ave. Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with grand theft, nine counts of dealing in stolen property and misdemeanor charges of theft from a person older than 65 and 10 counts of giving false information to a pawn broker, and
- Christopher Dean Fultz, 40, 2050 11th Ave., No. 15, Vero Beach, was charged with two counts of violation of probation. He was on probation for burglary of a dwelling, third-degree grand theft and dealing in stolen property.
- George Lee Dawkins, 52, 4335 34th Drive, Vero Beach, was charged with driving while license suspended with knowledge and misdemeanor charges of failure to appear in court and violation of probation.
- Tiffany Lynn Flores, 21, 593 13th Place, Vero Beach, was charged with possession of cocaine and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Kevin Winifred Hamblin, 41, 370 Seventh Place S.W., Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated assault and misdemeanor charges of battery, driving while license suspended with knowledge and violation of a no contact order.
- Keith Michael James, 54, 3830

47th St., Vero Beach, was charged with grand theft.

- Jack Jerome Parchment, 58, 925 24th Place S.W., Vero Beach, was charged with introduction of contraband into a detention facility and misdemeanor charges of disorderly intoxication and possession of marijuana.
- Brandon Lewayne Turner, 25, no address given, was charged with violation of probation.
- Johnny Glenn Williams, 53, 965 17th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with possession of cocaine.
- Ronald Dean Firsdon Jr., 33, 444 Seventh Place, Vero Beach, was charged with burglary of a dwelling with assault and battery, third-degree grand theft, criminal mischief, armed burglary of a dwelling, structure or conveyance, possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting arrest without violence.
- Brian Alan Pryor, 33, 11185 Mulberry St., Sebastian, was charged with violation of probation and a misdemeanor charge of driving while license suspended with knowledge. He was on probation for third-degree grand theft.
- Geraldo A. Alexis, 19, 4776 Kennedy Court, Vero Beach, was charged with burglary of a dwelling and third-degree grand theft.
- Plasder Pop Dumont, 28, 1522 Fourth Terrace, Apt. 108, Vero Beach, was charged with driving while license habitual offender and a misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest without violence.
- Katina Nicole Kauffman, 36, 7755 129th St., Sebastian, was

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- Michael Aliash Zisholtz, 33, 5310 Suson Lane, Fort Pierce, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for battery on a law enforcement officer and resisting an officer without violence.

Florida Highway Patrol

- Andrew Frederick Leopold, 60, 930 North Fairview St., Burbank, Ca., was charged with possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Investigation of meth house continues

By Jessica Creagan
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — An investigation of a methamphetamine lab discovered in Vero Beach continues and arrests are expected soon.

On Feb. 12, Indian River County Sheriff's deputies arrested Shayne Eric Lavery, 43, of the 1400 block of 39th Avenue on charges of robbery, burglary with battery and grand theft and while in the residence they

observed items associated with the production of methamphetamine.

After evacuating the residence and obtaining a search warrant, detectives from the Indian River County Sheriff's Office and agents from the Drug Enforcement Administration have confirmed that the structure was being used as a lab to manufacture methamphetamine, said Sgt. Eric Flowers, spokesman for the Indian River County Sheriff's

Office. DEA agents took the gathered evidence to Miami for analysis and results are expected to be returned at any time, Sgt. Flowers said.

Once the items collected have been evaluated, arrests will be made, he said.

For up-to-date information from the Indian River County Sheriff's Office visit www.facebook.com/ircsheriff or www.ircsheriff.org.

Learn how to give your dog a massage

For Hometown News
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Those interested in learning how to give their dog a relaxing rub down can visit the Humane Society of Vero Beach and Indian River County on Tuesday, Feb. 18 at noon for a free one hour workshop on how to "Stretch Your Dog Healthy."

The shelter's featured presenter is certified canine therapeutic mas-

sage therapist Adriana Halpern from Heal the Dog Canine Massage and Bodywork. Ms. Halpern will be discussing the benefits of massage therapy for dogs and will also be demonstrating gentle muscle manipulation techniques that any pet parent can perform to help their favorite canines overcome stiffness, pain and stress. Guests are asked to leave their dogs at home for this presentation but will be provided with stuffed ani-

mals so they may practice demonstrated techniques. A question and answer session will follow.

Ms. Halpern's demonstration will be held at the shelter's Adoption and Education Building located at 6230 77th St., Vero Beach.

"Stretch Your Dog Healthy" is free and open to the public but attendees are asked to reserve seating by calling the shelter at (772) 388-3331, Ext. 18.

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What to do when Windows gets overwhelmed

Windows can get overwhelmed from time to time. I'm not saying that Windows can be overwhelming from time to time – it can, but sometimes Windows just stops functioning and you can't seem to do anything.

What people don't realize is just how much is going on in the background at any given time. Every part of the computer from the keyboard to the mouse to the monitor has a little program running in the background that is in charge of how that particular part functions and they all have to run together harmoniously. And I'm not talking about a few little programs or drivers, there are literally hundreds of things going on in the background at any given second and sometimes Windows can get overwhelmed. Frankly, after looking at what is going on in the background at any given moment, I'm surprised that computers even run at all without crashing after five minutes of up time. It's astounding.

I always have to smile inside whenever I hear anyone say "I wasn't even doing anything and it just locked up!" OK, sure, you weren't doing anything, that's fine but understand that even if you are not moving the mouse or typing anything, the computer is still as busy as a one armed paper hanger. Consider this; even if you are just sitting there, hands completely off the mouse and keyboard, the computer is constantly looking at the keyboard and mouse for any change. It's also re-painting whatever's on the screen 60 to 70 times per second, checking to see if it's time to start the screen saver, listening to network or modems connections for incoming calls and more. And that's not even considering the hundreds of other things it has to do just to keep the desktop alive and stable. That's why Windows can sometimes become overwhelmed and freeze up. The question is what to



COMPUTE THIS
SEAN MCCARTHY

do about it when it happens?

Let's say you are surfing the Internet and you click a link, the page loads and you start reading. You get to the bottom of the page and go to click somewhere else but the pointer is just an hourglass and you can't click anything. What do you do then? Well, the first thing is don't panic! It's most likely not the end of the world and usually doesn't mean that your computer is messed up. It usually means that Windows got bogged down somewhere and needs a "little nudge" to get it back on track. I usually try to get the computers attention back by trying a couple different keyboard commands; I'll hit the "ESC" key to try to divert the machines attention from whatever it's stuck on. Sometimes this all it takes and sometimes not - if hitting escape key doesn't get a response then I usually try the "three finger salute." With one finger, press and hold the "CTRL" button, then with another finger press and hold "ALT" and with a third, press "DELETE." It's important to be pressing all three buttons at once as pressing them and letting go will do nothing. Once you press ctrl, alt, delete, a Windows Security window should pop up that gives you the options to Lock Computer, Log Off, Shutdown, Change the password, open the Task Manager or Cancel. Click the Task Manager button and make sure the Applications Tab is highlighted and in front. On the Applications page you should see your web browser listed (or whatever program you were running when you lost control) often with a comment of "Not Responding." Click it so it becomes

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Who wants a kissy-poo?



