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Sea Scouts Lend a Hand

By Megan Hussey
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For the past century, Sea Scouts, BSA, a program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women ages 14 to 20, has promoted better citizenship and has enhanced members' boating skills through instruction and practice. They're also responsible for introducing young people to an exciting new life of seaborne adventures. Yet aside from learning about and enjoying the wonders of the great blue sea, members are encouraged to serve their community, through everything from river or beach clean-up efforts to food drives. And this past Sunday, a Hernando Beach Sea Scout Ship joined in an effort to prepare and safeguard the Hernando community for what could be rough waters ahead.

This past weekend, the Sea Scouts of Ship 27 of Hernando Beach arrived in full force at Linda Pedersen Park, assisting county residents with the task of filling sandbags in preparation for Hurricane Ian, which was forecast to hit Florida this week. The Sea Scouts worked as a team with county employees that were coordinating Hernando sandbag operations and storm preparation sites.

Sandbags are known for their ability to reduce flood water damage and can serve as a barrier for moving water during serious storms. Over the two day period, eight Sea Scouts filled more than 900 bags of sand for elderly residents in the coastal area in anticipation of Hurricane Ian.

Ashley Young, chairman of the Hernando County Sea Scout Ship 27 (representing Hernando Beach), defines Ship 27 as "an adventure scouting unit for older scouts, primarily sailing experience and marksmanship training." The adult leader is Skipper Bill Novas, a Navy Veteran. Yet beyond the realm of adventure, this ship is always set to sail in the name of community service.

"The Sea Scouts had the pleasure of working with Bill and Joe, county employees, who are coordinating the county sandbag operations," said Young. "During the afternoon the park was packed and the county employees directed the scouts to elderly residents who needed help filling and loading sandbags."

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Sea Scouts of Ship 27 Andrew Eaton, Brendan Young, Sara Eaton fill sandbags at Linda Pedersen Park

SPORTS



Eagles Football Soars Over Weeki Wachee

By AUSTYN SZEMPRUCH

The Springstead Eagles football team (5-0) blanked the Weeki Wachee Hornets (1-3) by a 28-0 margin at home on Friday night. The Red, White, and Blue came into this game with a great deal of momentum and confidence following four straight dominant wins to open the season, and it showed. The Green and Black had gutted out an 8-6 win last week over the Tenoroc Titans (0-4), but that was also their first win of the season. The Hornets were surely looking to get revenge for the 37-0 drubbing the Eagles had administered to them last season as well. That would not be so for Weeki Wachee on this Friday. The closest the away team would

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SPORTS

Jason Nguyen: A Punch Above the Competition

By AUSTYN SZEMPRUCH

"When the mind is sound, everything else follows." A philosophy that Coach Felix Montanez likes to instill in competitors, that was the attitude with which he and boxer Jason "The Glitch" Nguyen approached adversity in Jason's victory

at the Signature Punch Boxing Tournament on Saturday. Earlier that afternoon, mere hours before his fight was scheduled to take place, Nguyen's opponent – Jalen Murray – was unable to attend their match in the 135-pound weight class. This meant that the 22-year-old boxer would have to be assigned a new opponent. All of the studying the pair had done in anticipation for their previous opponent would no longer be applicable against new combatant Daniel Romero. That does not mean all of Jason's preparation was for naught, though.



ABOVE: Jason Nguyen practices at Progear Gym in Hudson.

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Weeki Wachee, 7, Gio Martinez tries to find running room against the Springstead defense. Photo by JOE DICRISTOFALO

Events Calendar

FACT OF LIFE: THINGS CHANGE. ESPECIALLY WHEN THERE IS A HURRICANE. PLEASE CONFIRM DATES & TIMES WITH EVENT ORGANIZERS FIRST.

Markets!

Brooksville Farmer's Market
Sundays 11 am - 3 pm
15487 Citrus Way, Brooksville, FL
34614-1650

Airport Farmers & Flea Market
Saturday's & Sunday's 8 am - 3 pm
17375 Spring Hill Dr, Brooksville,
FL 34604

Spring Hill Farmers Market
Saturdays 10am- 3pm
3021 Commercial Way

Friday & Weekend!

"Sunshine Grove Trail of Horror"

This year our featured guests will be Killer Clowns, with each one of them having a razor-sharp meat axe. We will also have a large assortment of Creepy Crawlers that go bump in the night. We will have food, drinks, desserts and decomposing body parts, all at a great price. Admission: \$10.00 a head; people with multiple heads will still pay \$10.00 per head. Dead people get free admission. Date: Starts September 23 and continues every Friday and Saturday, ending October 29. Time: 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Ticket sales end at 9:30 PM Location: Marine Corp. League Detachment 708 8405 Sunshine Grove Road Hernando County, in the Great State of Florida Signed release form required Visit us on Facebook at MCL 708 OORAH

John Holmes Trail Run
Date: Saturday, October 1
Time: 7:00 am - 12:00 pm
Description: The John Holmes Trail Run is the Southeast's oldest trail run at 30 years and counting. Originally called the Croom Trail 50K, the race was renamed in honor of the founder, John Holmes. The John Holmes Races Croom Park is such a joy to run with the longleaf pines, scrub oak covered hills, past creek bottoms & cypress ponds – there is good reason why the World Wildlife Fund has called it one of the "10 Coolest Places in North America." There is a 250 person limit so register early to ensure a slot.

Beginners Class on Photographing Birds with a DSLR Camera
Date: Saturday, October 1
Time: 8:00 am - 11:00 am
Description: Alice Mary Herden will teach this class. The focus of this photography class is simply to know the basic functions of a DSLR camera. There are times when the technical side gets too overwhelming, and many people lose the real purpose of investing in a camera. This class will simplify terms in order for you to enjoy photographing nature and wildlife in its natural settings. Ahhochee Hill Sanctuary at 24268 Lake Lindsey Road is immediately east of U.S. 41, north of Brooksville. The class size is limited so please make a reservation with Bev: bevalhansen@gmail.com or 352-686-0460.

The Tssus Chasing Butterflies Walk
Date: Saturday, October 1
Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Description: Come walk with me for a great cause. This is a fundraising event to benefit The Turner Syndrome Society TSSUS. You can go to <https://www.classy.org/.../2022-tssus-chasing.../e402007> and register. There is the playground for the kids, face painting, bounce house, snow cone truck and food truck plus pizza for sale. Plenty of vendors as well.

HCGA Little Rock Cannery/ Meal in a Jar – Bourbon Chicken
Date: Saturday, October 1
Time: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Teacher: Janet
Description: Bourbon Chicken is juicy, tender chicken cut into pieces simmered in a sweet, brown sugar

glaze that will melt in your mouth. Rich in flavor and served over rice for a complete meal! In this class you will learn how to prepare and can bourbon chicken. All Students will go home with a jar of product made in class. This is a hands-on class. Price: \$45 per person This class is limited to a max 8 persons. Classes are non-refundable

Playwriting Workshops
Date: Saturday, October 1
Time: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Description: Do you have a script you have been working on? Have you always wanted to get into playwriting but not sure where to start? Having actors read your work aloud, also called workshoping, is an essential part of the development process. Are you an actor looking to sharpen your skill at developing characters by lending your talents to help playwrights improve their work? Join us for a once monthly play writer's workshop.

Tide for a Cause Launch Date – Go Native! Tidal Brewing Company
Date: Saturday, October 1
Time: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Description: Do you have a script you have been working on? Have you always wanted to get into playwriting but not sure where to start? Having actors read your work aloud, also called workshoping, is an essential part of the development process. Are you an actor looking to sharpen your skill at developing characters by lending your talents to help playwrights improve their work? Join us for a once monthly play writer's workshop.

2022 HBA Cash Bash
Date: Saturday, October 1
Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Description: Presented by Senica A/C, proceeds to benefit Ability Tree. \$10,000 grand prize, over \$11,000 total in cash prizes. Dinner is served.

Rotary Club of Spring Hill 2nd Annual BINGO FUNDRAISER and Charity Event
Date: Sunday, October 2
Time: 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Description: Come join the fun! Play Bingo and help the community. The Rotary Club of Spring Hill Scholarship fund, Youth and Community Projects including:
• Annual Dictionary Distribution to all 3rd Graders • Future Rotary Splash Park at Anderson Snow
• Annual Children's Holiday Shopping Extravaganza
• Childhood Learning and Development Programs • Youth Leadership Programs
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At Your Library!
Main Library: 238 Howell Ave; Brooksville, FL 34601
Spring Hill Branch: 9220 Spring Hill Dr. Spring Hill, FL 34608
East Hernando Branch: 6457 Windmere Rd Brooksville, FL 34602
West Hernando Branch: 6335 Blackbird Ave Brooksville, FL 34613

Toddler Storytime
Main Meeting Room
Monday, October 3, 2022
10:30am - 11:00am
Come join us for a toddler storytime filled with stories, songs, fingerplays, and more! Program is designed for children between the ages of 18 months - 3 years old.

Preschool Storytime
Main Meeting Room
Monday, October 3, 2022
11:15am - 12:00pm
Come join us for a preschool storytime filled with stories, songs, fingerplays, and more! Program is designed for children between the ages of 3-5 years old.

Spring Hill Tea Time Book Chat
Spring Hill Meeting Room
Tuesday, October 4, 2022
2:00pm - 3:30pm

Come join us for an hour of book chat, fun, and cookies! Everyone is welcome to stop by to talk - the topic: your favorite books. Tell about a book you'd recommend to others, and find good recommendations from friends and neighbors for recent and/or classic books. Tea and cookies are provided.

