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> On the Cover: Coral Spring mom Melissa Braden with sons, Caden, Devin & Dylan



Moms & Memorial Day; Celebrate Both

May is always a month we think of for Moms first, but in the USA, our Freedom is due to the sacrifices of both men and women who have fought for and insured our freedom.

This month we get a Federal Holiday on May 29 combined with a long weekend, not just so we can enjoy picnics and family time, but to remember those brave souls who lost their lives in an effort for us to relish our American lifestyle. This year, please honor these soldiers by attending a special service, flying your flag at half-mast from dawn until noon and/or patriotically decorating your yard and the graves of those who served.

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Mothers for All Seasons

By Shellie Miller-Farrugia

One thing that I have learned, now being a mother for more than 28 years, is that mothering is a series of seasons. Just like life, there are wonderful days and there are the days that may have gone better if I had just stayed in bed.

Many of us start out with a spring season, to give an example. A new child is just that. New in every respect. New in age, new to the family, and new to the rhythm of daily life. From their birthday forward, nothing will ever be the same. The beauty of this perfect new being, I believe, is strategically presented to us in order to mask the many losses that come with the extraordinary gain. Loss of sleep, loss of time, loss of a predictable schedule and often a shift in our relationships with other friends and relatives. Our baby is the new center of the universe. We have so much to learn about this new addition to the family. We have so many places to go and so many things to see. We can't wait to show them the ocean, the zoo, our favorite theme park. We are thrilled and look forward to be there for the first of everything. We are ecstatic! We are exhausted! We are Mothers!

The next season is summer. Summer is a beautiful time, but here in South Florida it is hot, stormy, and drags on a little bit. Motherhood has a summer season as well. There are the storms that come with colicky and/or 24 month-old children and continue on for many years, especially when there are siblings included. This season is also peppered with amazing times filled with pride, deep love and feelings of accomplishment. On the other hand, there are days when waking up before dawn, packing lunches, doing laundry, being a taxi driver and then a referee seems as though it is droning on and on and on. Sometimes the summer of motherhood wonts for creativity and hopefulness.

The brisk breezes of fall bring very evident change for every family. As her children are about to embark into the world, mothers often feel a little off balance. Whether it is a weekend camping trip, a move to college, enlistment in the Armed Forces or marriage, moms feel the shift in a physical and emotional way. The seasons of spring and summer have strengthened her and her children, but Mom's tender heart is bruised with every measure of distance put between her child and herself. As the trees shed the leaves they produced in the spring, so does a mother watch her children go out into the world and make their way.

The winter season in my own mother's life was a lesson to me. As I became an independent professional, she no longer ventured out to make new friends or learn new life skills. She enjoyed her grandchildren, but didn't do much more. As my babies go on to their various corners of the globe, my intention is to enjoy every bit of their families while continuing to learn and grow into a more productive woman, friend and mom.

The seasons go so fast....savor every moment! Happy Mother's Day!

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The Braden-Kushner Family The Kushner boys are a pretty lucky trio. Brothers Dylan, 10 Cadon, 8 and Doyin, 6 live in Corol Series Dylan, 10 Caden, 8 and Devin, 6 live in Coral Springs with their mom and stepdad Melissa and Chris Braden, while the entire blended family remains close with their father, David, Add Chris' 2 year-old son Greyson and the family's pets Bear, Bella and Virginia to the mix and you've got one very big happy clan!

Being a mom to three boys is never boring for Melissa, an association manager. She devotes spare time to each of her three sons. "I run and read when I can. Any extra time, I give to each one of my kids so we can do something special "with mom" without one of their brothers around." She and Dylan are part of a book club and have discussions daily. Caden is Melissa's little chef so she says, "I'm always finding recipes that we can do together." Devin is a daredevil according to Melissa. "He always wants to go out and ride bikes or scooters and do something really active with me when no one else is around." Melissa is currently a team mom for the Coral Springs Chargers and Registrar for the organization. Her husband Chris is a plumber and assistant coach for Devin's 7U Chargers football team.

