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# **Speak Out**

Black History Month program in St. Augustine raises the voices of local black women

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February is Black History Month, and in honor of the diverse lives of St. Augustine's black women, the American Association of University Women branch of St. Augustine will be hosting a panel discussion on February 9 at the Lincolnville Museum and Cultural Center.

The panel will be composed of five black women from St. Augustine, who will speak about their diverse life experiences.

This will be a free event, and the public is encouraged to attend.

The panel will begin at 11:30 a.m. and end shortly after noon; following the panel, there will be a luncheon catered by Roux Organics, a newly-opened breakfast and brunch cafe located in Lincolnville.

The charge for the luncheon will be \$20, and reservations for those interested in attending the luncheon need to be received no later than February 3; reservations can be sent to Karen Hayes, 361 Hefferon Drive, St. Augustine

This Lincolnville Museum and Cultural Center is located at 102 Martin Luther King Avenue in St. Augustine.

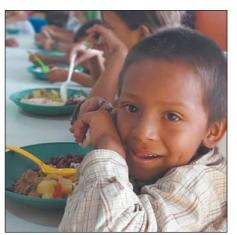
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# Deeply Rooted in love

St. Augustine boat captain finds purpose in Nicaragua



Deeply Rooted, the ministry founded by Nathan Pendleton, provides food to over 9,000 children in Nicaragua each day; the ministry also provides access to clean water, educational resources, and therapy services.

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Nathan Pendleton found his highest calling at the lowest point of his life.

After dealing with a series of personal and professional setbacks and battling drug and alcohol addiction, Pendleton said he cried out to God for help.

"I was miserable, and I knew it," said Pendleton, age 41. "I made a deal with God in that moment. I said 'fix my life and I will do whatever you want'. It was a supernatural encounter with the Holy Spirit...The next day I was different, and I knew that I did not want to go back to that routine again."

Shortly after the experience, Pendleton, who had been working as a St. Augustine boat captain, met his roommate's boss who owned a landscape company.

The boss invited Pendleton to Celebration Church in Jacksonville, and the two became friends.

Pendleton ended up taking two trips to Nicaragua with his roommate's boss who was adopting two children from the country.

Pendleton stayed as a volunteer for six months, an experience that would



St. Augustine's former resident, Nathan Pendleton turned his life around and turned to a life of ministry and aid in Nicaragua. Pendleton and his family are pictured, including his wife Maria Celeste and his sons, Isaac and



Nathan Pendleton with a child in Nicaragua.

change his life forever.

"While I was there, God said to me 'I want you to help poor people in Nicaragua'," said Pendleton, who is also a United States Army veteran of the 82nd Airborne Division. "I saw how these



Photos Courtesy of Nathan Pendleton

Nathan Pendleton with a group of children in Nicaragua. children were living — tin shacks with dirt floors, no food, no running water — and God just overwhelmed my heart."

Pendleton went home to the United States and immediately formed the St. Augustine-based nonprofit, Deeply Rooted Grounds.

He moved to Nicaragua in 2016 with only one donor supporting his plan – his late mother.

Today, the organization provides nutritious food to 9,000 children each day along with access to clean water, after school programs, therapy for special needs children and more.

"My Mom got to see this ministry and to see the hand of God on her son's life," he said.

While in Nicaragua, Pendleton also met and married his wife, Maria Celeste.

He learned that Maria and her mother were sharing what little food they had with three local children who would come by each evening for a spoonful of rice beans and tortillas.

"Those three children turned into seven, and then seven became 15 and so we bought a shack to use as a base," he

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# 2nd: Small Dog Playdate meetup

The Paws Dog Park in Treaty Park will be host to a small dogs play date. Owners and their small breed pooches are welcome to attend this free event. All dogs must arrive leashed, but the park is fenced and dogs may be unleashed once in the park; owners are expected to bring their own clean-up bags, water, and snacks. Treaty Park is located at 1595 Wildwood Drive, in St. Augustine. The playdate begins at 3 p.m.

