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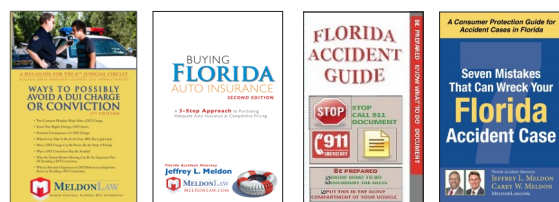
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March 2019 Issue



“Jeffrey on the Air”

This month’s “Trivial Pursuit” >>>

Questions:

1. What mountain is the tallest point in Japan?
2. In terms of area, what is the largest borough in New York City?
3. With what is charcoal and saltpeter mixed to make gunpowder?
4. What is the chemical symbol for Helium?
5. Which US capital city was originally called Le Fleur’s Bluff?
6. What is odontophobia the fear of?
7. Who wrote the play “Death of a Salesman”?
8. What did Fender name the follow up to their “Telecaster” guitar?
9. What is a gondola?
10. Dr. Pepper was first sold in 1885 in which Texas city?



Answers: 1. Fuji 2. Queens 3. Sulfur 4. He 5. Jackson 6. Dentistry 7. Arthur Miller 8. Stratocaster 9. A Venetian rowing boat 10. Waco

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BE INSPIRED—BE INSPIRING

Lets Move Mankind Forward in a Good Way

I was recently at a lecture discussing what happens to you after you die. The thesis was presented that our body goes back into the earth but our soul lives on. Whether or not your soul inhabits another body later on has been the subject of speculation for millennia, but to this date we don't have any accurate reporting on that subject. What we do know is that the good you do while on this earth can be carried forward in many different ways by your family, friends, and the institutions/endeavors that exist well after your gone. That is what enhances and magnifies our soul and allows it to remain long after death. The presenter summed up the talk by saying "Be Inspired, Be Inspiring" I thought that was so succinct and well stated that I decided to write about it in our newsletter. Those four simple words say a lot. I try to remain inspired by reading great books. working out, being around loving family and friends, and traveling around the world to discover new and rediscover old places. I also revere the time I spend everyday helping other people put their lives back together at Meldon law. While I was recently on the “Blues Cruise”, I found the courthouse in St. Maarten that inspired me to think about how justice is handled around the world. Being a Dutch constitutional colony, I suspect that they have a fairly advanced system of justice. A system of justice is reflective of the soul of the country. In the meantime lets do one small or large thing each day that makes us feel that we have moved mankind forward in a good way. *Be Inspired, Be Inspiring.*



Jeffrey in front of the old St. Maarten Courthouse

Quotes of the Month

“Adversity does not build character, it reveals it.”

-James Lane Allen

“And into the forest I go, to lose my mind and find my soul.”

-John Muir

“True beauty is born through our actions and in the kindness we offer to others.”

-Alek Wek

Jokes of the Month

What season is it when you are on a trampoline? Spring Time!

What is the official animal of Pi Day? The Pi-thon!

What did one calculus book say to the other? Don't bother me, I've got my own problems.



MARCH'S REVIEW OF THE MONTH:

I have recently had the privilege of being represented by Jeffrey Meldon and his excellent staff following a serious injury. They pursued my case with genuine care and expertise and were extremely supportive during my recovery. I am very grateful to them for doing such a terrific job. I highly recommend Jeffrey Meldon Law.

-Dan, Former Client

In The Community... *The Education Foundation*

Location: 2802 NE 8th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32641 **Website:** <http://www.edfoundation.org/>

The Education Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable organization that finds and fills the needs of struggling students. Since our inception in 1999, thousands of students and their families have found hope and excitement through our programs that only The Education Foundation offers. We aim to not only meet the needs of our students through academics via tutoring and scholarships, but we also focus on the full success of our student's lives. Our mission is to provide research, direct services, and offer scholarships to advance education. The Education Foundation hires the strongest tutors and staff available while helping students grow to fulfill our mission successfully. To learn more about this amazing organization, check out there website at www.edfoundation.org.



Community Events

Spring Garden Festival

Saturday, March 23th, 2019, 9AM-5PM
@ Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, Gainesville, FL
This is Gainesville's premier horticultural event. The Spring Garden Festival features about 150 booths offering plants, landscape displays, garden accessories, arts and crafts, educational exhibits and, of course, foods. Also featured are live entertainment and live auctions.



Great American Cleanup

Saturday, March 30, 2019, 8AM-1PM
@ Westside Park, 1001 NW 34th St, Gainesville, FL
We provide supplies and, from there, volunteers spread throughout the community at their service sites. You can choose one or we can choose one for you. At noon, volunteers return to the park to celebrate a hard day's work with an after party which includes free t-shirts, food, raffles and prizes. Both breakfast and lunch are provided. Register at kacb.org.



Sammy the Dog Gets A Promotion!

Samantha (Sammy), our Meldon Law office dog, recently got a promotion! Barbara Caswell, her new Godmother and our chief of accounting at Meldon Law, agreed to give Sammy co-billing on the office where Barbara and Sammy work during the day. Sammy would like to thank everyone for the tremendous response she got for our recyclable bag program last month. Sammy and Meldon Law are once again offering three FREE Recyclable Grocery Bags by just calling emailing your home address to tlovett@meldonlaw.com or calling the office at (352) 373-8000.