Melissa grew up in Coral Springs attending elementary middle and high school here. A graduate of Douglas high, she is thrilled that her boys are growing up in the same community. Dylan, Caden and Devin all attend Heron Heights Elementary in 5th grade, 2nd grade and Kindergarten respectively. Devin and Caden say that PE is their favorite class while Dylan prefers math.

All three boys play for the Coral Springs Chargers tackle football league. This season will be Dylan's 4th year, Caden's 3rd and Devin's 2nd. Caden and Devin also play baseball at North Springs. Their father David is an assistant coach for Dylan's 10U Chargers team.

Most often busy at the sporting fields, Melissa says, "When we are not at football, we enjoy fishing, swimming, biking and watching movies." She continues, "We also enjoy the family-centered activities the cities are always putting on. There is always something to do."

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Chargers Football is on the way!

By Stacy Case

With the end of the school year fast approaching and summer time right around the corner, area youths are already preparing to step out onto that gridiron for yet another sea-son of city football this Fall.

As the Coral Springs Chargers Tackle Football Club and Cheer program has its (online) registration underway until late July, the league's president has a very encouraging, admirable outlook for the upcoming games.

"Youth football is a sport that teaches kids so much about respect and it gives them something fun to look forward to," says A. J. Poulin, who enters his third season as the program's president. "We put a strong emphasis on our play-ers keeping their grades up, and, there've been times when, if a player's grades were dropping, they'd still show up to practice but would sit on the sidelines and do homework." In fact, the Chargers players have a report card 'check point' to confirm their school progress throughout the season.

But even before school starts back up, the Chargers players will undergo Spring Training throughout the month of May, with the plans of best prepping them for games to begin on Opening Day, August 12th.

They'll need to be ready to play other teams within the (AYFL) American Youth Football League from Tamarac, Coconut Creek, Sunrise, Plantation, Pembroke Pines, West Pines, Miramar and Delray Beach. And when they're not the visiting team, they host games from Aiello Field at Mullins Park, which can run deep into the Autumn season.

While the Chargers have a pretty high percentage of players returning from one season to the next, A. J. certainly welcomes those whose interest is just starting. "It's great when a child wants to try a new sport; I see so many kids at the park when our Chargers teams are practicing and wish they'd be spending their time with us instead," adds A. J. "I just want to see kids out there playing and having a good time."

The Chargers offer play in various age/weight divisions. From as young as 5-years-old and as light as 80-lbs., up to age 14 and 130-lbs. plus, the Chargers welcome both boys and girls to participate in its mid 1970s-established program.

Over the years, the league has attracted many youth football players and this coming season is expected to follow suit. There were nearly 320 players in 2016. "I'd really like to see at least another 75-100 kids out there this year," says A. J. "Of course we'd like to win a good amount of games and be competitive, but I truly just want these kids to have fun."

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Story & Photos by Cheri Tishman

Recently, I went to Ireland, Peru, Vietnam, Italy, Mexico and Argentina all in one day and without a passport! I saw Chinese Dragons, Clowns, Shetland ponies, wrestling, cooking demonstrations and bounce houses all the same day! I went to Worldfest 2017, held April 2 at the Sportsplex in Coral Springs.

Thousands of residents from Coral Springs and the surrounding communities came together to share their own culture and to experience and learn about the cultures of others. Cultures from Ireland, Haiti, Mexico, Israel, India, Colombia, Puerto Rico, India, Italy, Asia and the Mediterranean were just some that were represented.

From 11 a.m. until 6 p.m., under overcast skies, the entertainment, arts, crafts, food, fun, family and friends were ongoing the entire day. Young and old alike, there was plenty to do for everyone. One of the big favorites among the younger crowd was the petting zoo, with goats, turkeys, a donkey and of course, pony rides. Baptist Health South Florida sponsored the Arts and Crafts tent with coloring, glitter, and painting. They also sponsored the Zumba dancing which got the kids and adults dancing and exercising in between the entertainment. The kids also enjoyed a puppet show by Darci sponsored by the Northwest Regional Friends of the Library.

