



# Northside Business Leaders, Inc.

Post Office Box 28554 • Jacksonville, Florida 32226-8554

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month. Time: 11:45A.M. Place: Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens, Samburu Room



***“The Northside”***

***September 2008***

## ***2008 ANNUAL BANQUET***

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2008**

**“ANNUAL RECOGNITION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS”  
AND  
“INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS”**

### **TIME**

**6:00 P.M. COCKTAILS, DINNER AND PROGRAM AT 7:00 P.M.**

### **PLACE**

**CLARION AT THE AIRPORT**

### **SPEAKERS**

**Judge Virginia Norton and Judge Adrian Soud**

### **TABLES**

**\$350.00 TABLE OR \$50.00 PER SINGLE TICKET.  
Call Faye Rustin or Nancy Burnett to reserve your seat**

### **SILENT AUCTION**

**Items are needed, remember the more items, the more money.  
Call Faye Rustin or Nancy Burnett**

**WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT AND ATTENDANCE AT THIS VERY SPECIAL EVENT.  
PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKET NOW!!!!!!**

## Mark Your Calendar

**September 9**

**Ronnie Fussell**

**President**

**"Jacksonville City Council"**

**September 25**

**2008 NBL Banquet**

**Annual Recognition of Elected Officials**

**And**

**Installation of Officers**

**October 14th**

**Lou Ritter**

**1965-67 Mayor of Jacksonville**

**"Consolidation 1968 & Now"**

***Members WE Need You at the Upcoming Important Meetings!!***

## Birthdays for September

Shannon Elian	7	Phil Harbison	22
Jerry Holland	9	Ray Moore	14
Sheriff John Rutherford	2	Dr. Lloyd Watkins	13

**REMEMBER TO WISH YOUR FRIENDS HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Check out our website at: [www.northsidebusinessleaders.com](http://www.northsidebusinessleaders.com)

# 2008 Scholarship Recipients



**Vonnatta Allen**



**Cameron Frazier**



**Sunni Hamil**



**Melba Hampton**



**Adisa Ibisevic**



**Christin Maxwell**



**Porschea Nelson**



**Danielle Patterson**



**Tiffany Rodabaugh**



**Andrew Sklar**

The Northside Business Leaders Inc. is very proud to announce it's 2008 Scholarship winners. The following students have shown outstanding academic achievement and will be attending FCCJ.

**First Coast High School Students are as follows:**

**Sunni Hamil** - Associate of Arts Degree

**Porschea Nelson** - Associate of Arts Degree

**Christin Maxwell** - 2<sup>nd</sup> year Scholar - Science Degree in Physical Therapy

**Andrew Jackson High School Students are as follows:**

**Tiffany M. Rodabaugh** - Associate of Arts Degree

**Andrew Sklar** - Associate of Arts Degree

**Cameron Frazier** - Associate of Arts Degree

**Adisa Ibisevic** - 2<sup>nd</sup> year Scholar - Associate of Arts Degree

**A. Philip Randolph High School Students are as follows:**

**Danielle Patterson** - Associate of Arts Degree

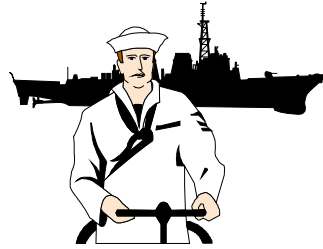
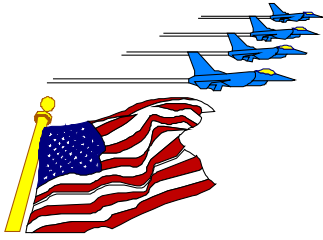
**Melba Hampton** - Associate of Science Degree in Nursing

**Vonatta Allen** - Associate of Arts Degree

**Johnathan Colleton (Photo not available)** - 2<sup>nd</sup> year Scholar - Associate of Science Degree in Network Administrator

We hope that years to come The Northside Business Leaders' will be able to continue further education for many more students. Applications are available on the website under scholarship.





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

# MEMBER NEWS!

## The 2007-2008 OFFICERS

President: Gerri Jones

1<sup>st</sup> VP: Paul Forte    2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Patrick Caffrey    3<sup>rd</sup> VP: Patricia Hamn

Chaplain: Ray Turner

Secretary/Treasurer: Nancy Burnett

Sergeant at Arms:

Angie Chesser, Bill Baisden, Isaac Jones and Dave Pinkstaff



Mark Kaleel's cousin was killed this weekend in an automobile accident. We send our thoughts and prayers to Mark Kaleel and his family on the passing of his cousin.

