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Jake Rongholt (TV20 Sports Anchor), Scholar Athlete of the Year, Jailen Ruth, & Jeffrey Meldon



24TH ANNUAL TV20/MELDON LAW SCHOLAR ATHLETE BANQUET

Meldon Law and TV20 had the 24th Annual Scholar-Athlete Banquet at the University of Florida Hilton Hotel in Gainesville on May 11, 2023. The 33 weekly winners were presented with a plaque and a \$100 scholarship. Then the announcement of the male and female Scholar Athletes of the Year were made. Each winner received an additional \$1000 plus a big beautiful glass trophy. The male winner was Jailen Ruth, who was the leader of Hawthorne High School's Football Team, playing defense, and he helped lead the Hornets to their first state title in program history. He was also the 1A Football State Player of the Year, finalist for Florida Dairy Farmers overall Player of the Year and he finished with a 3.8 GPA in the classroom. Jailen has commited to attend Vanderbilt University in the Fall. The female winner

was Jalyn Stout, volleyball player from Santa Fe High School. She was a 2-time winner of the Florida Dairy Farmers Miss Volleyball, helped lead her team to back to back state titles, and finished with a 3.2 GPA in the classroom. Jalyn has commited to attend Coastal Carolina in the fall. After the banquet all of the weekly winners took a class photo and the individual scholarathlete of the year winners were interviewed by TV20 who covered the event on TV that night and the next day. An announcement was made by Jeffrey Meldon that the 25th Annual Scholar Athlete event was going to be a huge banquet where all of the 700 plus prior winners would be invited to attend. Meldon Law is proud to support high school students who have demonstrated amazing talent both on the field and in the classroom.



Our Meldon Law / WCJB TV-20 Scholar Athletes of the Week!

Meldon Law has sponsored the Scholar Athlete Program since 1997. Every week during 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 trophy.

This year marks the 24th anniversary of the Scholar Athlete Program. Along with our yearly banquet, we now have a dedicated Facebook group where Scholar Athletes from past years can connect with one another. If you know of a former Scholar Athlete, be sure to let them know about the group.

Every year at our banquet, 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.

Meldon Law teams up with WCJB TV-20 to put on the event.

LANE SPARKMAN has been the captain of the P.K. Younge baseball team for the last two years. His leadership has proven to be the winning formula for the Blue Wave outfielder. Lane has a weighted GPA of 3.4 and plans on attending Santa Fe College with hopes of enrolling as a Gator in the future in their construction management program.

ASHLEE THOMAS is a top pitcher for the Bell softball team and captain of the volleyball team. She has piled up nearly 250 hours of community service and earned multiple degrees with the Future Farmers of America. Thomas has a 4.0 GPA and has signed on to play softball with Florida State College at Jacksonville.

What is the criteria for Scholar Athlete of the Week — make sure he or she has at least a 3.0 GPA, is a major contributer in his or her sport, and is a high school senior. To nominate an athlete, email jacob.rongholt@wcjb.com

REVIEW OF THE MONTH

I was nervous at first when choosing Meldon Law, but I'm so thankful I did. Jessica Thompson did an amazing job on all 3 of my cases and I highly recommend choosing Meldon Law!



-Dasha Thomas

\$950,000 SETTLEMENT: GOLF CART ACCIDENT

Our client was enjoying an afternoon riding in a golf cart when another golf cart t-boned our client's cart. Our client suffered significant injuries resulting in permanent disfigurement of her feet, hands, and TBI's. Our firm was able to successfully settle this matter presuit for our client for \$950,000.00.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH - DAVITA'S GRILLED PEACHES AND ICE CREAM

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 fresh, ripe
- peaches
- Vegetable oil for brushing
- 8 scoops of ice

cream



DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Heat grill to medium-high.
- 2. Cut peaches in half.
- 3. Remove pits from peaches.
- 4. Brush both cut sides with vegetable oil.
- 5. Place cut side down on the grill.
- 6. Grill for 3-4 minutes or until grill marks appear.
- 7. Brush tops lightly with oil, flip, and move peaches to indirect heat.
- 8. Grill for about 8 minutes longer or until tender and warm.
- 9. Serve warm peach halves with icecream and enjoy!



Marco and Josh paused for a quick photo in between giving out lots of Gator Swag!



A Gator fan showing off the shirt he won at the Meldon Law prize wheel.



Jeffrey, Carey, and Todd Golden presented The Alzheimers Association with a \$10,000 check.



One of the players in the 28th Annual Bob Dooley Golf Tourney winning a shirt!



Ticket giveaway winners meeting one of their favorite Gator Baseball players!



Ticket giveaway winners enjoying a Gator Softball win!



WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023 3PM-9PM

WHERE: 1050 NE 6TH BLVD WILLISTON, FL



Relive one of the greatest decades of our time at the Saved By The 90's Music Festival! FREE Parking and FREE Admission with a live tribute concert by Never Say Never and the Clueless 90's dance party.

JOKES OF THE MONTH

Why are oak trees so forgiving?

Every May they "turn over a new leaf."

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What did the spring say when it was in trouble?

"May Day!!"

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What is a cow's favorite holiday?

Moomorial Day

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What month always asks questions and permission?

May

HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY!



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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

66 Happiness often sneaks in know you left open.

-John Barrymore



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- Where was memorial day first observed? 1.
- 2. Memorial day was founded to remember those in what conflict?
- 3. Which major sporting event takes place each Memorial Day weekend?
- 4. What is often played at ceremonies for Memorial Day?
- 5. In what war were American soldiers widely called "doughboys"?
- 6. When was Memorial Day moved from May 30 to the last Monday in May?
- 7. What city hosts the oldest Memorial Day parade?
- 8. What did Memorial Day used to be called?
- 9. Who is credited with creating Memorial Day?
- 10. Approximately how many Americans barbecue on Memorial Day weekend?

Day. 9. General John A. Logan. 10. 75%. 5. World War 1. 6. 1971. 7. Doylestown, PA. 8. Decoration 1. Waterloo, NY. 2. Civil War. 3. Indianapolis 500. 4. "Taps".