



Northside Business Leaders, Inc.

Post Office Box 28554 • Jacksonville, Florida 32226-8554

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the month. Time: 11:45A.M. Place: Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens, Samburu Room



“The Northside”

March 2011

Mission Statement

To continually improve the Jacksonville business environment and quality of life in Jacksonville, while serving the best interests of our members and the North Jacksonville community.

**Remember to set your clocks back! Daylight Savings Time begins
March 13!**



Mark Your Calendar

March 8, 2011

Mayoral Debate
Hogan-Lee-Mullaney

March 22, 2011

Board Meeting

*****WE HAVE A NEW CLASSIFIED SECTION ON OUR WEBSITE!*****

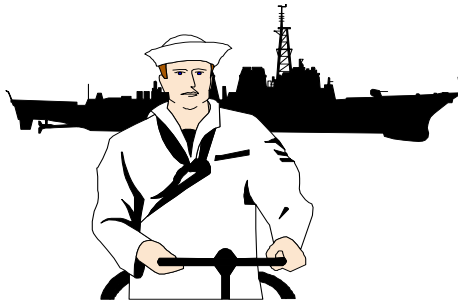
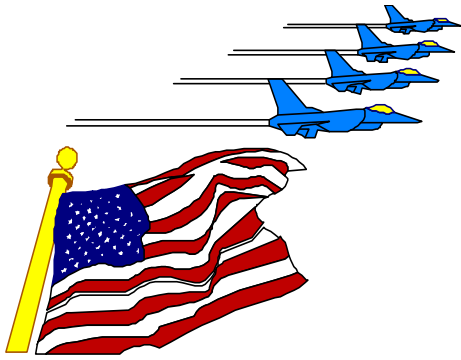
Birthdays for March

Robert Wood	08	Jake Godbold	14
Grady Braddock	19	Lemuel Sharp, Jr.	21
Dave Pinkstaff	25	Janet Johnson	29
Bobbie Parker	29		

*****We now have a Face Book page!*****

REMEMBER TO WISH YOUR FRIENDS HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Check out our website at: www.northsidebusinessleaders.com



Remember the men and women in the U.S. Armed Forces in your prayers!

MEMBER NEWS!

The 2010-2011 OFFICERS

President: Patricia Hamn 1st VP: Rev. Ray Turner 2nd VP: Glenn Fowler 3rd VP: Michael Fisher
Chaplain: Isaac Jones Secretary/Treasurer: Sandy Gibbs
Sergeant at Arms: Shannon Elian, Mark Kaleel, Darrell Kelly, & Pepper Pete

Members

The price for our luncheons is \$15.00. We will no longer mail the newsletter each month, but we will instead Email the document to all members. If you do not have email, please let us know and we will get you a copy. We will have copies available at the luncheon meetings and you can pick one up from Sandy.

THE FRANCES AND CLYDE MEMORIAL FUND

Contributors to Date

John Benso, Bob & Debbie Birtalan, Sidney & Kim Broward
Steve Burnett, Grady Parker, Les Wages, Gary Wallace

If you have any exciting news or events to share with members, please forward this information to Nancy Burnett, Shannon Elian, or Paul Forte by:

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This is your Newsletter and we want to share your news!

All of our Club Members are so special. Please let me know if you have any news for our Member column and keep us apprised of any special event or announcement.

Member News

Tom Braddock's Sister Passes

We are sorry this news reached us so late, but would like you to keep Tom Braddock's family in your prayers. His sister, Coralie Braddock Huntley passed away on Feb. 16th. She was the widow of a former city councilman J. Earl Huntley. The viewing was held February 18, at Corey-Kerlin Funeral Home, 1426 Rowe Ave. The funeral was held February 19, this passed Saturday at Gardenview Baptist Church, 3139 Armsdale Road. Our condolences to the Braddock family.

John Benso's Brother Mike Passed Away.

Sad news John Benso's brother Mike died of a heart attack. Mike and John own Express Printing which does most of the printing for NBL. John has been a member for many years. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Benso's family.

JACKSONVILLE ZOO AND MOSH OFFICIALS SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT ON "GROUNDHOG DAY"

Feb 2, 2010 – Jacksonville, FL – Although Punxsutawney Phil hogs most of the attention on Groundhog Day, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens and The Museum of Science and History (MOSH) experts said that Parker, the hedgehog, in fact, is the one to watch. The press conference was held at MOSH's newly renovated Bryan-Gooding Planetarium. Maria Hane, Executive Director of MOSH and Tony Vecchio, Executive Director of Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens, opened the ceremony for the hedgehog's prediction attended by twenty area students. Vecchio noted that as insectivores, hedgehogs are biologically equipped to make the annual weather prediction, and rodents, such as the groundhog, are not. When the prediction was announced, the sun shown on the planetarium dome and music played.

"We are thrilled to partner with the Jacksonville Zoo for this special Groundhog Day presentation. It is another example of the spirit of collaboration that exists among our City's cultural and educational institutions," said Hane. "By working together, we are able to present more engaging programs for our visitors."

Long before the advent of Groundhog Day on February 2nd, the Romans observed a similar event thousands of years ago on the exact same day--with a hedgehog. It wasn't until immigrants came to North America and realized that there were no hedgehogs here that they began using groundhogs.