Elaine Woodley has suffered a stroke and has begun the extensive recovery and rehabilitation. Please keep Elaine and Manning in your prayers as she continues her long journey.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Dale Carson and his family on the passing of his mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Dale.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Tom Braddock on the passing of his family member in August.

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.

George Corey recovering fine from his Aortic Valve replacement. He had the surgery on Wednesday Aug. 20 and was home the following Tuesday and Mrs. Liz is chauffeur.

## **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 Nancy.

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**THE FRANCES AND CLYDE MEMORIAL FUND**

**Contributors to Date**

**John Benso  
Steve Burnett  
Gary Wallace**

**Bob & Debbie Birtalan  
Grady Parker**

**Sidney & Kim Broward  
Les Wages**

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

Fax: 904-714-4596 or E-MAIL [nmb7144596@bellsouth.net](mailto:nmb7144596@bellsouth.net).

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

**Meetings you may have missed.**

**August 12, 2008**

**Ron Barton**



**Mayor's office**

# "9A & Heckscher Drive"

Ron Barton spoke to the members on August 12 to give us an update on what has been going on to address the issues and concerns presented of the roads and highways in connection with the growth at the port.

Ron indicated all agencies are now working together instead of independently and have been meeting bi-weekly with updates to the Mayor's office. Initially communication was poor between the agencies and the citizens. Previously we were in a planning exercise and now it is time think of project implementation and timing. Ron believes that holistic road improvements need to be presented for the Northside by JTA and DOT. A rail service solution and dredging issues to allow ships to come in fully loaded are under discussion also.

Ron believes a lot has changed in 60 days. Mitsui, MOL is projected to be fully operational in January 2008. Hanjin will now re-locate with Mitsui at Dames Point. By October 1<sup>st</sup> they will have a short term/intermediate solution road plan that can mitigate implementation. Short term (now to 2011) Mitsui will open and ramp up, not to all hit at one time. Now to 2017 is the intermediate period when the Panama Canal expansion will ramp up and we will have the full stride of economic capability at our port. 2017 and thereafter is considered long term.

The second issue of concern was the economy is slow. It allows opportunity to get projects slowed and in place and allows time for response to critical issues. Shipping from the Far East to the West Coast markets is slowing down.

\$161 million of road improvements are currently under construction. These improvements cover road projects in the short-term plan.

Ron asked that the community continue to give feedback and significant input into what is needed on these road projects and improvements. Everyone will be affected by the port growth, which will make the economy and community stronger. Ron indicated that he expected a set of implemented funding projects to roll out in October. In the meantime the agencies will continue to work together for these projects and he will report back to us with an update in the coming months.

*NANCY*



Warren Alvarez ★★★★★ Ron Barton ★★★★★ Paul Forte

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**August 26, 2008**

**JTA**

**"9A & Heckscher Drive"**



## **Hamid Tabassian**

Mike Miller originally scheduled from JTA could not attend due to a family emergency. Mike sent Hamid Tabassian, "Manager of Highway Design" from JTA and Robert Mizell, "Dames Point Traffic Manager" from England-Thims & Miller JTA Consulting Firm. Hamid has spoke to us in the past and is always a welcome speaker. He is very knowledgeable and very gracious. Hamid gave us updates on various Northside projects including:

- ✦ **Heckscher Widening: Complete by 2011 first quarter.**
- ✦ **Airport Center Dr: Complete September 2009.**
- ✦ **Soutel Widening: Complete May 2009.**
- ✦ **Interstate Center & Clark Road: Complete ?**



## Robert Mizell

Robert updated the club on the MOL entrances and possible intermediate solutions. They are possibly going to a new entrance and back to using Alta Drive as a main road for the interim (See map below). This brought many questions from club members and guests Mr. & Mrs. Wright. Robert was very informative about the upcoming plans and considerations.





**Glenn Fowler ♦♦♦♦ Patrick Caffrey ♦♦♦♦ Wrights**



**Paul Forte ♦♦♦♦ Robert Mizell ♦♦♦♦ Hamid Tabassian**





## Lemuel Sharpe

Lemuel was made a Lifetime Member at our August 26, 2008 regular members meeting. Congratulations and we hope to see Lemuel for many years to come.

