

# New Race Around The Corner

## Registration Now Open For Hardy Trail Run/Walk

by Keri McAlpine

A new family friendly event is coming to Dade City, just in time to keep up with those health conscious New Year's resolutions. The Kumquat 5K Run and Walk is scheduled for Jan. 21, one week before the biggest event in Dade City, the annual Kumquat Festival.

"We wanted something that would be very interactive and give folks something to do," said Dade City Mayor Camille Hernandez. "With the Kumquat Festival coming up we wanted to give some recognition to that as well."

The run is meant for the whole family. Children and adults of all ages are welcome to participate and enjoy the city's favorite Hardy Trail as they saunter through downtown and the trail's winding path.

In order to encourage youth to participate, entry

for the run/walk is only \$5 for students of any age, from Kindergarten through college. Co-organizer and Saint Leo University cross-country runner Niclas Bez thinks this is one of the highlights of the event, encouraging participation from students everywhere. Adult registration is \$25.

Bez helped design the path of the run, which will start by the Hardy Trail entrance across from the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce. The path will also snake through downtown on Church and Howard Avenues.

"It's not a qualifying race but it is an officially measured 5K course so people can try to go for a fast time for themselves," Bez explained. "I think it's going to be a good family event."

A kid's half-mile run and walk will begin at 8:45 a.m. and the Kumquat 5K will start shortly after at 9 a.m.

After the run, participants will be able to enjoy healthy drinks and snacks, courtesy of Florida Hospital Zephyrhills, while a DJ plays music to keep everyone on their feet. The top three male and top three female

finishers will receive an award, but everyone who participates will receive a finisher medal, Bez said.

"We're not trying to stress the competitive aspect as much as getting out there and being healthy in the New Year," Hernandez said.

Presented by Florida Hospital Zephyrhills and Florida Educators Insurance, all proceeds from the run will go toward the Dade City Youth Council and their upcoming trips and educational field trips. After the youth council's successful Trail Jam last fall, the group wanted to continue to promote local trails and bring attention to the city's plan to expand the Hardy Trail to others in the county.

Look out for the DCYC next weekend handing out water and cheering for participants along the running path.

Visit [www.5Kumquat.com](http://www.5Kumquat.com) for information and to register. Hernandez said on-site registration will be available the day of the run, but she encourages all to register ahead of time so the run can stay on schedule.

Additional parking will be available at 14122 Eighth St.

## 'Battle of the Parks' Set To Swing Into Action

### Lake Bernadette Golf Club Introduces New Tournament

Story and photo by Keri McAlpine

At the end of the month, residents who inhabit the more than 150 local RV and mobile home parks in the area will be able to face off in some friendly competition.

The Links of Lake Bernadette golf club will hold the first ever "Battle of the Parks" four-person scramble tournament in a bid to bring residents and golf enthusiasts together.

Each park in the greater Zephyrhills and Dade City areas is being invited to sign up a foursome to represent their park in the Jan. 30 tournament. Links co-owner Andi Ryer said the club thought of the idea of the tournament after speaking to multiple golfers who frequent the club and were looking for some new competitive play.

"People are looking for more and more things to do rather than just playing in their same league every week," Ryer said. "They were looking for something to add to their golf experience."

Since the idea of the tournament was concocted, Ryer said golfers have been excited about the prospect. She hopes the 18-hole tournament will allow players to mingle with others they might not



All of the more than 150 RV and mobile home parks in the greater Zephyrhills and Dade City area are invited to sign up a four-person team for the Jan. 30 Battle of the Parks.

have gotten the chance to otherwise, and bond over their love of golf. Winners will be presented with a travelling victory plaque, which will have the winning team's park name inscribed onto it. The plaque will be in the possession of the winning park until the following year's tournament, when it passes on to the next champion.

"This is a shot to give all the parks something big to go to and have that camaraderie maybe with other parks or with other golfers," Ryer said.

