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THE BARTRAM GARDEN CLUB

PRESENTS A VIRTUAL TOUR

THE WILDERNESS OF NORTH FLORIDA PARKS

WITH AUTHOR AND PARK AMBASSADOR

KATHY STARKS



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2018 6:00—8:00 p.m.

WOMAN'S CLUB OF FERNANDINA BEACH

201 JEAN LAFITTE BLVD.

OPEN HOUSE

PLANT SALE

WINE & CHEESE

WELCOME VISITORS AND REGULAR MEMBERS

ADMISSION FREE

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Author-artist to discuss North Florida's parks

Kathy Stark, author, artist and North Florida state park ambassador, will speak at an Oct. 11 evening event sponsored by The Bartram Garden Club. The event will be held 6-8 p.m. at the Woman's Club of Fernandina Beach, located at 201 Jean Lafitte Blvd. Hospitality time with wine and cheese and a book sale and plant sale will begin at 6 p.m. There is no admission fee.

Stark will speak about her project "The Wilderness of North Florida's Parks," which consists of her book and traveling art exhibit and how she has become a parks ambassador. Much more than just a picture book, "The Wilderness of North Florida's Parks" is Stark's heartfelt bid to raise awareness of the natural wonders on the First Coast. The book is a unique resource of all 60 parks in Jacksonville and its surrounding area. With the book and exhibit, she ultimately hopes to increase awareness of the parks' existence and encourage people to preserve them.

Stark combines her expansive watercolor paintings with sketches, historical facts and maps to create an exhibit that is a unique blend of art and education, serving as a tribute and guide to the great unspoiled stretches of our region. The exhibit and book are an outgrowth of Stark's personal passion for the outdoors and her love of the natural beauty of North Florida. Her project is sponsored by Merrill Lynch and in partnership with Timucuan Parks Foundation.



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Kathy Stark will present her project, "The Wilderness of North Florida's Parks," at the October meeting of the Bartram Garden Club.

BUSINESS

Zaffaroni gets district and statewide awards

Michael Zaffaroni, owner of Liberty Landscape Supply, has been selected as the 2018 North Florida District and State of Florida Small Business Person of the Year, according to a news release.

Linda McMahon, the head of the U.S. Small Business Administration, announced the 2018 Small Business Person of the Year winners from the 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico on Monday, according to the release.

All of the winners have been invited to attend ceremonies in Washington, D.C on April 29-30.

"Congratulations to Michael Zaffaroni of Liberty Landscape Supply of Fernandina Beach, Fla., for being selected as the 2018 North Florida District and State of Florida Small Business Person of the Year. This is a great accomplishment, and I look forward to presenting him with the award in May," stated Wilfredo J. Gonzalez, the director of the SBA



Zaffaroni

North Florida District, in the release.

"It is my honor and distinct pleasure to announce the 52 winners from across the U.S. and Puerto Rico," M c M a h o n

said in the release. "These small business owners define entrepreneurial spirit and best represent

the 30 million small businesses that are the backbone and economic engine of our economy. I look forward to welcoming the winners to Washington next month when they are officially honored for their achievements."

National Small Business Week is set as the first week in May, and this year the dates are April 29 - May 5.

Zaffaroni was named the 2018 overall JAX Chamber Small Business Leader of the

Year last month.

Liberty Landscape Supply is a supplier of landscape materials for homeowners and contractors with two locations in Northeast Florida and an online store.

Zaffaroni purchased the business, formerly Fernandina Mulch & Stone, in 2007.

Initially offering just 20 products, the business has grown to more than 1,800 items in inventory. The combined annual sales for 2018 are on track to be an

800-percent increase from the year he purchased the company, and has grown from just two employees in 2007 to 31 this year.

"Mike is a tremendous example of how hard work grows companies," JAX Chamber President & CEO Daniel Davis said in February. "We at the Chamber are proud to honor his dedication to doing business in Northeast Florida. Congratulations to Mike and the entire team at Liberty."

Is compromise a dirty word?

In Washington, D.C., the Republicans and the Democrats are fighting each other over gun



non-union, we needed to keep wages and benefits

The second way was to sell the company, as we did with our yeast division. The third way was to decertify the union,

\$100 million. Furious, Ross Johnson ordered me to begin a confidential search for a new President of Clinton. Len,

Tourism spending was up in 2017

The Amelia Island Tourist Development Council has seen an increase in taxable room sales, occupancy average daily rate (ADR)

snapShots

AT THE RENDEZVOUS FILM FESTIVAL IN DOWNTOWN FERNANDINA BEACH



HEIDI PACE AND R. LEWIS SMITH



JAN JOHNSON, GILLIAN COLLEY,
AND PAT WRIGHT



MOLLY AND LORI SMITH



WENDY KEELING AND
JONATHAN PARKS

AT A FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ARTIST RECEPTION FOR STEVE LEIMBERG



JOHN BAKER, STEVE LEIMBERG,
AND JIM WIDERMAN



KATHLEEN LUNMEN, BEVERLY WILLIAMS,
AND CAROLYN STEVENS



DOUG LEATHERBURY, CHUCK COMEAU,
LAURA ROBINSON, AND PEGGY BULGE



JO-ANN AND STEVE LEIMBERG
WITH DAWN BOSTWICK

AT THE ENDLESS SUMMER WATERMELON RIDE AT THE ATLANTIC REC CENTER



ED STANTON AND GRETCHEN MILLER



DEANDRE LAWRENCE
AND LUCAS KYLES



JENNIFER SCHOENING
AND JULIE HARGROVE



JON CORBIN AND SCOTT NORTON

AT THE GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF FERNANDINA BEACH WELCOMING PARTY



BARBARA LUNDSFORD AND
MARGARET DAVIS



ERI JOHNS, SUE DWYER,
AND DALE DEONAS



JUDY TIPTON AND KEISHA WILLIAMS



JULIE ROBERTSON, SANDY NEUSS,
AND PATRICIA STAHL



COMMUNITY SCRAPBOOK

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Garden Club supports libraries

The Bartram Garden Club recently donated funds to purchase gardening books for the Nassau County Public Library System. In addition, Club President Beverly Williams presented two children's books published by the club's affiliate, National Garden Clubs Inc., that teach children to be environmentally responsible. Pictured from left are Janet Loveless, assistant library director of the Nassau County Public Library System, Beverly Williams, president of The Bartram Garden Club, and Dawn Boswick, director of the Fernandina Beach Branch Library.

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