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Law Enforcement Torch Run benefits Special Olympics



Law enforcement personnel, Special Olympic athletes and some supporters ran in the torch run. STEVE LEE

Saint Leo University celebrates grand opening of wellness center

Newest campus facility boasts infinity pool with lakeside views, fitness floor, multipurpose gymnasium/event space, healthy café and more

Saint Leo University welcomed the community to its newest addition on April 8—a \$20 million, 59,500-square-foot wellness center, nestled on the banks of Lake Jovita.

"This is not just a university building," said Saint Leo University President Jeffrey D. Senese. "It's a beautiful beacon on a hill next to a beautiful lake. It is, I hope, a manifestation of our value of 'community.' It is truly a place where mind, body, and spirit are grown, cared for, and celebrated."

Saint Leo's Wellness Center creates an environment for holistic health and well-being that integrates student recreation, fitness, health services, counseling services, and campus ministry. Outdoor amenities include an infinity-edged recreational pool, resort style seating, a fire pit, and a barbecue area—all with a beautiful view of Lake Jovita. Inside, a two-court basketball gym/multipurpose area can be used for large scale events, providing seating for more than 300 for a plated dinner or 700 for a conference or lecture-style event.

The ground-breaking ceremony for the wellness center was Feb. 6, 2020, and the hope was to open in Fall 2021. Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, construction continued on pace, but supply chain issues did cause delays. The opening was long-awaited by students, faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the surrounding community in St. Leo, Dade City, and San Antonio.

Senese noted that the Saint Leo community is not only celebrating the addition of this long-desired amenity and the addition of a remarkable

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Spotlight on Talent announces winners

The winners named at the 39th annual Spotlight on Talent Performing Arts Competition, held recently at the Center for the Arts at Wesley Chapel High. This contest has become so popular that there are two final shows. The matinee for younger students and groups and the evening show for older students and groups.

There were 109 contestants who were given the opportunity to perform onstage at this first-rate facility in front of two enthusiastic crowds and two panels of professional judges. The non-profit Heritage Arts Center Association is the organization that produces this show each year.

A 15-member board of directors worked for three months, and the final production team included 14 additional community friends who gave of their time. Executive producer was Barbara Friedman, and assistant producers were Lauretta Brown, Michael Roberts, Michelle Twitmyer and Laurel Weightman.

There were 37 different corporate or community sponsors generously who donated toward the over \$4,000 cash prizes, trophies and ribbons that were distributed, and to cover the over \$16,000 cost of the shows.

The Masters of Ceremonies were David West, rotarian and pastor, and Clint Roberson, lawyer. The two final shows were dedicated to the memory of the late Dr. Jack McTague, board member of H.A.C.A.

A wonderful variety of many types of talent was presented, including vocal, piano, dance, musical theater, electric, rock and classical guitar and spoken poetry.

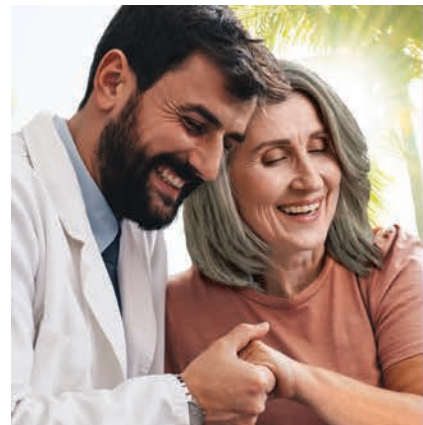
The 10th Pasco Heritage Scholarship award went to dancer Faith Phaller, who was the Pasco County graduating senior with the highest solo scores from the finals judges as well as the audition judges.

The 2022 Spotlight on Talent winners for the matinee show, Category 1 were: first place, Naomi

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Starlights PAC placed second in the group category during the Spotlight on Talent competition.



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Florida bowler rolls 300 in doubles, leads singles at 2022 Open Championships

By Matt Cannizzaro

Brandon St. Onge of Zephyrhills, achieved two things many competitors at the United States Bowling Congress Open Championships dream of - he rolled a perfect game on the tournament lanes, and he took the lead.

As impressive as those two feats are, however, it might be what happened in between that is the most noteworthy detail of his 2022 USBC Open Championships experience.

The 300 was the 12th of this year's tournament at the South Point Bowling Plaza and came in his final game of doubles Monday.

The 25-year-old right-hander admitted to being nervous in a way he hadn't felt in a long time, yet he was able to finish off the game in dramatic fashion, celebrate briefly and then regain his composure to begin his run up the singles standings a few minutes later.

"I've had a few 300s before, but doing it here was a completely different feeling," said St. Onge, who made his fifth Open Championships appearance. "My legs turned to Jell-O,



and I haven't felt that in years. It was just a different experience, and watching them all fall was really cool, even with how they did."

The final shot of the game was well left of the previous two as it made its move toward the pins, and the result was what's described in many

bowling glossaries as a Jersey squasher. The ball was heavy on the headpin but didn't fully cross over, which made it look like it just squashed down the pins. The last pin to fall for St. Onge was the 3 pin, and completing the task allowed him to join his coach and teammate, Andrew Colon of San Antonio, in the tournament record book.

"The last shot, I couldn't feel my legs, and I could barely feel the ball in my hand," St. Onge said. "That's all pretty unusual. I don't normally get nervous in those situations, but my body wanted to give out this time for some reason. I was just fortunate to get them all to fall."