"Despite one failed attempt after another to accurately predict the weather, Americans still look to the groundhog for advice," said Vecchio. "Groundhogs are rodents, and hedgehogs are insectivores. An insectivore needs to know when the weather is warm enough for insects to be present, the ground to be unfrozen, etc., to ensure that there will be food around. A rodent can eat anything that he finds,

regardless of the weather. Farmers in the old world knew to watch the insectivores to determine when things were warming up.”

The Museum of Science & History (MOSH) is located at 1025 Museum Circle near Friendship Park . MOSH, first chartered in 1941, inspires the joy of lifelong learning by bringing to life the sciences and regional history. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday – Thursday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday; and 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8.50 for active and retired military, \$8 for children ages 3 through 12. There is no admission fee for children 2 and under or museum members. *Admission is \$5 on Fridays.*

For more than 96 years, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has been dedicated to inspiring the discovery and appreciation of wildlife through innovative experience in a caring environment. *Preservation of sustainable biodiversity is a key mission of the Zoo.* From its beginning in 1914, with an animal collection that consisted of only one red deer fawn, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has become one of the top zoos in the nation, now with more than 1,800 rare and exotic animals and over 1,000 unique plant species. The Zoo is a non-profit organization and an accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums and the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums. It is open year-round, seven-days-a-week, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and is located on Jacksonville ’s north side at 370 Zoo Parkway , one-half mile east from I-95. For more information, go to jacksonvillezoo.org.



Please remember to pass important events, and information along to us to share with the members. This is your Newsletter and we want to make it about you.

Past Meetings

February 8, 2011

Holt-Moore Debate

Councilman Ray Holt and Doug Moore debate was a great success. President Patricia and First VP Ray Turner put together a great program, and it ran like a Swiss watch. Both candidates were pleased with NBL's control of their debate. Both had equal time, and both brought out their plans if they were elected. Members and guests provided some great questions and the candidates had excellent responses to those questions.



Councilman Ray Holt



Doug Moore

Please go to www.northsidebusinessleaders.com to watch the video of this debate.



Bob Peeples & President Patricia Hamn



View of the Meeting

Officer of the Quarter

A.A. Lewis



Officer Lewis with President, Patricia Hamn



Doug Moore, Ray Turner, & Councilman Holt



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President's Letter March 2011

First, I want to thank all our members for showing a renewed interest in our Club this year. We've had excellent attendance at our first two meetings in 2011. Of course, I realize that Ray Turner has done an excellent job of booking interesting speakers.

I'd like to ask you to go to the website and review Paul Forte's production of the last meeting with Holt vs Moore. I'm sure you'll agree, his unedited production is something worth viewing.

As most of you are aware, on March 08th we're expecting a tremendous turn-out due to the scheduled debate between three of Jacksonville's Mayoral candidates. The three candidates debating will be: Mike Hogan, Warren Lee and Rick Mullaney. This will be the same format we had for the Councilman's debate. We've also invited the media to cover the event.

I'd like to ask if you would please be sure to RSVP when you receive your reminder call. The Zoo will need to have a total count the Friday prior to the meeting. We sure don't want to run out of food or seating. Don't forget to invite a friend.

I'd also like to welcome our five newest members: Joe McClure (was a previous member), Vince Serrano, Monty Daly & LeAndrew Mills and Lt. Derrick Mitchell. They will be a real asset to our Club. Be sure to give them a warm welcome.

We have some more great news! Mark your calendars as "SAVE THE DATE" for Thursday, April 28th at 6:00 p.m. We are going to have a "Member BBQ". Tim Petty is working out the details for a location that will provide the best atmosphere for all our members. We're going to have some fun at this event. No suits and ties for this event. Come in casual attire and be ready to eat, fellowship and have some fun.

God Bless You,

Patricia Hamn

Shannon's Spotlight

On February 25, 2011, I interviewed Pepper Peete with The First Tee of Jacksonville.

Pepper grew up in Denver, Colorado, but has lived in Jacksonville for 19 years. She developed a love of golf from her father. While at Edward Waters College she helped to develop the golf team and served as their Head Coach for 7 years.

While looking for a place to practice, she came upon the First Tee. It was then, that she was approached by The First Tee in regards to whether she was interested in being their Program Director. For a period of time, Pepper worked at BOTH the college, and The First Tee. She became the Executive Director in 2005.

Pepper is married to professional golfer, Calvin Peete. They have two daughters who also love playing golf.

The First Tee is a beautifully maintained golf course, as you will see in the video. We appreciate the tour we were given, and hope to see other members of the Northside Business Leaders on the golf course too. You might even see me driving the golf cart again, who knows! Thank you, Pepper! We enjoyed it.

*****Video will be coming soon to the website*****



SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!

Sandy Gibbs, "Secretary/Treasurer" & Shannon Elian, "PropVoice Management"



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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HOME ADDRESS _____

ZIP CODE _____

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Category of Membership (**Circle**): Individual Corporate Retired Spouse

COMMITTEE OF INTEREST: (**Circle those of interest**) Annual Banquet, Directory, Fair, Finance, golf Tournament, Government Affairs, Membership, Mentoring/Scholarships, Speakers, Web Page

Send Newsletter and Information: Home Address Business Address E-mail

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One Time Application Fee **50.00** Mail Application to:

Annual Dues Individual **115.00** Northside Business Leaders

Annual Dues Corporate **300.00** P.O. Box 28554

Annual Dues Retired Spouse **35.00** Jacksonville, FL 32226-8554

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