

everything Amelia

PEOPLE, PLACES, HISTORY & MORE



TURNING MEMORIES INTO MEMOIRS

Each Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. during the month of October, the Amelia Plantation Chapel will be hosting a seminar entitled, "We've Got Stories To Tell: Turning Memories Into Memoirs." Hosted by Bill Hilles, the program will help attendees turn their personal memories into memoirs to be shared with others in the seminar. Serving as overall coordinator, Hilles will teach four memoir-writing lessons over the month-long course. Chapel member and local writer Dickie Anderson will lead off and set the tone for the first seminar on October 6, reading one of her *From the Porch* stories. Several guests from a previous workshop will share their own memoirs.

"As we get older, memories often slip away, often because we don't record them for later generations eager to know what life was like for their grandparents or great-grandparents," says Hilles. "This program should help to remedy that oversight." The seminar will be conducted in the Chapel's Fellowship Hall, located at 36 Bowman Road. It's free and open to the public and there's no need to register in advance, but Hilles suggests that persons interested in attending call the Chapel office at (904) 277-4414 to verify their intent and request more information.

ARIAS IS LOOKING FOR ZOO KEEPERS!

Amelia Island Residents in Action for the Symphony (ARIAS) sponsors a program each January and February that visits all fourth grade classes in Nassau County with 40 orchestral instruments. To be able to reach all Nassau County students, ARIAS needs volunteer "zookeepers," and no experience is required! The mission of ARIAS is to bring the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra to Amelia Island, encourage Nassau residents to attend symphony concerts, and provide music education to children in Nassau County schools through Jacksonville Symphony performances and its Instrument Zoo. ARIAS also sponsors a music scholarship program and hosts an annual "Let Freedom Ring" Memorial Day weekend concert, as well as Amelia Nights at the Symphony, which include dinner, transportation, and concert.

ARIAS's education programs continue to be very successful. Hundreds of Nassau County students experience various ensembles of JSO musicians in their schools. The ARIAS Instrument Zoo has been enthusiastically received by numerous fourth grade elementary school students, and its outreach also includes scholarships for students at the Amelia Arts Academy. For more information about becoming a volunteer, contact Susan Kosciulek at (904) 548-0227 or Barbara Zacheis at (904) 321-5639. To find out more about ARIAS membership, contact Susanne Brisach at (904) 261-0105 or email susannebrisach@bellsouth.net.



BARTRAM GARDEN CLUB ANNOUNCES FALL MEETINGS

The Bartram Garden Club announces its upcoming programs for September and October, with meetings on the second Thursday of each month at the GFWC Woman's Club of Fernandina, 201 Jean Lafitte Boulevard. The September 13 program features "Water Gardening" with James Loper of Reflections of Nature, which includes various aspects of aquatic gardening with plants, along with planting in and around retention ponds. Hospitality begins at 10 a.m., with the program beginning at 10:30 a.m.



The October 11 meeting is a special presentation with author, artist, and park advocate Kathy Stark, speaking on "The Wilderness of North Florida's Parks." She offers a unique exploration of natural parks in North Florida with her traveling exhibit and book. 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. Her project is sponsored by Merrill Lynch and in partnership with the Timucuan Parks Foundation. The program begins at 6 p.m. For more information about the Bartram Garden Club, visit bartramgardenclub.org.

WEEKLY UPDATE

FBMS Fall Festival BBQ on Nov. 2

The Fernandina Beach Middle School Fall Festival BBQ will be held 5-7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2. Catered by Callahan BBQ, the dinners will include chicken, ribs, potato salad, beans, bread and tea. Dinners will be ready in the school cafeteria for dine-in or take-out. Drive-thru service will also be available. The FBMS band will provide entertainment. Tickets are available for \$10 in advance from middle school students and at the school office. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Benefit Poker Run set for Saturday

The Benefit Poker Run for Gail Baker, who is fighting breast cancer, is set for Saturday, Nov. 3, at Moose Lodge 2352, located at 850682 U.S. 17 in Yulee. Registration will be 8:30-10:30 a.m. with kick stands up at 10:30 a.m. Food and entertainment is included in the price of registration. Riders are \$15 per person and passengers are \$5 per person. Cars and trucks are also welcome.

St. Francis holding Vintage Showcase

The St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Mission will present a Boutique Crafts in a Vintage Showcase 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, and 12 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4. The event will include Christmas items, designer crafts, a bake sale, and lunch with adult and children's menus. The church is located at 86000 St. Francis Way in Yulee. For more information, call 849-1256.