The perfect finish came after games of 180 and 202 for a 682 series. At the time, it was the highest set of his tournament career and helped him and Drew Markwardt (751), also from Zephyrhills, to a 1,433 doubles total, which is tied for fourth in the Regular Doubles standings this year in Las Vegas.

Crescent Chapter celebrates its birthday

On April 11 back in 1912, the day after the Titanic set sail on its maiden voyage, Crescent Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star was chartered. Women from Zephyrhills - wives, mothers, sisters, daughters and widows of Master Masons joined together to promote the welfare of those less fortunate in their midst. The same as they do today.

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FRIDAY

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Partly Cloudy

SUNRISE: 6:57am
SUNSET: 7:58pm

MOONRISE: 1:40am
MOONSET: 12:00pm



SATURDAY

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Partly Cloudy

SUNRISE: 6:56am
SUNSET: 7:58pm

MOONRISE: 2:36am
MOONSET: 1:07pm



SUNDAY

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Sunny

SUNRISE: 6:55am
SUNSET: 7:59pm

MOONRISE: 3:23am
MOONSET: 2:13pm



MONDAY

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Sunny

SUNRISE: 6:54am
SUNSET: 7:59pm

MOONRISE: 4:04am
MOONSET: 3:16pm



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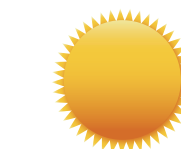
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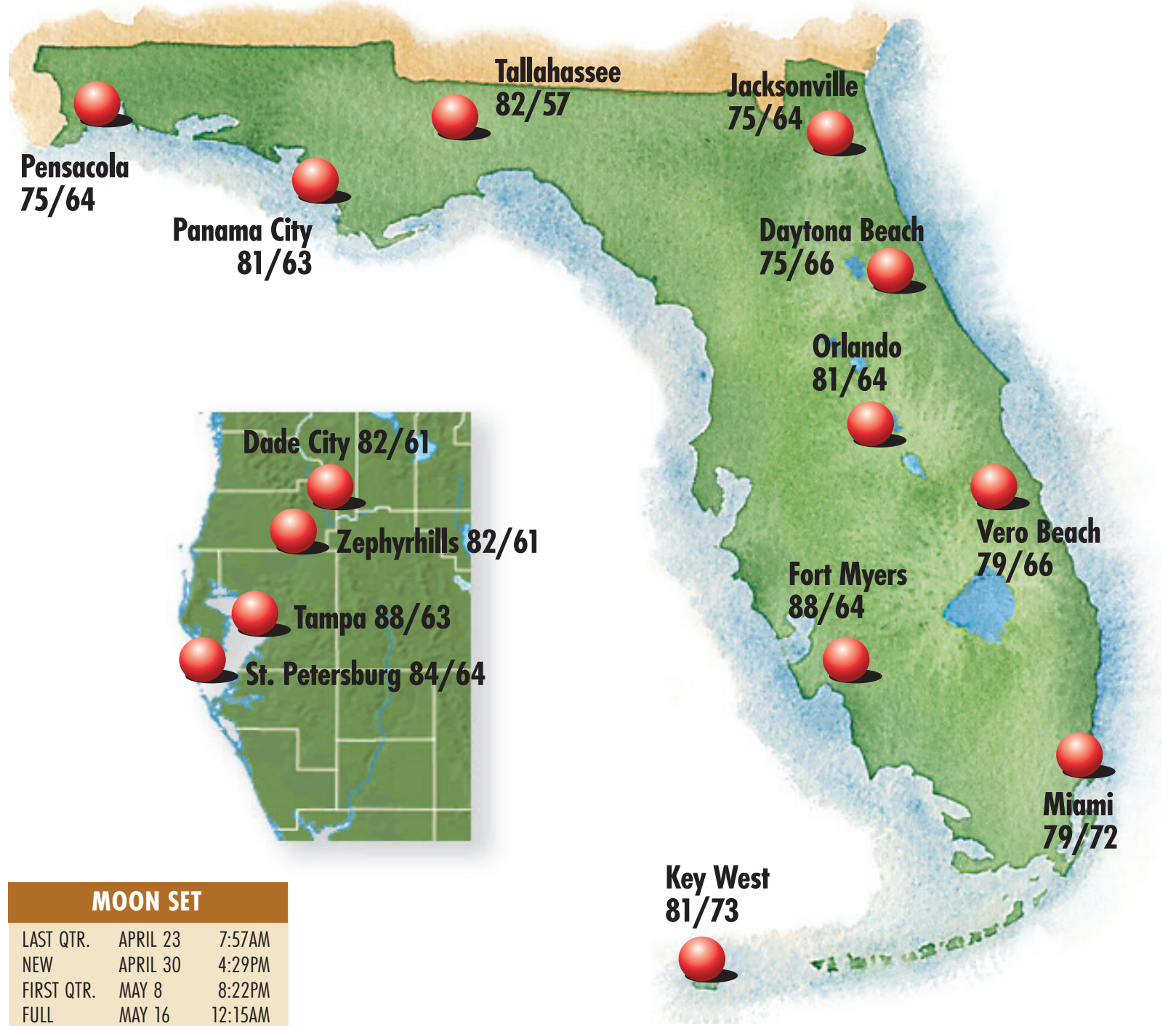
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MOONRISE: 5:13am
MOONSET: 5:16pm



weather forecast

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MOON SET		
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Above: Special Olympians and supporters danced in a mall courtyard after the torch run.

Above: Andrew Ahearn and Michael Price race for the finish line.

Above: Holding the torch between K-9 officers Chris Miller and Brian Brown is Ashlee Astorquiza, all with the Pasco Sheriff's Office.