Mystic Fair
The Center for
Spiritual Living in St. Augustine will be holding a Mystic
Faire. This event will include
presentations from psychics,
holistic healers, mediums,
shamans, tarot readers, reiki
experts. There will be information on human design, sound
healing, as well as door prizes

and the opportunity to shop from local artisans and creators. The fair will take place at 1795 Old Moultrie Road, in St. Augustine, from 10 a.m. -4:30 p.m.; admission is \$10 at the door.

#### 6th: Open Mic Night at Ann O'Malley's

The second longest running open mic night in St. Augustine will be continuing its open mic tradition. For those who want to come and enjoy an assortment of performances, the show starts at 8 a.m. and ends at midnight. Prospective performers should arrive early, as sign-ups fill up fast and only 10-14 players are accepted each night. Ann O'Malley's is located at 23 Orange Street in St. Augustine.

# 7th: Custard Cruise In

The monthly cruise-in car show will take place at the Culver at 3433 US Highway 1 in St.

Augustine. Classy, sporty, and unique cars will be on display from 5-8 p.m. There is no cost to come and view the cars.

# 9th: Play the Brain Game at Ebb Tide Poolside Bar and Grill

Think you're smart? Take on The Brain Game at Ebb Tide Poolside Bar and Grill - there will be trivia sessions, as well as Name That Tune, Minute To Win It, and creativity challenges. Bring friends or come alone! The games start at 7 p.m. Ebb Tide Poolside Bar and Grill is located at 4225 A1A South, in St. Augustine.

#### 23rd - 25th: St. Augustine Spanish Food and Wine Festival

The annual St. Augustine Spanish Wine Festival will take place from February 23 - February 25 in downtown St. Augustine. The festival will offer Spanish wine and food for all to enjoy, and a showcase on how Spanish culture influenced the culinary scene in St. Augustine. Tapas, wine, and spirits will be served at the Lightner Museum's Radzinski Family Gardens at 6 p.m. on February 23 - tickets are \$125. A grand tasting event will be held on February 25 at the Markland House, Crisp-Ellert Art Museum, and Alumni House on Flagler College's campus - tickets are \$100. Tickets can be purchased at spanishwinefestival.com/ tickets

# **26th**: Willie Nelson at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre

Willie Nelson will be performing at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre, located at 1340 A1A South in St. Augustine. Tickets to the show performed by this multi-award winning artist with seven decades of musical and cultural force beneath his belt, range from \$168.50 to \$636.50.



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# Vested Metals Charity Golf Tournament to raise funds for St. Augustine charities



# First-ever tournament to take place in early March

Kara Pound Old City Public Relations

Vested Metals International, a specialty metals and steels supplier based in St. Augustine, will host its first charity golf tournament in honor of their colleague and friend who passed away, John Mark Leach.

The tournament will take place at the newly-renovated St. Johns County Golf Club on Monday, March 13.

With a love and deep connection to the game, Vested Metals hopes the tournament will advance their goal of raising and donating \$1 million to local charities over the next 10 years.

"It is important to us that we foster a culture that is passionate about service and economic development beyond our walls," said Viv Helwig, President and Founder of Vested Metals. "Fundraising through a golf tournament is very fitting for our company. If it weren't for connections made through golf, Vested Metals International wouldn't be here today."

Helwig met Eric Lamm, an executive in the steel industry, through Steve Voguit. Voguit was both a former Flagler College professor of Helwig's and a former high school teacher and golf coach of Lamm's.



Photo Courtesy of Vested Metals

The Vested Metals Charity Golf Tournament is being hosted in the memory and honor of the late John Mark Leach, a friend and colleague to the company. Leach is pictured here with his wife Suzanne and daughters, Maggie and Ellie.

Some 25 years after Lamm's high school graduation, he reconnected by chance with Voguit at the Slammer & Squire Golf Course.

Upon learning Lamm was looking to

hire in Florida, Voguit introduced him to Helwig and the rest was history.

Beneficiaries of this year's event include: The Players Championship Boys & Girls Club, Flagler College

Cares Emergency Relief Fund, St. John's Housing Partnership, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Flagler Health Care Foundation, and Adaptive Dance Superstars.