Also performing this year were the Colombian Mambo and Salsa dancers, the Ramblewood Elementary Multi-Cultural Dancers, Lei Pasifica Ohana Polynesian Dancers, YoYo Demonstration, a Solo Silk Dance by Lotus Angel Michelle Le, K-9 Demonstration by the Coral Springs Police, Caballo de Paso Peruano, the Drake School of Irish Dance, Folkloric dancers of Mexico and many, many more.

And the food... the food was from all over the world, however, I noticed the longest line most of the day was for the Puerto Rican food.

I think that WorldFest is one of the best, most entertaining events that Coral Springs offers to the surrounding communities. There are enough activities to keep your kids and you entertained for the entire day. Worldfest is typically held in April. Watch for the dates for next year!



Does Your Pet Have Allergies? By Dr. Wayne Crance

Summer is coming. With the warm weather comes more allergies and more problems for allergy sufferers. Allergies are a common problem in dogs and cats that can cause a significant amount of misery in affected animals. Allergies are unlikely to be cured, but with a thorough investigation including diagnostics, proper treatments and owner compliance, allergies can be managed. Proper management can make an animal very comfortable and allow it to live a normal quality of life. Common allergens that come from the outside include tree, grass and weed pollens; human and animal danders; storage and dust mites; mold spores, wool, dust and insects. These allergic substances are usually absorbed through the skin but can also be inhale. Foods may also allergy symptoms, but play a much smaller role and usually are only about 10-20% of all allergy symptoms, Therefore changing foods rarely make a difference alone. Unlike humans, animals rarely have a runny nose, tearing eyes or respiratory signs. Instead, allergies in pets are usually expressed in the skin, and affected animals will itch, lick and/or chew themselves. The skin may be red, irritated or thickened from the chronic trauma and left susceptible to secondary infection. The ears may be affected as well. Allergies may start as a seasonal problem, but then can develop into an all-year-round issue. The main areas affected on your pet may include the feet (between the toes), ears, groin, armpits, legs, under the neck and the abdominal area.

Management of allergies are different for each individual animal. Unfortunately, not all animals respond to all treatments, and usually a combination of treatments and medications are needed to control the condition. Management usually includes topical treatments to help decrease the degree of itching by removing allergens, yeast and bacteria on the skin. Sometimes corticosteroids, antihistamines, cyclosporine, tyrosine kinase inhibitors, and/or omega-3 or omega-6 fatty acid supplementation are used to help reduce inflammatory responses to allergens. A new line of medications have greatly improved our ability to treat these dogs. An oral medication, Apoquel and an injectable medication Cytopoint, block itching with minimal to no side effects. These products do an excellent job compared to the other options.

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The Athlete's Elbow Part 1

By Dr. Howard Gelb

Elbow injuries are common in overhand and throwing sports. Injuries often include golfer's elbow or medial epicondylitis, tennis elbow or lateral epicondylitis and little league elbow or medial apophysitis. Epicondylitis is a microscopic tearing of the tendon of the wrist flexors or extensors at their origin on the sides of the elbow. Medial epicondylitis is characterized by pain on the inner aspect of the elbow while lateral epicondylitis is characterized by pain on the outer elbow. Both types of epicondylitis are caused by overuse, excessive training, improper technique or playing with equipment that is not sized properly. The treatment of tennis or golfer's elbow involves: 1) rest from the offending activity and 2) appropriate stretches and strengthening of the associated muscles of the forearm and wrist. Cortisone injection can be useful for cases that have not responded to the rehab program. However, multiple injections over a short period of time are not indicated due to the side effects of the cortisone. Rehabilitation is the mainstay of treatment for 80% of patients. If a patient fails the above treatment, MRI may be useful to evaluate the extent of the tendon injury. Surgery for lateral epicondylitis can be done open or arthroscopically, and involves the debridement of the tendinosis (damaged tendon). Medial epicondylitis is an open procedure due to the proximity of the ulnar nerve. A relatively new but promising treatment for epicondylitis is PRP (platelet rich plasma injections). PRP shows better long term results than cortisone and actually helps heal the tendon by providing growth factors to the torn tendon. Read next month for Part 2, a closer look at little league elbow.