Below: Participants and organizers display a \$4,000 mock check, representing the amount raised by the torch run.



Traditional fundraiser relocated to Tampa Premium Outlets and raises \$4,000 for Pasco County Special Olympics

By STEVE LEE
News Reporter

A longstanding Pasco County tradition continued last week, although it would end up taking place in a third location over the past four years. The Pasco County Sheriff's Law Enforcement Torch Run for the county's Special Olympics program was held within the confines of Tampa Premium Outlets in Land O' Lakes.

For nearly three decades, the annual fundraiser had been run through the streets of downtown Dade City — often starting off at Pasco High School's W.F. Edwards Stadium, winding through the city's back streets and past Pasco Middle School before ending near the steps of the Historic Downtown Courthouse.

In 2020, due primarily to the coronavirus pandemic, the traditional fundraiser was cancelled in keeping with many events locally and nationwide that suffered a similar fate. Then, last spring, the torch run was relocated to the Wiregrass Ranch Sports Campus of Pasco County.

"They tell us where to go and we bring our athletes," said Phyllis Crain, co-coordinator for Pasco County Special Olympics who also coaches the girls basketball team at Cypress Creek High.

"They select the location and we show up and have some fun," added co-coordinator Joyen Dearsman, a former Ridgewood High dual sport standout athlete.

Crain and Dearsman, who last year also ran a countywide Special Olympics competition at Cypress Creek High, said there currently are more than 70 special athletes in the county program. More than 30 showed up to participate in last week's event.

"We come out and support (the sheriff's office personnel) because they're supporting us," Crain said.

Either way, it remains a success with this year's run raising \$4,000 for the county's Special Olympics program. Funds are earmarked

for the athletes' equipment and uniforms, along with travel expenses and site fees for the various competitions.

Melissa Cohee, a representative with the Pasco County Special Olympics, noted that the run is not merely another fundraiser. It's a tradition of giving and communities coming together.

"It's the experience of it," she said. "It's coming together as a group and spreading the word."

Shannon Brzuchalski, director of marketing and business development for Tampa Premium Outlets, concurred and welcomed the new partnership.

"We are honored to partner with the Pasco Sheriff's Office, to host the Special Olympics of Florida 2022 Torch Run," she said. "We are proud to be a strong community partner to host great events and bring awareness to an amazing non-profit organization."

Jennifer Rongo, Cypress Creek's school resource officer, noted how high the annual torch run ranks among the sheriff's office most popular events.

"There's always talk about it," she said, adding, "The sheriff's office is super involved. Involvement is a big thing."

Reggie Roberts, a former captain with the Zephyrhills Police Department who currently is an inspector of community and talent development for the Pasco County Sheriff's Office, has been involved with the torch run for numerous years.

"It just means a lot," he said of the event. "My passion has always been kids. This gives me an opportunity to come out and see the kids smile."

Andrew Ahearn and Michael Price, two of the more athletic runners in the group, raced to the finish line, nearly touching up simultaneously and sharing first place. Not far that duo from Land O' Lakes was the first female finisher, Marlyne Stutzman of New Port Richey.

"I love just running with them," she said. "I stay in shape and make sure I work hard."

Next on the Special Olympics calendar are the state's summer games in May at Disney's ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. Sports include bocce, cheerleading, track and field, cycling and soccer.

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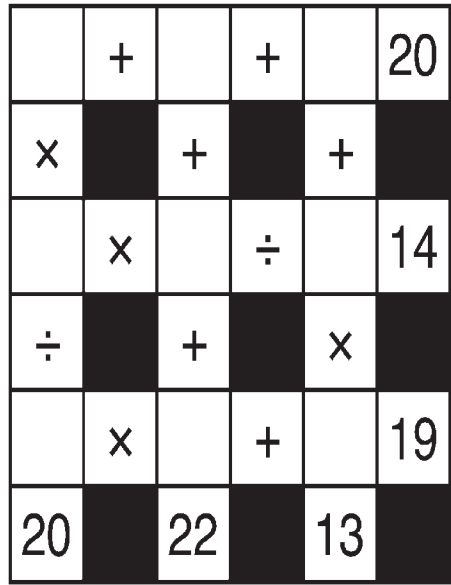




GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.



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★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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SALOME'S STARS ★★★★★

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Temper your typical Aries urge to charge into a situation and demand answers. Instead, let the Lamb's gentler self emerge to deal with a problem that requires delicacy.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You are aware of what's going on, so continue to stand by your earlier decision, no matter how persuasive the counterarguments might be. Money pressures soon will ease.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) By all means, have fun and enjoy your newly expanded social life. But don't forget that some people are depending on you to keep promises that are very important to them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You need to wait patiently for an answer to a workplace problem and not push for a decision. Remember: Time is on your side. A financial matter needs closer attention.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You now have information that can influence that decision you planned to make. But the clever Cat will consult a trusted friend or family member before making a major move.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Good news: You're finding that more doors are opening for you to show what you can do, and you don't even have to knock very hard to get the attention you're seeking.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your gift for creating order out of chaos will help you deal with a sudden rush of responsibilities that would threaten someone less able to balance his or her priorities.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Congratulations. Your energy levels are coming right back up to normal -- just in time to help you tackle some worthwhile challenges and make some important choices.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The sage Sagittarian should demand a full explanation of inconsistencies that might be cropping up in what had seemed to be a straightforward deal.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A conflict between obligations to family and to the job can create stressful problems. Best advice: Balance your dual priorities so that one doesn't outweigh the other.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't guess, speculate or gossip about that "mystery" situation at the workplace. Bide your time. An explanation will be forthcoming very soon.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Boredom might be creeping in and causing you to lose interest in a repeat project. Deal with it by flipping over your usual routine and finding a new way to do an old task.