The tournament will take place at the St. Johns Country Golf Club, located at 4900 Cypress Links Blvd., Elkton, Florida

The event will kick off at 1 p.m. with a shotgun start.

The 18-hole, four-person scramble features the chance to win a car with a "Hole-in-One," a Longest Drive contest, and complimentary on-course snacks and beverages.

At 6 p.m., there will be a post-event reception to announce the winners, present contest prizes, recognize the beneficiaries, and honor the Leach Family.

Tickets can be purchased vestedmetals.

For sponsorship information, email *golf@vestedmetals.net* - sponsorship opportunities range from a single ticket to packages for 2-4 players.

Donations are also welcome for those who cannot attend.

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# On your mark, get set...race!



# Lighthouse 5K and Fun Run eyes the finish line this February 18

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Presented by Florida Power & Light, the Junior Service League of St. Augustine will hold the 39th annual Lighthouse 5k Run/Walk & Fun Run on Saturday, February 18.

In an effort to continue support for the St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum, along with other area nonprofits, the league hosts the Lighthouse 5K & Fun Run each year.

"We are thrilled to offer this annual race, starting and finishing at the beautiful St. Augustine Lighthouse on Anastasia Island," said Carice Schuster, President of the Junior Service League of St. Augustine. "We are fortunate to host one of St. Augustine's oldest 5Ks at this important landmark."

The inaugural race in 1983 was originally titled the "Bud Light Twilight Lighthouse Run."

The Lighthouse 5K is a chipped race that serves as a qualifier for the famed Gate River Run.

Proceeds from the Lighthouse 5K Run/ Walk & Fun Run benefit numerous Junior Service League service projects and provide financial support for local nonprofit organizations in St. Augustine and the St. Johns County community.

In addition to the race, Night Fest is offered to the community from 3-7 p.m. on February 18, a free event that includes children's activities, museum exhibits, and a chance to climb the lighthouse in the evening.

Activities for children will include face painting, arts and crafts, STEAM projects, and photos with pirates.

The event will also include live music, pizza, wine, and beer.

Registration for the race is available at *jslofstaugustine.org* 

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The local American Association of University Women branch offers scholarships each year to local college or university students, male or female, who are residents of St. Johns County.

The branch also sponsors 8th graders from St. Johns County middle schools to attend the American Association of University Women Florida Tech Trek camp for girls.

In addition, this year the branch held an Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Panel Discussion for the public.

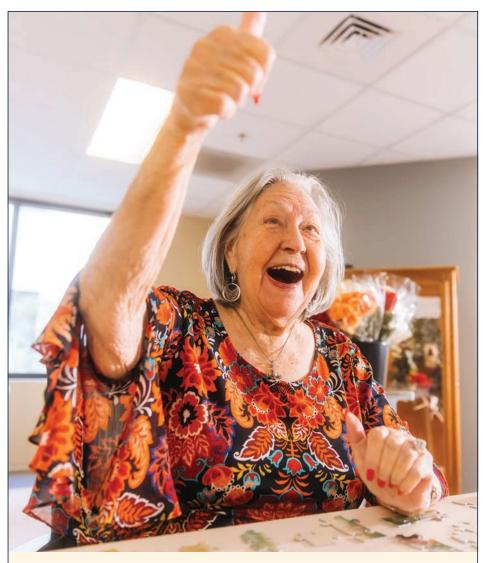
Monies for their initiatives are raised by the annual LunaFest festival that will be held at the Lincolnville Museum on April 15 of this year. The American Association of University Women is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls.

Since its founding in 1881, American Association of University Women members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day - educational, social, economic, and political.

Information about the St. Augustine branch is available at staugustine-fl. aauw.net and membership information can be obtained from Maxine Burns, Director for Membership, at (847) 917-6350 or *mmburns@yahoo.com* 



Photo Courtesy of the St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum
The St. Augustine Lighthouse 5k Run/Walk and Fun Run will be celebrating 39 years of running and fundraising for the
Junior Service League of St. Augustine with a February 18 event this month.