Spring Hill Computer Class - Internet - How to Search Better
Spring Hill Meeting Room
Thursday, October 4, 2022
2:00pm - 3:30pm
Using the most popular search engine, we will practice some effective search strategies to help you find what you're looking for.

WEEKDAY EVENTS

Pine Needle Basket Class
Date: Monday, October 3
Time: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Description: Traditional pine needle basketry is taught by Dade's experienced volunteers. All materials are provided to make a longleaf pine needle basket. Cost is \$3/vehicle or Florida State Parks Annual Pass plus \$5/person. Group size is limited to 12. Pre-registration is required at DadePrograms@FloridaDEP.gov or 352-793-4781.

Dade Bird Walk
Date: Tuesday, October 4
Time: 9:00 am - 10:30 am
Description: Fall bird migrants are moving typically through Dade in October on their way to their wintering grounds. Bring binoculars or borrow from the park to see these avian visitors as well as our resident birds. Cost is \$3/vehicle or Annual Florida State Parks Pass. Bring a hat, sunscreen, water and insect repellent.

Winter Vegetable Pests and How to Control Them
Date: Tuesday, October 4
Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Description: Fall and winter in Central Florida are the best times of year to grow vegetables in the garden, but certain insect pests and diseases are still out there! We have a series of virtual classes this fall, including Winter Vegetable Pests and How to Control Them on October 4 at 10:00am.

Virtual Class – Fall Flower Power
Date: Wednesday, October 5
Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Description: Event by Hernando County Florida-Friendly Landscaping-Friend – Lilly Browning
Join Lilly as she discusses the fall bloomers that bring some great color into our Florida landscapes, and helps extend the season for our pollinators.

Save the Date Events

Open House & Swap Meet – Santa Fe Railroad
When: Saturday, October 8, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Where: Dana's Railroad Supply, 4042 Deltona Blvd., Spring Hill, FL 34606
Description: FEATURING SANTA FE RAILROAD. Table Space \$10 per table. Bring your own table, chair, and hat. Set up time 8:00 am. ADMISSION FREE! (352) 684-2484. www.danasrailroadsupply.com

SCHEDULE FOR STAGE WEST: SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER
Our first play of the Fall season will be ALL MY SONS by ARTHUR MILLER, 7, 8 & 9; 14, 15, 16. A winner of two TONY Awards, this drama takes place just after WWII. It depicts the story of two families whose lives are deeply affected by the aftermath of a crime of negligence committed by the two patriarchs of the family – a crime that resulted in the loss of many airmen's lives during the war. PETER AND THE STARCATCHER: Nov. 4, 5, 11 at 7:30p.m.; Nov. 6, 12, & 13 at 2p.m. This Tony-winning musical is a prequel to Peter Pan. From marauding pirates and jungle tyrants to unwilling comrades and unlikely heroes, Peter and the Starcatcher playfully explores the depths of greed and despair...

and the bonds of friendship, duty and love. For more information and to purchase tickets call (352) 683-5113 or go to www.stagewestflorida.com

CASH BASH – You are invited to the Ticket Event of the Year WHEN: Saturday, October 1, 2022, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. WHERE: Hernando County Shrine Club, 13400 Montour St., Brooksville, FL 34613 Description: OVER \$11,000 in Cash Prizes! \$10,000 Grand Prize. "Grab the Cash Machine". Tickets at the HBA office on Sunshine Grove Road. \$75 Single Ticket or \$100 Couples. Includes dinner for one or two and one entry into Grand Prize Drawing. Call (352) 596-1114 or register online at NatureCoastBuilders.com under the Events tab. Tickets available until September 23rd.

Brookridge Social Dance
Welcome back to all our snowbirds, hope to see you dancing. Our "Fall" Dance will be held October 1st from 7 to 10 pm. at the Brookridge Clubhouse 8150 Hampton St. in Brooksville. Johnny Lobo will be performing with dance music from the 50's to the 80's. Casual Dress, BYOB – Coffee and Ice provided. Our "Veterans Thank You Dance" will be held November 5th "At Large" performing. Tickets will be available at the door for \$7 each. Please call to reserve your seats in advance, limited availability. Season tickets for 2023 are on sale now with varied plans for snowbirds available. Any questions please contact Val at 352-616-0242 or brookridgesocialdance@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

Annual House to Home Mid Florida Community Services Golf Tournament Oct. 6, 2022. For more information call Rich Sanvenero at 352-573-8544.

Spring Hill Rotary Quarter Auction Friday Oct 7, 2022 doors open at 5pm; Fun, food, refreshments, 25+ vendors; Tix available on eventbrite.com Location: Hernando County Shrine Club; 13400 Montour St, Brooksville, FL 34613 Contact: carolal@noln.com

NATURECOAST BOTANICAL GARDEN 2022 ANNUAL FALL PLANT SALE
1489 Parker Ave. Spring Hill, FL October 7 and 8, Friday 9AM -2PM and Saturday 9 AM-12PM We have a great variety of moderately priced and true plants that grow in our area. Many of our plants are grown right here at the Botanical Gardens. We will have knowledgeable Spring Hill Garden members to help with questions and answers. All proceeds go to the upkeep of the Botanical Gardens, please come help us keep the gardens FREE to the public. Visit our website www.naturecoastgardens.com

SUNCOAST HARMONY CHORUS
Date: Saturday, October 8, 2022 Begins: 2:00 PM
Location: Spring Hill United Church of Christ, 4244 Mariner Boulevard, Spring Hill, 34609 Details: Suncoast Harmony Chorus, west-central Florida chapter of Sweet Adelines, International, will be offering a FREE performance, open to the public, in the sanctuary of the Spring Hill United Church of Christ, on October 8, 2022, at 2:00 PM. Entitled, AN AUTUMN SERENADE, this event is part of the SHUCC musical concert series offered throughout the year. Suncoast Harmony Chorus specializes in 4-part harmony, a cappella style, with a repertoire consisting of contemporary, patriotic, seasonal and old classics music. The chorus has been entertaining throughout Pasco, Hernando and Citrus counties for over 30 years. Doors will open at 1:30 PM.

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Unveiling of Destination Mermaids – The Tail Trail, on October 13, 2022

This legacy project coincides with the 75th anniversary of Weeki Wachee Springs State Park – Home of the World-Famous Mermaids. In honor of the Park's anniversary, 26 mermaid statues will be placed throughout the entire county, creating a trail of public art in the form of mermaids. The original statue was hand sculpted, and her face cast from an actual Weeki Wachee Mermaid. Each statue was then hand-painted by a juried artist, creating a one-of-a-kind work of art that will be included on a trail throughout Florida's Adventure Coast, Brooksville-Weeki Wachee. Festivities will begin at 10 AM, October 13, 2022, with remarks by Park and County officials, along with the unveiling of the mermaid statues, as well as a plaque recognizing the Adagio statue and park as a National Historic Landmark. Afterwards, guests will be ushered into the underwater theater for a special 75th anniversary mermaid performance at 11 AM. Refreshments will follow with opportunities to meet and greet the artists for Destination Mermaids - The Tail Trail. The mermaid performance and reception afterward are for invited guests and media.

OKTOBERFEST 2022
At St. Andrew Ukrainian Catholic Church, 8064 Weeping Willow St., Brooksville, FL 34613. Come and enjoy a fun filled night of good Food, Drink & Dancing with the Deutschmeister Blas Band on Saturday October 15, 2022. This is sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #17531. Doors open at 5:00pm. Menu Brautwurst, German Potato Salad, Sauerkraut & Apple Sauce, Salad and Dessert. Cost \$25.00pp. (Beer, Wine & Soda available). Tickets are available from the following Knights - Bob Jost 352/345-1826; John Mazzuca 352/238-8001 or Jack Hauser 352/238-1878. Get yours early as tickets are limited.

Music of the Soul
Temple Beth David 13158 Antelope St., Spring Hill, FL 34609 will host Music of the Soul on Sunday, October 23, 2022 at 2pm with Joy Katzen-Guthrie – singer, composer, lyricist, concert artist, and cantorial soloist. Her enthusiasm and humor are delivered in a masterful way for utter enjoyment. Tickets are \$18.00 per person. For tickets and more information call 352-686-7034 or go to tbdf.org/events

Recurring Community Activities

THE GREATER HERNANDO COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2022 BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARD NOMINATION S

Thank you for nominating an outstanding business for a 2022 Excellence in Business Award. Eligible Nominees must: Be a member in good standing with the Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce Be in business for a minimum of 3 years If you are uncertain if a nominee meets the above criteria, we encourage you to submit the nomination. The Chamber will verify eligibility with the nominees prior to their consideration for an award. The Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce's outstanding businesses, organizations and individuals will be recognized at our Red-Carpet Gala on Friday, December 2, 2022. To nominate go to: <https://bit.ly/3DJBaIA>

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Sea Scouts Lend a Hand

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The Scouts were pleased to lend their energies and talents to this valuable community effort. "We had just finished a coastal sail and we heard they were looking for youth volunteers to help fill sandbags," said Sea Scout Andrew Eaton. "The Sea Scouts were happy to be there for our community."

Sea Scout Brendan Young said, "We are preparing for a major storm and it is so important everyone in the community helps. We have a great group of scouts who believe in community service and wanted to be here to help. The county employees at Linda Pedersen Park were amazing. They made sure everything was working smoothly and directed us so that we could do the most good carrying and filling sandbags for people who needed it. The whole community came together for this storm."