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Jenna Mazziotta was one of the many participants in the first ever 'Smooch a Pooch' at the Humane Society of Vero Beach and Indian River County Friday, Feb 14. Smoochers helped raise nearly \$200 for programs and supplies.



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Stop stealing from yards

I live in Vero Lake Estates and some low-life, mother, daughter, husband son or neighbor came into my yard and took my three ceramic mushrooms some time ago that I had for a few years.

Now some other low-life person came in my yard and took my three plastic flamingos that I have had in my yard for 20 years. They did leave one flamingo and two of the legs from the others.

I cannot understand this and please be sure when your wife, daughter, father or son or neighbor comes home and says look what I bought at a yard sale, they are lying.

If you have any feelings at all you, will return them with no questions asked. I will only beat you to within an inch of your miserable life, thank you.

Humane Society comes through

Not too long ago, my beloved Labrador retriever died. She was my best friend for 12 years. I am a senior citizen, don't drive and am on a fixed income. I was very worried that I wouldn't be able to afford to take care of her once she passed away.

I called the Humane Society and they assured me that they would take care of both of us once she died. The morning that she passed away, I called them and lo and behold, they came and took her. They cremated her and never charged me a penny. They knew how distraught I was, and they came the day after she died and gave me a great poem explaining how hard it was to lose a pet.

A few weeks after that, they came and took me to the pound and let me pick out another dog free of charge. I know this might not be something they can offer to everybody, but they really made such a difference to me.

I'm no longer sitting here lonely, missing my dog. I have a great new dog that keeps my busy and shows me so much love. I just want to say thank you so much to the Humane Society. You've made such a difference in this senior's life.

Neighbors should be more considerate

Maybe someone can tell me what happened to the loud noise law we supposedly have.

I can't sleep or watch a TV program these days, because my neighbor is playing the music so loud that the walls and floors shake and things fall down.

Then when I call 911 to have the police come to quiet them down, they don't show up at all. The police are so lazy. It took me calling three times before they finally showed up.

I just got home from work; it's 1 a.m. There was nowhere to park because of the party going on downstairs. It didn't stop until 2:30 a.m. They are bad neighbors.

An end to snail mail?

Except for very little, the federal government provides little service and expects to be rewarded. The Post Office comes to mind.

In the 60s, I could get a letter from Louisiana to rural Pennsylvania in two days for 4 cents.

Today it is considerably more, with it taking four to 11 days. The postal service no longer needs to sort by hand, but planes (I've been told) are not always available.

The postal service has noticed a huge reduction in volume. It is no mystery. In any business it is customer service and value for money spent. The USPS is no longer competitive. The pony express was replaced when the telegraph came about.

Possibly, the postal service has seen its time.

Some bike advice

I've been driving for 40 years and riding a bike for 50. I have safely operated taxis, dump trucks, garbage trucks, moving vans and even some heavy equipment on the roads of this country (all over the place, in all kinds of conditions, from coast to coast, mountains and deserts).

If I, for any reason, had ever felt the least bit confused, I would have pulled over until my head totally cleared.

You, obviously, are exactly the person my rant was directed toward. Yes, you are confused and conveniently omitted the fact that the statutes on bikes have several sections and should be read in their entirety to be fully understood.

Anyway, law aside, if you are confused by a bike, dog, kid on a tricycle, skateboarder, wheelchair or pretty much anything at all, then maybe you should do us all a favor and park it, baby. The rest of us should be allowed to feel safe and the thought of confused people driving doesn't do it for me. I'm just guessing, but I don't think it does it for anyone.

What are the rules?

Someone please correct me if I'm wrong. Does Florida law state that if you have a handicap placard proudly displayed from your rear view mirror, you no longer have to abide by state traffic laws?

In bold letters, printed on the top of the blue placard it states REMOVE BEFORE DRIVING, it obstructs your view.

In parking lots with huge, one-way arrows, with a handicapped placard, do you now have the right to enter the wrong way because you see an empty handicapped parking spot only 45 feet from the road?

Does having the handicapped placard also mean that you no longer have to use directional signals or drive at the posted speed limit?

I have to know, because I, too, have a handicapped placard, and I keep mine above the visor in my car. Am I using my placard wrong? If I just leave it on my mirror, flapping in the breeze, obstructing my view, can I now not use directional signals, drive the wrong way on one way streets and go whatever speed I feel comfortable with?

Please does anyone know the answer?

DCF needs to get it together

I have reported abuse to the Department of Families and Children and they are doing nothing about it. They need to do their job and take care of the children. They don't understand the psychological abuse that a child goes through when they are in an abusive home. Nobody seems to care about these innocent children who have to fend for themselves. I hope somebody from the department sees this rant and does something about it.

Modern-day depression

I've heard my parents talk about the Great Depression. As a child, I never understood why it was called "great." It never seemed that great.

I've heard the stories about food rations. I heard about how it brought communities together. And now I hear that as a country, we are going to pot.

During my childhood, those stories seemed so distant and nothing more than the way things used to be. But now, as I struggle to make ends meet for my own family, I'm reminded of the times in which many of our grandparents were raised.

As we sink into this modern-day depression, I sure wish I would've taken more notice on how my grandparents made ends meet.

There seems to be no light at the end of this tunnel. We are faced with decisions such as a gallon of milk or a gallon of gas; cell phone or cable; electricity or rent.

Employers are struggling to make payroll. And those still fortunate enough to call themselves employees are struggling to live from one paycheck to another.

Because we are all aware that the job market is bleak, we dare not complain about wages that are gone as soon as earned. We know that there is somebody more than willing to take the job we are fortunate enough to have.

So, how does one get ahead? How can we start to feel at ease? When does the comfort in knowing that having a job means having a roof over your family's head return?

I suppose, we, nor anyone else, knows the answer to that question. But we can't, as a community, start turning on each other. We can't start robbing and stealing from someone who is struggling, as well. We have to start doing for each other.

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Welcoming a new yoga studio



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The staff at Roque Family Dentistry puts a high priority on quality dental care with an emphasis on prevention education. From left, Louis Roque, dentist, and staff members Heather Hopkins, Christina Richard, Heather Brault and David Stowe.

Staff photo by Jessica Creagan

By Jessica Creagan
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VERO BEACH — Toothaches are no joke, and it's also no joke when the dentist says to floss daily.

Dentistry is the only profession that is trying to put itself out of business, said Louis Roque, dentist and owner of Roque Family Dentistry with offices in Vero Beach and Sebastian.