She said groups from about 20 parks currently use the Links course as one of their frequent golfing spots. Ryer assured

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## JV Baseball Hosting Golf Tournament

Come out and join the fun to help raise money for Pasco High School's junior varsity baseball team for their 2017 season. The team will be hosting an 18-hole, 4-person team scramble tournament as well as a long-drive and putting competition. The tournament will be held Jan. 14 at The Saint Leo Abby Golf Course, 33640 S.R. 52. Tee time is at 1 p.m. and cost is \$30 per person or \$120 per team. Hole sponsorships of \$100 are also available.

All proceeds will directly support the JV baseball program from on the field gear such as baseballs, helmets and uniforms to facilities upkeep and maintenance. The funds will also go towards JV training and practice aids included batting trees, pitching machines and nets.

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# PCPT Honored With Marketing Awards

## Awards For Electronic Media And Internal Employee Communications

The Pasco County Public Transportation Department (PCPT) is being honored with two marketing awards – presented by the Florida Public Transportation Association (FPTA) on Dec. 11.

PCPT received first place for Electronic Media/Audio-Visual for a live remote broadcast with local radio station Hits 106 during an inaugural bus ride on Aug. 15, 2016 celebrating the new County Connector bus service along the SR 54 corridor. PCPT also received third place for Internal Employee Communications for a 30-second

employee customer service video.

“This is a wonderful honor for PCPT to be recognized by our peers for our marketing efforts,” said PCPT Interim Director Kurt Scheible. “We would also like to recognize the efforts of Rosemarie Bruckner of our marketing department for her outstanding work in promoting PCPT.”

To learn more about Pasco County Public Transportation, including bus routes, transportation news and schedules visit the PCPT website at: <http://www.ridepcpt.com>.



Pasco County Public Transportation staff stand proud with two awards they were recently granted for their successful marketing efforts. *Photo Provided*



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that even though some competitors may be more familiar with the course it will not give them special advantages over other teams.

“It’s open to everybody,” she said. “Do they play this course more? Yeah. But if you’re a golfer you can pretty much play any course.”

Entries for the tournament will be accepted through Jan. 27. When signing up, be sure to make a note of individual handicaps for the team. If you are unsure your handicap, the Links will be able

to help you determine one. Call the club at (813) 788-7888 or visit [www.linksoflakebernadette.com](http://www.linksoflakebernadette.com) for information and to sign up for the tournament.

The tournament will begin at 8 a.m. on Jan. 30. Entry cost for the tournament is \$35 per person and includes golf, a cart and lunch. Park residents who will not be playing in the tournament are welcome to attend and cheer for their park’s team. The Links at Lake Bernadette is located on the west side of Zephyrhills at 5430 Links Lane.

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# Church News

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**Community United Methodist Church** – A chili supper will be held Jan. 19 from 5-7 p.m. at the church, located at 32606 Michigan Ave. in San Antonio. Cost is \$7 per person and all are welcome.

**Temple Baptist Church** – Pastor Ken Woodard at Temple Baptist Church, 37253 Clinton Ave., has begun a new discipleship series at the Wednesday evening Bible study. The church will be studying how to minister to people that are dealing with issues that arise from divorce, single parent families and blended families. The church is developing programs that will help people recover their spiritual lives after broken relationships. The Bible study starts at 7 p.m.

**Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church** – Located at 14440 N. Seventh St.; featuring the Taste of Soul on Jan. 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. People making \$10 donations will receive two meats, one starch, two vegetables, bread and dessert.

**Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church** – Join us for regular Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church is located at 37015 Orange Valley Lane in Dade City, on the corner of Ft. King Road and Clinton Avenue. Call (352) 567-8424 or visit [www.shephillslc.org](http://www.shephillslc.org) for information.

Please consider donating canned goods and non-perishable items to our food pantry, which is open on the third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m.-noon.