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# Carrera's Wine Cellar: where everybody knows your name

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Carrara's Wine Cellar has been fondly nicknamed "Cheers" by the locals, after the fictional Cheers bar and sitcom of the 1990s.

But St. Augustine's Carrara's Wine Cellar is not just your average neighborhood wine bar.

"Our main goal is to make our guests feel comfortable and to provide a safe environment for enjoying fine wine away from the chaos of the bar scene," said Carrara's owner Jessica Stern.

They do just that.

Carrera's has a timeless, quaint charm that makes you want to relax and sip on delicious wine for hours.

Stern proudly shares how it feels like a family environment and that 95 percent of her customer base is locally driven.

"Everyone knows everyone, or will meet other people while they are here," adds Stern. "Many go on to become good friends beyond the wine bar."

Another big draw is the wine knowledge that Carrera's offer.

"We want to provide good wine education that is easy to under-

stand and that our customers are comfortable with," said Stern.

If you are unsure of your pallets preference, for a small fee you can try one of the Enomatic machines that will dispense a 2, 4, or 6 ounce pour of some of their higher end wines.



Photos Courtesy of Carrera's Wine Cellar Carrera's Wine Cellar owner Jessica Stern.

If you are feeling a bit more adventurous in your wine knowledge you may want to try their Blind Tasting Challenge or become a wine member.

Carrera's offers a little something for everyone.

Everything from a cupcake and wine pairing, to a formal sit down or private party.

Nestled out back of the wine bar is a cozy and comfortable outdoor patio and game area where you can enjoy the weather while you indulge in one of their delicious

charcuterie boards.

Formal wine classes, casual wine classes, and an elaborate wall full of gourmet goodies to take home, are just some of

what this charming old world wine bar offers to its patrons. The sense of community that overflows from Carrera's Wine

overflows from Carrera's Wine Cellar has personally been a big inspiration and motivation in Stern's own life during her battle with breast cancer.

She said it was always so positive for her to come into Carrera's and it gave her more of a reason to get better faster.

On February 18, Carrera's will celebrate their 7th anniversary.

They will host a plethora of festivities, so be sure to mark your calendars.

Carrera's is located at 35 San Marco Avenue.

You can also visit their website at *carrerawinecellar.com* for a full list of all their upcoming events.



Located on San Marco Avenue, Carrera's Wine Cellar offers a taste for everyone - whether a beginner wine appreciator or a lifelong lover of the alcoholic beverage, Carrera's offers something to tickle your taste buds.



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Get to Know...

By Tiffany Merlo Phelps mail@floridanewsline.com

# Kristin Morrison

Kristin Morrison has been dancing since she was four years old, choreographing routines since she was seven year sold, and loving fitness for as long as she can remember.

"I have always had a love for dance, fitness and music," said Morrison, a First Coast YMCA and Funkytown Fitness instructor. "When I was little, I would choreograph routines with my friends using a cassette tape and a boom box. I have always liked competing and performing, especially in cheerleading."

Morrison was born in Texas and grew up in Missouri, attending St. Charles Community College in St. Peters, Missouri.

She has been married to her husband, Tyler, for 20 years, and they have four daughters.

Tyler, a United States Air Force veteran, now works for Boeing. Morrison said because of her husband's jobs, they moved quite often, living in Georgia, California, Maryland, and Seattle.

"I love Florida. This is home base," she said, adding that they have lived in St. Augustine for five years. Morrison teaches BODYPUMP, BODYCOMBAT, Zumba, Strong Nation and Cardio Dance, averaging about 10 classes per week.

Morrison, age 40, is also Athletics and Fitness Association of American certified which enables her to create her own class format such as High Intensity Interval

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Photo Courtesy of Kristin Morrison
Fitness instructor, dancer, and choreographer Kristin Morrison

Training or hip-hop classes, the latter being one of her favorite styles of dance.

"I have taught preschool age children all the way to seniors, and I love it all," she said. And while she admits it might sound crazy, on her days off, she likes to run. "Because as an instructor, you don't get to do your own thing. On Sundays, I like to run on my own or work on choreography and get ready for the week," she said.