## Northside Business Leaders Elected

### 2008-2009 Executive Board

<b>President:</b>	<b>Paul Forte</b>
<b>1st Vice President:</b>	<b>Patricia Hamn</b>
<b>2nd Vice President:</b>	<b>Warren Alvarez</b>
<b>3rd Vice President:</b>	<b>Lori Meyer</b>
<b>Chaplain:</b>	<b>Rev. Ray F. Turner</b>
<b>Sec./Treasurer</b>	<b>Nancy Burnett</b>
<b>Sgt. @ Arms:</b>	<b>Bill Baisden</b>
<b>Sgt. @ Arms:</b>	<b>Patrick Caffrey</b>
<b>Sgt. @ Arms:</b>	<b>Isaac Jones</b>
<b>Sgt. @ Arms:</b>	<b>Mark Kaleel</b>

## **NEW WAREHOUSES CIRCLE PORT**

In case you haven't noticed, the map of Jacksonville business is being redrawn. The Jacksonville Business Journal has documented 27 warehouse projects built or planned in Duval county since Tokyo-based Mitsui O.S.K. Lines Ltd. announced its huge shipping terminal in July 2005. Adding to this growth are plans by South Korean shipper Hanjin Shipping Co. Ltd to operate a second new terminal. Projections estimate that Misui and Hanjin operations will triple the current number of cargo containers shipped through Jacksonville. The warehouses will support the transportation of all that new cargo. These are not the garden-variety 100,000 square foot warehouses of yesteryear; Most are 400,000 square feet and up; two projects top out at 1.5 million square feet, or about the size of a one-and-a-half Avenues malls.

JAX BUS. JOURNAL 8/29 TO 9/4, 2008

## **SPACE TOURISM COUNTDOWN BEGINS**

Roughly \$200,000 could get you to space via Cecil Field if the Jacksonville Aviation Authority succeeds in making the airport a commercial spaceport. The authority expects to receive approval from the Federal Aviation Administration by February 2009 to allow commercial space travel from the airport said Todd Lindner, the authority's administrator of planning, grants and environmental programs. Although the final application was turned in August 15, interim drafts have already been approved. Once the operators receive FAA approval to fly out of Cecil, the first launch could be as early as spring 2010. Interest in commercial space travel for tourism has increased largely because of Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic, said Steve Kohler, president of Space Florida. Plus, the investment community is gaining interest in commercial space travel, as more companies, such as those in the GSP and satellite TV markets, require satellite networks. The authority's pursuit of a spaceport option comes on the heels of the U.S. Air Force announcing in July that it will allow commercial launches at the Cape Canaveral, Cecil Field doesn't have a space museum, but it does have many other nearby attractions, Lindner said. "If you're going to drop \$200,000, it's pretty safe to assume you have the funds to play golf and spend some time at the beach," he said. Plus, Cecil Field has more potential for development because it isn't as limited by government restrictions as Cape Canaveral. Horizontal sub-orbital space travel – the process of reaching space on an incline – is generally less expensive than vertical, or straight up, launches, which will be the main type of departure of Cape Canaveral, Kohler said. Lindner said the authority is in talks with several commercial spacecraft operators, including Oklahoma City based Rocketplane Inc. Virgin Galactic isn't interested in coming to Cecil Field because it has already invested in a spaceport in Las Cruces, N.M. "But if they want an East Coast presence, they said we'd be a candidate," Lindner said. The authority will only seek operators whose aircraft are certified by the FAA. "We're not interested in experimental aircraft," Lindner said. The application asks for approvals of two types of spacecraft: \*The "Concept X" aircraft, which looks like a corporate jet, would fly about 30,000 to 50,000 feet over the Atlantic Ocean and then make a roughly 87 degree climb to about 300,000 feet. The vehicle, which seats four to six passengers, achieves weightlessness for about 10 minutes. \*The "Concept Z" aircraft would head to the same launching zone off the coast, and then a smaller aircraft piggybacking off the larger jet would climb to about 300,000 feet. After achieving weightlessness for about 12 to 14 minutes, the vehicle, which seats up to six passengers, would glide down for a landing. Adding commercial space travel to Cecil Field wouldn't affect the airport's other operations, Lindner said. The authority began pursuing becoming a spaceport in 2004, but it got off course with the Florida Space Agency disbanded. Now reformed as Space Florida, the public-private partnership is assisting the JAA in its bid and in seeking commercial space carriers.

