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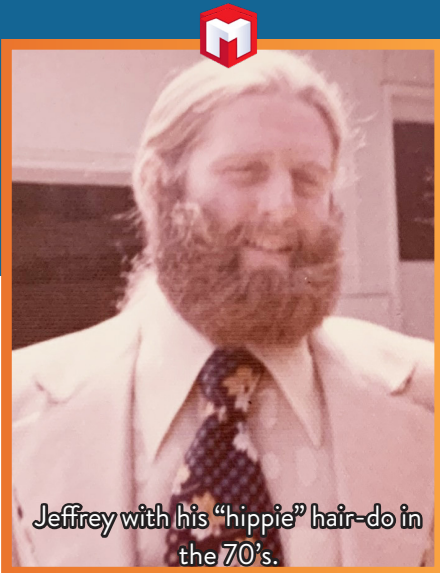
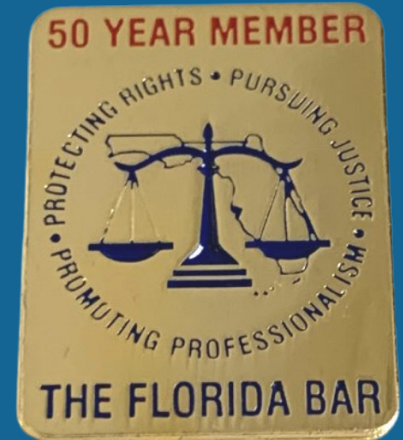
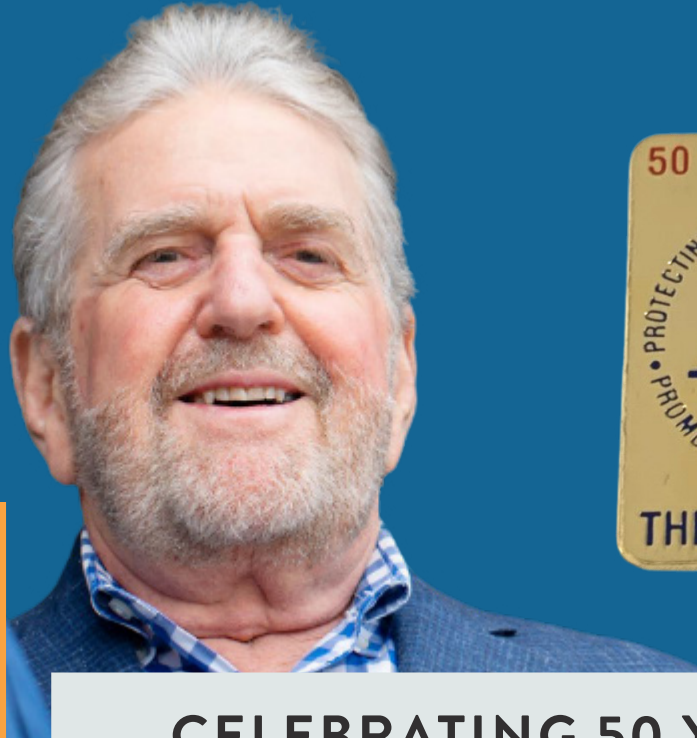
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Jeffrey with his "hippie" hair-do in the 70's.



Jeffrey coaching Carey's soccer team.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS!

Jeffrey Meldon was sworn in as a member of the Florida Bar in November 1971. This month Meldon Law is celebrating its 50th anniversary serving North Central Florida. We are most appreciative to all our clients and friends who have supported us throughout the years. When Jeffrey opened his law office in 1971, **Tom Petty** was one of his first clients. Times have changed but not the spirit that cemented Meldon Law's reputation for giving back to the community through programs like the Scholar-Athlete program and Veterans Making A Difference.

LawTalk Live on WSKY(97.3 FM) started in 2002 and is now entering 20 straight years on the air every Saturday morning at 10:30. In 2007, we started giving away free consumer guides, and started producing the very **newsletter** you are reading now to connect with our "Tribe"

in North Central Florida. We hope you have enjoyed the trivia, jokes, recipes and community highlights on events going on around us.