**Darby Community Church** – Join us every Sunday morning at 11 a.m. for church service led by Pastor Chris Conti. Childcare is available for children ages six and under. Darby Community Church is located at 14745 Bellamy Brothers Blvd. in Dade City. Contact us at (352) 588-2440.

**First Baptist Church of Dade City** – Located at 37511 Church Ave. Worship services are on Sundays at 9:15 or 10:45 a.m. and children services at 9:15 a.m. Nursery is available. A Spanish service is held at 1 p.m. Sunday and youth activities are at 5 p.m.

Wednesdays beginning at 6:15 p.m. a variety of Bible studies are available. For the children and youth, AWANA for age 4 through fifth grade and middle and high school activities are offered. Visit [www.fbcdadecity.org](http://www.fbcdadecity.org) or call (352) 567-3265 for information.

**Celebrate Recovery** – A new, 12-step recovery program and ministry designed for anyone struggling with life. If you have ever had a hurt, if you have ever had a hang-up in life, or perhaps you have struggled with an addiction, then this ministry is for you. Celebrate Recovery is currently offered in 30,000 churches worldwide. An estimated 1.5 million people have completed the 12 steps. It is offered every Monday night at 7 p.m. year round at First Baptist Church of Dade City, 37511 Church Avenue. Call (352) 567-3265 for information.

**Ridge Manor Community United Methodist Church** – Regular services are held at 10:15 a.m. each Sunday at 34350 Cortez Blvd. in Ridge Manor. Call (352) 583-3770 for information.

**First Presbyterian Church** – The historic First Presbyterian Church, located at 37412 Church Ave., worships every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. Call (352) 567-2591 or [firstpresdadecity@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresdadecity@gmail.com) for information.

**Oak Ridge Missionary Baptist Church** – Located on Kersey Road (just off Coit Road) in Lacoochee. Please join us for

Sunday services: Sunday school at 10 a.m., Sunday morning worship service at 11 a.m., Sunday evening worship service at 6 p.m., and Wednesday evening prayer/worship service at 7 p.m. with Pastor Kenny Williams. We are a small friendly country church, and would love to have you join us.

**Fort Dade Baptist Church** – The church is located at 14231 Old Mission Road in Dade City. Regular services are held every Sunday at 10 a.m. Sunday School for both children and adults, Worship Service at 11 a.m. Evening Worship at 6 p.m. Midweek Bible Study at 6 p.m. on Wednesday nights. All are welcome to join us.

**First United Methodist Church** – LOGOS is an after school, mid-week enrichment program that engages young people in the

life of the church, providing opportunities to learn about God, have fun and create lasting relationships with others. It will be held on Wednesdays from 3:40 - 6:30 p.m. and is open to those 3 years old - 5th grade. The fee for each 12-week semester is \$25 and includes dinner and all materials. Scholarships are available if needed. Parents are requested to volunteer a minimum of once a semester. The spring semester starts on Jan. 11. This is a ministry of First United Methodist Church 37628 Church Ave. in Dade City. For more information please call (813) 567-5604 or (813) 713-0189.

**Lacoochee Cowboy Ministries** – Service times are 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. The Lacoochee Cowboy Ministries is located at 39650 Coit Road in Dade City. “Where the spirit of the Lord is there is Freedom.”

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## Pasco County Genealogical Society

The next meeting will be Jan. 14 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at 9016 Fort King Road in Dade City. Speaker will be Debra S. Fleming, the principal for The Ancestry Detective, LLC, a genealogical research firm located in Pasco County. The topic will be on FamilySearch.org, which has been undergoing many changes in search options as you do your own research, as well as how it allows you to manage your FamilySearch Family Tree. The meeting is open to the public interested in genealogy research. Call Janet Avery at (813) 546-9294 for information.

