

# SNAPSHOTS

Noteworthy people, places and events.



The Pompano Beach Garden Club celebrated Salvador Maldonado (pictured above), a student in the Emma Lou Civic Center Afterschool Youth Garden Club, for his achievements in the National Garden Clubs Poetry Contest. Maldonado earned first place in the state in the fourth-grade division with his original poem submission. He then advanced to win first place in the Deep South Region competition before receiving an honorable mention at the national level. Salvador is also a fourth-grade student at Pompano Beach Elementary School. [Courtesy]



The Jean family celebrated their new home in Fort Lauderdale, thanks to the efforts of Habitat for Humanity, AutoNation and their own “sweat equity.” Habitat for Humanity helps working class families buy a home, one they help build with volunteers, what the organization calls “sweat equity.” In addition to AutoNation associates completing 300 hours of sweat equity with Jean and her family, the total dollar amount of AutoNation’s home sponsorship was \$100,000. Pictured with Meucine Jean, who works as a registered nurse for Aetna/CVS, is Lisa Ryans, a vice president for AutoNation and a Habitat for Humanity board member. [AutoNation]



Little Miss Arc Broward Samantha Bellot, 7, of Pompano Beach, and Miss Arc Broward Katie Lorenzo, 12, of Pembroke Pines, were crowned Little Miss Arc Broward and Miss Arc Broward, respectively, at The Parker in Fort Lauderdale. The pageant is designed to build confidence, foster friendships, and promote belonging among South Florida teenagers and girls with disabilities. [Saintville Images]



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