Blood drive at farmers market

The American Legion Post 54 will sponsor a bi-monthly blood drive at the Fernandina farmers market 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3. The Blood Mobile will be located at the corner of North Seventh Street and Alachua Avenue. All donors will receive a free OneBlood fleece blanket and a wellness checkup. Make an appointment online at oneblooddonor.org and use sponsor code "36191." For more information,

Republican Women of Nassau is scheduled for Nov. 9. The speaker will be USO Greater Jacksonville Executive Director Mike O'Brien. The USO serves military men, women and their families on military installations, at airports and overseas by providing support, entertainment, and hospitality. FRWN meetings are held at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club beginning at 11:30 a.m. Reserve your place for lunch and the meeting by calling 491-5544 or emailing frwnassau@gmail.com by Tuesday, Nov. 6. Reservations are \$15. Republican women and men are invited to attend meetings and join.

Garden Club welcomes Figart

Larry Figart, arboriculture specialist and extension agent in Urban Forestry for the Duval County Extension Service, will present a program titled, "Misperceptions About Trees," based on the latest scientific research regarding installation, maintenance, troubleshooting, and pruning during the Thursday, Nov. 8, meeting of The Bartram Garden Club. Come prepared with your tree and other horticulture questions. The meeting will be held at the GFWC Woman's Club of Fernandina Beach at 201 Jean Lafitte Blvd. in Fernandina Beach. There will be a meet and greet at 10 a.m., followed by a brief business meeting at 10:30 a.m. Figart's presentation and discussion will culminate the morning. Visitors and prospective members who are interested in studying gardening, floral design, and environmental conservation are invited to attend. For more information contact Beverly Williams at bevthepatriot@gmail.com or visit bartramgardenclub.org.

Men's cancer group meeting Nov. 8

Men Helping Men, an education program developed to help men make informed decisions throughout their prostate cancer journey, will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, in the Board Room at the Baptist Medical Center Nassau. For information, contact Lauren at 277-2700.

COMMUNITY

HOLIDAY MUGS FOR SENIORS



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The Bartram Garden Club delivered 58 floral arrangements in holiday mugs to the Nassau County Council on Aging last month to be delivered to seniors participating in the Meals on Wheels program. A spokesperson for the Council on Aging said it was a special treat for the seniors to receive fresh flowers, and "the ladies of The Bartram Garden Club felt the same. It was a special treat for them to be able to brighten the holidays by giving to others," according to a news release.

Bartram in the News

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COMMUNITY SCRAPBOOK



Bartram Club landscapes Habitat for Humanity house

The Bartram Garden Club of Amelia Island recently partnered with Nassau County Habitat for Humanity to install landscaping and provide basic gardening tools for a new homeowner. Contributions were provided by Liberty Landscape Supply, Ace Hardware, Lowe's and Island Treasures. Pictured from left are Karen Reily, Pattie Pitts, Carol Newby, Michelle Sutton, Beverly Williams, Marc Williams, and Jay Yates.

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STEVE COWART/SPECIAL

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Lott's donates to Joy to the Children

Laura Lott Harris, right, of Lott's Furniture in Fernandina Beach presents a donation of \$800 for Joy to the Children to the organization's president, Dawn Grant. Lott's recently completed its Stressless charity promotion that began in November to raise the funds. Joy to the Children provides gifts and a Christmas Day celebration for Nassau County children and their families who might otherwise not be able to enjoy the holiday.

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Bartram Garden Club plants trees

The Bartram Garden Club co-sponsored a Florida Arbor Day civic beautification celebration in January in conjunction with the city of Fernandina Beach. Members planted a total of 14 wax myrtle trees between South Third Street and the rail yard, some of which were donated by the club. Pictured from left are city of Fernandina Beach Arborist Dave Holley, Beverly Williams, Kathleen Lunman, and Reha London.

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Learn to use your mobile phone's camera Jan. 10

The Bartram Garden Club will host a special free program on mobile phone photography during its Thursday, Jan. 10, meeting at the GFWC Woman's Club of Fernandina Beach, located at 201 Jean Lafitte Blvd. in Fernandina Beach.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. and club member Marianne Salas will conduct the demonstration.

Salas will use an iPhone 8 Plus for her live demonstrations, and participants can follow along with their own iOS or Android phones by downloading the free apps Snapseed and VSCO prior to the start of the workshop.

Send an email to moliviasalas@gmail.com by Monday, Jan. 7, so that Salas can send you the photograph she will be editing during the workshop.

For further information, contact KTLpilot@gmail.com.



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GARDEN CLUB PLANS EXHIBITION



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Amateur gardeners interested in entering cut specimens or container-grown plants in the exhibition's Horticulture Division may still do so by contacting Beverly Williams at bevthepatriot@gmail.com and (404) 312-8530. For more details and entry requirements, visit bartramgardenclub.org. The show will also have displays focused on education.

The Bartram Garden Club will host a Horticulture and Floral Design Exhibition this week at the Fernandina Beach Branch Library. It will be the first federated flower show to be held in Fernandina Beach in more than 50 years, according to the club. This free exhibition will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.



Entries in the show will be divided into multiple divisions and levels, including one for youth, where this item, above, will appear.