2020 was a big year for us, as we started our Meldon Law & Friends Podcast, along with being chosen as the "ONLY OFFICIAL INJURY LAW FIRM PARTNER OF THE FLORIDA GATORS." This designation creates a great responsibility to maintain the same excellence as the Florida Gators as well as helping promote all the Gator athletic programs.

It's been a great ride so far, but we are only getting started! In 2021, we opened new offices in Ocala and Lake City to better serve our clients. So, stay in touch as Meldon Law marches into its second 50 Years serving the great folks in North Central Florida and beyond.



Our Meldon Law / WCJB TV-20 Scholar Athletes of the Week!

Meldon Law has sponsored the Scholar Athlete Program since 1997. Every week of the the school year, a high school senior in the North Central Florida area is chosen as the Scholar-Athlete of the Week and given a \$100 scholarship and a plaque.

At the end of the school year, we hold a banquet for all the winners and their families. Unfortunately, we did not have a banquet last year due to COVID, but stay tuned for this year. At every banquet, one male and one female are chosen as The Scholar Athletes of the Year.

The winners receive a \$1,000 scholarship plus a beautiful glass trophy commemorating their achievement. Starting in 2003, the Meldon Law Firm teamed up with WCJB TV-20 to promote the event.

ABBY PACE has played volleyball since she was in the fifth grade. The three year starter currently holds the school record with more than 1,000 digs, while also being the team captain. She was previously the libero the past two seasons on Newberry's back-to-back state runner up teams, but has transitioned to setter and outside hitter for this season. Pace has a 4.3 weighted GPA, and planning on continuing her academic and athletic career at Santa Fe College.

JUN CHOI is a two-time city champion for the Eastside High School swimming team. He had an impressive junior season, placing top eight for the 100 meter backstroke and the top 16 for the 200 individual medley at the state competition. Out of the swimming pool, he yields a stellar 4.957 GPA, which qualifies him as a National Merit Semifinalist. Choi has applied to multiple top colleges and is planning to major in either business or economics

ALEX BARNETT is captain of the P.K. Yonge football team. He does it all, playing safety, tight end, outside linebacker, and inside linebacker. Barnett also commutes to Jacksonville twice a week to practice with his club soccer. Despite his demanding schedule, Barnett carries 3.8 GPA, while taking college level courses. He committed to play soccer at the University of Florida, and plans to major in Electrical Engineering.

To nominate someone for Scholar Athlete of the Week, make sure he or she has at least a 3.0 GPA, is a major contributor in his or her sport, and a high school senior. To nominate an athlete, email christopher.pinson@wcjb.com



REVIEW OF THE MONTH



“When my case first started I was with another lawyer but...once I switched to Meldon Law everything changed for the better! I was able to get in contact with them and get an update everyday if I would have wanted. They are very consistent, determined and professional.

- Trey Cooper ”



\$150,000.00 SETTLEMENT – SLIP AND FALL ON PUDDLE OF WATER – DISPUTED LIABILITY.

Client was a customer at a grocery store and slipped on a puddle of water caused by a leaking freezer. In Florida, slip and fall cases are very difficult because the law favors store owners and commercial landlords. At the beginning of this case, the insurance company for

the store adamantly denied liability. After a thorough investigation by Meldon Law, we showed how the store clearly had notice of the leaking water and how the store's negligence caused the hazardous condition. The case was settled at mediation for \$150,000.00.