Morrison enjoys teaching at three locations for the First Coast YMCA (Brown Family YMCA at Ponte Vedra Beach, YMCA at Nocatee, and YMCA at Flagler Health + Village).

"I love the family support and the positive energy. It is like one big family," she said, adding that member feedback about how her classes might have impacted someone or song requests make her day. "Those are gifts back to me."

#### Q: What is your favorite class to teach?

**A:** "That is so hard to say. They all have different benefits. BODYPUMP provides strength training, BODYCOMBAT helps with agility, and dance helps with memorization and cardiovascular strength. It is good to have variety. That is the spice of life to me."

# Q: What is your advice to someone who may be worried about trying a group fitness class?

A: "Everyone starts out new. Don't worry. It is okay to mess up. We are here to have fun and move our bodies. If you don't know a move, make one up. That is my welcome speech before every class. Making the choice to walk in and try a group fitness class is the first step to a beneficial health journey full of fun, engaging fitness activities to motivating music while boosting self-confidence by achieving steps toward fitness goals, surrounded by a community of wonderful people encouraging each other."

## Q: What is it like to have four girls and what do you like to do as a family?

**A:** "It is a blessing. It is a busy blessing. We have Elise, 18, Kallista, 16, Karina, 9 and Eva, 7. We love going to the beach, boating and most outdoor activities."

# Q: You mentioned that being a fitness instructor has been a calling for you. How have you grown over your 11-year career?

**A:** "I have grown in various ways in my fitness career; self-confidence, resiliency, embracing the role of a leader through "practicing what I preach", striving for my own personal goals, remaining genuine and approachable, all while motivating through the power of music. I am just so grateful to folks in class for having the willingness to take class and for the trust that they place in me. It is truly an honor to help people keep moving."

#### Q: Do you have any future fitness goals or plans?

**A:** "I would like to continue to inspire through fitness and health, possibly in the areas of personal and nutritional coaching. My goal is to keep people moving in every season of their lives."

#### **Deeply Rooted in love** cont. from pg. 1

said. "We called it a 'Dream Center' because when we asked the kids what they dreamed of doing with their lives, they did not know what we were talking about. For them, their 'dream' was having something to eat today."

Deeply Rooted Grounds' Dream Centers now operate six days a week, providing nutritious food and clean water to 300 children a day.

The nonprofit has expanded its reach by forming a network of 44 local pastors, who come to the centers, pick up food and distribute it in their remote mountain villages.

The organization also includes an afterschool education program, a maternal health program for pregnant women and new mothers and builds new houses for villagers for as little as \$6,000.

The Pendletons live full-time in Nicara-

gua with their two children, Isaac, age 5, and Jeremiah, age 2. Isaac was born prematurely and has cerebral palsy which caused the Pendletons to look more closely at the lack of rehabilitation and therapy services offered in the country.

As a result, they opened "Miracle House" with three full-time staff members to help children with special needs.

Pendleton is supported by a volunteer board of directors based in St. Augustine.

Board Member Clint Dosio, a local pastor and an executive wealth manager, said that Pendleton has a heart for serving the people of Nicaragua and for staying the distance.

"He has an amazing ability to connect people in their gifts to do more," said Dosio, who has led numerous mission trips to Nicaragua to show people what the situation is firsthand. "The biggest impact is when you go over there and you see it with your own eyes, and then you become an advocate."

Dosio said that the organization is growing its infrastructure responsibly and ultimately creating a food distribution model with built in accountability measures that can be duplicated on a mass scale in other countries.

Pendleton is currently raising funds for the purchase of an open-air conference center that will become the new base of operations for Deeply Rooted Grounds known as The River Christian Center. He has raised \$300,000 so far with a goal of raising \$500,000. "It is going to happen," said Pendleton.
"The Holy Spirit reassures me that I am doing what God wants me to do and what I am called to do. We want the people of Nicaragua to know that Jesus loves them. Love has got to look like something. For us, love looks like a plate of food, a house and a job. It is something tangible. We are doing it so that people will be rooted and grounded in the love of Christ."