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## **GROWTH COMING IN TRADE WITH BOOMING BRAZIL**

One of the world's largest container shipping lines is adding another Brazilian port of call to tap into the country's booming economy. Starting in mid-September, Hamburg Sud will add a weekly direct service from Jacksonville to the southern port of Navegantes, making it the fifth Brazilian port called on by the line, said Francis Larkin, Hamburg Sud senior vice president. Hamburg Sud's increased service is only the beginning, as shipping carriers jockey to increase trade with the South American powerhouse, especially its southern region, which has experienced explosive growth in recent years. Brazil is already Florida's No. 1 trading partner, and insiders see even more potential growth especially when it comes to imports. The main imports from Brazil are building materials, lumber, furniture, textiles and auto parts, with chemicals and raw materials being exported to Brazil. Ethanol, one of Brazil's largest exports, could also be added to the list. Carriers such as French CMA CGM, are expected to expand their service once the Mitsui O.S.K. Lines Ltd. terminal is completed in January 2009, said Raul Alfonso, director of container cargo in the Jacksonville Port Authority's trade development and marketing department. The increased service could make Jacksonville the hub between north-to-south and east-to-west service connections. Mediterranean Shipping Co. also calls on Brazilian ports, but as not available for comment. Increased service is a start, but Jacksonville needs a line straight to and from Brazilian ports, said Joshua Rodrigues, Jacksonville Port Authority manager of Latin American and intermodal sales. Hamburg Sud stops in five U.S. cities, including Baltimore and Charleston, S.C., before calling on Jacksonville. A direct line would provide faster service, making both sites more attractive for U.S. and Brazilian businesses. Rodrigues, who was born in Brazil, hopes to spur such a line with his newly formed group, the Brazil-Jacksonville Alliance of Northeast Florida. The goal is to create a line from Jacksonville to southern Brazil, which is growing but is still easier to call on than busier ports. The group's first step is to build a relationship with representatives in the Brazilian states of Parana, Santa Catarina and Rio Grande do Sul. In February, Mayor John Peyton visited the latter. The alliance's focus is on Curitiba because it is the country's model city and economically aggressive. It has a strong intermodal system, an industrial park and dry ports. "The saying is that 'If something success in Curitiba, it is bound to success in other parts of the country,'" Rodrigues said. The next stop is to get southern Brazilian companies together so that the alliance can tell shippers that there is a market for exports and imports. CSX Corp. (NYSE:CSX) is in talks with the authority on creating expedited rail service from Jacksonville to Chicago to handle refrigerated goods such as fruit from Brazil said CSX spokesman Gary Sease. Train shipments could also include ethanol, one of Brazil's major exports. Gate Biofuels Inc is in talks with several Brazilian producers to import the fuel to its proposed 55 million-gallon terminal on Heckscher Drive, said Buzz Hoover, the company's president. He said even with a 54 cents-per-gallon tariff, which wipes out the 51 cents per gallon blending credit, Brazilian producers are confident about an American market for their fuel. One reason for the confidence is that they're able to extract three times more fuel from sugar cane than American ethanol producers can get from corn. Although the terminal won't be up and running for more than two years, Hoover expects other fuel terminals –such as BP and Chevron – to start important Brazilian ethanol earlier.

JAX BUS. JOURNAL 8/15 TO 8/21 2008

## **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT TO CUT PROPERTY TAX HARD TO PREDICT**

The effect on businesses of a state constitutional amendment cutting property owners' taxes by 25 percent isn't know, but business groups doubt it will be positive. If passed Nov. 4, the amendment, eliminating the school portion of local property tax, would be the second wave in property tax reform, following the doubling of the homestead exemption last year. The concern is how the more than \$9 billion shortfall will be filled if the amendment passes. The proposal, placed on the ballot by the Florida Taxation and Budget Reform Committee, proposes Florida lawmakers make up the difference in one or more of four ways. \*Raise the sales tax by a percentage point to 7 percent. \*Remove sales tax exemptions on services ranging from legal fees to advertising. It's up to the legislators to determine which exemptions are removed. \*Cut spending. Considering that the

