

The MAYFIELD MINUTE



Constituent of the Week **Jeannette Jarnes**

This week we are honored to feature Jeannette Jarnes, as our Constituent of the Week. Mrs. Jarnes is a local entrepreneur and dedicated nonprofit leader. Since permanently relocating with her family from Orlando to the Eau Gallie area, she has become an invaluable member of the community.

She and her husband Larry Jarnes are the owners of the Relentless brand which includes Northboro Builders, Relentless Real Estate, Relentless Title and more. The Jarnes family have been instrumental in several revitalization projects for the Eau Gallie Arts District.

Mrs. Jarnes' most exciting new venture comes from her love of horses and a desire to share that love with the community around her. Her vision became a reality with the purchase of an existing farm off Lake Washington Road, which was converted into the Relentless Equestrian Stables in 2021.

The stable offers traditional equestrian services such as boarding and riding lessons as well as innovative services like horse leasing. The leasing concept provides accessibility to equestrian sports for those who otherwise would be unable to afford to participate.

The Relentless Equestrian Foundation, the nonprofit arm of the stables, aims to "ensure that every child, veteran, and individual facing mental health challenges finds a safe space filled with love, joy, and acceptance".

Mrs. Jarnes worked with Dr. Michele Leone, a local psychiatrist and licensed mental health counselor, to develop their equine therapy program. Participants spend time connecting with the horses as they heal and grow through the program. In addition to horses, the property is a safe space for many previously neglected animals including dogs, pigs, goats, and alpacas.

The equestrian center is not the only way Mrs. Jarnes serves the community, she has been involved with several other local nonprofits. Notably in 2020, she joined the Board of Directors for Space Coast Habitat for Humanity.

Habitat for Humanity fights homelessness by building and improving homes in partnership with individuals and families in need of a decent and affordable place to live. Currently, Mrs. Jarnes serves as the Chair of the Board of Directors.

On behalf of House District 32, It is an honor to highlight Mrs. Jarnes for her dedication to providing support for Melbourne's most vulnerable residents.