For more information on Deeply Rooted Grounds, to donate or to sponsor a child, visit *deeplyrootedgrounds.org* 



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# Local author debuts his second book

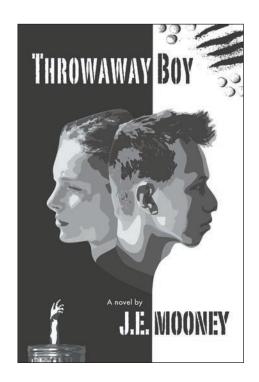
# *Throwaway Boy* by J.E. Mooney explores the topics of grief and human connection in a St. Augustine backdrop

Kara Pound Old City Public Relations

Set in St. Augustine, Florida and Dahlonega, Georgia, and inspired by actual events, Throwaway Boy is J.E. Mooney's second book explores the complicated yet beautiful relationship of Ricky Plyer and Christina Spear.

Christina is heartbroken to hear that Ricky, her mentee and friend, has committed suicide.

Just four years out of juvenile detention, it seemed that Ricky was getting his life together; he graduated high school, he had a girlfriend, so why would he kill himself?



Christina is determined to discover the

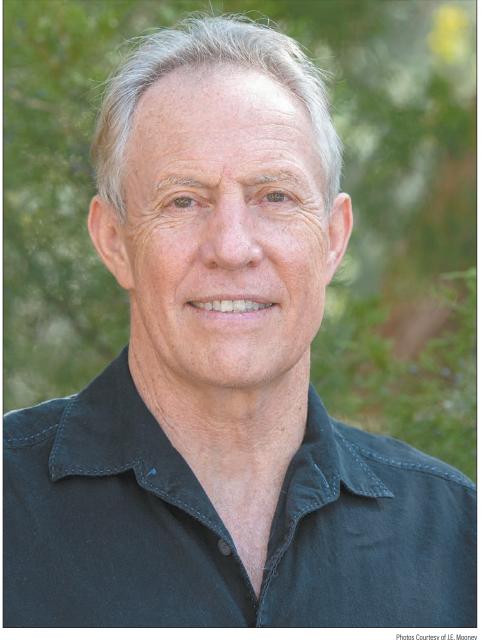
"Throwaway Boy is accessible on multiple levels," explained Mooney, a St. Augustine-based author. "The protagonist is a strong every-woman recovering from her own loss. She wants to do some good in the world, but gets swept up in circumstances she doesn't understand. Nevertheless, she relies on her instincts even as forces align against her. There are struggles at the heart of nearly all the relationships that people will recognize. This is a mystery that slowly unravels in both the past and the present."

Released October 2022 by Taylor and Seale Publishing, Throwaway Boy focuses on various themes that help the reader understand the richness and complexity of human relationships.

"The relationship between Ricky Plyer and Christina Spear is central to the plot and the characters," said Mooney. "It's an example of how two people of completely different backgrounds can find more than common understanding. The theme is multi-tiered, addressing both the benefits of mentorship and the opportunities for life-changing experiences as we open ourselves to people unlike us."

Mooney is a Connecticut-native who now resides in St. Augustine.

John E. Mooney is a former tech execu-



Photos Courtesy of J.E. Mooney John E. Mooney

tive and Peace Corps country director with 20 years living, working, and traveling on five continents.

He has degrees in Literature, Mechanical Engineering, and Business.

Now a full-time author, Mooney's first novel, The Siren of Good Intentions debuted in 2020.

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# St. Augustine Beach residents turn up the heat with Scoville Premium Vodka

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Set your taste buds on fire.

That's what you get when you taste Scoville Premium Vodka.

Named after the Scoville Heat Unit, which measures the heat index of all peppers, Scoville Premium Vodka is a local Veteran-owned company produced and bottled by Wholly Spirits LLC in Jacksonville, Florida.

The Florida-based company invites you to experience the taste of luxury with bold flavors designed to savor, including Scoville Jalapeño Vodka, made with natural jalapeño extract, and new Scoville Habanero Vodka, made with real habanero infusion, for a one-of-a-kind experience.