Legislature struggled to cut \$6 billion last session, cutting some or all of the more than \$9 billion will be even trickier. \*Find another revenue source by creating a new tax or fee. “Where are they going to get it?” said Billy Johns, 1-800-Cash-Out LLC chief financial officer. “They’re probably going to start taxing business.” The co-owner of the Jacksonville real estate and mortgage marketing and lead generating company said like many other business owners, he was hit by a triad of city fees following the property reform measure approved last year. Florida Chamber of Commerce spokesman David Daniel acknowledges that property tax relief is a plus, but the myriad of unknowns makes it wrong to back the amendment. If it is passed and the sales tax is raised, about \$3.2 billion would be raised, leaving a more than \$6 billion shortfall, he said. If all sales tax exemptions were nixed, the state would see an extra \$12 billion in revenue, but it’s unlikely that legislators would cut all available exemptions. Removing sales tax exemptions would make Florida less competitive with neighboring states. For instance, the lifting of the tax exemption used in manufacturing would force companies to increase products’ costs or lose profits. Amendment 5 proponents’ argument that the property tax cut will help florida’s struggling economy is faulty because the tax relief wouldn’t kick in until 2010, said Barney Bishop, chairman of Associated Industries of Florida. “We are being sold a bill of goods that they can’t deliver to us,” he said. AIF and other groups, including the Florida School Boards Association and the Florida Association of District School Superintendents, are challenging the amendment’s constitutionality. Attorney Barry Richards, who represents the Coalition to Protect Florida’s Economy, said the proposal’s title and summary are misleading. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit judge’s ruling on the challenge is expected soon.

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### **EUROPEANS LINE UP TO DO BUSINESS IN JACKSONVILLE**

The Europeans are coming.

One of Europe’s largest cold storage logistics companies is expected to announce its plans to make Jacksonville its North American distribution headquarters by the end of the year. Aside from three to five senior management positions, the more than 100 employees, with annual salaries averaging \$50,000, will be sought domestically. Although sizable, it will pale in comparison with Deutsche Bank’s recent arrival, which is bringing 1,000 jobs to the area. Doing business in the United States is more attractive because of its weak dollar compared with the euro. But Jacksonville has more than a weak exchange rate going for it, said Michael Breen, director of international development for Cornerstone, the Jacksonville Regional Chamber of Commerce’s economic development arm. Not only is it more affordable to do business in Jacksonville than cities like New York and Miami, but the river city’s logistical capabilities – in the form of rail, port and highway access – also give it an edge. Jacksonville will become even more enticing to European companies when a direct line for container ships between Jacksonville and Europe is added within the next months, said Raul Alfonso, director of container cargo in the Jacksonville Port Authority’s trade development and marketing department. He said a European carrier is considering calling on Jacksonville, but the authority doesn’t expect to receive a decision until the end of the year. Mediterranean Shipping Co. is the only container carrier of European goods that calls on Jacksonville, but it’s not a direct line. Poultry is exported to Russia, and autos and farming equipment are sent to Europe. Jacksonville’s growing life sciences industry may also attract more European biomedical companies, as it did with the Belgium-based IBA Group, which employs about 27 people here. The cancer therapy company chose to make Jacksonville its headquarters because of the University of Florida Proton Therapy Institute, which installed IBA equipment. It is one of only five proton therapy treatment centers in the nation. “We wanted to be at a location where there was a center and a showroom,” said Vincent Collignon, director of IBA Group’s U.S. operations. “Florida has that showroom.” He said state and city incentives helped, and ultimately the area’s atmosphere made it easy to convince his colleagues to move from their previous office in Boston. “We have very good quality of life here, he said. “Jacksonville is a nice city when you have small kids.” Two French aviation companies are considering setting up aerospace

manufacturing facilities in Jacksonville, Breen said. Each company could bring 20 to 100 jobs to the area. The companies have whittled down their prospective cities to three, including Jacksonville. Breen said Cecil Commerce Center and the area's force – including U.S. Navy retirees – are an incentive. A French company specializing in 3-D animation for industries ranging from aviation to biomedicine has also narrowed down its list to three cities, including Jacksonville. If it comes, it would add 20 to 100 jobs to the area. A United Kingdom based importer of mowing machines is also looking at opening in Jacksonville, and has whittled its list of potential cities down to five. Jacksonville is one of 10 cities being considered by a U.K. – based company that produces border surveillance equipment. Breen said the biggest challenge facing Jacksonville is attracting European countries is getting on their radar. “You say Florida to them and they think ‘M and M’, he said Miami and mouse. Cornerstone changes this by sending out trade missions, and more importantly meeting face to face with European CEOs. European business leaders like to form a relationship with potential partners before discussing relocation possibilities.