Skipper Bill Novas praised the students' efforts. "The young men and women worked hard. There were many appreciative older residents who were worried about getting their sandbags filled and moved to their cars and it was wonderful the Scouts were there to help. It is great training for the Scouts to be involved in emergency preparation."

Emily Thomas, district executive of the Greater Tampa Bay Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, commends the Sea Scouts of Hernando Beach for their efforts. She stated, "The Sea Scouts of Ship 27 are always out there at the beach, helping as needed. They do



LEFT: Sea Scouts with County employees Bill and Joe, coordinating storm preparation sites.



Coastal Cleanups and many other projects."

Thomas expresses great pride in this and all Sea Scout efforts. "I'm so proud of the Scouts," she said.

"They realize the need for helping the community. And they are there for the community."

Ashley Young also hopes that the Scouts will inspire

other young people to "test the waters" of community service. "I am...in the hopes these young men and women can motivate others to help in the community and encourage young people to join scouting." For more information about the Sea Scouts and how to join, call the District Executive's office at 352-459-9375.

BOTTOM LEFT: Sea Scouts Andrew Eaton, Brendan Young, Sara Eaton filling sandbags at Linda Pedersen Park

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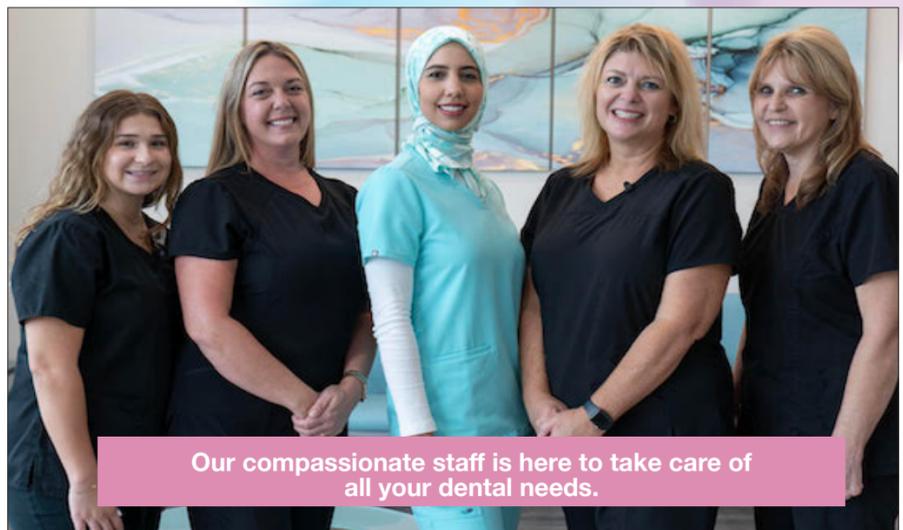
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ART BEAT

An Evening of Fun, Laughter and Comedy Oct. 7



ABOVE: Fran Capo speaking at a Guinness World of Records event

By Megan Hussey
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An Evening of Fun, Laughter, and Comedy will be celebrated on Saturday, Oct 7 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at the Wellcome OM Integral Healing and Education Center, located at 4242 Lake in the Woods Drive, Spring Hill. And as audiences travel through a Comedy Time Tunnel to meet the Fastest Talking Woman in the World, guests will be helping people in need.

Proceeds will benefit the mission of Nature Coast Community Services Foundation (NCCSF), founded and run by Hernando Hero and community activist Ellen Paul. This is a volunteer-run organization whose mission is "to identify and help the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless with food, clothing, shelter, social services, transportation, and so much more."

As guests support this important cause, they'll get a prime opportunity to meet a talented celebrity known for her big mouth, and for the even bigger heart and mind that's behind it. Fran Capo, comedienne and storyteller, is Guinness Book of World Records' Fastest Talking Woman, the author of 22 books recently seen on Access Daily with Mario Lopez, Bay News 9, and in the new movie "Friend Draft."

"I like to be a mix of storyteller, motivational speaker, and stand up comic," said Capo, a Weeki Wachee resident. "I love to make people laugh, but it's just as important to me to motivate them." Capo finds humor in all manner of life stories



Fran Capo

and situations, from the way she met her husband to the time that she, at that point an employee at a print shop, was held up at gunpoint by robbers keenly disappointed that she had only \$10 to offer them. "Five cents a copy!" She explained calmly.

From comedy contests (after winning her first competition, Capo reveals, she forgot to leave behind her contact information to be informed of her win) to cruise ships to TED Talks and a popular one woman show, Capo is up to any comedic challenge. "When it comes to new challenges," she said. "I just say yes."

From Entertainment Tonight to Good Morning America, Fran Capo's talents have been showcased on more than 450 TV shows and 4500 radio shows. Plus, she has appeared on nationally broadcast television commercials, reciting a sped up version of The Gettysburg Address on a Nissan commercial. And on Oct. 7 she'll be making people laugh for a good cause. "I hope that we can help people get out of bad life situations," she said. "All they need is a chance."

Also featured at An Evening of Fun, Laughter, and Comedy is the Comedy Time-Tunnel showcase, an audiovisual time travel journey that takes the audience through the first Great American comedians in the city of Boston 1787, on to the enchanting comedy ride of the 1900s Vaudeville, Stand-up Theater, and early days of radio and television comedy. Featured are rare comedy routines on a large screen from industry luminaries such as Milton Berle, George Burns, Red Skelton, Phyllis Diller and many more. The Comedy Time Tunnel is presented by Tony Belmont of the National Comedy Hall of Fame Museum.



Tony Belmont

And a silent art auction will feature beautiful works of art from local artists donated to NCCFC for sale at the event. "The goal of Nature Coast Community Services Foundation (NCCSF) is to help indigent people in the community," said founder Ellen Paul. "Our goal is to feed them, give them clothing, drive them to doctors' appointments, and to help them get jobs and IDs to help them get an identity." And aside from short-term needs, the Community Services Foundation helps their clients with long-term goals. "We've gotten people out of the woods and helped them get their lives back and accomplish something," said Paul. "We build them up."

Tickets are \$20 (tax deductible) each; visit www.eventbrite.com and search for "Nature Coast Community Services Foundation," to purchase tickets for An Evening of Fun, Laughter, and Comedy. For more information, visit <https://naturecoastcommunityservices-foundation.org/> or call (352) 600-9555.

Spring Hill 8 Movie Times

Friday, September 30 through Sunday, October 2	Barbarian Runs: 1h 43m No Passes Allowed 12:15 PM, 4:15 PM, 7:15 PM, 10:15 PM
Bros Runs: 1h 55m 1:15 PM, 4:15 PM, 7:15 PM, 10:05 PM	The Invitation Runs: 1h 44m 7:30 PM, 10:25 PM
Smile Runs: 1h 55m 1:00 PM, 4:00 PM, 7:00 PM, 9:55 PM	Bullet Train Runs: 2h 6m 4:00 PM
Avatar (Re-Release 2022) Runs: 2h 41m 12:00 PM, 3:45 PM, 7:45 PM	DC League of Super-Pets Runs: 1h 45m 12:45 PM
Don't Worry Darling Runs: 2h 3m 12:30 PM, 3:45 PM, 7:00 PM, 10:15 PM	Minions: The Rise of Gru Runs: 1h 28m 1:30 PM
The Woman King Runs: 2h 14m 12:00 PM, 3:30 PM, 6:45 PM, 10:05 PM	Top Gun: Maverick Runs: 2h 11m 3:15 PM
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Friday, 30 September 2022 - Thursday, 06 October 20

Amsterdam (R)	Thurs: 6:30PM
Avatar 3D (2009) (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 1:30PM, 5:00PM, 8:30PM
Barbarian (R)	Fri, Sat: 1:30PM, 4:30PM, 7:15PM, 10:00PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 1:30PM, 4:30PM, 7:15PM
Bros (R)	Fri, Sat: 1:30PM, 4:15PM, 7:00PM, 9:45PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 1:30PM, 4:15PM, 7:00PM
Bullet Train (R)	Daily except Thurs: 1:45PM, 5:15PM, 8:30PM
Don't Worry Darling (R)	Fri, Sat: 1:15PM, 4:00PM, 6:45PM, 9:30PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 1:15PM, 4:00PM, 6:45PM
Lifemark (NR)	Fri, Sat: 1:00PM, 4:00PM, 7:00PM, 10:00PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 1:00PM, 4:00PM, 7:00PM
Lyle, Lyle Crocodile (PG)	Thurs: 4:00PM, 6:45PM
See How They Run (PG13)	Fri, Sat: 12:00PM, 2:30PM, 5:00PM, 7:30PM, 10:00PM Sun, Wed: 2:30PM, 5:00PM Mon, Tues: 12:00PM, 2:30PM, 5:00PM, 7:30PM
Smile (R)	Fri, Sat: 1:45PM, 4:30PM, 7:15PM, 10:00PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 1:45PM, 4:30PM, 7:15PM
Smile GTX (R)	Fri, Sat: 1:00PM, 3:45PM, 6:30PM, 9:15PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 2:30PM, 5:15PM, 8:00PM
Superspreaders (PG13)	Fri, Sat: 12:30PM, 2:45PM, 5:00PM, 7:15PM, 9:30PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 12:30PM, 2:45PM, 5:00PM, 7:15PM
Top Gun Maverick (PG13)	Fri, Sat: 12:00PM, 3:15PM, 6:30PM, 9:45PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 12:00PM, 3:15PM, 6:30PM
Trick 'R Treat (R)	Sun, Wed: 12:15PM, 7:45PM
Woman King, The (PG13)	Fri, Sat: 12:00PM, 3:15PM, 6:30PM, 9:45PM Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed: 12:00PM, 3:15PM, 6:30PM