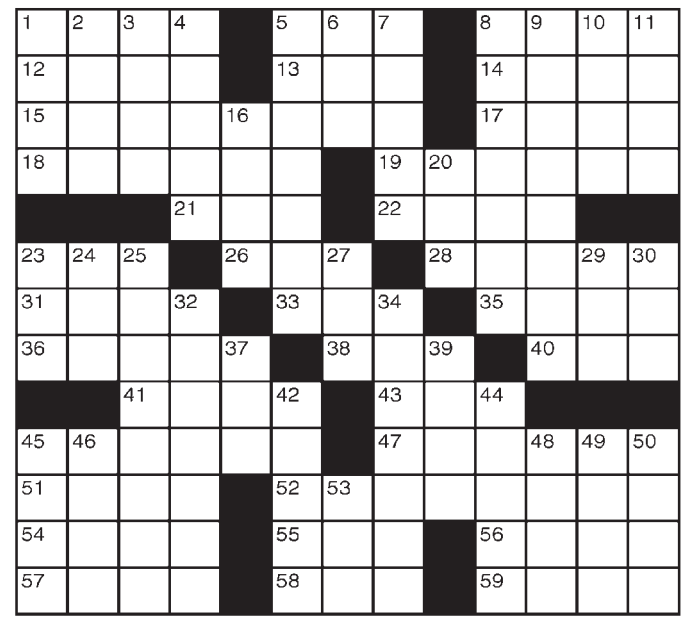
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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

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- Charles Darwin once conducted a study to discover whether more people with brown hair existed because they were more dependable and likely to settle down and get married. The results were inconclusive.
- In Australia, Speedos are called "Budgy Smugglers."
- In the 1940s during World War II, interest in continental knitting, or knitting with the yarn in one's left hand, decreased because of its origins in Germany, while English knitting, or knitting with the yarn in the right hand, gained popularity.
- Many of us will not be surprised to learn that approximately five months of a person's life is spent waiting in a car at red lights.
- Looking to retire at age 65? You might want to reconsider, as scientists have noted that employees should keep working until they turn 80, but the good news is that for optimal productivity, they should also only work 25 hours a week.
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- Speaking of product name changes, L'Oreal was founded as the French Harmless Hair Dye Company.
- A 1991 study revealed that female politicians who enjoyed Hollywood makeup artists were 30% more likely to win their elections.



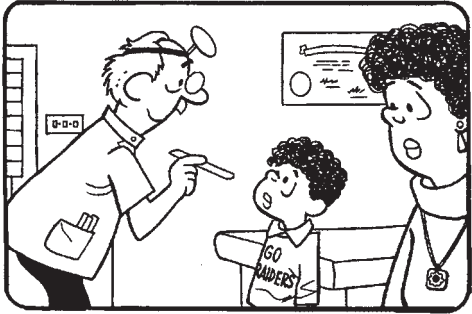
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by Linda Thistle

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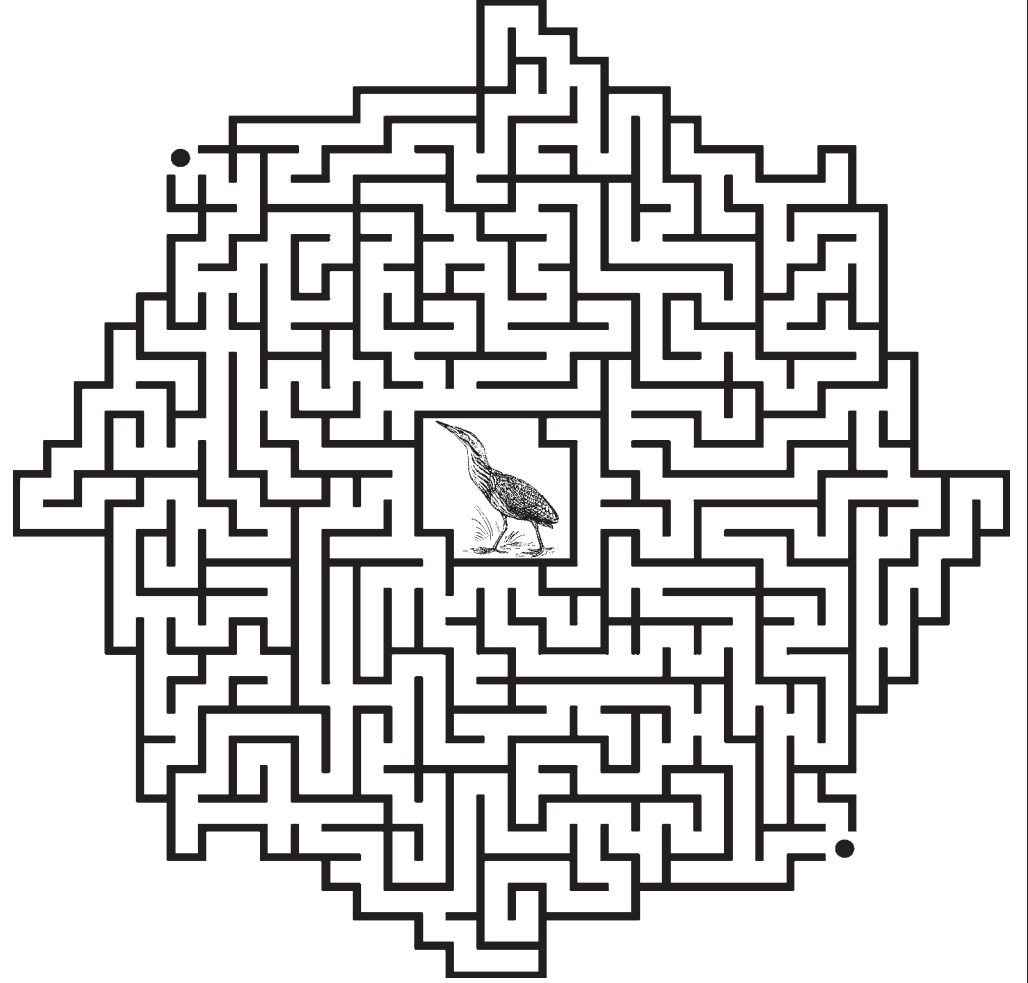
The History Channel