"Scoville Premium Vodka was created with one goal in mind, to provide the highest quality spirit possible," explained Greg Anderson, who co-owns Scoville Premium Vodka along with his partner,



Named after the Scoville Heat Unit, which measures the heat of peppers, Scoville Premium Vodka, produced by St. Augustine Beach residents and sourced from Jacksonville, promises to set taste buds on fire with a one-of-a-kind spirit experience.

Dr. Deirdre Leake. "For us, that meant providing flavors that would leave a lasting impression, which is why our vodka is crafted with natural jalapeño extract and real habanero infusion. In addition, we check for standardization of our recipes, as well as clarity, aroma, and flavor to ensure that our product is of the highest quality each and every time."

Distilled seven times in small batches and crafted with only the finest ingredients,

including gluten-free, low-sugar corn mash, Scoville Premium Vodka crafts superior flavors that can't be beat.

At 40% ABV / 80 Proof, this ultrasmooth spirit enhances every cocktail, from fruity, refreshing, cool, or classic, while providing a unique flavor for those who prefer to sip it neat.

"More than anything, this journey is all about trying something new," said Anderson. "We wanted to create a product that would leave people asking, 'What did I just experience, and how can I experience it again?' So, we pushed the boundaries of traditional flavors and ended up with a product that is truly remarkable. We've grown exponentially in just two short years, and I can't wait to continue growing so that everyone can taste and experience the difference in our premium spirit."

Founded in 2019 by St. Augustine Beach residents, Greg Anderson and Dr. Deirdre Leake, Scoville Premium Vodka



Greg Anderson and Dr. Deirdre Leake, founders and co-owners of Scoville Premium Vodka.

provides a luxury experience from the very first sip.

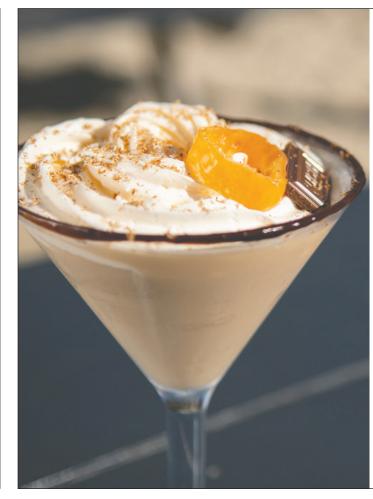
Distilled seven times and crafted with only the finest ingredients in Jacksonville, Scoville Premium

Vodka is available in select markets throughout the State of Florida.



#### AIR COOLED

- 2 oz. Scoville Ialapeño Vodka
- 1 oz. lime juice 0.25 oz. simple syrup
- 8 fresh mint leaves
- Muddle mint leaves in a pint glass and fill with ice.
- 2. Combine vodka, lime juice, and simple syrup
- in a shaker filled with ice.
- Shake vigorously and strain into the pint glass.
- Top with soda water and garnish with sprig of mint and jalapeño slices.



#### **CHOCOLATE** MELT

- 3 oz. Scoville Habanero
- 1.5 oz. Crème de cacao
- Pour ingredients into a shaker filled with ice.
- Shake vigorously, strain into a martini glass.
- 3. Garnish with whipped cream, habanero slice, and piece of chocolate.



- 1 oz. cranberry juice
- 0.25 oz. simple syrup
- 1. Muddle mint leaves in a shaker.
- 2. Combine cranberry juice, simple syrup, and lime juice.
- Add ice. Shake vigorously, strain into a rocks glass filled with fresh ice, top with soda water.
- Garnish with a sprig of mint and a few fresh cranberries.



#### **IGNITION**

- Vodka
- 4 oz. tomato juice
- 0.25 oz. Worcestershire Sauce
- 0.25 oz. lemon juice
- 1 pinch black pepper
- Pour ingredients into a shaker filled with ice, shake vigorously.
- Strain into a Collins glass filled with fresh ice.
- Garnish with celery stick, habanero slices, and a lemon wedge.