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8:15-12:00 Caring K9's	12-4 Scrabble	9:30-11:00 Bingo
9-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles	3-8 "RTM Studios" (Private Piano & Voice lessons)	9-4:00 Sewing Group (1st FL Side Room)
12-4 Scrabble	6-8:00 CODA	10-4 Perfect Storm
12-4 Canasta Hand & Foot		10:30-4 Basket Weavers
OCTOBER	5	1-3:00 Creative Art
	9-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles	5:3-7 Private Art Class
3	9-4:00 Warm Up America - 1st Fl Side Room	7
8:15-12:00 Caring K9's	10-4 AARP Safety Driving Class (2nd Fl Morana Room)	8:15-12:00 Caring K9's
9-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles	11:30-12:30 Blood Pressure	9-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles
10-2 Low Vision Works	1-2:00 Music with Gale	10-2 Low Vision Works
3-8 "RTM Studios" (Private Piano & Voice lessons)	1-3 Pencil Sketching	12-4 Scrabble
3-9 Rental		12-4 Canasta Hand & Foot
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9-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles	9-4 Cards, Games	

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ART BEAT

A Stellar Production Does Justice to a Tony Award-Winning Play

By Sarah Nachin
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have rehearsed over two months to refine all aspects. Great costumes, lighting design, sound effects, and a stage manager brings this powerful story together.”

“I think whoever comes and sees this show, will come away with their own thoughts of the events that take place,” Linda concludes.

Rob Glidden, a thirty-year veteran of acting, plays a major part in the show—Joe Keller, the patriarch of the family. This is his first time acting at Stage West, although he did pursue acting as a career for several years.

He received a Master in Fine Arts in acting at the University of Georgia. One of his favorite roles was that of a mentally disturbed man in a drama called “The Pillowman.” It was his thesis role in graduate school.

“I got to use different acting techniques and it was very challenging,” Rob states.

The most rewarding aspect of acting for Rob is “being able to create different characters and trying to find the similarities and differences between you and them.”

“One of the challenges is trying to keep the reality of the scene no matter what you’re playing, whether it’s comedy or drama. Everything has to ring true,” Rob concludes.

The character of Kate Keller, the matriarch of the family, goes through a wide range of emotions. Emily Nettin, with thirty-five years’ experience in theatre—she started acting when she was ten—took on a role that many actors would have avoided. What helped Emily nail the part is that she delves into the character’s background and tries to put herself in that character’s position.

“I like the challenge of trying to understand the character. It’s a process of learning all your lines and then trying to forget them so you can think about how you would react if you were that character—trying to get my characters to sound as natural as possible.”

In her many years in theatre Emily has acted, danced, and directed. One of her favorite roles was Karen Nash in “Plaza Suite.” Next up for Emily will be directing “Guess Who’s coming to Dinner” at the Carrollwood Playhouse in Tampa. She plans to put a different twist on the play to make it more reflective of our times.

Jonathan Hoch plays one of the leads—Chris Keller. His character experiences a profound transformation and displays a wide range of emotions also.

Jonathan states, “Portraying the range of emotions and the levels of emotion was somewhat of a challenge. I went through more intense emotional levels than I had in other roles that I’ve played.”

The 15-year veteran of acting has performed in theatre and in films. He finds the two media very different. He prefers film to theatre and prefers drama to comedy. However, one of his favorite roles was playing the groom in “Father of the Bride” when he was 27 because, “I was essentially playing myself. I was able to ease into the role and have fun the whole time,” he shared.

Angela Gluchowski, who plays Ann Deever, got into acting when she was ten years old because her mother is an actor.

“Playing Ann in this show has definitely been one of my favorites.”

However, she also enjoyed playing Shelby in “Steel Magnolias” and Lina Lamont in “Singing in the Rain.”

Angela finds two aspects of acting rewarding.

“One is the way it feels to perform in front of an audience after all of the work you and your cast have been putting in after weeks of rehearsals. There is also the sense of community you get when performing with others who have the same passion as you.”

Without giving away the ending, Angela remarks, “The most rewarding part of my role is getting to be the character that makes the big reveal at the end of the show. I’ve never had that opportunity before on stage.”

Angela is now balancing two parts of theatre work. Besides the weeks of rehearsal and then performances of “All My Sons,” she is now stage manager for “Peter and the Starcatcher,” a totally different type of play which, in her words, “promises to be a fabulous show!”

A dentist in his “day job,” Steve Willding plays Dr. Bayliss, the Keller’s neighbor. He also did the set design and worked on constructing the set. Steve has acted in more than forty roles. His favorite was playing the sheriff in “The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas.” He also had a major role as the prosecutor in “Inherit the Wind.”

What he finds most satisfying about acting is “I get the same thrill and adrenaline rush at opening night as I got playing baseball during my youth.”

The character of Bert, portrayed by seven-year-old Joseph Dedea, lends comic relief to what is overall a



ABOVE: From left to right: Joseph Dedea (Bert), Rob Glidden

very serious play. His father, Anthony Dedea, who was in “Duress” this past May, encouraged him to audition for the part. Memorizing lines was a bit challenging, but his performance showed no sign of “stage fright.”

“What I like best is that the part is funny,” Joseph remarks. Although the character of George doesn’t show up until Act II, he is the catalyst that brings about an epiphany for the Keller family. The part is one of the most emotional in the play and it would have been tempting to overact, but Mark Burdette shows constraint.

Mark is a seasoned actor, having been involved in

theatre for twenty-eight years. He even performed in Los Angeles for a time, acting in commercials and as an extra in several films. The most rewarding thing about acting for him is connecting with the audience.

“It’s fun to embody all those different characters because growing up I wanted to be everything—a doctor, a lawyer, a writer. Being an actor is the only way you can actually do such a thing, even if it’s only for a couple of months at a time.”

Arthurs Miller’s play ran for more than two years on Broadway with 328 performances. It enjoyed a revival on Broadway in

2008, has been performed in the United Kingdom and even Turkey and been made into a film twice. Stage West’s performance and interpretation of this American classic lives up to all of these standards.

“All My Sons” will be playing at Stage West Playhouse September 30th, October 1st and October 7th at 7:30 p.m. and October 2nd, 8th and 9th at 2:00 p.m. To purchase tickets for the show, go online to www.stagewestflorida.com or call the box office Tuesday - Saturday, 10 am – 2 pm. at 352-683-5113. The theatre is located at 8390 Forest Oaks Blvd. in Spring Hill.

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ART BEAT

Lecture: Florida edibles, nature-made survival tools

By Megan Hussey
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“Disasters can happen anytime, anywhere. A hurricane, tornado or wildfire could destroy your home. You could get lost while out on a stroll in the woods. Your vehicle could break down in a remote area miles from anywhere. All of these could put you in survival mode and this would be made worse if someone with you was also seriously hurt,” read an event description. “Foraging food for free can be fun if you want to add some interesting and nutritious ingredients to your meals or need a handy trail-side snack. However, knowing what to forage for is a skill that will enhance your appreciation of and enjoyment in the countryside and is something you can do with family and friends. For centuries, wild plants and herbs have been used to treat ailments in the countryside and some of these remedies can still be very useful today. The great outdoors provides a year-round abundant supply of free and nutritional food for those willing to explore it. Join us as we explore nature’s edible larder.”

Don Philpott has more than 250 books published on a wide range of subjects. In 2009, he wrote the Guide to The Wekiva Basin State Parks (reprinted in 2013) - with all profits going to the park. He has published more than 5,000 articles in newspapers and magazines, and is a volunteer at Wekiwa Springs State Park where he helps run the nature center and interpretive programs, both within the park and as part of the outreach program. He teaches “Edible Florida” and “Basic Survival” courses throughout Florida and was selected as Florida State Parks Volunteer of the Year for services to the park service. He is president of the Wekiwa Wilderness Trust, the park’s Citizen Support Organization, and a member of the Friends of the Wekiwa River, the National Audubon Society and the National Association for Interpretation. “My presentation will focus on several studies that have recently been conducted in Florida’s award winning 175 state parks,” he explained. “These include a fascinating

look at some of the critters that used to roam Florida thousands of years ago, and many of the hundreds of plants found in state parks that are edible or have medicinal uses.”

Practical safety issues will be another focus of Philpott’s presentation. He stated, “I will also be talking about how to stay safe when exploring the great outdoors and how to predict the weather from observing nature.”

Philpott, who has had a lifelong interest in conservation and the environment was a member of the Conservation Corps and Royal Society for the Protection of Birds in the UK, and for many years volunteered as a relief ranger and guide at Minsmere Bird Reserve where many of Europe’s rarest species breed are discovered. He is president of Friends of Florida State Parks, a Florida Master Naturalist (FMN), and an instructor with the University of Florida’s FMN program teaching classes in Seminole County, FL. He is also a Florida Master Gardener and a Certified Interpretive Guide.

“With his 250 books and endless information, Don Philpott makes for an excellent expert on Florida living,” said Sharon Printz, board member of Academia Hernando. “We have so much flora and fauna down here to learn about and Don is the person to teach us.”