- On April 21, 1930, a fire at an Ohio prison kills 320 inmates, some of whom burn to death when they are not unlocked from their cells. The prison, built to hold 1,500 people, had 4,300 prisoners.
- On April 22, 1889, at precisely high noon, 50,000 to 60,000 would-be settlers make a mad dash into the newly opened Oklahoma Territory to claim cheap land. Towns like Norman and Oklahoma City sprang up almost overnight.
- On April 23, 1945, two weeks after taking over as U.S. president, Harry Truman gives a tongue-lashing to Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov. Truman was determined to take a tougher postwar stance with the Soviets than his late predecessor, Franklin Roosevelt, had. Molotov, indignant, stormed out of the meeting with Truman.
- On April 24, 1953, Winston Churchill, the British leader who guided Great Britain and the Allies through the crisis of World War II, is knighted by Queen Elizabeth II. He would win the Nobel Prize in literature later that same year.
- On April 25, 1983, Russian leader Yuri Andropov writes to Samantha Smith, an American fifth-grader from Manchester, Maine, inviting her to visit his country. Smith had sent Andropov a note in December 1982, asking if the Soviets were planning to start a nuclear war.
- On April 26, 1977, Studio 54, which would soon become the most famous nightclub in the world, opens at 254 West 54th Street in New York City. It was known for excluding all but the most chic, famous or beautiful patrons.
- On April 27, 1773, the British Parliament passes the Tea Act, a bill designed to save the faltering East India Company from bankruptcy. Many colonists viewed the act as yet another example of taxation tyranny, because it left in place an earlier duty on tea entering the colonies, while removing the duty on tea entering England.

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How to corral spring allergies

Spring is synonymous with rebirth. Each spring, flowers begin to bloom again, grass starts to grow and people from all walks of life rekindle their love affair with the great outdoors. Spring also marks the return of a familiar foe: allergies.

Seasonal allergies can put a damper on even the most welcoming spring day. After all, a day soaking up the sun isn't so relaxing when it's also spent sneezing and confronting allergy symptoms like congestion, runny nose and watery eyes. Thankfully, it's possible for seasonal allergy sufferers to have their spring and enjoy it, too.

• Pay attention to seasonal allergy trackers. Seasonal allergies are now easier to track than ever. For example, Pollen.com is an easily accessible and free site that allows visitors to type in their ZIP codes and access daily allergy reports for their towns and cities. Visitors also can see five-day forecasts that can help them plan trips and other outdoor excursions. Weather.com also offers free allergy reports and forecasts. Individuals with seasonal allergies can make use of these sites and plan their activities based on the information they provide.

• Stay indoors when allergen levels are especially high. The Mayo Clinic notes that there are several things individuals can do to reduce their exposure to seasonal allergy triggers. That includes staying indoors on dry, windy days. This doesn't mean individuals need to lock themselves indoors all spring. But it's important that seasonal allergy sufferers recognize that some days might be too much to handle. Rain helps clear pollen from the air, so individuals who are avoiding the outdoors on days when pollen counts are high should be able to get outside after a good rain without triggering an attack.



• Maintain clean air indoors. The great outdoors is not the only place where allergens percolate. The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America notes that improving air quality in a home can reduce allergy triggers. Air conditioners can prevent outdoor allergens from entering a home, so utilize units on warm spring days when you might otherwise open the windows. Open windows and screen doors provide easy entry points for allergens like pollen, so turning on the AC when outdoor allergen counts are high can make seasonal allergies more manageable.

• Consider treatments. Over-the-counter treatments like antihistamines, nasal sprays and decongestants provide most individuals with sufficient relief from their seasonal allergies. If OTC remedies are ineffective, treatments such as allergen immunotherapy and a consultation with an allergen may be necessary.

Seasonal allergies can spoil an otherwise welcoming spring day. But there are many ways for individuals to corral their seasonal allergies and still enjoy spring sun.

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Left: The Bulldogs come off the field following their fourth straight win.

Bulldogs make it four in a row



Above left: Martin Calhoun takes practice cuts as he waits to bat.



Above right: Micah Berrien warms up in the on-deck circle.



Right: Starting pitcher Bryan Santiago winds up on the mound.

Despite a handful of rainouts and cancellations, Zephyrhills is improving as the season progresses

By STEVE LEE
 Sports Reporter

Things are looking up for the Zephyrhills High baseball team of late. A dominating performance in last Thursday's game at John F. Clements Field gives players, coaches and fans alike optimism as the Bulldogs head down the stretch and prepare for the upcoming Class 5A, District 6 tournament.