## Pasco County Historical Society

The next meeting will be Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. held at the Pioneer Florida Museum & Village, 15602 Pioneer Museum Road in Dade City. The program will be Mosquito Wars: A History of Mosquito Control in Florida and Pasco County. The featured speaker will be Jillian Thomas, public education specialist for the Pasco County Mosquito Control District. A covered-dish dinner precedes the program, bring something special to share. Please bring your own cutlery kit, disposable plates and beverage of choice. Historical society meetings are free and open to the public. Call Glen at (352) 567-7449 for information.

## Dade City Garden Club

Kick off the New Year on Jan. 16 by joining Peter Skoglund, who will present a free program featuring orchids and propagation. His presentation begins at 10 a.m. at the Dade City Garden Club, 13630 Fifth St. A Social Hour begins at 9:30 a.m. A short business meeting will follow the presentation. The public is welcome and

encouraged to attend. Call (352) 521-6886 for information.

Join us at the Dade City Garden Club for a six-session design course starting Jan. 24 at 9 a.m. A complete schedule is available at [dadecitygardenclub.com](http://dadecitygardenclub.com). If you aspire to enter a flower show or just want to create an Easter dinner centerpiece, learn from six great, certified instructors in a friendly atmosphere. Cost is \$75 for all six sessions and includes an optional, free five-month membership in the Dade City Garden Club. Contact Debbie at [DeblParks@aol.com](mailto:DeblParks@aol.com) or (352) 567-9003 for information.

## Kiwanis Club of Dade City

This service organization meets every Tuesday at noon at the American Legion Hall, located at 37745 Church Ave. in Dade City. Lunch is followed by a speaker on current topics of interest to the club. Kiwanis is a worldwide organization whose focus is on the children of the world. The Dade City club's primary focus is on helping the children of East Pasco County. Guests are welcome to come to a meeting and learn more about how we support children in our community.

## American Legion Post #15

Join us Saturday nights from 6-9 p.m. for Karaoke with Rick. Saturday dinners available from 5-6 p.m. Sing along, laugh, and meet old friends. A Music Jam happens every Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. Bring your instrument and join in or just listen to the music and sing along. Refreshments are available for purchase. The lodge features a full service bar. American Legion Post #15 conducts regular business meetings on the second Monday of each month. All members are encouraged to attend. We are located at 37745 Church Ave. Join us in support of all veterans and Hometown Heroes. Call (352) 518-0021 for information.

## Centennial Eagles #4399

Friday Fish Fry is from 4:30-7 p.m. Fish, shrimp, and ribeye steak dinners, with choice of baked potato, French fries, or onion rings as well as other sides and dessert. Charlie Williams provide music from 6-9 p.m. with a pool tournament at 7 p.m.

Weekly events include: Sundays – Doors open at 11 a.m. for 1 p.m. Bar Bingo. Karaoke held from 5 p.m. to close. Monday – Dart Night at 7 p.m. Steel tipped

and soft tipped. Tuesdays – Karaoke at 6:30 p.m. Pool Tournament at 7 p.m. Queen of Hearts drawing at 8:30 p.m. (purchase ticket by 8 p.m.). Wednesdays – Card night beginning Jan. 4. Thursdays – Bar Bingo at 7 p.m. Fridays – Fish Fry and Charlie Williams. Pool Tournament at 7 p.m. Saturdays – Nickel Bingo from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Band at 7 p.m.

Aerie meetings are on the first and third Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Auxiliary meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays at 7 p.m. The Eagles are located at 15924 U.S. 301. Call (352) 567-9755 for information.

## Sunrise Rotary Club of Dade City

Sunrise Rotary Club of Dade City meets on Thursdays at the Hampton Inn, on U.S. 301 in Dade City, at 7 a.m. We are seeking potential new members that can bring fresh ideas to the club, serve the community and help eradicate polio. Come and join us for breakfast.

## Alcoholics Anonymous

If you have, or even think you may have, a problem with alcohol, call (813) 933-9123.

