

BEFORE THEY WERE VILLAGERS   C5 Dave Tyler was an attorney who spent decades working with USA Hockey.	6 a.m. 9 a.m. 12 p.m. 52° 56° 68°	3 p.m. 6 p.m. 9 p.m. 75° 70° 62°	CHASITY BOATMAN ON CHARITY   C1 Customer Appreciation Day at the Bob Johnson Legacy Driving Range was a success.

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Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and domestic draft beer or house wine while the talented Kathy Hodge Rolfes performs a stepby-step demonstration for participants to follow. There is limited seating for each event.

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#### **ONCE HURRICANES ARE OVER, THE INSURANCE DISASTER CLAIMS BEGIN**

Millions of homeowners and business owners across Florida and the Southeastern U.S. are faced with navigating the often long and laborious process of using insurance to rebuild their lives.

#### **IN WORLD NEWS**

**U.S. AND ALLIES CONCERNED BY NORTH KOREA'S WAR SUPPORT** 

A U.S. official said the alarm stems from North Korea's nuclear threats and military support for Russia's war in Ukraine. A2

#### **IN NATIONAL NEWS**

#### **CALIFORNIA SCHOOL** PLANTS 'MOON TREE' FROM SPACE SEEDS

The giant sequoia is growing from seeds that were flown around the moon on NASA's Artemis | Mission. A15

# Parady Celebrates Survivors in Style



Pauline Cacace, of the Village El Cortez, models clothes from Anthony's Ladies Apparel at Wednesday's fundraiser.

By SUMMER JARRO | Daily Sun Senior Writer

Parady Cares rolled out the red carpet for breast cancer survivors and their supporters Wednesday.

The Cattlebaron's Ballroom at the Brownwood Hotel & Spa was the site for the 12th Annual Classic Hollywood for the Cure Breast Cancer Fashion Show & Fundraiser hosted by Parady Financial Group and its foundation, Parady Cares. The foundation regularly hosts events that give back to veterans, mothers in need and others throughout the community.

About 350 people were in attendance Wednesday for the event that honors survivors of breast cancer as well as people currently battling the disease. Those in attendance, many of whom were breast cancer survivors, were decked out in pink. They matched the ballroom, which was decorated with pink tablecloths and pink palm trees, with pink champagne and pink

#### **ONLY IN THE VILLAGES**

By Jammel Cutler

In 1999, the average price of gas was 90 cents a gallon, a dozen eggs were 92 cents, and a loaf of bread was about \$1.99. At the time, The Villages was a much smaller community, and the Ladies 4.0 Tennis Group was in its infancy. Today, they are celebrating 25 years.



Sophia Lucente | Daily Sun

Francesca Boroden, left, buys a Red Shirt Friday T-shirt from Marine Corps League member Gordon Hamm, of the Village of St. James, on Saturday in Brownwood.

# **Red Shirt Friday Tradition Shows Support for Troops**

#### By VERONICA WERNICKE | Daily Sun Senior Writer

Every time U.S. Marine Corps veteran June Worden wears her Red Shirt Friday shirt, she thinks of her dad, who served in World War II.

She also is reminded of fellow New York State trooper John J. McKenna IV. McKenna was a captain in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, and when his unit

was called back into service, he volunteered go back with them, Worden said.

McKenna was killed by enemy sniper fire on Aug. 16, 2006, outside of Fallujah, Iraq.

"It's my way of remembering John and his fellow service members who have

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#### **INSIDE TODAY'S DAILY SUN**

#### **TEST YOUR NEWS IQ**

#### WILD ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS, INTERESTING INCOME, SCI-FI FROGS AND A TEEN CLIMBER

1. Millions of people worldwide tuned in for Alaska national park's "Fat Bear Week," but bears are not the only animals to be found. Alaskan Joe Cantil started a Facebook page to show off these other creatures after capturing what animal on camera? Page A14

a) A Bear

b) A Wolf

3. Frog species

found in Madagascar

sound like 'Star Trek'

effects, causing them

to be named after the

characters. Page A25

c) A Reindeer

d) A Wolverine

b) 2,471 pounds

- c) 253 pounds
- d) 5,224 pounds

a) 789 pounds

5. A teenager from Nepal became the youngest person to scale the 14 highest in the world? Page A20

4. How many pounds was

the gourd that won the 51st

World Championship Pumpkin Weigh-Off? Page A15

- a) Peaks
- b) Buildings
- c) Trees
- d) Bridges



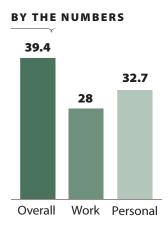


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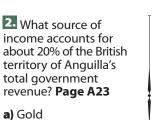
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Nearly 40% of U.S. adults aged 18-64 have used generative artificial intelligence (AI), according to new survey research. Of those employed, 28% used it at work, while nearly 33% used it away from work. One in nine workers use generative AI daily.