"When people leave our office, we give them things to help them not need to come back, floss, toothbrushes and toothpaste. There isn't anyone else like that," Dr. Roque said.

When it comes to oral health, there are three keywords to remember, he said.

"Prevention, prevention and prevention," said Dr. Roque.

Teaching brushing and flossing early can avoid a lot of dental health problems down the road, but it's always good to get checked out by a professional because they can detect issues before they get bad enough to cause discomfort, he said.

As a practicing family dentist, Dr. Roque and his staff see patients of all ages with all sorts of dental needs, including regular

maintenance and cleaning, extractions, placing dental implants and performing root canals.

Dr. Roque is a firm believer in continuing his own education so that he can provide his patients with the best possible care, no matter their situation.

"My biggest fault probably is that I care too much," Dr. Roque said.

"I try to educate my patients, I talk to my patients, maybe sometimes I talk too much," he said ruefully.

"I want to help them break that vicious cycle that they are in with their dental health, but sometimes they don't want to hear it," Dr. Roque said.

"But if I work on their mouth and let them go, I really didn't do my job," he said.

Dr. Roque enjoys having conversations with patients about how their lifestyle can affect their oral health. For some reason, many people don't make the connection between what they eat and when they eat it and without that knowledge they can be setting their teeth up for future problems.

Some people don't visit the dentist because they are afraid of dental work and

others don't visit because they say they can't afford it, Dr. Roque said.

Both situations, while they sound different, have the exact same result, pain and a strengthened resolve to not visit a dentist, he said.

By letting fear stand in the way, dental health can deteriorate to the point of extreme pain, and the only way to alleviate that pain is by visiting a dentist. In order to help correct the problem, a patient is likely to have increased discomfort in the process, further reinforcing the idea that dentist offices are scary places.

On the other hand, delaying needful dental work can also be painful, financially as well as physically; again further reinforcing that dental work is extremely expensive.

"It's a vicious cycle and it's irrational, but that is how people are," Dr. Roque said.

By using preventative methodology and regular visits to a dentist, problems can be nipped in the bud, cost a patient less pain in their mouths and less pain in their wallets, Dr. Roque said.

Roque Family Dentistry is located at 1956 41st Ave., Vero Beach. For more information, call (772) 778-1040.

Attorney joins law firm

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Bradley W. Rossway, managing partner of Rossway Moore Swan, Attorneys and Counselors at Law, announced that Brooke M. Benzio has joined the firm. Ms. Benzio is working with partner Michael J. Swan focusing in the areas of estate planning and estate administration, long-term care planning and elder law, health law and estate administration.

Ms. Benzio was raised in Illinois and graduated from Loyola University of Chicago



Brooke M. Benzio

go School of Law after completing her undergraduate degree at Florida State University. Prior to joining the

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Candy hearts, stories for those at the bookstore

Miss Julie (dos Santos) makes Valentine's Day fun at the Vero Beach Book Center Friday.



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The Vero Beach Book Center and Miss Julie celebrated Valentine's Day with story time and a party for dozens of parents and children Friday. Holidays and signing events always come alive at the Vero Beach Book Center. The Cat in the Hat will be on hand Saturday, March 1 at 11 a.m. to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday.



One-year-old Audrey Shaw makes a new friend at the Vero Beach Book Center during a Valentine's Day story time with Miss Julie.

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Liam Shaw, 3, gets his imaginary glasses on during Valentine's Day story time with Miss Julie.

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TREASURE COAST—Dual Enrollment provides an opportunity for high school students to begin

working on a college degree for free while finishing high school, saving time and thousands of dollars in college tuition. Indian River State College invites Treasure Coast high school students and their parents to an upcoming Information Session of their choice.

Information Sessions will be held at 6 p.m. at the following locations and dates:
 Martin County: Tuesday, Feb. 25 and Thursday, March 6, IRSC Chastain Campus, Wolf High-Technology Center, 2400 S.E. Salerno Road, Stuart.
 Indian River County: Tuesday, March 11, Sebastian River High School Auditori-

um, Sebastian, and Wednesday, March 12, IRSC Mueller Campus, Richardson Center, 6155 College Lane, Vero Beach.

St. Lucie County: Tuesday, March 11, IRSC Main Campus, Kight Center, V Bldg., 35th Street side of campus, Fort Pierce, and Thursday, March 13, Pruitt Campus, E Bldg., Room E-114, 500 N.W. California Blvd. Port St. Lucie.

Dual Enrollment students complete requirements toward high school graduation and earn college credits at the same time without paying college tuition. For example, classes such as College Algebra and English

Composition that cost approximately \$600 in tuition and books at a state university can be completed at no tuition charge to students and their parents. Dual Enrollment courses are offered at times that are convenient for a student's schedule and are weighted the same as Honors and Advanced Placement courses when high school grade point averages are calculated. Credits earned through Dual Enrollment readily transfer to all Florida public universities and most universities nationally.

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highlighted and then click "End Task." After a moment a message should pop up asking if you want to wait for the program or end the task. Click the End Task button and your browser should close and give control back to your mouse.

But what if that doesn't work? What if hitting escape

and control + alt + delete do nothing? Well, that happens from time to time and about the only way to get around it is to reboot the machine – just press and hold the power button until the computer shuts down, wait ten to twenty seconds and turn it back on. After the machine restarts things should be back to normal and you should have control of your mouse again.

Now I know simply

powering off the computer is not the "proper" way to shut it down but sometimes it's the only way. I mean if you can't click anything, how are you going to "initiate a proper shutdown?" Killing power to the machine is sometimes the only way.

Sean McCarthy fixes computers. He can be reached at (888) 752-9049 or help@ComputeThisOnline.com (No Hyphens!)

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The Original Wailers return to area

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FORT PIERCE — The Inlet Grill & Beachfront Inn located on South Hutchinson Island is set to host the return of the Grammy-nominated reggae band, The Original Wailers on Friday April 4.

Last year the Wailers performed in Fort Pierce, it was a sellout show and when SOS Productions and Plythe Gibbons scouted the newly renovated venue located on the beach, they knew it was the perfect spot.

The band enjoys playing outdoor arenas like the Beachfront Inn and Inlet Grill, which has an eclectic feel with a dash of tropical Key West ambiance. The menu has just been updated and serves fresh to order. They offer scenic ocean view accommodations and live entertainment. It will be a great night of music and drink specials.

The Original Wailers album "Miracle" was nominated in 2013 and plays all the great Bob Marley & The Wailers hits, plus a variety of a few new songs. Al Anderson is the sole member of the remaining group of Bob Marley and was hand-picked by Bob himself. See **WAILERS, B2**

Sporting social fun

Polo match raises thousands for charity

By Jessica Creagan
jcreagan@hometownnewsol.com

VERO BEACH —Dazzling blue skies, sunshine and a constant breeze, a picturesque Florida day, was the backdrop for the biennial 2014 Windsor Charity Polo Cup last weekend.