## Military Order of the Purple Heart

Chapter #705 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) is calling all combat wounded veterans to join us promoting patriotism, history, fraternalism and assistance. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at AMVETS Post #550, 4645 Airport Road, Zephyrhills. Life membership is available for all combat wounded veterans, their dependents and survivors, for \$50, payable in two convenient payments of \$25 each. Call Earl McMillan at (813) 782-3425 or email [emcmillan1@verizon.net](mailto:emcmillan1@verizon.net), or contact Guy Patterson at (864) 561-6644 for information.

## Narcotics Anonymous

Information about various Narcotics Anonymous meetings that are held several days a week in East Pasco may be obtained by calling (813) 527-3853. Narcotics Anonymous can help those who have drug problems and who are willing to participate in the program. Narcotics Anonymous is not affiliated with any of the places at which its meetings are held.

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# Obituaries

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**Etha P. Hines**

HINES, Etha P., 97, of Dade City, passed away Jan. 10, 2017, in Zephyrhills. She was born Nov. 18, 1919, in Ehren to Billie B. and Mary Godwin Phillips and was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church in Dade City. She is survived by two sons, Thomas Robert Hines Jr (Carolyn) and Charlton W. Hines (Luca Volpe); one brother, Allen Phillips (Marianne); two grandchildren, Thomas R. Hines III (Eddie Robinson) and Tracey Tutela (Anthony Justice); and three great grandchildren, Caitlin Hines, Anthony Tutela Jr. and Thomas Robert Hines IV. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Robert Hines Sr. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Jan. 14 at the Chapel Hill Gardens Mausoleum, 11531 U.S. Highway 301, in Dade City. The family will receive friends for viewing one hour prior to service time at the mausoleum. Flowers will be gratefully accepted or those that wish may make donations in her memory to the First United Methodist Church of Dade City, 37628 Church Ave., Dade City, FL 33525). Hodges Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



loving family on Dec. 31, 2016. She was born on Dec. 25, 1926, in Albion, Mich. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, John E. (Jack) Melton; and her five children, Stephen F. (Sandy) Melton, John E. (Laura) Melton Jr., Rebecca M. Worrell, Mark G. (Doris) Melton and Joe P. (Beth) Melton; her sister, Marian Garfield Klein Wattles; 14 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her parents, Stephen and Fannie (Adkisson) Garfield; and her brother, Stephen M. Garfield. Virginia lived in Detroit, Mich., until the age of 15, when her parents purchased a dairy farm and moved to Parma, Mich. She graduated valedictorian of her high school class and at the invitation of her Aunt Mary Raymond, moved to Lakeland to attend Florida Southern. Following graduation, she married Jack and together they settled between Brooksville and Dade City, where they began their agrarian life and built their farming business of cattle, seed harvesting, and citrus. Throughout her years, Virginia was the ultimate hostess, making all who crossed the threshold of her house feel at home. Few visitors left without a meal, a satisfying conversation or something to take home. She will be remembered for her sincerity, integrity, steadfastness, humility, love of nature and unconditional love. A memorial service was held Jan. 5 at Hodges Family Funeral Home located at 11441 Hwy 301, Dade City. There will be a private internment. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to HPH Hospice Foundation, Donation Department, 12107 Majestic Blvd, Hudson, FL 34667.

is survived by his partner, Linda Jones of Dade City; his ex-wife, Kathleen Roy; his siblings, Suzanne, Germaine, Sister Paulette, Rene, Roger and Paul; his children, Andrew Roy, Lisbeth Roy and Scott Roy; his grandchildren, Will Roy, Alex Roy, Abigail Roy and Alexa Schulte; and great-granddaughter, Adeline Roy. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Liam Marino, and siblings, Raymond, Laurette and Claude. A memorial service was held Jan. 8 at the U.S. 301 Chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home. Flowers will be gratefully accepted or those that wish may make donations in his memory to Gulfside Hospice Care Center 5760 Dean Dairy Rd, Zephyrhills, FL 33541. He was much loved and will be sadly missed.