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My Aching Bunions By Dr. Clive C. Woods

A bunion is a deformity in which the great toe gradually points toward the second toe. In addition, the joint at the base of the toe gradually moves away from the second toe. The medical term for this deformity is called Hallux Valgus. It is believed to occur due to wearing shoes with a tight toe box. It is commonly seen in women due to their tendency to wear tight shoes. Bunions can also be familial, or due to problems such as arthritis and various neurogenic conditions. Bunions often cause pain and swelling around the joint at the base of the big toe, mainly due to the increase in width of the foot. The overlying skin can become red, warm, and thickened. In addition, the deformity can push the second toe up causing a hammertoe. Relieving a bunion doesn't necessarily mean purchasing ugly or out of fashion shoes. It is a good idea to shop for shoes late in the day, when your feet are the largest from swelling. The shoe should have a half-inch between your longest toe and the front of the shoe. It should also be wide enough to wiggle your toes. I would also recommend the heel height to be low with your heel firmly against the back of the shoe. Other treatment such as bunion pads, which are available at most drugstores, and ice massage, can ease your pain. To help relieve a painful bunion, a plastic bag of ice should be applied to the area for 5 minutes. You may repeat this 2 to 3 times per day. When these treatments have failed, surgery may be indicated. An x-ray of the foot is taken before surgery in order to evaluate the severity of the deformity and whether there is existing arthritis in the joint. During standard bunion (hallux valgus) correction, the prominent bone is shaved away. The metatarsal bone is cut and repositioned with screws, a plate, or a combination of the two. A soft tissue release is performed on the contracted joint capsule and adductor tendon between the first and second toe. The final portion of the procedure entails tightening the capsule over the shaved bunion to help move the great toe away from the second. After this procedure the patient is placed in a bunion wrap and a small boot. The first 4 to 6 weeks you are allowed to bear weight on your heel. X-rays are obtained in the office to view the healing of the repositioning of the great toe. The treatment for an arthritic joint differs from a joint without degenerative changes. Depending on the severity of the arthritic bunion, the treatment may require a fusion of the joint.

Dr. Woods completed his foot & ankle fellowship at the esteemed Florida Orthopaedic Institute in Tampa Bay, FL and received his medical degree from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN where he was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Societv.

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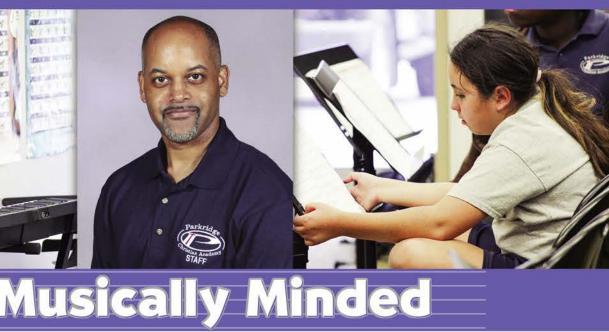
Mr. Taylor says that, "One of the best assets of the music program is the band." Children are able to spend a majority of their time learning more techniques and developing their "voices" on the instruments. Students in band are also taught to play a variety of instruments as they rotate through the ukulele, guitar, piano and drums.

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Mr. Taylor concludes by saying, "As the school grows, I would like to see our music program grow with it." He looks forward to a future that includes a piano lab, guitar ensemble and a marching band.

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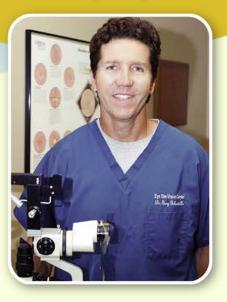
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Consulting with professional leaders in the field of child development, Matt has worked throughout the winter to recreate and tweak the curriculum for both camps with an appeal to parents who are interested in giving their children options for the summer. Parents and campers are already providing positive feedback for the possibilities that will be offered by Super Stars and Camp Palmetto. Nothing changes for the sports lovers, while adding a whole new agenda for parents and campers wanting to mix it up a bit.