A 12-0 shutout win over a struggling South Sumter team gave Zephyrhills four straight wins and improved the team to 8-3 overall. The Bulldogs were scheduled to play Lake Gibson at home last Friday night, but that team opted out of the game due to having advanced to the final of a tournament in Polk County.

Zephyrhills has missed out on five games this season due to rainouts and cancellations with none of those scheduled to be made up. Coach Rusty Guynn is not overly thrilled with missing those matchups but is more focused on how his team is playing in recent games.

"We're in a better spot than we've ever been on," he said.

That is since the 2016 season when the Bulldogs won a district title and hosted a region quarterfinal game. That is the last time they made the playoffs.

In the win over South Sumter, which marked Zephyrhills' second shutout of the season, there was plenty of balance with solid pitching matched by timely hitting.

Starter Bryan Santiago went the distance, pitching five innings in a game shortened by the 10-run mercy rule. The senior right-hander scattered three hits with 10 strikeouts and five walks. There was no need to bring in Mason Denmark, a hard-throwing freshman left-hander who earlier last week came in as the closer in a win over Sunshine Athletic Conference rival Hudson.

"We did the same thing that works all the time. We pitch well," said Guynn, a former

Zephyrhills ballplayer who has coached at his alma mater for nine seasons. "We know when we score three of four runs we've got a chance to win because we're not going to give much up."

Offensively, the Bulldogs banged out nine hits and blew the game open with eight runs in the bottom of the fourth inning. They entered that frame with a 4-0 lead.

Micah Berrien scored a team-leading three times. The junior shortstop had two hits, as did Austin Dobbins and Martin Calhoun. Scoring twice were pinch-runner Mathew Casarez and Jaxson Rivera.

Additionally, the Bulldogs got two RBIs apiece from Aiden Thorne, who did an admirable job in left field while filling in for starter D.J. Pickett, Dobbins and Santiago. Calhoun drove in one run and Reily Perez had a hit and scored a run.

"We've got to hit in key spots and it's coming around," Guynn said. "Our biggest thing is 1-5 (players in the batting order), they've got to swing the bat. They're going to have to learn that is how we're going to beat good teams in the district tournament."

That said, Guynn added, "We're going to pitch."

Aside from Santiago and Denmark, Santiago's brother Mark, a junior left-hander, and the right-handed throwing Perez round out the pitching staff.

Mark Santiago also has plenty of power when he bats. He just missed sending a baseball over the left-center field fence on a long fly-out in the South Sumter game.

Zephyrhills, which played arch-rival Pasco on Tuesday, has four games left in the regular season. After that comes the district tournament hosted by Cypress Creek.



Above: Reily Perez awaits his turn to bat.

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Administrative professionals, sometimes referred to as "admins," handle everything from spreadsheet generation to PowerPoint presentations to preparing schedules. Admins are often the unsung heroes of the workplace, and while they may not receive much fanfare, without the continued efforts of admins, businesses may grind to a halt.

In recognition of the roles they play, administrative professionals have been honored during a special week each April for the past 60 years. Once called Secretaries Day during its inception in 1952, the holiday was later expanded and the name changed to incorporate all of the employees who play pivotal administrative rolls in companies big and small. Managers and business owners may choose their employees, but the following ideas can breathe fresh life into festivities and help boost employee morale even further.

- Spring for coffee. Many employees require a caffeine buzz to get them through their busy days. The old pot in the break room may not deliver the best brews these days, and you can give employees another coffee fix to help them perk up. Check to see if independent coffee chains or even franchised businesses have to-go carafes. If not, consider purchasing a coffeehouse-inspired coffee maker, complete with the capabilities to make cappuccino and lattes.

- Give a gift of time. What worker couldn't use a few extra days off? Show gratitude by renegotiating vacation and personal time schedules with administrative professionals. Be open-minded to an

alternate work schedule if it may keep employees happy and better able to serve the company.

- Show your appreciation through letters or certificates. Professional-looking certificates are easy to come by because they can be produced right in the office with some desktop publishing software. Some office-supply stores also may carry preprinted certificates. A heartfelt thank-you letter also is something that admins may appreciate, as it shows employees their efforts are not being overlooked.

- Present tickets to a game or a show. Many supervisors are given perks, such as free tickets to popular sporting events or other sources of entertainment at nearby venues. Pass on these free tickets to special employees who may not be able to afford box seats or front-row tickets to local theater productions.

- Time pay raises to coincide with Administrative Professionals Week. Use this week as an opportunity to give bonuses or raises, rather than doing so at the beginning or end of the year.