Hundreds gathered on both sides of the Windsor Club polo field to enjoy the weather, company, food, horses and polo players, all in the name of raising funds for two causes, the Rett Syndrome Research Trust and "Summer Literacy on the Lagoon."

Jesus and Amy Diaz of Vero Beach and their friends, Luis and Mercy San Miguel of Miami, set up their own party area on the tailgating side of the polo field, with the theme "Run for the Roses."

Their tailgating area included finger foods on a striking black and rose-red table décor, complete with horseshoes, mint juleps, and an exquisite rose-flavored cake with rose-flavored icing created by a local bakery Fillin' n Chillin'.

Mrs. Diaz said she enjoys watching polo and coming up with a tailgating theme.

"It's also fun to see what the other tailgaters have come up with too," Mrs. Diaz said.

When the polo match begins, it can be very exciting, said Mrs. San Miguel.

"It is a lot of fun when they come close. You can really hear the thundering hooves," she said.

On the opposite side of the field were guests dining under a large tent to a



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Pablo Dorignac (No. 2) of Team Balios, is chased by Memo Gracida (No. 4) of Team Los Cabelleros de Ruby during the first chucker at Saturday's event at Windor. See **more photos pages B3, B5.**

catered meal by Windsor Club.

Lauren Lafortune, 24, attended the event and also participated in a riding demonstration for the guests.

The elegant round tables were topped with soft blue and white tablecloths and floral arrangements of orchids or mixed cut flowers, including white hydrangea, tulips and

hypericum berries. Ms. Lafortune is a rider with Special Equestrians of the Treasure Coast, a non-profit organization that See **POLO, B3**



Week of 2-21-2014

ARIES - March 21/April 20

This week you need to be the follower instead of the leader, Aries. It may be difficult to go against your normal grain, but it is for the best. Keep an open mind.

TAURUS - April 21/May 21

Your confidence may wane sometime this week, Taurus, but some friends will boost your morale to help you get back on your feet. Saturday will be a big day.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Gemini, certain things that have to get done this week are out of your realm of expertise. Do your best to tackle these projects but have a helper on hand just in case.

CANCER - June 22/July 22

Cancer, you have a lot on your plate, but you don't know where to start. Make a list of your tasks, and it will help you better tackle one thing at a time until you are all done.

LEO - July 23/Aug. 23

Leo, learn to laugh at yourself as a means to relieving stress. Things can't always be serious, so lighten up and take some time to relax. Work with Virgo this week.

VIRGO - Aug. 24/Sept. 22

Give yourself a much-deserved break, Virgo. You've been working non-stop for the last several months, and now is a great time to take a vacation or enjoy a weekend getaway.

LIBRA - Sept. 23/Oct. 23

You don't have all of the answers, Libra, so don't even think about saying you do. Relationship concerns are at the forefront of your mind lately.

SCORPIO - Oct. 24/Nov. 22

Scorpio, it might be hard to bite your tongue, but that's just what you have to do this week. Wait until you are called on for help before you get involved.

See **SCOPES, B2**

Out & about

FRIDAY, FEB. 21

• **Concerts in the Park:** The Porchdogs (Louisiana Cajun, Zydeco, Southern Rock, bluegrass and classic rock) will be featured in this free, family-friendly concert, 5:30-8 p.m., Riverview Park, Sebastian. Food and refreshments for sale. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to enjoy the music of local bands and river breezes. For more information or the full schedule, visit www.sebastianchamber.com.

• **'A Land Remembered':** 2 p.m., Main Library meeting room, 1600 21st Street, Vero Beach. A tribute to one of Florida's most popular writers, Patrick Smith, from the author's son, Rick Smith. Blends humor and storytelling with videos, family photos, music and

visual effects. For more information, call Patti Fuchs at (772) 770-5060, Ext. 4132.

• **Art in Bloom luncheon,** Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, time to be announced. Event includes a floral demonstration, lunch, floral arrangements on view inspired by the museum's permanent collections, and more. Cost: To be announced. Website: www.verobeachmuseum.org.

THROUGH SUNDAY, FEB. 23

• **'Fly the Ford':** Experience airline travel in the Golden Age of Aviation on a vintage Ford Trimotor airliner at Vero Beach Municipal Airport, Feb. 20-23, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Walk up price is \$75. Online or phone bookings

are \$70 (17 years and under are \$50). For more information and bookings, call (877) 952-5395 or visit www.flytheford.org.

• **Riverside Children's Theatre presents "Godspell Jr.,"** Annie Morton Theatre, Riverside Children's Theatre, Vero Beach, times vary. This musical is based on the Gospel according to St. Matthew and the contemporary songs bring the parables of Jesus Christ to life. Cost: \$10-\$16 for adults, \$5-\$8 for students. Website: www.riversidetheatre.com.

FRIDAY, FEB. 21
— SATURDAY, FEB. 22

• **Riverside Theatre presents "The Comedy Zone,"** Waxlax Stage,

Riverside Theatre, Vero Beach, 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Featuring Michael Mack and Kenny Miller. Cost: \$15 for show only, \$25 for show and food voucher. Website: www.riversidetheatre.com

• **Treasure Coast BBQ Championship:** 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Veteran's Park and Riverwalk Center, 600 North Indian River Drive, Fort Pierce. All proceeds benefit the Humane Society of St. Lucie County. Family-friendly event where pro and backyard division BBQ teams compete for trophies and prize money. Lots to eat, drink, vendors to visit, live music and fun for kids. Enjoy great food, music and strolling along the Indian River. For

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Musical interpretation takes theatre stage

For Hometown News
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FORT PIERCE — Experience the Broadway musical interpretation of the world's first modern novel in Don Quixote's Man of LaMancha at the Sunrise Theatre on Friday, Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. Written by Miguel de Cervantes, this lyrical and amusing adventure is a classic tale of the triumph of man over his follies.

Man of LaMancha has had a phenomenally successful run in New York for five years, surpassing the original run of Oklahoma and South Pacific. In the "two hour traffic of the stage" and more than 20 rousing song hits, the show crystallizes the thousand episode-crammed pages in which Cervantes exposes the absurdities of his day. Enter the mind and the world of Don Quixote as he

pursues his quest for the impossible dream. Against all odds, a man sees good and innocence in a world filled with darkness and despair. Don't miss this superb, imaginative, original and moving musical. The Sunrise Theatre for the Performing Arts is an intimate venue, offering the best entertainment and state-of-the-art sound on the Treasure Coast. The Sunrise Theatre presents a

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more information, call Annette Miller at (772) 696-2095 or Carroll Frischkorn at (772) 332-7267.