JAX BUS JOURNAL 8/8 – 8/14

### **FREIGHT COMPANY SIGNS \$38M LEASE**

A national freight brokerage and transportation management company signed a 30-year \$38 million lease for up to a half a million square feet at an industrial and commercial center under development adjacent to an Asian shipping terminal being built at Dames Point. AllFr8 (pronounced All Freight) Global Logistics & Distribution LLC will operate a logistics campus focusing on cross dock facilities and distribution form containers to rail and truck in a 400,000 square foot primary facility with an option of 100,000 square feet in a secondary facility at The Port Authority Center on Heckscher Drive. The site, just yards away from the Mitsui O.S.K. Lines Ltd terminal under construction as well as the proposed site for a Hanjin Shipping Company Ltd. terminal, is incomparable, said Curtis Englert, the company's president and CEO. “It's the old adage: location, location, location,” Englert said. AllFr8's parent company Jacksonville-based All Freight International Inc is a transportation management company and its sister company, AllFr8 Logistics Inc., is a national freight brokerage company. The AllFr8 Global Logistics and Distribution arm will operate and maintain the logistics campus. Englert expects to eventually employ 50 people at the logistics campus. For Planet Five Development Group LLC, the developer of the 80-acre Port Authority Center; the project is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, said Chief Financial Officer David Zorn. Although Planet Five has completed several projects and has several others under construction in Florida and elsewhere, this \$50 million project is the Jacksonville company's largest to date. Plans for the site include 700,000 square feet of total space comprising the AllFr8 facilities along with cold storage space, office space, retail space and a 150 room hotel. Plans for a 20-unit residential condominium along with a 50 slip marina have been put on hold. The site also includes a rail spur. Dana B. Kenyon Co. is expected to start construction on the first phase of the project, which includes the AllFr8 space, within six months and finish it by January 2010. Ryan Properties represented AllFr8 in the deal. Elaine Brown and Mark Farrell will serve as consultants, helping with future leasing negotiations as well as strategic planning of The Port Authority Center. Brown is a former Jacksonville City Council president, a candidate for the Florida House District 18 seat and a part-time real estate consultant. Farrell is the former CEO of Jacksonville developer The Vestcor Cos. And the owner of Ponte Vedra Beach real estate consultation company Killashee Investments Inc. Because the site is the closest industrial project to the Mitsui terminal as well as the proposed Hanjin terminal, Farrell said he and brown want to make sure the project is the highest and best use not only for the developer but for the tenants, the Jacksonville Port Authority and the city of Jacksonville as well. “You have once chance to do it right,” Farrell said. “You don't want to screw it up.”

## TODAY'S HUMOR AND SENSABILITY

### I Have Decided to Become a Write In Candidate. Here is my Platform:

1. Press 1 for English is immediately banned. English is the official language; speak it or wait at the border until you can.
2. We will immediately go into a two year isolationist posture to straightout out the country's attitude. No imports, no export. We will use the 'Walmart' policy, 'If we ain't got it, you don't need it.'
3. When imports are allowed, there will be a 100% import tax on it.
4. All retired military personnel will be required to man one of our many observation towers on the southern border (six month tour). They will be under strict orders not to fire on SOUTHBOUND aliens.
5. Social security will immediately return to its original state. If you didn't put nuttin in, you ain't getting nuttin out. The president nor any other politician will not be able to touch it.
6. Welfare – checks will be handed out on Fridays at the end of the 40 hour school week and the successful completion of urinalysis and a passing grade.
7. Professional athletes – Steroids – The first time you check positive you're banned for life.
8. Crime – We will adopt the Turkish method, the first time you steal, you lose your right hand. There is no more life sentences. If convicted, you will be put to death by the same method you chose for your victim; gun, knife, strangulation, etc.
9. One export will be allowed: Wheat, the world needs to eat. A bushel of wheat will be the exact price of a barrel of oil.
10. All foreign aid using American taxpayer money will immediately cease, and the saved money will pay off the national debt and ultimately lower taxes. When disasters occur around the world, we'll ask the American people if they want to donate to a disaster fund and each citizen can make the decision whether it's a worthy cause.
11. The Pledge of Allegiance will be said every day in school and every day in Congress.
12. The National Anthem will be played at all appropriate ceremonies, sporting events, outings, etc. Sorry if I stepped on anyone's toes but a vote for me will get you better than what you have, and better than what you're gonna get.

Thanks for listening and remember to write in my name on the ballot in November. God Bless America,

Bill Cosby



*Nancy & Paul*

*See you next month*



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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ Ext \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS CATEGORY \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTHDAY \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

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  
Annual Dues Individual            115.00  
Annual Dues Corporate            300.00  
Annual Dues Retired Spouse       35.00

**Mail Application to:**  
**Northside Business Leaders**  
**P.O. Box 28554**  
**Jacksonville, FL 32226-8554**

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**Category Info on website under Memberships**