

Whispering Stories



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Important Dates

June 19



**June 21
Father's Day**

**June 21
Summer Solstice**



**July 4
Independence Day**
Fireworks Downtown
at 9:30 PM



**July 25
Night Market**
St Augustine Beach Pier
3 - 6 PM

**August 11
First Day of School**



Are you planning to travel this summer? We would love to feature your travel photos in our upcoming newsletter! Bonus points if you take this newsletter on vacation with you and take a picture with it. Please send your pictures to whisperingstoriessta@gmail.com!

WOHA Cookout Update

The Annual WOHA Cookout has been moved to the fall. Keep a lookout for the date to mark your calendars!

Congrats to the Crum Family!

We are delighted to share joyful news from one of our own Whispering Oaks families. Anna Crum, daughter of Bobby and Patty Crum, was married in April to Sam Boykin.

Anna has been a part of our Whispering Oaks community since she was just three years old, and many of us have had the privilege of watching her grow into the accomplished and inspiring young woman she is today.

The happy couple will reside in St. Augustine, where Anna serves as the Communications Director for United Way of St Johns and Putnam County. Sam is also dedicated to serving our local community through his work for the Aviation Unit of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office.



Please join us in wishing Anna and Sam Boykin a lifetime filled with love, happiness, and continued success.

Pet Report

Meet Harper and Patrick: WOHA's Dynamic Dog Duo

Life in WOHA is never boring when Harper and Patrick are around. Though they come from very different backgrounds — and generations — both dogs have found their perfect home with the Breger-Scanlan family.

Harper, age 12, joined the family after a chance meeting at a pet store in Orange Park. According to Harper, it didn't take long to realize the family was "fun enough" to go home with. Patrick, meanwhile, had a much longer journey. Now 10 months old, he was born in Ohio before traveling through South Carolina and eventually arriving in St. Augustine Beach, which he proudly calls "the best place I have ever lived!"

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The pair may have different personalities, but both dearly prize their neighborhood and the people in it. When asked how they got their names, Harper explained that her human brother came up with it during the ride home, and everyone agreed it fit perfectly. Patrick isn't exactly sure how his name was chosen, but he suspects it works well since "everyone in the neighborhood sure remembers me!"

Their favorite activities reveal just how opposite — and complementary — they are. Harper enjoys the finer things in life: eating, sleeping, and making sure family members never stop petting her. She also admits to enjoying barking at "children and short adults." Patrick, on the other hand, has one primary passion: PLAY!. Whether it's with family, neighborhood kids, other dogs, or even by himself, Patrick approaches life with nonstop enthusiasm. He loves the fact that there is always something exciting to sniff. It's wildly fun. "Yup, play. I'm a natural at it," he said.

Both dogs have special talents as well. Harper has mastered the art of demanding continuous affection and petting. Patrick boasts impressive athletic skills that include jumping high enough to grab toys from his mom's hand and dragging enormous tree branches into the house.

Their friendships are equally important to them. Harper fondly remembers Abraham, her first doggie brother, who taught her "all the ropes around here." Patrick's best buddy is Apollo, who waits in the driveway so the two can greet each other when out and about.

The two also had some final thoughts for the community. Harper would like neighbors to know that although she may walk a little slower these days, she still loves staying in touch with people and being adored. Patrick simply wants everyone to remember one thing: he really likes to play. And, naturally, Patrick couldn't end the interview without sharing a joke: "What do you get when you cross an elephant with a rhinoceros? Elephrino!" Harper quickly added one last important note of her own: "I am not responsible for the craziness known as Patrick!"