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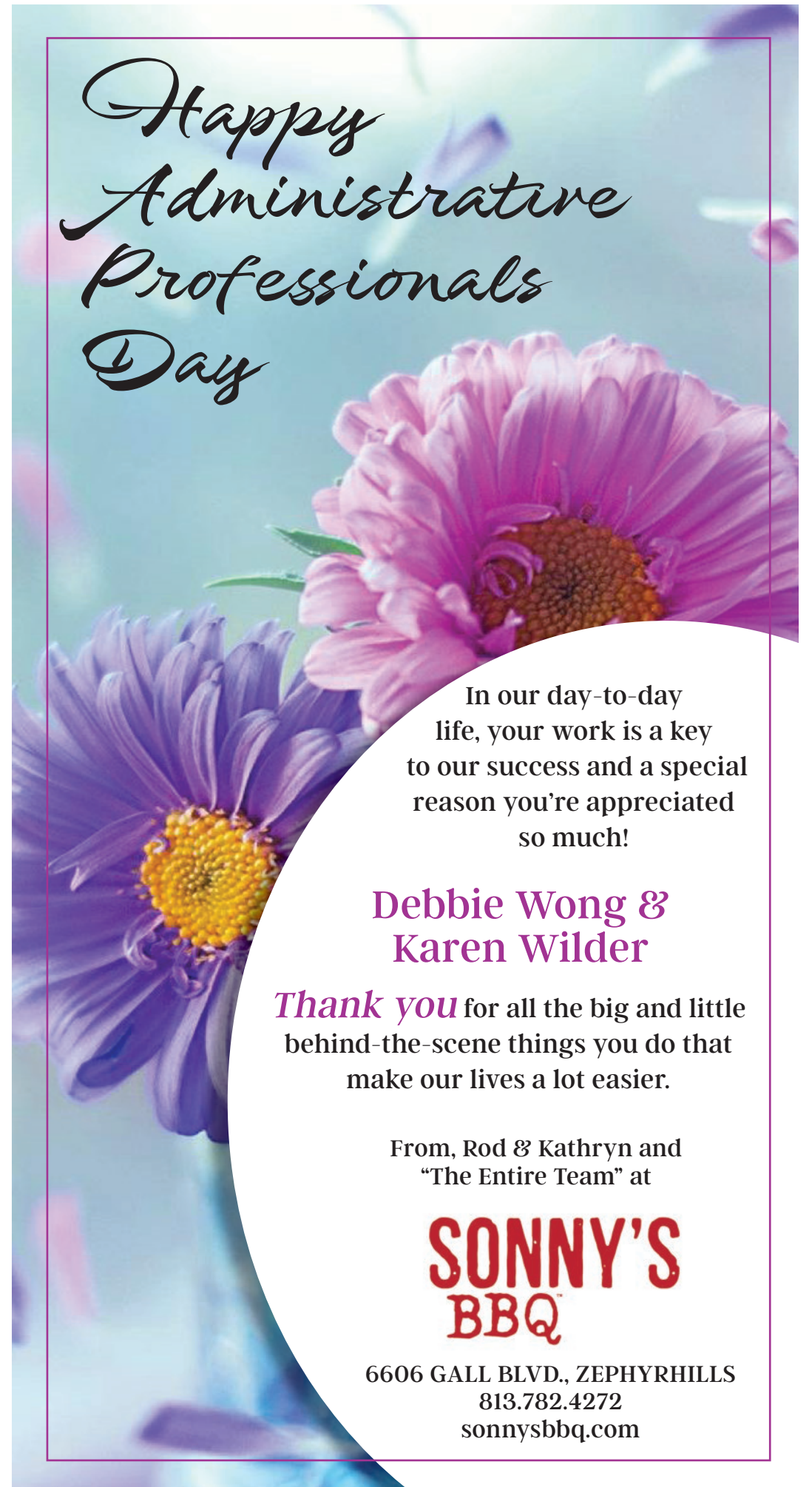
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Above: Kathleen Pantalone, executive director; Dr. Melanie Storms, senior vice president; Quiwanski Ramsey, student government union president; Dr. Jeffrey Senese, university president; and John View, Saint Leo University Board of Trustees chair, cut the ribbon to officially open the wellness center.




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Above: Saint Leo University's new wellness center is open to the Saint Leo community as well as the public.

Above: Saint Leo University's new wellness center boasts an infinity-edge pool that overlooks Lake Jovita as well as resort-style seating, access to the café, barbecue area, and fire pit.

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Above: Saint Leo University's new wellness center opened its doors to the community after the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

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building to campus, but also that the university has created an iconic building and landmark for Pasco County, the Tampa Bay region, and Florida.

"John Rohn [the late motivational speaker and entrepreneur] once said that 'whatever good things we build end up building us,'" Senese said. "This building has already begun to transform this university."

At the grand opening, board of trustees chair John View welcomed everyone, as did Brother James Hallett, OSB, mayor pro tempore of the town of St. Leo, and Quiwanski Ramsey, student government union president. Abbot Isaac Camacho, OSB, of the Benedictine Monks of Saint Leo Abbey and a university trustee, blessed the building, and Dr. Melanie Storms, senior vice president closing remarks. Storms oversaw construction of the facility.

View said the trustees began talking about a signature building several years ago as well as the need for more recreation and fitness

space on campus. "The Bowman [Marion Bowman Activities Center] opened my senior year," the 1972 Saint Leo alumnus said. "This will be a community gathering place for the greater Saint Leo community."

Following a ribbon-cutting ceremony, a time capsule was installed, and those attending toured the facility and enjoyed refreshments.

Saint Leo University is the exclusive educational partner of the NFL's Tampa Bay Buccaneers and offensive lineman Bucs offensive lineman Tristan Wirfs, as well as the team's mascot, Captain Fear, were on hand to greet guests.

"This is a really impressive facility," Wirfs said, as he posed for photos with those attending the grand opening.

Former trustee Brian Quinn said everyone had done an amazing job creating the wellness center. "It's a great testament to the leadership of Saint Leo and the blessed journey we're all on together," he said.

"It makes you proud," added alumnus Kevin Callahan, Class of 1975.



Residents of Ramblewood Village hold end of season party



Left: The tables and walls were decorated using an Easter theme.

Table 4 was the first ones to be able to fill their plates, which gave them plenty of time to find out where everyone at their table was going for the summer and when they would be back.