FRIDAY, FEB. 21
- SUNDAY, FEB. 23

- 'Hairspray' the musical:** Presented by the Vero Beach High School performing arts department at the Performing Arts Center, 1707 16th Street, Vero Beach. Shows are Friday at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday at 2 p.m. Cost: \$10 or \$12, season tickets available. For tickets, call the box office at (772) 564-5537.
- Greek Festival:** 35th annual festival hosted by Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, at 2525 S. 25th Street, Fort Pierce. Greek food, music, dancing, pastries, and vendors. Hours are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$3; ages 12 and under admitted free. Free parking. Free admission on Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call (772) 464-7194.

THROUGH SATURDAY, FEB. 22

Martin County Fair: Activities and details to be announced. Visit www.martin-countyfair.com/

SATURDAY, FEB. 22

- Trash & Treasure Sale:** Sponsored by the United Methodist Women at Christ by the Sea United Methodist Church. Held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church, 3755 Highway A1A, Vero Beach. Clothes for the whole family, jewelry, household items, tools, sporting equipment, electronics, books, toys, seasonal decorations, more. Also includes a bake sale with cakes, pies, cookies, jellies, jams, and homemade soups. Snack bar with light lunch items available.
- 'Financially Fit for Life' forum:** Vero Beach branch of the American Association of University Women hosts this financial forum for women, starting at 10 a.m., Richardson Center on the Mueller Campus of IRSC, 6155 College Lane, Vero Beach. Financial advisor Joanne Sardella will discuss financial planning. Attorney Marie Conforti will discuss estate planning. CPA Margaret Rocke will discuss tax planning. The focus is on helping women understand finances and ways to protect their future. Short presentations will be followed by a question and answer period. Free and open to the public; women and men alike are welcome to attend. No reservation required. For more information, call Joanne Sardella at (772) 231-5800.
- Indian River Woodcarvers, Inc.:** Fifth annual carving and art show will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Vero Beach Moose Lodge, 226 43rd Ave., Vero Beach. Carving and wood burning displays, food, raffles and vendors. Discover the talent displayed by your friends and neighbors. Free admission. For more information, visit inwoodcarver.wordpress.com.
- Fundraiser, McKee Botanical Garden, Vero Beach,**

time to be announced. An annual fundraiser to benefit McKee Botanical Garden. Featuring the J. Seward Johnson Jr., Sculpture Exhibition. Cost: \$175-\$250. Website: www.mckeeegarden.org

- Outdoor flea and "krafts" market,** Sebastian Elks Lodge, Sebastian, 8 a.m. Proceeds from the event will go to various Elk charities, local scholarships, youth activities and care packages for overseas troops. Cost: Free to attend, renter's space fee varies from \$10-\$25. Contact phone number: (772) 589-1516.
- KidZ Artshops,** Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enjoy a guided gallery visit and related studio art activity with no registration required. Cost: Free for members, \$5 for each non-member child. Website: www.verobeachmuseum.org.
- Teatro Lirico D'Europa presents Georges Bizet's "Carmen"** at Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second Street, Fort Pierce. 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$45. For more information, call (772) 461-4775 or visit www.sunrisetheatre.com.

THROUGH SUNDAY, MARCH 9

- Riverside Theatre presents "South Pacific,"** Stark Stage, Riverside Theatre, Vero Beach, times vary. The popular Broadway musical tells the romantic story of two couples as they search for happiness through trying times and differing backgrounds. Cost: \$45-\$70 per person. Website: www.riversidetheatre.com.

SUNDAY, FEB. 23

- Brevard Symphony Orchestra Pops concert:** "Vinyl Fever: A Celebration of the Music of the '50s, '60s and '70s" will begin at 7:30 p.m., Community Church of Vero Beach, located at 1901 23rd Street, Vero Beach. Highlights

of the concert will include tributes to Elvis Presley and the sounds of the Seventies and the themes of James Bond. For tickets, contact the Indian River Symphonic Association at (772) 778-1070 or visit www.IRSymphonic.org.

- The Atlantic Classical Orchestra presents "American Tradition,"** Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, 3 p.m. Featuring the Atlantic Classical Orchestra chamber musicians. The concert is followed by a wine and cheese reception. Cost: \$5 for students or children, \$30 for members, \$40 for non-members. Website: atlanticclassicalorchestra.com
- Benefit cookout,** Vero Beach Yacht Club, Vero Beach, 11:30 a.m. Hamburgers, hot dogs, barbeque chicken and side will be served to benefit the Youth Sailing Foundation. Cost: \$25 per person. Website: www.ysfirc.org
- Art in the park,** Humiston Park, Vero Beach, 10 a.m. A monthly fine arts and crafts show by Vero Beach Art Club members. Free. Website: www.verobeachartclub.org.
- Theatre-Go-Round presents "Milestones and Memories,"** The Quilted Giraffe, Vero Beach. Dinner seating at 4:30 p.m. A musical dinner theater production encompassing 50 years of musical hits from the 1940s through the 1980s. \$55 per person includes three course dinner, show ticket, tax and gratuity. Make reservations by calling the box office at (772) 252-9341. For more information, visit www.theatregorounddinnertheatre.com.
- "Copeland Davis and the POPS:"** Nationally renowned jazz pianist Copeland Davis will perform jazz/pop hits with the Indian River Pops Orchestra at 7 p.m., Eisey Campus Theatre, Palm Beach State College's Palm Beach Gardens

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Scopes

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SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 23/Dec. 21

Take a few days to get all of your affairs in order, Sagittarius. Use this time to adjust to some changes that have happened over the last sev-

eral weeks.

CAPRICORN - Dec. 22/Jan. 20

Burning the candle at both ends again, Capricorn? This is not the best way to get things done. Take a more steady approach, and give yourself time to recover.

AQUARIUS - Jan. 21/Feb. 18

Aquarius, you can't put your finger on it, but something positive seems to be on the horizon. The truth will reveal itself in the next few days.

PISCES - Feb. 19/March 20

Pisces, fight against the current for something you truly believe in. Unexpected events arise on Thursday.

Wailers

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self and requested Mr. Anderson to be with him before he passed away.

"It was a life-shattering and enlightening thing to know that we are all going

on our own journey someday. Bob requested me to honor his name, music and culture and through that, so many wonderful things have happened," said Mr. Anderson.

Make sure you get your tickets quickly before they sell out. The Inlet Grill &

Beachfront Inn is located at 110 South Ocean Drive in Fort Pierce, Florida.

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Luis Escobar (No. 3) of Team Balios takes a shot during Saturday's match at Windsor.

Polo

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fosters personal achievement through equine-assisted activities and therapy for individuals with special needs.

She has been riding for four years and has greatly improved her core strength and balance as a result.

"When I started I used to be really flimsy and all over the place, but now I've strengthened everything," Ms. Lafortune said.

This year the polo match featured world class polo players, including a familiar name in Vero Beach, John Walsh.

