

Community Notebook

Shands Breast Cancer department receives tournament proceeds

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The Research Is The Answer Foundation and Lexus Champions for Charity presented a \$105,000 donation to the Breast Cancer Department of Shands Jacksonville. The proceeds were from the recent Lexus Champions for Charity golf event at Hidden Hills Country Club.

The donation was presented to Shands Jacksonville by **Charles Jantz**, president of the foundation; **Bob Snodgrass**, chief executive officer of Lexus of Jacksonville; and **Randy Rhoden**, chief operating officer of Lexus of Jacksonville. Lexus of Jacksonville was the title sponsor; Morrison Services was the presenting sponsor; and Bell-South and Professional Services were platinum sponsors. Ten other local companies also helped sponsor the event.

The foundation has raised \$290,000 this year for cancer research and other non-profit agencies. Next year's Champions for Charity tournament is scheduled for Oct. 10.

Israel-themed Raffle Dinner

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will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Jan. 11 for children ages 7 and younger and their parents. At Tree Treasures, from noon to 1 p.m. Jan. 13, visitors will learn how to identify a variety of Northeast Florida trees, learn how people from the Timucua culture to modern times have used them, and learn why they are still important to the success of many species of wildlife. Pre-registration is required.

For more information on any of these events and to register, call 630-3577.

New board for Learn To Read

The Learn To Read Board of Directors has elected officers for 2005. They are: president **Moses Meide Jr.**, first vice president **Helen Albee**, second vice president **Julie Pope**, secretary **Margo Martin**, treasurer **Cay Gasque** and past president **Robin Patton**. Newly elected board members are **Trish Nickhah** and the Rev. **William Lamar**, who join **Ken Horton**, **Horace Pender**, **Pam Zambetti** and board intern **Kim Wheeler**.

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