Choices for the summer campers include a full array of activities and field trips. Both camps are broken down by ages from those entering kindergarten through middle school students. Campers are kept in age groups to keep sports and other activities fair and fun. Super Stars activities include Swimming, Basketball Soccer, Kickball, Flag Football, Water Slides, Color Wars, Camp Challenges, Capture The Flag and much more. "Our objective is to get your kids moving," having fun, and to promote a healthy lifestyle," Matt says. Camp Palmetto's curriculum will also include some of these activities, but for K through 4th grade. 3 field trips a week will be incorporated into their summer agenda.

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Parents will find no long term contracts for either camp. A child can be enrolled for a week or for the entire summer. Campers can switch weekly from sports camp to field trips and activities. While utilizing all the amenities on the campus of Loggers' Run Middle School, Matt is continuing use of the pool at Boca Prep International School. Whatever the choice, kids are with friends, supervised, and having fun all day. That's the way a summer should be. When Matt opens the doors to both summer camps, your kids will want to be there! For more info. See ad on opposite page!



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Coral Springs CommuniTea - Saturday, May 13 Join the Coral Springs Multi-Cultural Committee for a cup of tea on Saturday, May 13 at 2 p.m. at the Coral Springs Museum of Art, located 2855 Coral Springs Drive. The event will feature an array of international teas, delectable hors d'oeuvres, and desserts galore - all with a multi-cultural flair. Held on the eve of Mother's Day, it could be a great way to treat your Mom, Daughter, Aunt or significant other. Bring your own special teacup and share your favorite teacup story to get a gift. Three prizes will be offered for best decorated tables in the category of Creativity, Uniqueness & Multiculturalism. Participants may wear ethnic attire to add to the multi-cultural theme. Admission: \$25 per person Please note that tickets will NOT be sold at the door. For more information, call 954-344-1063.

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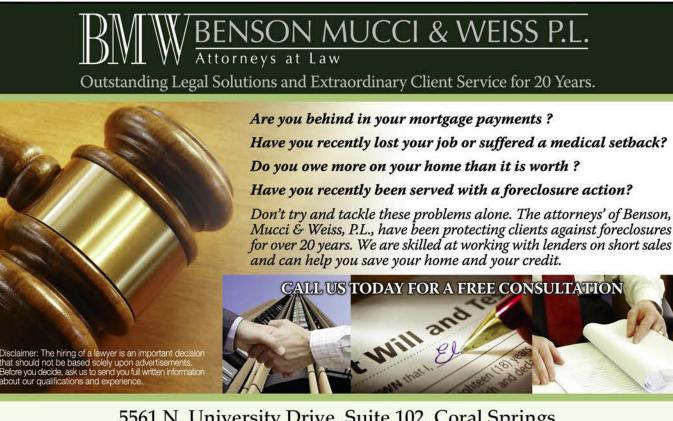
From 5:30 to 9:30 PM, grab your lawn chairs and blankets for an evening of music, food, and great company at Trails End Park, 10561 Trails End. The City of Parkland will welcome SOSOS to the stage followed by Let it Be. Come hungry because there will also be a wide variety of food trucks to eat from. No tents, pets or alcoholic beverages are allowed within the park. For more info, call 954-757-4105

Parkland Memorial Day Ceremony - Wed, May

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Coral Springs Memorial Day Ceremony - Monday, May 29

Please join the City of Coral Springs and the Veterans Coalition of Coral Springs as they host a special Memorial Day Ceremony at 9 a.m. in honor of the brave men and women of our military who have given their lives in service to our nation. The ceremony will be at Veterans Park, located at 8601 Royal Palm Blvd. (just east of University Drive). Chief Thomas A. Matteo, retired Staff Sergeant with the United States Marine Corps, and retired Law Enforcement professional, will be the guest speaker. Matteo is a six-time recipient of the Purple Heart, wounded during several tours of duty in the Vietnam War. Join us in remembering all veterans and their families who give so that we may enjoy the freedoms we have today. For more information, call 954-345-2200.



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