Sammy the office dog and Jeffrey

This month's topic of interest: **March 2019**

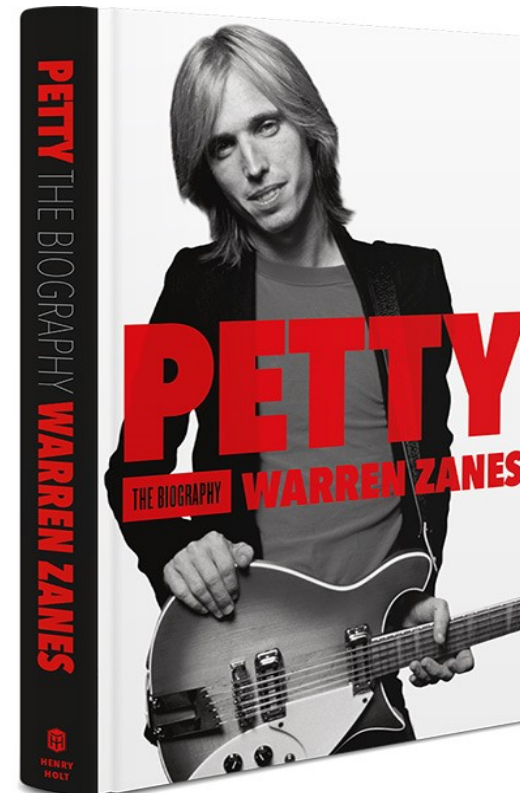
Each month our staff takes a number of calls from people within the North Central Florida Community. We use our clients' comments to come up with ideas for the topics of interest. Here's a topic worth

Tom Petty: The Biography by Warren Zanes

Prior to Tom Petty's untimely death on October 2, 2017, a complete authorized biography was written by Warren Zanes with Tom's permission and input. Not only was Petty interviewed extensively for this journey though history, but all of the significant people in his life were as well. The Heartbreakers discuss poignant moments as the band emerges from small town Gainesville, Florida to become one the biggest names in music and the eventual enshrining of Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers as members of the Rock n' Roll Hall of Fame. The biography also describes stories like Tom Petty being awestruck when his uncle Earl Jernigan arranges for a young Tom to meet Elvis Presley during a film shoot in Ocala, Florida, or how Tom's life was forever changed when he first saw the Beatles on the Ed Sullivan show.

The rise of Tom Petty started in the 1960s while the members of the Heartbreakers were in other bands honing their craft for an uncertain future. The Tom Petty band I first met in 1970 was called Mudcrutch which included Tom Leadon (brother of Bernie Leadon of the Eagles), Randall Marsh, and Mike Campbell. Mike went on to become Tom Petty's all-star lead guitar player and co-writer for many of the bands greatest hits. I worked with Tom and the band to create the first Mudcrutch Festival in Gainesville in December of 1970. It turned out to be a mini Woodstock that was expanded to a 3 day event in the early part of 1971. After I opened my law office in November of 1971, I represented Tom and the band as their first lawyer, helping them develop their career. Eventually the band broke up and reformed with Tom, Mike Campbell, Ron Blair, Stan Lynch, and Benmont Tench as Gainesville's own Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers. It took many years before they made it to the big stage but they remain today as Gainesville's, and probably Florida's, greatest rock n' roll band.

I remember just like it was yesterday when the group came to my law office to plan their future. Reading this book brought back so many great memories since I personally knew many of the people involved and stories told. I would like to share this great read to the first 25 of our newsletter subscribers who contact us. Just email your home address to tlovett@meldonlaw.com or call the office at (352) 373-8000 for your free copy of this book. I hope you enjoy the journey as much as I did.



Petty: The Biography by Warren Zanes



Welcoming Back our Meldon Law / WCJB TV-20 Scholar Athletes of the Week!

Meldon Law has sponsored the **Scholar Athlete Program** since 1997. Every week of the school year a high school senior in the North Central Florida area is chosen as the Scholar-Athlete of the Week and given a \$100 scholarship and a plaque.

At the end of the school year we hold a banquet for all the winners and their families. Last year nearly 200 people attended the Scholar Athlete Banquet where one male and one female are chosen as **The Scholar Athletes of the Year**.

The winners receive a \$1,000 scholarship plus a beautiful glass trophy commemorating their achievement. Starting in 2003 the Meldon Law Firm teamed up with **WCJB TV-20** to promote the event widely on **TV-20**.

Talia Bates is a swimmer for the **Buchholz High School Swim Team**. She has an amazing 4.885 GPA while claiming a pair of individual state titles in her senior season. Talia will be attending the University of Florida where she will take her sport and academics to the next level.

Hailey Brown is the team captain for the **P.K. Yonge Girls Varsity Soccer Team**. She has scored over 75 goals in her season for the Blue Wave all while carrying a spectacular 4.0 GPA. Hailey is encouraged to lead by example and has helped positively influence younger athletes.

Josh Hughes is a three-year starter on the **Keystone Heights Boys Basketball Team**. The senior star has carried an impressive 4.4 GPA while helping his team start a strong season. Josh would like to continue his education at the next level while study engineering.

To nominate someone for Scholar Athlete of the Week, make sure he or she has at least a 3.0 GPA, is a major contributor in his or her sport, and a high school senior. Call in or email nominations to **Elgin Rucker** at (352) 416-0646 or email at erucker@wcjb.com.