



**Painting Class**  
Twins Jennifer and Jacki Morley celebrate their birthday with a painting class project benefiting Racing for Orphans with Down Syndrome. **STAFF PHOTO/ANNA COLLINS PAGE 6**



**Start of the Season**  
The Wellington Art Society hosts its first meeting of the season at Bootz Culture Camp with an award-winning, local watercolorist. Suzanne Redmond, Donna Donelan and Susan Mosley receive gifts for their service to the organization last year. **STAFF PHOTO/HAL COPELAND PAGE 8**



**Best Foot Forward**  
Bloomingdale's in Boca Raton has refreshed its shoe department to offer customers a bigger variety of designer brands. **SUBMITTED PHOTO PAGE 11**

## BIT & Mallet

# Wellington therapy program receives donation

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Horses Healing Hearts, a preventive education and equine assisted therapy program in Wellington, has recently received a \$15,000 donation from the Jacobs Family Foundation.

"We're extremely thankful and really grateful for the opportunity," said Liz Olszewski, founder and executive director of Horses Healing Hearts. "It's about the relationship

with the Jacobs. They've been in Wellington for a long time and are big equestrian people. We appreciate the opportunity to start building a relationship with them."

The donation is one of three gifted by the Jacobs Family Foundation this month. The money will go to Horse Healing Hearts (HHH) program costs, such as its weekend sessions, Olszewski said.

"From an economical standpoint, there's a statistic that says for every dollar

spent on prevention programs, like HHH, there's \$7 to \$10 saved as compared to treatment," Olszewski said.

"I hope they continue to grow," said Charlie Jacobs, a member of the Jacobs Family Foundation. "They serve a real need addressing children and at-risk youths that need that type of connection and therapy."

HHH uses equine-assisted therapy to help children living with alcoholism, addiction and stressful family situations. The organiza-

**A LOOK BACK** Charlie Jacobs competes in a Saturday Night Lights event during the 2015 Winter Equestrian Festival in Wellington. **Submitted photo**



tion gives kids the life skills to deal with stressful situations as well as bullying issues in school.

"A lot of times, school is the only safe place for them, so it's so sad that they get bullied," Olszew-

ski said. "A lot of kids get bullied. With all the drama in their homes, they don't

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it's very inspiring." Brody uses old credit cards to help flesh out her watercolors. With the cards, Brody displayed the scraping technique she used

to create rocks in her birch tree painting. "This is especially why we came tonight, because we knew Carol was going to be doing a

water-color demonstration," first-time attendee and Royal Palm Beach resident Diane Aiena said. "We found new uses for credit cards."

To learn more about Brody, visit her website at [CarolZBrody.com](http://CarolZBrody.com).

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## LIFE IN THE FAB LANE

# BLOOMINGDALE'S REVAMPS BOCA STORE

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Living in Boca Raton since the age of 2, I can accurately say I grew up roaming the mall halls of Town Center at Boca Raton. I watched many fad stores come and go from Wild Pair to Art Explosion. Every major phase of my adolescence included a stop at Bloomingdale's. To see how its Boca Raton store has

evolved over the years has been an epic fashion journey. The shoe department is now completely airy and open. Walls have been taken down and covered shoe brands such as SJP By Sarah Jessica Parker and Badgley Mischka have been added.

Bloomingdale's has also expanded the handbag department to include brands such as See by Chloe, Olivia Clergie and others. "We

are thrilled to have the opportunity to renovate and revitalize many areas of our Boca Raton store and to improve the overall shopping experience, Vice President and General Manager of Boca Raton Bloomingdale's Paula Pianta said in a press release on the renovations. Other harder to find accessory lines such as Moschino offer a plentiful selection at this Bloomingdale's location.

In lieu of confusing,

cluttered and boring metal shoe racks, the store is now well-organized and you can easily spot entire brands in one glance in well-curated sections. For example, Tory Burch and Rebecca Minkoff have very large selections of merchandise now available in the store and are part of the shops-within-shops experience Bloomingdale's is now featuring.

An Alex & Ani shop has also been added to the store to enhance the jew-

### EVENTS AT BLOOMINGDALE'S IN BOCA RATON

- Saturday, Sunday:** Kate Spade event
- Saturday:** Spotlight on Tory Burch
- Oct. 2:** Prada sunglasses event
- Oct. 15:** Tom Ford sunglasses event
- Oct. 16:** Alex & Ani layering jewelry event
- Nov. 5:** David Yurman trunk show
- Nov. 11:** John Hardy personal appearance by the designer in fine jewelry department.
- Dec. 3:** Rebecca Minkoff personal appearance by the designer in handbag department.

elry department. The popular brand of bangle bracelets loved by celebrities such as Selena Gomez, Sandra Bullock and Jessica Simpson, offers several designs exclusive to Bloomingdale's.

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have the confidence and know they are different."

Recently, HHH partnered with the Quinton Aaron Foundation to bring an anti-bullying campaign to West Palm Beach. The fundraising event, "Cow-

boy Up for a Cause," is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 14, at the Van Kampen Arena in Wellington.

"We're very excited about the cowboy thing,

excited to have a unique connection," Olszewski said.

"I like to see them have success and be more active to serve more people,"

Jacobs said. "You see a lot of smiling faces on their website, and people are in need of some type of therapy. It's also a haven for the horses."

For more information, visit [JacobsFamilyFoundation.org](http://JacobsFamilyFoundation.org) or [HorsesHealingHeartsUSA.com](http://HorsesHealingHeartsUSA.com).

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