Coming up at Academia Hernando is “China Under Communism” on Friday, Oct. 14 at 10 am, which will be presented by Dr. David Kelly; “Around the World in 100 Minutes” will be presented on Friday, Oct. 21 at 10 am by Joy Katzen-Guthrie; Nan Colton will present “Agatha Christie, Queen of Murder Mysteries” on Friday, Oct. 28 at 10am; Ross Tarr, M.S. and Wanda Stuart, M.S will present “Storyteller of Old Tampa” on Friday, Nov. 4, at 10 am; and the series will culminate with a Mystery Bus Excursion on Friday, Nov. 11.

Academia Hernando, formed as a division of learning in retirement of the University of South Florida, was originally entitled “Mondays in Brooksville” and met in the Commission Chambers of the Courthouse. It was incorporated as a 501(c) 3 domestic non-profit business on November 18, 2010.

The Academia Hernando lectures begin promptly at 10 am and lasts for 2 hours with a 15 minute intermission. To register for the entire lecture series in addition to a mystery excursion, print the registration form found at <https://www.academiahernando.org/fall-series> and mail with your check for \$80 payable to Academia Hernando, Inc. and mail to:

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ART BEAT

Meet Chris Rocanelli, Live Oak Theatre Veteran

By Megan Hussey
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The theatrical season is well underway at the Live Oak Theatre, which is a not-for-profit 501(C)(3) repertory company of local artists, located at the Carol and Frank Morsani Center for the Arts at 21030 Cortez Boulevard, Brooksville. Whether you favor the sound of music or the feel of mystery, the Live Oak Theatre is offering an exciting schedule of shows that appeal to all.

Currently playing at the theatre is “Murder on the Orient Express,” now showing from September 23 through October 9.

Assistant Director Chris Rocanelli is a Live Oak veteran who returns to the stage as assistant director of “Murder on the Orient Express.” He stated, “Live Oak has been a part of my life since I was 14 years old. My friend Holly had done shows with them and told me I should audition for their latest original production ‘Around the World in 80 Days.’ I did and got cast in a variety of supporting roles! Then, I continued performing with Live Oak by joining the company of ‘The Secret Garden.’ By the time I was a sophomore, I focused on the F.W. Springstead High School productions. However, the Live Oak Family was still a part of my life. Since my return to Hernando County, I have been seen on stage in LOT’s production of ‘Into the Woods’ as the Narrator and ‘Newsies’ as Wiesel, Jacobi, and the Mayor. Now, I am stepping behind the scenes in our production of ‘Murder on the Orient Express’ as the assistant director.”

Rocanelli also plays another important role in the community, as an elementary school teacher. “I currently teach 4th Grade Language Arts and Social Studies at Pine Grove Elementary School. PGES is a second home to me as it was my elementary school and my mother, sister, aunt, and cousin all work there. If that was not enough family, my beautiful fiancé Kimberly (who can be seen as Mrs. Hubbard in our production of ‘Murder on the Orient Express’) is my co-teacher!” he said. “As for college, I am currently finishing my Bachelor’s degree in Supervision and Management from Florida State College at Jacksonville.”

This has proven a rich homecoming for Rocanelli, now a seasoned thespian. “I attended school in Jacksonville, and with the rise of COVID-19, working from home, and attending school online, my sister, fiancé and I decided to move back to Spring Hill. In Jacksonville, I continued my theatrical ventures by taking theatre classes and was featured in ‘Into the Woods’ as Rapunzel’s Prince, ‘A Midsummer Night’s Dream’ as Nick Bottom, and ‘Twelve Angry Men’ as Juror #2 in Theatre Jacksonville’s 100th season,” he explained. “As we prepared to move back, I decided to look and see what Live Oak Theatre’s season was and saw the upcoming auditions for “Into the Woods”. “Into the Woods” is one of my favorite musicals, so my fiancé and I decided to audition. Thus, it all began as we were welcomed back to Live Oak with open arms!”

Rocanelli has a strong background in the theatrical arts. “Many of my ventures in Jacksonville as well as Spring Hill had me involved both on and off stage. I was learning more and more about directing and other technical theatre elements throughout my recent theatre experiences, so when the opportunity came to assistant direct ‘Murder on the Orient Express,’ I had to take it,” he said. “This cast is filled with people I love dearly and who have become a second family to me. Working with Director Katie Marra, the cast, and members of the Live Oak Theatre company on this production has been simply incredible.”

Rocanelli said that audiences should enjoy their ride on the Orient Express. “Murder on the Orient Express” is sure to keep you on the edge of your seat until the very last line! It is your classic ‘whodunnit’ play and will have you feeling like you are investigating the crime right along with world famous detective Hercule Poirot (played by Kevan Richards). It is the perfect mix of suspense, comedy, and thrill executed beautifully by an extremely talented cast.” he said. “This cast has worked tirelessly both on and off stage to make this a truly amazing production. Each member of our production brings something so special to the table that you do not want to miss! Katie Marra, our director, has worked so hard to bring to the community what I can guarantee will be a beautiful night in the theatre.”

Rocanelli looks forward to a bright future in the



ABOVE: Chris Rocanelli

theatre, at Live Oak and beyond. “Currently, I am prepping for the upcoming auditions for Live Oak Theatre’s production of ‘The Sound of Music’ which is set to premiere in the Spring! I hope to be able to try my hand at directing future Live Oak Theatre productions in the upcoming seasons!” he said. “Also, I am currently working to bring a chorus back to Pine Grove Elementary School and hope to continue to educate and guide children to the arts both through my position at PGES and my membership with Live Oak Theatre.”

Live Oak Theatre’s open auditions for “The Sound of Music” are coming soon at the theatre. This is Live Oak’s interpretation of the classic story of the Von Trapp family, under the guidance of governess turned matriarch Maria Von Trapp. This classic story has been retold in the form of a book, several German-based musical films, a classic Hollywood musical, and

now a popular stage musical production.

“We are super excited to put our own special touches to this classic musical,” said Vince Vanni, Live Oak spokesman. “We have attempted, on many occasions, to obtain

the rights to “Sound of Music:” however, whenever we apply, it was being performed close by.” To be considered for this audition, any talent, whether they’re a Live Oak vet or are new to the theatre, should submit a video audition performing a pre-selected monologues and a pre-selected character specific song from the show by Tuesday, November 29. Full audition instructions can be found on the Live Oak Theatre website at <https://www.liveoaktheatre.org/gallery>.

Those who read the full instructions and still have questions, email marie@liveoaktheatre.org. “Live Oak Theatre is a repertory company, so auditions are actually to be in the company, not just this one production. Once accepted into the company, you are notified of various opportunities to perform,” said Vanni. “Those who are accepted participate in a brief orientation about the mission, vision, and especially the values of our family friendly theatre company.” “The Sound of Music” will be performed March 17,19, 24-26 & 31-April 2, 2023. Additional performances may be scheduled.

The Executive Producer sponsor for “The Sound of Music” is Pasco Hernando State College. “I am handling the drama coaching and direction. The full production is under the direction of Kris Mitten,” said Vanni. “I have worked with her on ‘Cheaper by the Dozen’ and ‘The Importance of Being Earnest.’ I was thrilled when she asked me to collaborate with her again.”

For more information about the Live Oak Theatre Company, including sponsorship and audition opportunities, call 352-593-0027, email liveoakboxoffice@gmail.com or go to www.LiveOakTheatre.org.

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Chris Rocanelli in Live Oak's recent production of Newsies!

SPORTS

Panthers strike hard to hold streak against Leopards

By CHERYL CLANTON

Thursday night September 22, 2022 inside the Hernando High School Gym, the Leopards went up against the Lecanto Panthers girls' volleyball team in a non-conference game for the third time.

Each time these two teams went head-to-head the Panthers struck hard on the Leopards: 9/6/22 Hernando 0 – Lecanto 3 and 9/10/22 Hernando 0 – Lecanto 2. Once again on Sept 24, 2022, the Lecanto Panthers came out on top 3-0.

Games were well fought out Thursday night. Both teams battled it out on the court, with Lecanto leading each game 1st 25-15, 2nd 25-15 and 3rd 25-23. Leopards struck hard to come back and take the last game, but fell short. The power of the kill shots coming from both sides of the court, and the volleys made the stands light up with excitement.



On Thursday September 22, 2022 Volleyball game Panthers vs Hernando inside the Hernando Gym. End of game Leopards congratulate Panthers on their win 3-0. Photo by Cheryl Clanton.



Leopards (Sr) 9 Jamie Smith performs a kill shot to the Panthers on Thursday's game at Hernando. Photo by Cheryl Clanton.



On September 22, 2022 Thursday night Volleyball game at Hernando, Leopard #2 Jackie Cuevas (Jr) returns a serve from the Lecanto Panthers. Photo by Cheryl Clanton.

More Volleyball Moments in Photos...