- **c)** The .ai domain
- d) Coral

**b)** Spices

#### from the front page

#### PARADY

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#### mimosas available for guests.

"It's just a powerful moment to know that we have survivors here," said Katrina Hall, events coordinator at Parady Financial Group. "We are all touched by somebody who has been affected by breast cancer, and what a statement for us all to be in one spot and to be able to bring awareness to breast cancer. That's what this whole event is about – and women's empowerment."

The fundraiser included a lunch and fashion show, with clothing provided by Anthony's Ladies Apparel, as well as a silent auction that benefited Angel Wigs of Hope and the Community Medical Care Center in Leesburg.

To kick things off, Hall and Karen Schafer, an event planner for Parady, welcomed everyone.

"Each year we come together not only to showcase stunning designs but to honor those impacted by breast cancer and to bring support to this essential cause," Hall said. "Today, we celebrate the beauty of fashion alongside the strength and resilience of those affected by the disease. Your participation today helps us shine a light on the importance of awareness, support and hope. Together we can ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone."

Next, breast cancer survivors were brought on stage and each was given a pink rose as the crowd cheered.

Diane Weekley received a rose. She has been a breast cancer survivor for five years and said she felt a lot of support from the room as she stood on stage.

The Village of Pennecamp resident has attended Parady's event for the last few years and loves being part of it. "I want to support people with cancer, and I think it's uplifting for people to see we can survive," Weekley said.

After a luncheon, volunteers modeled fashions from the spring, summer and fall lines at Anthony's Ladies Apparel, which has a location in Colony Plaza.

Gwen Frey was one of the models. She has been part of the fashion show in the past and said she always enjoys getting to be on stage.

'It's great to showcase the store," the Village of Dunedin resident said.

 $\mathbf{F}^{ ext{rey}}$  has been a client of Parady for almost eight years and participates or attends every fundraising event the company hosts.

"They do phenomenal community service," she said. "The Parady Cares Foundation is just phenomenal. They reach from young to old."

Along with the fashion show, several tables were set up with dozens of items up for auction from businesses in The Villages and beyond. Jewelry, gift cards and excursions were just a few of the items up for bid.

**Representatives of Angel** Wigs of Hope and the Community Medical Care Center also were on hand to share information about their organizations and how Parady's event benefits them.

Each organization received \$10,000 from the event.

Angel Wigs of Hope is a nonprofit ministry of Hope Lutheran Church that provides new wigs for free to women who are dealing with the effects of cancer treatment. The organization also provides patients with hats, turbans, night caps and other accessories they might need.

Since forming about three years ago, the organization has helped hundreds of women,



Pauline Cacace, from left, of the Village El Cortez, Jackie Campbell, of the Village of Calumet Grove, Gwen Frey, of the Village of Dunedin, Mary Gillen, of the Village of Fernandina and Kathy Penno, of the Village of Buttonwood, model clothes from Anthony's Ladies Apparel during Parady Financial Group's 12th Annual Classic Hollywood for the Cure Breast Cancer Fashion Show & Fundraiser on Wednesday at the Brownwood Hotel and Spa.

Photos by Rachel Govola, **Daily Sun** 

including about 110 women so far this year. The donation from Parady makes it possible for Angel Wigs of Hope to help even more women.

"It gives us a boost where we need it and enables us to continue to buy quality wigs for our gals that come in for us," said Marie Hulsizer, president and founder of Angel Wigs of Hope. "That's what we want."

The Community Medical Care Center in Leesburg is a nonprofit free clinic that helps patients without access to quality medical care. The organization is able to provide more free mammograms because of Parady's breast cancer event.

"It's incredible that they do this for us," said Tammy Youngren, ministry director for the care center.

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Susan Walker, left, of the Village of Fernandina, raises her hand to receive a prize from volunteer Jessica Meier, of the Village of Calumet Grove, after winning an auction item.



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