RECIPE OF THE MONTH - DAVITA'S GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 (14 ounce) package pre-cooked Andouille sausage, sliced
- 3 cups (12 ounces) grated sharp Cheddar cheese
- 1 (10.5 ounce) can Campbell's® Condensed Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 3/4 cup milk
- 2 to 2 1/2 teaspoons Cajun or Creole seasoning
- 4 (14.5 ounce) cans Publix organic Green Beans, drained
- 1 (6 ounce) can French's® Crispy Fried Onions
- Season with salt and white pepper to taste



DIRECTIONS:

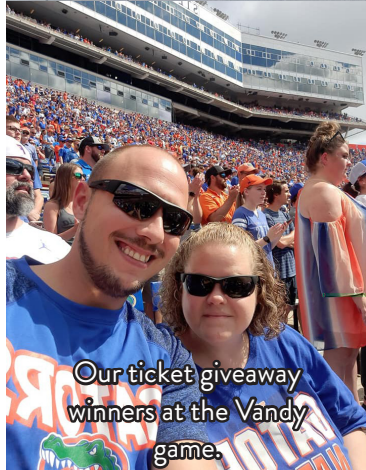
1. Heat oven to 375 degrees F.
2. Combine sausage, cheese, soup, milk and seasoning in a 13 x 9-inch (3-quart) baking dish.
3. Stir in beans and 1 1/3 cups of the onions.
4. Bake, uncovered, for 25 minutes or until hot and bubbling.
5. Stir; sprinkle with remaining onions.
6. Bake for 5 minutes longer or until onions are golden brown.

Submit your favorite recipe to HELP@MELDONLAW.COM for a chance to be featured in our newsletter and receive a free local restaurant gift card!

In the Community



Our awesome tent set up at Fan Fest!



Our ticket giveaway winners at the Vandy game.



Hundreds of people flocked to our tent at Fan Fest to spin the wheel and win some prizes.



A fan spinning the wheel at Fan Fest.



More ticket giveaway winners at the volleyball game



Cat's Cucina came by the office.



EVENT OF THE MONTH

HARVEST FESTIVAL

WHEN:

NOVEMBER 14TH (11AM-5PM)

WHERE:

MAIN STREET ALACHUA 15000
BOB HITCHCOCK'S MAIN STREET
ALACHUA, FL 32615



Come spend your Sunday afternoon with family and friends strolling along historic downtown Main St. Alachua. Savor delicious foods from the local restaurants and food trucks while listening to local musicians on two different stages. Chat with friends, neighbors, shopkeepers and unique vendors while the children enjoy a variety of crafts, rides and games.

JOKES OF THE MONTH

Why did the scarecrow win the Nobel Prize?

Because he was out-standing in his field.

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Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive?

It had 24 carrots.

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If your great-grandmother saw you making boxed mashed potatoes, what would she do?

She would roll over in her gravy.

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What's something usually insulting, but not on Thanksgiving?

A family member giving you the bird.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why.”

-Mark Twain



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THIS MONTH'S TRIVIAL PURSUIT QUESTIONS

1. Veterans Day was once called...
2. Which president officially changed the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day?
3. Why is Veterans Day celebrated on November 11th?
4. How many veterans are there currently in the United States?
5. Which U.S state has the highest concentration of Veterans?
6. What flower is a symbol of Veterans Day?
7. True or False: Flags fly at half-staff on Veterans Day.
8. Approximately how many veterans are women?
9. True or False: Other countries celebrate their own version of Veterans Day.
10. Approximately 35% of the veterans living today served during which war?

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT:

JESSICA THOMASON

As a current PI Case Manager and former PI Demand Specialist of 6 years, Jessica has focused on creating strong and supportive client contact resulting in the drafting of compelling narratives and demand packages. She utilizes her diverse background, which has included working in the auto insurance industry as a Field Claims Adjuster and Field Claims Manager in Jacksonville, Florida. In her life outside the office, Jessica spends her time doing outdoor activities such as tubing the Ichetucknee river, camping, hiking, fishing and going to the dog park with her boyfriend and two dogs, Roxy and Axel.



1. Armistice Day 2. Eisenhower 3. Anniversary of the end of WWI 4. 19.5 million 5. Alaska 6. Poppy 7. False 8. 2 million 9. True 10. Vietnam War