Mr. Walsh, well-known in the television industry as the creator of the television program, America's Most Wanted, was one of eight players that competed in the charity event.

"With all of these excellent players, this is as good as it gets," Mr. Walsh said of the polo match.

He took up the sport later in life and enjoys racing around the 9-acre polo fields at high speeds.

"It is so fast and really so dangerous," Mr. Walsh said.

The horses often reach speeds of 35 miles per hour, but unlike horse racing on tracks, the mounts must follow commands to stop and change direction abruptly with the play and must deal with other horses bumping into them, he said.

"The horses are everything in this sport," Mr. Walsh said.

The other competitors that participated in the match were brothers and polo legends Memo and Carlos Gracida, Mike Azzaro, Malcolm Borwick, Luis Escobar and Salvatore Ferragamo.

Mr. Ferragamo, the grandson of Italian footwear designer and president of Il Borro Winery in Italy, was the honorary co-chair for the event.

In the inaugural polo event in 2012, \$360,000 was raised for charity. This year the final amount raised will be divided between the two chosen charities.

The Rett Syndrome



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Lauren Lafortune rides Cookie during the Special Equestrians of the Treasure Coast demonstration Saturday at Windsor. Volunteers Lauri Van Valkenburg, left, Karen Gerber and Michelle Penly (not shown) walk with her for support.

Research Trust is a nonprofit organization dedicated to searching for a cure for Rett Syndrome, the most physically disabling of the autism spectrum disorders.

Rett Syndrome strikes little girls almost exclusively, with the first symptoms appearing before 18 months. Individuals diagnosed with Rett Syndrome lose speech, motor control and functional hand use and many suffer seizures, orthopedic and severe digestive problems, requiring round-the-clock care, a press release said.

Summer Literacy on the Lagoon is a program designed exclusively for Windsor to support the Indian River school district's "Moonshot Moment" literacy goal of 90 percent of third-graders reading at grade level by 2018.

The summer program will help stop the "summer slide" of learning loss for graduating second graders so they are better prepared for school in the fall, said Lisa Mucci, a teacher at Sebastian Elementary and "Summer Literacy" curriculum developer.

Students from Sebastian and Treasure Coast elementary schools that participate in the program will receive intensive literacy instruction with an environmental unit of study, which will include trips to the Environmental Learning Center in Wabasso.

For more information about the Windsor Charity Polo Cup, visit www.windsorflorida.com/polo.



Joan Busch draws a winning name for a prize.

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Officer Brian MacNaught and Officer Keith Holmes from Fort Pierce Police Department, Carmine Izzo from the Port St. Lucie Police Department, Officer Brian Avilla and Officer Caleb Gillette Fort Pierce Police Department and Bill May Police Administrator with the Port St. Lucie Police Department show off their stiletto before they 'Walk A Mile In Her Shoes.'



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United Way of Martin County's Martin Volunteers program was recognized as an outstanding agency partner during the Hope Awards ceremony. From left: Kathleen Stacey, Carol Hodnett, Elizabeth Barbella and Jim Vojcsik.

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ON THE SCENE

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Out

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campus, 11051 Campus Drive, Palm Beach Gardens. Tickets are \$25. For tickets, call (561) 207-5900.

Red Hot Chili Pipers: Bagpipes with attitude, drums with a Scottish accent, for a unique fusion nicknamed "bagrock." Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second Street, Fort Pierce. 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$39. For more information, call (772) 461-4775 or visit www.sunrisetheatre.com.

MONDAY, FEB. 24

Distinguished Lecturer Series: Major General Robert H. Scales, retired, will speak at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 3250 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach. Tickets are \$85 and \$60. Single tickets may be available. Call the box office at (772) 231-6990 or

visit riversidetheatre.com.

MONDAYS, THROUGH
APRIL 28

NAMI Family-to-Family course: Free 11-week course held Monday evenings, 6:30-9 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church, 520 Royal Palm Blvd., Vero Beach. Runs Feb. 10 through April 28. The course discusses clinical treatments of illnesses including bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, major depression, PTSD, panic disorder, obsessive compulsive disorder, addictions, more. Each week, participants will be given helpful notes to keep. It also teaches knowledge and skills that family members need in order to cope more effectively. Registration is required; call Valerie at (772) 532-See OUT, B4

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Weed killing the natural way

If you own a home, you already know how hard and expensive it is to get rid of pesky weeds. Store-bought weed killers are extremely expensive and if you read the label you will find that they are very toxic to both you and the environment. Although there will be times when a commercial product is the only solution, you might want to try a few ideas we have that have less damaging to the earth.

Here is a method that works, but requires multiple applications. The best part is that almost all of us already have it hanging

around and it is extremely inexpensive. Vinegar makes a great natural weed killer. The acidic nature of vinegar is what does the trick in killing off the plants. This method will work best on smaller weeds and it is best to apply in direct sunlight. It is also best to apply vinegar when there is no mention of rain in the forecast, as the substance has to remain on the weeds for some time in order to be effective.

Here is another common household item that can kill weeds. Salt is something we all have hanging around the house and just a small dab will do the trick.



GARDEN NOOK
JOE ZELENAK

If you have ever owned a water softener, you know that the areas where the softener discharges when it regenerates will often leave a barren area where nothing will grow. This is the result of salt getting into the soil. Since salt remains in the soil for some time, this method is best used in areas where you do not intend to plant. Apply-

ing salt between pavers, in gravel areas and in cracks between driveway slabs can help control weeds for an extended period of time. It is not advisable to use this method around gardens or landscape shrubs as the salt may damage them.

One of the most primitive ways to get rid of both weeds and even fire ants is to use boiling water. Yes, this method actually works and it is the least expensive of all ways to utilize. Please take care as not to burn yourself when trying this idea. Remember, there is zero toxicity to the environment when doing this.

By far, one of the most common ways of keeping weeds at bay is by the use of ground covers. One eco-friendly way of doing this is by using old newspapers. The next time you are planting in your garden, apply a layer of newspapers just under the soil layer. The newspapers act as a barrier to weeds but it is biodegradable and allows moisture to pass through. You can also use garden mulch but remember that to be eco-friendly, try to use natural ground covers such as pine needles or even ground up leaves. If you do use a commercial

mulching product, try to avoid the use of cypress so we can preserve this natural resource. Remember, Earth Day is coming soon and we all need to help preserve one of our most prized assets, Mother Earth. I encourage you to try natural remedies first and to use these natural methods whenever possible.

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

Students represent area at STEM conference

By Alisha McDarris
For Hometown News

TREASURE COAST — It's not often that colleges fight for high school students who aren't star athletes, but that's precisely what happened to three Treasure Coast academics last week.

Evan MacKay, 17 from Vero Beach High School; Jing Lin, 17 from South Fork High School; and Kareena Bachan, 17 from Fort Pierce Central High School had colleges from around the state vying for their attention at the Sunshine State Scholars event in Orlando on Feb.13-14.