By BARBARA TABOR

Because of the cold weather in the north, the winter season was extended by a few weeks. The end-of-season party was held on Saturday and a concert by one of the residents was held the following day.

There were 55 in attendance. Carol and

Elaine decorated the clubhouse. Marty, Sue and John did the cooking. Brian and Randy ran a 50/50.

What a fun relaxing Sunday afternoon in the clubhouse with John Strong. He played a variety of familiar country tunes.

Right: Residents danced, clapped and tapped their feet to the music while John sang and played the keyboard. Dancing are Steve and Connie, Dona and Larry and Barbara and Dick, with Linda (who arranged for the entertainment) in the foreground.



Above: Annie and John served up the hot dogs. John knows just how the residents like to have them cooked.



Above: John Strong poses for a picture before he started his concert.

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During the month of February, the Humane Society of Pasco County was the featured charitable giving organization at the Pasco County Tax Collector's Office. The Humane Society of Pasco County is a 100 percent no-kill shelter which is run solely by volunteers and community donations.

"The Humane Society of Pasco County would like to thank tax collector Mike Fasano, and assistant tax collector Greg Giordano for making us the monthly organization that they help in Pasco County," said Suellen Szesyski, president of the Humane Society's Board of Directors. "We would also like to thank the generous citizens of Pasco County for making all the donations that made February such a really great success for us. The people of Pasco

County donated \$11,000 to the Humane Society. You have all helped to save the unwanted and abused animals of Pasco. They thank you and we thank you so much."

"The Humane Society of Pasco County provides a needed service to countless animals who are left homeless, hurt and without care," said Fasano. "It was an honor to help raise funds for a charity with a mission to help lost and hurting animals no matter the cost. Thank you to a very generous community for taking the Humane Society to heart and donating so much to help the animals live a better life and hopefully find a home that will forever be theirs."

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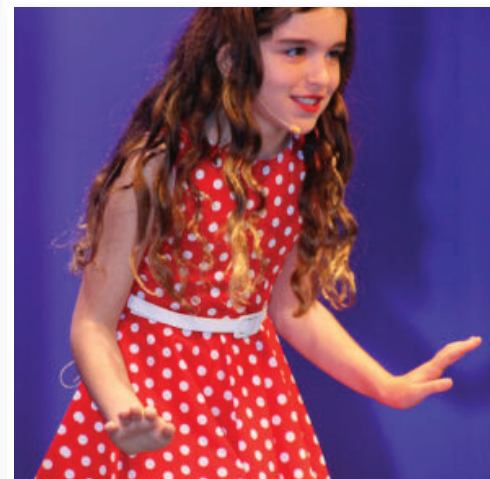


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Above: Berkley Hopper placed fourth in Category 1 for her vocal performance.

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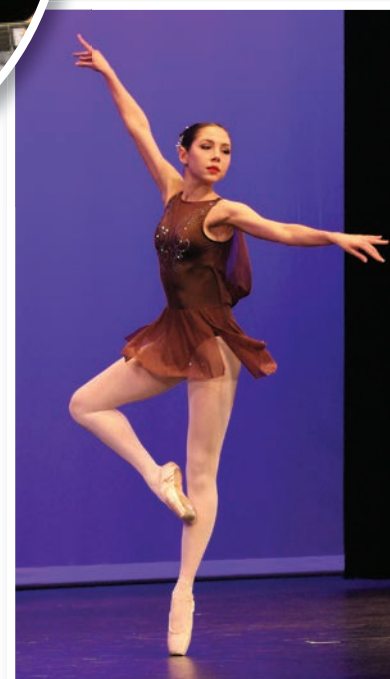
Above: Audrey Sachs performs during Spotlight on Talent.

Right: Kat Baudoin played the electric guitar during the competition.

Below: Dane Hammen played the guitar during the competition.



Below: Faith Phaller was the Pasco Heritage Scholarship winner.



SPOTLIGHT ON TALENT:
 From Page 1

Reed, piano; second, Kaiya Bistany-Charles, vocal; third, Amber Luu, piano; fourth, Berkley Hopper, vocal; and fifth, Chloe Adams, modern/acro dance.

Category 2, first, Alexander Butts, contemporary dance; second, Nikki Lang, piano; third, Camila Trejos, vocal; fourth, Kat Baudoin, vocal/electric guitar; and fifth, Abbey Yokum, contemporary dance.

Category 3, first, Kendall Hill, vocal; second, Rio Ricardo, musical theater; and third, Tavin Groomes, musical theater.

Groups, first, Camila Arguello and Linley Bishop, jazz dance and second, Stagelights Pac, contemporary dance.

Evening Show, Category 1, first, Shreyashi Bodaka, piano; second, Maelee Scaglione, contemporary dance; third, Maris Willers, ballet dance; and fourth, Sofia Acosta, musical theater.

Category 2, first, Samuel Wu, piano; second, Larkin Mainwaring, vocal; third, Brooke Tudor, ballet dance; fourth, Jasmine Crew, modern dance; fifth, Katie Young, vocal; and sixth, Julianne Henderson, vocal.

Category 3, first, Ezekiel Richards, tap dance; second, Faith Phaller, ballet/pointe dance; third, Sailor Wade, ballet dance; fourth, Jayden Parsons, vocal; and fifth, Michaela Mezzei, lyrical dance.

Groups, first, Kasey Lang and Conner Harrie, piano duet and second, Star Company, dance.

Pasco Heritage Scholarship Award, Faith Phaller, ballet/pointe dance.

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