Hornets ,5, Joelysee Morales managed to split the Central defense of ,11, Natalie Kupres and ,3, Jaylene Sanchez on this play. Weeki Wachee beat Central 3-0 on Sept. 22. The Hornets are now 12-5, while Central is 1-13. Photo by JOE DiCRISTOFALO



Central High, 1, Zioneliz Miranda returns a volley in the match against Weeki Wachee High. Weeki Wachee beat Central 3-0 on Sept. 22. Photo by JOE DiCRISTOFALO



Springstead High's Ezzie Thompson puts up a block against Lecanto Tuesday at Springstead. Photo by JOE DiCRISTOFALO



LEFT: Springstead High's Rylynn Lanziero, 5, and Ezzie Thompson, 7, try to defend Tuesday Sept. 20 versus Lecanto. Springstead beat Lecanto 3-1. Springstead's record is currently 16-3. Photo by JOE DiCRISTOFALO

RIGHT: Springstead High's Kendall Bunch, 14, skies to put down a point in the match versus Lecanto High Tuesday at Springstead. Photo by JOE DiCRISTOFALO



SPORTS

Eagles Football Soar Over Weeki Wachee

FROM PAGE B 1

come to scoring a touchdown was on an interception returned to Springstead's red zone just before halftime. With that being said, was the matchup truly that one-sided?

Out of the gate, Springstead was firing on almost all cylinders. The Eagles marched down the field and put themselves in scoring position less than two minutes into the contest. Much to the home team's chagrin, Senior Quarterback Ayden Ferguson's completed pass to Senior Wide Receiver Caidell Gilbert was fumbled out of bounds through the endzone resulting in a Hornets' touchback. The miscue did not hurt the Eagles much, though, as their defense held Weeki Wachee to a three-and-out on the next drive with a false start to boot. Springstead's next drive started in excellent field position at their own 45 yard line and the offense picked up where they left off. In two quick plays of 8 and 40 yards to Senior Luca Garguilo and Sophomore Tyree Davis respectively, the Eagles were knocking on the door again. The home team would find paydirt two plays later after back-to-back runs up the middle by Ferguson midway through the first quarter.

A turnover on downs saw the Eagles start their next drive at their 38 yard line, but a three-and-out gave way to a well-placed punt out of bounds at the Hornets' 15. Fortuitously for the home team, Weeki Wachee proceeded to move backwards, and the ensuing punt was ill-fated. Springstead Head Coach Michael Garofano's team would take over with immaculate field position at Weeki Wachee's 21 as the punt only travelled 9 yards. Springstead struck while the iron was hot, and they punched it in two plays later on a 17-yard pass to Gilbert. Hornets Sophomore Quarterback Gio Martinez and company would manage to string a couple of first downs together, but their drive would stall before they reached midfield. The red-clad home team would then have another quick five-play drive ending with a 26-yard pass to Garguilo to give the Eagles an imposing 21-0 lead with three minutes remaining in the half.

Another three-and-out by the visitors was punctuated by a pair of savvy timeouts by Coach Garofano to give his team a chance at a quick score before half.



Springstead, 4, Conner Mccazzio finds some running room against Weeki Wachee. Photo by JOE DICRISTOFALO



ABOVE: Springstead Football Team runs on to the field before taking on the Weeki Wachee Hornets at home. 2, Roman Strat, 12, Tyree Davis, 80, Michael Rizzuto, 4, Conner Mccazzio and 9, Taylor Fussell. Photo by JOE DICRISTOFALO

BELOW: Weeki Wachee, 20, Richard Bowermaster tries to escape a tackle attempt by Springstead's Michael Rizzuto, 80. Photo by JOE DICRISTOFALO



This decision would almost come back to bite the Eagles, though, when Ferguson threw an interception as he was being hit from behind. Sophomore Runningback Connor Mccazzio made the touchdown saving tackle on the return, but not before Junior Adrian Cabezudo ran the interception back inside the home team's red zone.

Then the Eagles' stingy defense rose up yet again. As they have done all but three times this season, Senior Outside Linebacker Madden Buratczuk and company kept the opposing offense out of the end zone. This was despite only having 14 yards of cushion between themselves and their own goal line. The defense sacked Martinez on first down, forced an incompleting on second, and allowed only short gains on the final two downs to turn the Hornets away on their best chance of the night.

Coming out of halftime, Springstead's defense remained locked in as Sophomore Dalton Williams picked off Martinez less than a minute into the third period. The rest of the half would play out largely as a defensive battle on both sides as Weeki Wachee forced their own turnover on downs directly after the interception by Williams. However, Coach Garofano's squad would find the endzone one more time by way of a five-yard touchdown run by PJ Class with 3:17 left in the third to bring the contest to its final 28-0 mark.

The Hornets had hoped to rebound against the Nature Coast Tech Sharks (2-2) on Friday Sept 30, but all games have been canceled due to Hurricane Ian. The Eagles were to play a district game against the Wiregrass Ranch Bulls (1-3).

Jason Nguyen: A Punch Above the Competition

FROM PAGE B 1

"We did do homework on an opponent that was no longer there, but we just made adjustments accordingly," Coach Montanez said. "When you prepare to fight and to compete, you prepare for whatever comes. We did exactly that and it showed... It took all three rounds and he won unanimously on every round. He won every round convincingly. There wasn't a round where it could've went one way or another. It was a unanimous decision."

Jason's preparation for moments like these began four years ago as an 18-year-old kid just out of Central High School. That was when he and Coach Montanez started to train together. At first, they would exercise just about anywhere they could for lack of a true permanent place to train. Now the duo operates out of Progear Gym at Lift More Fitness on Sakera Road in Hudson.

Though they have only operated out of their current location for two years, owners Mike and Sarah Oliva started Progear eight years ago as a more traditional style training facility. Over time, as the two moved their operations to different locations, they eventually settled at a location that seemed conducive to a "warehouse style" gym. As he had never seen one locally, Mr. Oliva was "super nervous" but excited to introduce the public to their non-traditional gym. Since their most recent change in venue, Progear has allowed Coach Montanez to train Jason and other fighters at their establishment. Vinny Turiello, a bare-knuckle fighter working with Coach Montanez, is preparing for a title bout in the 125-pound weight class in November.

Depending on the schedule, Nguyen and Coach Montanez will work out "six to seven days a week" in the evenings staying as late as midnight in some cases. "I feel so great right now," Nguyen said. "We had a good camp. Some days we're working twice a day. I used to have problems trying to stay on weight, but now it's like since we're working twice a day, it's easy to cut down that weight." When the 22-year-old boxer weighed in at Saturday's competition, the scale read 133 and a half pounds. Combined with cutting out various unhealthy foods, these practices have helped him progress from suffering a contested loss in his first fight to currently enjoying a six-game winning streak following Saturday's victory.



ABOVE: Jason Nguyen practices at Progear Gym in Hudson.

Nguyen's accomplishments extend beyond the ring as well as he has already received his associates degree and was recently accepted to the University of Central Florida where he plans to study kinesiology. The boxing coach is very proud of Jason and lauded the young boxer as "every coach's dream" due to his hard work and humility.

But Nguyen and Coach Montanez know that there is

always work to be done to get better every day. With each victory and each loss, lessons can be learned that can help make Jason a better fighter. "We looked at tape and some things to study and go back to the drawing board," Coach Montanez said. "Work on things and, like I said, continue to grow from every experience and every fight."

FUN AND GAMES

GRIN and BEAR IT by Wagner



"I think she overreacted. ... How were you to know she was a real blonde?"

Americanisms



"The most difficult thing is the decision to act, the rest is merely tenacity."
— Amelia Earhart

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Sudoku solution on p 11

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

1			5				6	
	4	3		8				2
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: T equals C

RVL TLULDP OKHIKB XDB
UDEACPW LHTUNDTVAHI KENH
RVL WLDUPW TUNEB NO UWL
DHC XVLDL. LUIN, LUINR.

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Solution to Crypto on page 10

LAFF - A - DAY



"You know very well what fish!"

CROSSWORD PUZZLE ON P 11

Super Crossword

Answers

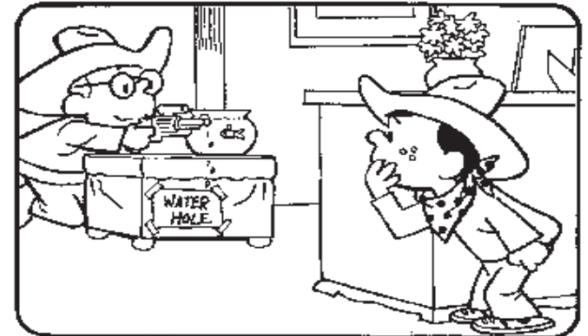
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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps

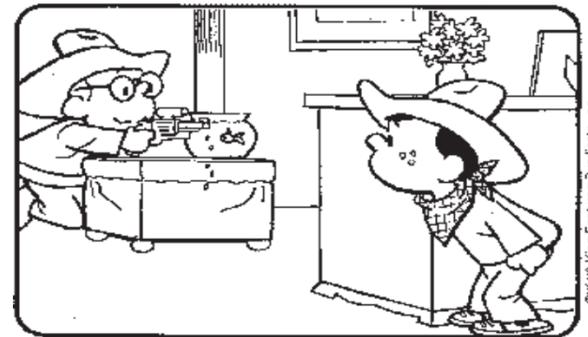


HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Hat is different. 2. Hat is different. 3. Sign is missing. 4. Arm is hidden. 5. Bandana is different. 6. Picture frame is moved.

BWS solution on p 11

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 20:6

Now this I know: The LORD gives victory to his anointed. He answers him from his heavenly sanctuary with the victorious power of his right hand.