The 11th grade students were nominated by teachers

and administrators to represent their counties as high-achieving science, technology, engineering and math students.

All of them are also dual-enrollment students at IRSC, earning high school and college credits simultaneously and are planning careers in STEM-related fields like medical research, radiology and engineering.

The two-day recruitment and awards event celebrated their accomplishments and gave them a chance to explore all the college and career options available to them in Florida in an effort to keep the brightest and best in their home state.

"There were a lot of col-

leges in Florida that I didn't know about," said Kareena who was shocked at all the possibilities she didn't know existed.

In addition to colleges flaunting their STEM-related programs, tech-related businesses like NASA and AT&T advertised internships and work opportunities and students attended financial aid and college application and essay workshops to help prepare them for their last year of high school.

"It was a really exciting atmosphere," said Evan who enjoyed seeing so many top STEM students from across the state coming together in one place.



Evan MacKay



Jing Lin



Kareena Bachan

"I had such a great time," Jing said.

In addition to planning for their futures, students were also rewarded for their academic excellence. Each was given a plaque, tickets

to Universal Studios and a free iPad mini.

"It was really a great honor," Evan said. "The hard work definitely pays off."

"It's really outstanding

the accomplishments they have made only being in the 11th grade," said Angela Roesemann, Enrollment specialist at IRSC. "It was a great opportunity for them."

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5554 or Beverly at (772) 257-5950.

TUESDAYS, THROUGH MARCH 11

• **Film studies course**, Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero

Beach, Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. or 7 p.m. Runs Feb. 11 through March 11. Topic to be discussed is "Trends in International Cinema." Cost: \$50 for museum members, \$70 for non-members. Website: www.verobeachmuseum.org

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 26

• **'Three Times the Mystery'** 6 p.m., Vero Beach Book Center, 392 Miracle Mile (21st Street), Vero Beach. Featuring Hank Phillippi Ryan with "The Wrong Girl," Michael Sears with "Mortal Bonds," and Reed Farrel Coleman with "Onion Street," moderated by Oline H. Cogdill. For more information, call (772) 569-2050 or visit www.verobeach-

bookcenter.com.

• **Ocean Science Lecture series:** Dr. Peter McCarthy, FAU Harbor Branch, will present "Bacteria in the Indian River Lagoon: Indicators of Health." Two presentations, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., followed by a meet-the-speaker reception. In the Johnson Education Center, Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, 5600 North U.S. 1,

Fort Pierce. Free admission. Visit <http://www.fau.edu/hboi/Events.php>

• **Wednesday Green Market:** Noon to 6 p.m., rain or shine, in Fort Pierce Marina Square, 101 Melody Lane, Fort Pierce.

THURSDAYS, THROUGH FEB. 27

• **Opera studies program**, Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. The five-part course "Femme Fatale!" will study six opera performances with femme fatale themes. English subtitles for all performances. \$50 for museum members or Vero Beach Opera members, \$70 for non-members. For more information, visit www.verobeachmuseum.org.

THURSDAY, FEB. 27

• **Film: 'Alaska's Katmai, Lake Clark & Alagnuk: Bears & Fish'** will be shown from 3-4 p.m. in the North Indian River County Library meeting room, 1001 Sebastian Blvd., Sebastian. Film focuses on two national parks and a scenic river in western Alaska. Free admission. For more information, call (772) 589-1355.

• **ORCA speakers series:** Second speaker in the three-part series is National Geographic photographer Carlton Ward Jr., who was recently on assignment photographing the Indian River Lagoon and will discuss his work and the lagoon. Begins at 7 p.m. at the Emerson Center, 1590 27th Avenue, Vero Beach. (The third speaker in the series will be deep-sea explorer Dr. Edie Widder, at 7 p.m. on March 27.) The lecture series is presented by the Ocean Research and Conservation Association (ORCA), of Fort Pierce. Individual tickets are \$35 in advance, or \$40 at the door; student tickets are \$20. Tickets for the lectures are available by calling (772) 778-5249 or online at <http://theemersoncenter.org>.

• **'Understanding Old Vero Man'** 7 p.m., Johnson Education Center, Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, 5600 North U.S. 1, Fort Pierce. Special lecture by Dr. Andy Hemmings, project archaeologist. Free admission. For more information, call (772) 242-2559.

• **Movie Under the Stars:** 7-9 p.m., Coconut Point, Sebastian Inlet State Park, 9700 S. A1A, Melbourne Beach. Family-friendly movie under the stars on the lawn. Bring lawn chairs or towels/blankets. Park admission fee is \$8 per vehicle (containing up to eight people), or \$4 per person. Website: <http://www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/events.cfm>.

FRIDAY, FEB. 28 – SUNDAY, MARCH 2

• **Treasure Coast BBQ and Blues Festival:** Weekend of good food and music. Nationally acclaimed barbeque vendors will offer up ribs, pulled pork, chicken, cornbread and more at Indian RiverSide Park in Jensen Beach from Friday to Sunday. While hungry festivalgoers chow down at the park they can enjoy the sweet sounds of local and regional favorite musicians and more widely acclaimed bands. The festival runs from 4-10 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m. on Saturday, and 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$10 per day. For tickets or the lineup of performers each day, visit www.bbqbluesfestivals.com.

• **'Sister's Summer School Catechism'** in the Black Box Theatre at Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second Street, Fort Pierce. Five shows: Feb. 28 at 8 p.m.; March 1 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.; March 2 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$35. For more information, call (772) 461-4775 or visit www.sunrisetheatre.com.

FRIDAY, FEB. 28 – SUNDAY, MARCH 9

• **St. Lucie County Fair:** Activities and details to be announced. Visit www.stluciecountyfair.org.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1 – SUNDAY, MARCH 2

• **Grant Seafood Festival**, Grant, 9 a.m. Live entertainment, exhibits, arts and crafts and plenty of seafood. Proceeds go toward community projects. Free admission. Website: www.grantseafoodfestival.com

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Edited by Linda and Charles Preston

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Polo, tailgating and the Florida sun



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

From left, Luis and Mercy San Miguel and Amy and Jesus Diaz celebrate the Kentucky Derby and the Run for the Roses.



Brenda Newman and Ari Donahue celebrated polo with a glass of champagne.

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From left, Christina Earp, Jomarie, Joseph and Larry Semprevivo, Lauren Shellhammer and Heather Willett celebrated the event with a setting worthy of the Vero Beach Hotel & Spa.



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

The crowd was appropriately dressed at the Cork and Tapas tailgating table.