**Mary Ann Waddell**

WADDELL, Mary Ann, 82, of Dade City, passed away on Jan. 3, 2017. Mary was born on Nov. 20, 1924, in Arkansas and was a resident of Zephyrhills for more than 50 years, where she was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Edwin Waddell; and grandson, Willy Jordan. She is survived by her daughter, Edina Jordan, and son-in-law "Junior" Jordan; brothers, Charles Feduccia and Mike Feduccia; sister, Julia Thompson; grandsons, Daniel Blanton, Zachary Jordan, Kevin Jordan and Wesley Jordan; and 15 great-grandchildren. A memorial service was held Jan. 10 at Hodges Family Funeral Home's U.S. 301 Chapel in Dade City.



**Maurice Ira Hobson**

HOBSON, Maurice Ira, 96, passed away on Jan. 4, 2017, at his residence in Dade City. He was born on Dec. 7, 1920. He is survived by his nieces, Karen (Terry) Kuebler and Patricia (Greg) Lohrmann; a nephew: Robert (Judy) Youngblood; a son-in-law, Tom Callaway; his beloved dog, Jewel, and cat, Prissy. He was preceded in death by his wife, Louise Hobson; and daughter, Marsha Callaway. Maurice formerly owned Hobson Truck Repair in Dade City. He served in the U.S. Navy for six years during World War II. Maurice had been in the Navy for two years when Pearl Harbor occurred. A graveside service was held on Jan. 9 at Floral Memory Gardens in Dade City. Hodges Family Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**Denis Alexandre Roy**

ROY, Denis Alexandre, 74, of Dade City, passed away on Jan. 4, 2017, at Gulfside Hospice in Zephyrhills after a very short illness. He was born June 1, 1942, in Lake Megantic, Quebec, to Leon and Juliette Roy. He went to high school at Mexico High and graduated in 1960. He moved to this area in 1999 from New Hampshire. Denis was an electrician and owned his own generator service business. He enjoyed playing golf, roller-blading and spending time with his family. He



**Barbara June (Chenoweth) Meador**

MEADOR, Barbara June (Chenoweth), 84, of Dade City, passed on Dec. 15, 2016. Barbara was born on Nov. 2, 1932, in Junior, W. Va., to Arthur and Vera (Corley) Chenoweth. She is survived by her children, Sandra Tandoi, Sharon Snel and Edward Meador; grandchildren, Tara Ann Gurau, Amy Best, Brian Best and Stacey Best; and great-grandchildren, Tyler Best, Calin Gurau, Isabella Gurau, Andrew Best and Malik Bell. Hodges Family Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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# Arbor Day And Memorial Tree Celebration Is Jan. 20

The Dade City Garden Club will host its annual Arbor Day and Memorial Tree Celebration on Jan. 20 at 10 a.m., at the Garden Club, 13630 Fifth St.

Since 1996, more than 300 trees of many varieties have been planted in Dade City.

The City of Dade City and the Dade City Garden Club jointly sponsor the Arbor Day/Memorial Tree program. The City Public Works Department, working with planning coordinators for the Garden Club, decides the location to plant the trees. They are planted by the city along the streets of Dade City, the Hardy trail, the cemetery, city parks and at the Garden Club.

Following is the list of names of those who will be honored this year with a tree

dedicated to them. Tree markers will designate who the tree was dedicated to and the date as well as those who dedicated the tree.

Honorees are: Catherine Deal, Millie Jones, Nettie Conte, Tiny Bozeman, Jewell Hattaway, Reggie Thompson, Rich & Stephanie O'Sullivan, Joe McClain, Kaiya Hay, and Tiny Bozeman.

The Garden Club hopes the public will join us for this special event and to help us celebrate Arbor Day and honor our tree recipients.

The event is free and light refreshments will be served.

For information about the program or information on how to order a memorial tree, call Debbie at (352) 567-9003.



Dade City Mayor Camille Hernandez stands with Smokey the Bear during last year's Arbor Day and Memorial Tree program held by the Dade City Garden Club. Photo Provided

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