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

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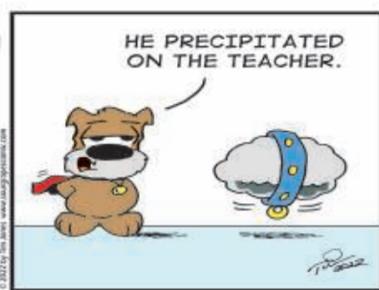
Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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SOUR GRAPES

by Tim Jones



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



CryptoQuote
answer

You can act to change and control your life; and the procedure, the process is its own reward.
— Amelia Earhart

FUN AND GAMES



Super Crossword

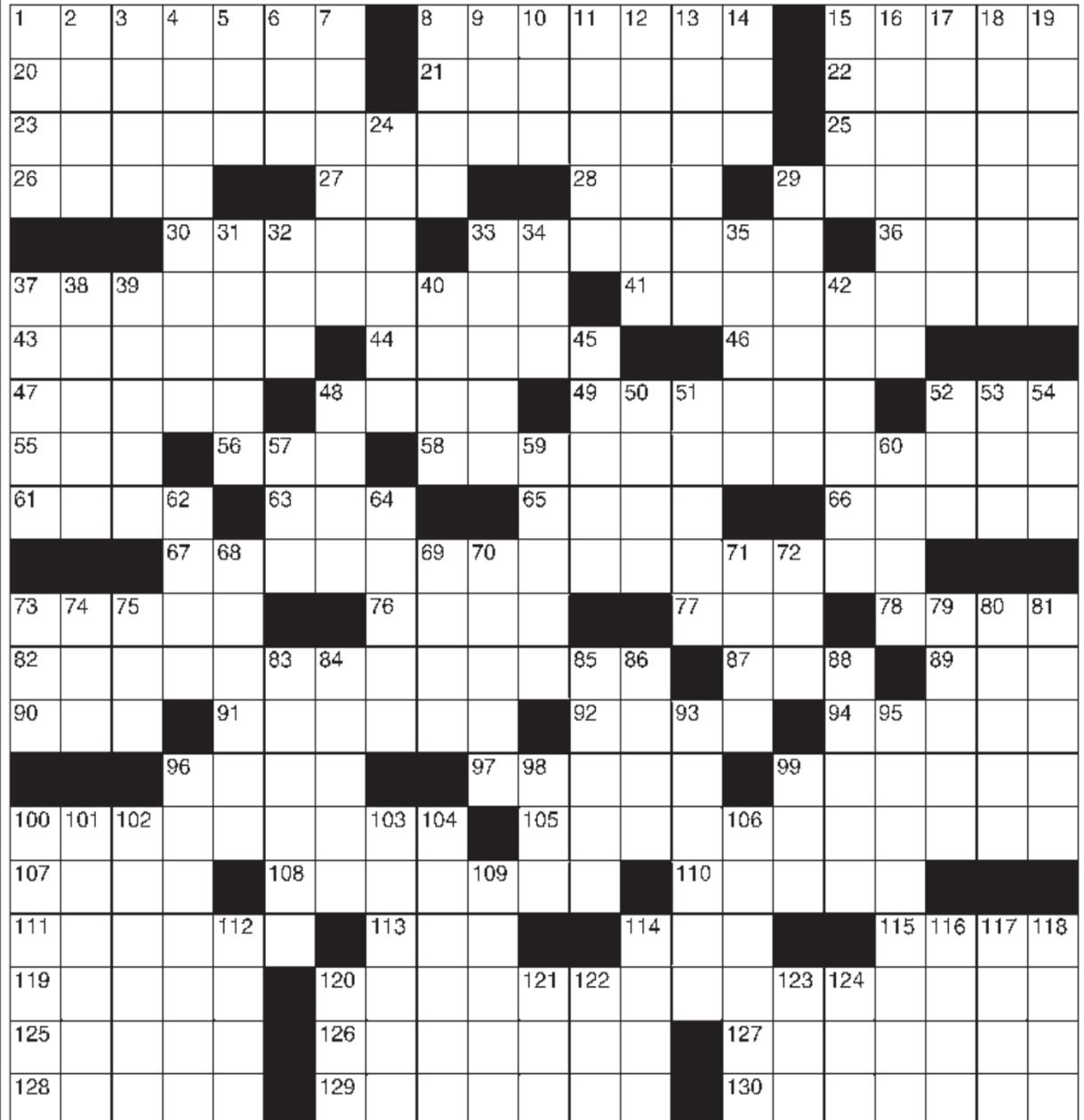
GOOD DOGS!

- ACROSS**
- 1 Perfect places
 - 8 Places
 - 15 Firing noise
 - 20 Italian province or its capital
 - 21 Mobile's place
 - 22 Goes the distance
 - 23 "We were just talking about you!"
 - 25 Roast's host
 - 26 Early 1900s cars
 - 27 The Raptors, on sports tickers
 - 28 Up to, for short
 - 29 Actor Everett of "Stardust"
 - 30 In accordance with
 - 33 Really big
 - 36 Low-value billfold fillers
 - 37 Yet to happen
 - 41 Regular way of walking
 - 43 Slacked off
 - 44 "Your Song" singer John
 - 46 Acquire
 - 47 Martini's partner in winemaking
 - 48 Exam for some jrs.
 - 49 Acquire
 - 52 Tally up
 - 55 "The Ipcress File" novelist Deighton
 - 56 Maiden-named
 - 58 Bring items to someone as a server would
 - 61 Italian province or its capital
 - 63 Steeped quaff
 - 65 Love god
 - 66 Ouzo flavorer
 - 67 Insist that formalities are observed
 - 73 Extensive destruction
 - 76 "Air kiss" sound
 - 77 Crude
 - 78 Greek god in a chariot
 - 82 Make radical changes to the norm
 - 87 Hi-graphics
 - 89 Long time
 - 90 Beige
 - 91 Father of Taoism
 - 92 Talk to a deity
 - 94 Novelist Nin
 - 96 Shade trees
 - 97 Acknowledge
 - 99 Wading birds
 - 100 Relax briefly
 - 105 No matter the consequence
 - 107 A long time
 - 108 1988 NFL MVP Boomer
 - 110 Bearings
 - 111 Loosened, as a skate
 - 113 From — Z
 - 114 Assist
 - 115 "That's awful!"
 - 119 Actor Feldman
 - 120 Place to teach the eight commands featured in this puzzle
 - 125 Rub away
 - 126 Mopped, e.g.
 - 127 Crouched
 - 128 Relaxes
 - 129 In a nervous way
 - 130 Woven fabric
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Khrushchev's fed.
 - 2 Sticky stuff
 - 3 Butter substitute
 - 4 Field laborers
 - 5 Really bug
 - 6 Year, in Rio
 - 7 "Mister" of ice cream trucks
 - 8 Bert of "The Wizard of Oz"
 - 9 "Go, torero!"
 - 10 Ill-bred dude
 - 11 Assists in crime
 - 12 Sumptuous
 - 13 Actress de Ravin of "Lost"
 - 14 Actor Mineo
 - 15 — cheese dressing
 - 16 Sendup
 - 17 Liftoff follower
 - 18 Hi-fi system
 - 19 Feared fly
 - 24 Swimmer Dara with 12 Olympic medals
 - 29 Installed anew, as flooring
 - 31 Beer vessel
 - 32 Prof's degree
 - 33 Having a dull finish
 - 34 Hurly-burly
 - 35 Eschewer of animal products
 - 37 "The Little Rascals" girl
 - 38 Conical woodwinds
 - 39 Had no life
 - 40 Royal name of Norway
 - 42 Soup holder
 - 45 Mother-of-pearl
 - 48 Hammer end
 - 50 Norse god in a chariot
 - 51 Nonlethal stunner
 - 52 Jackie's hubby #2
 - 53 HMO participants
 - 54 Henna, e.g.
 - 57 SFO guess
 - 59 PC support givers
 - 60 Writer Seton
 - 62 Merits a "so-so"
 - 64 Acknowledge
 - 68 Antigen disablers
 - 69 Has
 - 70 Actor Conrad of early films
 - 71 Nanny Poppins
 - 72 Have a debt
 - 73 Pres. elected in '48
 - 74 "Caught you!"
 - 75 Boxy vehicle
 - 79 Weaponize again
 - 80 "Traffic" actress Christensen
 - 81 Full of lip
 - 83 Packed firmly
 - 84 Gas pump attachments
 - 85 Novelist Sinclair
 - 86 Grads' dance
 - 88 Lucifer
 - 93 Lacking vitality
 - 95 Medium to poor
 - 96 Least difficult
 - 98 Lead-in to chic or hazard
 - 99 Sow or cow
 - 100 Dish under a cup
 - 101 Brush aside
 - 102 "Neon" tank swimmers
 - 103 Prone
 - 104 Triangular sail
 - 106 Least narrow
 - 109 Coke and Pepsi
 - 112 Peepers
 - 114 Roddick of tennis
 - 116 Pueblo people
 - 117 Yuletide tune
 - 118 Dated, quaintly
 - 120 Mo. with the birthstone opal
 - 121 Suffix with opal
 - 122 Fish that can be shocking
 - 123 — Jeanne d'Arc: Abbr.
 - 124 "Friends" co-star Courteney



BWS Puzzle on page 10

Answers
BIBLE WORD SEARCH



Solution to Crossword on page 10

BIBLE TRIVIA
by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 2 Peter in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Joel declared, "Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruning hooks into ...?" *Hooks, Hammers, Dust, Spears*
3. From Genesis 35, who died giving birth to Benjamin? *Rachel, Leah, Naomi, Ruth*
4. Who wrote down the book of Romans for Paul? *Stephen, Benaiah, Cyrus, Tertius*
5. Who was the mother of David? *Not mentioned by name, Sarah, Rebecca, Leah*
6. In Proverbs 23:4, "Labour not to be ..."? *Wise, Rich, Glorified, Found*

ANSWERS: 1) New, 2) Spears, 3) Rachel, 4) Tertius, 5) Not mentioned by name, 6) Rich

Hardcore trivia fan? Visit Wilson Casey's subscriber site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy.