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alike Contest and Pet Blessing: Free contest runs from 10:30-11:30 a.m., at the church, located at 611 Schumann Drive (just off U.S. 1), Sebastian. Prizes will be awarded. From 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Pastor Ron Thomas will officiate at a pet blessing service. Sebastian's HALO animal rescue shelter will have a tent on site with furry creatures that are ready for adoption into loving homes. The church will have a Little Disciples Lemonade Stand to raise money for these rescued

animals, along with an animal food drive. *For more information, call (772) 388-3828.*

• **Grand Ole Opry Review benefit concert:** 6-9 p.m., Sebastian Elks Lodge, 731 S. Fleming Street, Sebastian. Music performed by Debbi Hanford ('Lil' Debbi') and friends, as a benefit to raise money to fight ALS/Lou Gehrig's Disease. Snacks will be provided, along with a raffle for a basket of cheer and a 50/50 drawing. *Tickets are \$15 per person at the Lodge; call the Lodge at (772) 589-1516.*

• **Read Across America:** Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday and meet the Cat in the

Hat from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Vero Beach Book Center, 392 Miracle Mile (21st Street), Vero Beach. Cameras welcome. *For more information, call (772) 569-2050 or visit www.verobeachbookcenter.com.*

• **Treasure Coast Regional Bell Festival concert:** 4 p.m., Community Church of Vero Beach, 1901 23rd Street, Vero Beach. Featuring the Atlantic Ringers for the first half, and the second half features the full mass choir, playing six pieces. More than 80 bell ringers, more than 500 hand bells, and more than 300 hand chimes, included. Free, public is welcome. For more

information, call (772) 469-2306 or email ryan.kasten@communityconcert-series.org.

• **Celebrated Speaker Series lecture,** The Emerson Center, Vero Beach, 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Featuring Jon Meachum, historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author. Individual tickets are \$75 each for the 4 p.m. performance; \$65 for the 6:30 p.m. performance, with better seat selection at 6:30 p.m. *Website: www.theemersoncenter.org*
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In today's crowded market of clubs vying for members, it's the little things that truly stand out. Certainly having a great golf facility is important, but without the people to make it enjoyable, everything is for naught.

At Jonathan's Landing, in addition to a fantastic trio of golf courses, a pair of great clubhouses complete with dining rooms and an inviting bar to quench your thirst, one will find, from the staff to the members, a genuinely warm, friendly group of people.

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decades ago, the project was named after Quaker missionary and explorer Jonathan Dickinson. The Reformation, a ship chartered by Dickinson to take him from Jamaica to Philadelphia in 1696 ran into bad weather and was forced ashore just five miles north of the Jupiter Inlet.

I was recently invited to spend an afternoon with the people of Jonathan's Landing. My day began at Jonathan's Landing Old Trail just west of town. After a delicious lunch, I enjoyed a round of golf on the beautiful Tom Fazio designed course.

The drive from the Village in town to Old Trail takes

about 30 minutes. While some may dislike such a ride to get to the golf course, I welcome it. The ride gives you time to relax and forget about the troubles of your day. You're just far enough from the office that it feels like another world without actually going there.

The Old Trail facility features a pair of courses. The first is the Fazio Course built in 1986; the second was designed by Arthur Hills and completed in 1991. The two are as distinctly different as their designers.

The Fazio Course is longer, with rolling terrain and diabolical greens routed amongst towering pines and shimmering lakes. With five sets of tees the course plays as long as just over 6,900 yards down to right around 5,100.

Fazio definitely did some of his best work here. There is a variety of par-3s, a drivable par-4 to tempt you,

and what may be the best trio of finishing holes I have played in some time.

The Hills Course is much shorter, with precision playing a key role in lower scores. The course winds through the natural beauty of cypress hammocks and towering stands of pine.

Here you will also find five sets of tees, with the longest coming in at a mere 6,282-yards. Don't let the yardage make you feel almighty when you arrive at the first tee. What this course lacks in raw distance it makes up for by challenging you shot-by-shot making skills and mental game.

The Old Trail facility is pure golf. Neither roads nor residential development are within the course. A feature offered by few, if any, South Florida courses, public or private.

In town, Jonathan's Landing features a marina, tennis courts, and the

Village Course, another Tom Fazio design. With plenty of sports activities and social programs, the club caters to a membership with an active lifestyle.

The Village Course designed by George Fazio in 1978 and tweaked by his son Tom in 2000, plays to 6,616-yards from the tips. The course offers exceptionally sculpted fairways and greens all within the community.

The signature hole at the Village is the par-5 17th. After your second shot on this dogleg left hole, you cross the Intracoastal Waterway via a specially designed ferry that holds two golf carts.

About five years ago, the members of the private equity member-owned club voted to begin a \$12 million renovation to both clubhouses and construction of a new Sports and Fitness Center.

When the renovations were completed in 2009, members found new locker rooms, expanded dining rooms, new golf and tennis pro shops, new lounges and an outdoor dining terrace.

The improvements have given Jonathan's Landing an updated, yet open and airy feel, all while keeping the comforting look of old Florida.

You can reach the membership office of Jonathan's Landing at (561) 744-4250 or visit www.jonathans-landing.com. Tell them you wish to take a tour, play a round of golf and experience the "great mahogany" of this wonderful place for yourself.

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 stammorgolf@yahoo.com.

Trunk show begins Feb. 28

For Hometown News
NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

VERO BEACH — The Saint Edward's Parents Association will open the doors to the best shopping of year on Feb. 28, starting at 6 p.m.

The 22nd annual Trunk Show is open to the public and will feature more than 50 vendors from around the country. One-of-a-kind apparel, home décor, and jewelry will be offered throughout the weekend.

"This is such a fun weekend for the entire community," said Amy Diaz, event co-chairwoman.

"It's a chance for friends to

gather for a unique shopping opportunity, and we especially love to see new faces in town that haven't had the chance to see our beautiful campus. Our guests will see some returning favorites, of course, such as Ginny's Orchids, CMM and Indo-Chic, but we have new vendors such as Chic by Design that will add to the celebratory ambiance of the event."

Chelsea's on Cardinal will provide catering services when it's time for a break from the action.

The public is invited to purchase preview party tick-

ets for \$50 per person for Friday evening, Feb. 28. Guests will have the first opportunity to shop from 6-8 p.m., and there is a gentlemen's lounge in addition to heavy hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. All Preview Party ticket holders will have unlimited weekend admission and will be automatically entered into a raffle for \$250 in Trunk Show cash.

"This year the trunk show has grown to over 50 vendors, and we carefully selected these merchants based on the unique nature of their inventory," said Marcia Ware, event co-



Event co-chairs are Marcia Ware, left, and Amy Diaz.

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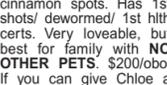
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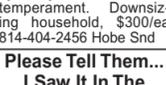
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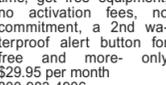
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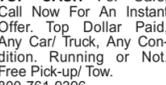
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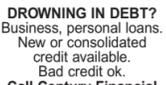
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