



November 2017 Newsletter

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Celebrity Server: CEO Edition

Good Food, Good Cheer, Good Times

Tuesday, November 14, 2017 - Starting at 5:30 pm

Join us for another round of Celebrity Servers hosted by ElderSource. This time, local CEO's will be serving your table and encouraging you to tip for a good cause. Their hard work benefits ElderSource, whose mission is to assist seniors in need. Bring your appetite and don't forget the tip. Hope to see you there! Here's the competition!

- **Darnell Smith** - Florida Blue, Market President/ North Florida Region
- **Melissa Ross** - WJCT, Host of First Coast Connect
- **Rory Diamond** - CEO, K9s for Warriors
- **John Miller** - President, Swisher International



- **Dr. Jim Aiello** - Emergency Room Doctor at Ascension St. Vincent's
- **Kerry Speckman**- The Specktor
- **Melissa Intemann**- CEO, MIA Styling

When: Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2017

Place: Whiskey Jax Beaches
950 Marsh Landing Parkway, Jacksonville Beach

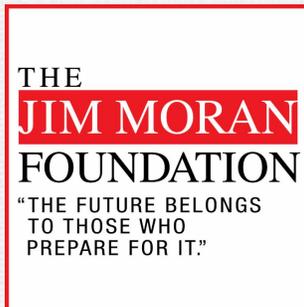
Time: 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Enjoy an evening out and thank you for supporting ElderSource!

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[Celebrity Server: CEO Edition - Video Preview](#)

ElderSource Awarded Grant from The Jim Moran Foundation



The Jim Moran Foundation recently awarded nearly \$2 million in special grants to seven nonprofit organizations from Broward, Palm Beach and Duval counties in honor of what would have been Jim Moran's 99th birthday. ElderSource was one of those selected!

We received funds to help support our Senior to Senior program. The Senior to Senior Program assists older adults who are facing financial crisis due to unexpected life challenges. The grant will help with emergency support such as minor home repairs and energy bills, along with adding an additional staff person to work directly with Duval County seniors in crisis. ElderSource staff and its Board are beyond excited to receive this grant and to continue helping as many seniors as we can in the community.

Phyllis Kennebrew JEA's 2017 Light it Forward Award Winner



JEA recently honored several local human services advocates for their dedication and commitment to serving Jacksonville residents in need. One of our ElderSource employees, Customer Service Specialist Phyllis Kennebrew, was among those awarded the company's inaugural "Light it Forward Award." Presented at JEA's annual Nonprofit Appreciation Breakfast, the awards were created by JEA to honor those nonprofit employees who go above and beyond the call of duty in serving the city's most vulnerable residents.

Phyllis was recognized for her work with ElderSource's Senior to Senior Program, where her duties include everything from arranging home energy audits to helping seniors stay safe and

Open Enrollment Continues Until December 7, 2017



Open Enrollment continues through December 7th. This is the specific time of year to make changes in your Medicare plan. ElderSource has a program through the Florida Department of Elder Affairs to help seniors understand their options and make the best choices for them: [SHINE – Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Elders.](#)

Specially trained SHINE volunteers help Medicare beneficiaries, their families and caregivers understand their health care options by offering **free, unbiased, and confidential** information and counseling concerning Medicare. SHINE volunteers help beneficiaries all year long, but Open Enrollment is the busiest time.

To receive help from a SHINE counselor, schedule an appointment or attend enrollment events in your community, call 1-800-96-ELDER (1-800-963-5337). For a listing of SHINE counseling sites and enrollment events, please visit www.floridashine.org.

SHINE: Job Well Done

Our SHINE counselors work really hard to make sure seniors are getting the proper health care information they need to make best possible decisions. We know that our program is making an impact in the lives of seniors each and every day. We are love to share how a client's testimony on how SHINE helped them.

Recently, one of our SHINE volunteers received a glowing compliment ! Here's what Ms. M. (pictured right) had to write in a thank you note about SHINE Counselor, Jim Mace (left).



" I just wanted to say thank you for the help that one of your SHINE volunteers provided me. His name is Mace and he was so very courteous, professional and knowledgeable. Mace was a breath of fresh air and he is a true asset to your organization. Thank you Mace, for all your concern and assistance," said Ms. M.

Ms. M. was glad to work with Mace, who was able to lend a listening ear and help guide her

through an on-going issue with coverage of her prescription medication. She felt him having compassion and being able to think outside the box was a great asset in helping her. "He truly went above and beyond," she said.

[For more information on our SHINE program, click here](#)

North Florida Travel Survey

Residents Can Offer Input to Improve Transportation in the North Florida Region

The North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (North Florida TPO) and the Florida Dept. of Transportation (FDOT) are sponsoring the North Florida Travel Survey to better understand residents' transportation needs.



This is important because the information collected in this survey will help improve the regional transportation system and prioritize future transportation improvements. The survey is currently underway to late November.

The transportation survey is collecting information on day-to-day travel and activities in the North Florida region: how we travel, where we go, how long it takes us, and what we do when we arrive. "We want to obtain a complete picture of travel patterns in Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns Counties," said Jeff Sheffield, executive director, North Florida TPO. "Our community's input and support will have a significant impact to transportation planning in our region," he added.

Following completion of the survey, each participating household will be entered in a drawing to win an iPhone X, or one of 25 \$100 Amazon or Walmart gift cards. To access the survey link: NorthFloridaTravelSurvey.com. The password to use is Survey. Residents can email help@NorthFloridaTravelSurvey.com or call toll-free: 1-800-895-2690 for more information.

The Holidays are Approaching: Cards for a Cause

The holidays are coming and what a better way to let your friends and loved ones know how special they are to you than putting it in a customized greeting card?

Order your cards now and they'll be ready to give to friends and family by Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Not only are you ordering cards to send a special message to your loved ones, but when you purchase your cards a percent of the sale will support ElderSource!



[Click here now to order your set of cards and support ElderSource.](#)

ElderSource values all people – including but not limited to all nationalities, socio-economic backgrounds, abilities, races, genders, religious perspectives, sexual orientations and gender identities – in everything we do. We welcome the unique insights and perspectives of all persons in our quest to fulfill our mission.

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