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Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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Bible Word search answer on page 10

Amber Waves



OUTDOORS

Storm Benefits

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HUNTING



Toby Benoit is a best selling novelist and professional outdoorsman with thirty-five years of experience guiding and outfitting for big game all across America. Toby is a renowned archer and turkey hunting expert who manufactures custom game calls and is a regular judge at NWTf sanctioned turkey calling events across the Southeast.

By the time y'all get a chance to read this, the hurricane out in the Gulf of Mexico will either have hit us hard or passed us by. Reckon I've no way of knowing which at this point. But a little high wind and heavy rains are of benefit to us hunters. Let me tell you why.

First off, the oaks are loaded with acorns right now. As they continue to fall sporadically, the deer will take advantage of that prime food source for months to come. But, with a big storm, the winds will strip the acorns from the oaks and soak them to the point they will begin to rot.

There are so many acorns at the moment, a deer hasn't got to get up and move very far before they fill their bellies on the mast and then lay back down. Makes it tough on a bowhunter hunting with passive techniques, such as blind or stand hunting. Makes for lots of boredom when the deer aren't moving much.

At the moment, at least in my little corner of Brooksville, there are so many acorns that the deer completely ignore corn or other supplemental feeds offered, which takes them out of a predictable feeding pattern. So,

once this newest mass of wind and rain passes through, the deer will be back visiting the corn piles and food plots once the acorns are gone.

The next advantage to a hunter is the water will fill up the swamps and drainages forcing the deer and hogs to seek higher ground. By concentrating the sounders of hogs onto higher ground, it creates a super opportunity to spot and stalk pigs as they rise to feed in the late evening. By keeping the dominant wind in your face and covering between yourself and your quarry, it is very possible to slip within range of the feeding porkers.

Hogs make so much

noise as they move about, especially in a group, that their ears can be nearly useless as a defense. That nose though, that nose on them hogs is one of the very best in the animal kingdom, keep the wind in your favor while they feed upon the ridges, escaping the flood waters.

Just know, deer and hogs aren't the only animals escaping the flood waters. Venomous snakes will be more readily encountered as any subterranean dens, which they prefer, are flooded as well. So, while you take advantage of the post-storm hunter's opportunities, be aware that the snakes will be crawling and prepare for them.

The final advantage that the storms can have is, for instance, as when Hurricane Irma came through, I lost power for twenty-two days. How is that a benefit? Because if the power is out, you'll be less likely to sit on the sofa clicking a remote. It'll incentivize you to get up and go.

Now, I'm praying nobody gets hurt seriously and this threat simply passes us by, but I suppose I'll have all the answers once this piece becomes public. In the meantime I'll continue my prayers for all of you.

Any comments or questions, please give me a shout at toby@hernandosun.com. As always, God Bless and good hunting!

OBITUARIES

Cress, Lamar J., age 81, of Spring Hill, passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2022. He was a United States Air Force Veteran. He is survived by his wife, Joan; children: Dianne, John, Brian Cress and his wife, (Eileen), Joel (Erin); 9 grandchildren; 5 great grandchildren. Src; Brewer

Morin, Eric, age 56, of Brooksville, passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2022. Eric is survived by his wife, Yadira. Src; Brewer

Byler, Melvin A., age 71, of Brooksville, passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2022. Melvin is survived by his wife, Martha. Src; Brewer

Bassett, Ronald "Pat" Patrick, age 75, passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2022. Src; Brewer

Villanueva, Villaflor, age 82 of Brooksville, passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2022. She is survived by her children: Bernadette (Michael), Bryan (Cecilia); and 3 grandchildren. Src;

Downing

Mowry, Jacquelyn Kay, age 40, of Spring Hill, passed away on Wednesday, September 21, 2022. A visitation for Jacquelyn will be held Friday, October 7, 2022 from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Turner Funeral Homes, 14360 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill, FL 34609, followed by a celebration of life from 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM. Src; Turner

Stegman, David, passed away on Wednesday, September 21, 2022. Src; Turner

Mac Donald, Nikki, passed away on Saturday, September 24, 2022. Src; Brewer

Bailey, Douglas, passed away on Saturday, September 24, 2022. Src; Brewer

Westlund, Mary Elizabeth, passed away on Saturday, September 24, 2022. Src; Turner

SUNSHINE

K9 Partners for Patriots receives big donation



From left to right: Gigi Guzman, Frank Dembeck, Goldie Sausser, Jan Remington, Mary Peter, Gregg Laskoski Photo by Diana Daddona.

By Megan Hussey
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K9 Partners for Patriots is a 501(C) (3) Nonprofit Organization devoted to ending veteran suicide with the help of rescue dogs. And thanks to a big donation from a local organization, the special helping mission of this Hernando County-based nonprofit is only set to expand.

"A dog is a friend to a veteran," said founder and executive director Mary Peter, a Certified Master Dog Trainer (CMDT). "A dog is a hug for a veteran."

When Jan Remington, director of the now dissolved Berkeley Manor HomeOwners Association, needed a nonprofit beneficiary for the association's remaining funds, she thought immediately of her friend Mary Peter, and the association she founded to train and raise service dogs for vets in need.

"Mary is amazing," said Remington. "She does so much for the veterans of our community."

On Sept. 12, members of the Berkeley Manor HomeOwners Association gathered at the K9 Partners for Patriots headquarters and dog training facility, 15322 Aviation Loop Dr., Brooksville, to present a \$13,000 donation check to the organization.

"The Board of Directors decided with great pleasure to donate our remaining monetary funds to Mary Peter, founder of K-9 Partners for Patriots, to help her continue the wonderful partnership she has with Vets in need of specially trained

dogs for their well-being," read a letter read aloud by Frank Dembeck, member of the now dissolved Berkeley Manor HomeOwners Association. "You and your staff of volunteers are a tremendous asset to the men and women that served our country. And your knowledge of training dogs is a gift you use from your heart."

Peter, flanked by her own dog Justice, choked back tears as she accepted the check.

"This is a blessing," she told those gathered. "You are a blessing." This donation, Peter revealed, is larger than most. "We appreciate all donations, and this is not a typical amount," she said. "This is enough to train a dog and place it with a veteran."

Indeed, donations such as this one also will help K9 Partners for Patriots to facilitate their upcoming move to their new, larger facility on County Line Road, and all of the expenses and supplies involved in providing the best trained canines for the patriots who need them.

Gregg Laskoski, Communications Director of K9 Partners For Patriots, explained to the group the process of training dogs to become K9s for patriots. "I'm in awe," exclaimed Gigi Guzman, member of the now dissolved Berkeley Manor HomeOwners Association.

Laskoski himself was in awe of the association's K9 Partners for Patriots Donation. "This will help us so much," he said. To lend your own help to K9 Partners for Patriots, visit <https://k9partnersforpatriots.com/get-involved/>.

MARRIAGES

Please note that the date reflects the date the marriage license was recorded at the Hernando County Clerk of Court, not necessarily the marriage date.

- Yost, Timothy Albert and Schmoltdt, Jillian Marie on 09/21/2022
- Castelli, Paul Michael and Kraemer, Jourdan Lee on 09/22/2022
- Torres, Val Alexandre and Ingersoll, William James on 09/22/2022
- Williams, Jerome Lamont and Johnson, Tameka Rochell on 9/23/2022
- Pena, Justin Shawn and Lamarre, Riely Marie on 09/23/2022
- Hughes, Brett Anthony and Kelly, Rebecca Marie on 09/23/2022
- Pitcher, Justin William and Steffensen, Amanda Jane on 09/26/2022
- Higgins, Christopher Scott and Atha, Ashley Elizabeth on 09/26/2022
- Simmons, Howard John and Johnson, Angel Gail on 09/26/2022
- Molina, Steven Taylor and Walle, Devinah Lynne on 09/26/2022
- Cummings, Theodore Ubeka and Blasius, Joella Marie on 09/26/2022
- Antunes, Jason Jeremy and Scala, Robert Anthony on 09/26/2022
- Arcos, Durand Noelia Rocio and Gabriel, Alexis Deanne on 09/26/2022
- Franklin, Joseph Brady and Brewer, Emily Grace on 09/26/2022
- Rivera, Martinez Humberto and Clark-Roberts, Leah Chyann on 09/26/2022

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

This is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says: "I am about to fulfill my words against this city; words concerning disaster, not prosperity. At that time they will be fulfilled before your eyes. But I will rescue you on that day, declares the Lord; you will not be given into the hands of those you fear. I will save you; you will not fall by the sword but will escape with your life, because you trust in me, declares the Lord."

JEREMIAH 39: 16-18

The Garden Bug

Saving seeds

Harvest seed pods by the stem when the green color is all gone, and they appear brown and dry. Crumble the pods in a bowl until the inner seeds are released. Spread the seeds on some paper, keeping each kind separate. Let them dry for one week; then collect them into small paper packets or envelopes, labeling each one with its plant name and the date you gathered them. Store your seed packets in a dry, dark location. - Brenda Weaver

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