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A STORY OF GROWTH: GROWING A HOMETOWN FROM SCRATCH

[Trizia Eavenson, Esq.]
DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER

IN PART TWO OF OUR SERIES ON GROWING A HOMETOWN FROM SCRATCH, WE FOCUS ON TRIZIA EAVENSON, ESQ. AND HER SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS WITH A MENTORING PROGRAM THAT BENEFITS THE COMMUNITY AS BOTH HAVE GROWN TOGETHER.



“I love doing this,” Trizia Eavenson said, describing her philosophy of doing well by doing good. “It makes my heart sing.”

Eavenson is a resident and advocate of Viera with a well-established presence in the Brevard County legal community, representing both Health First and the Brevard County School District. If you spend any time in the school district offices or the courthouse in the government district along Judge Fran Jamieson Way, you’ll undoubtedly cross paths with her energetic, sunny presence.

She was a partner in the largest minority-owned firm in Brevard until about a year ago when she opened her doors as a solo practitioner under the “Eavenson Law, LLC” banner.

“It’s been a really great year,” she says. “I really couldn’t ask for more.”

But beyond the legal reputation and entrepreneurial spirit driving her law business, Trizia Eavenson is also a generous mentor to the young people of Viera and throughout Brevard County through her “Be the Diamond” program.

It’s a program that’s taken root in the Viera school system where she’s made numerous presentations at Viera High School, Viera Children’s Academy, and taken part in Manatee Elementary School’s Superhero Week program where the students learn, discuss and imagine what kind of real life superheroes they might be one day.

Eavenson’s program has an undeniable message of positivity and potential. She begins with a student-centered segment on justice where, from her background in the law, she teaches the basics of the constitution and their rights.

“I absolutely love justice-focused teaching,” she says. “It flows into your rights as a citizen and rights as a person and how you demand to be treated.”

For example, she had the kindergarteners imagine they landed on “Planet Lawless” and pressed them on how they’d act in a place with no laws. “For the record, the kids had a very clear understanding of right, wrong, ownership, and not taking what belonged to someone else,” she said.



In a school-wide assembly, she had all the students close their eyes and asked them, “What motivates you?”

“So often, we have no problem thinking about what our ‘no’ is. What we won’t do or what we don’t want to do,” she explains. “But we have to work to identify what our ‘yes’ is. What we want to do. What is our passion and what drives us.”

She asked the students, when they knew what their ‘yes’ was, to start stomping on the floor and slapping the tables in front of them. As more and more students gained a belief in their ‘yes’ the sound grew into a roar.

She then asked individual students to open their eyes and say what they

were thinking about. Upon hearing their answers relating to art, music, math, and history, she instructed them, “Great - find a way to make that a permanent part of your life.”

“We all experience pressure and [what I refer to as the] heat of expectation in our lives,” she says. “From there, we have a choice. The pressure can turn us to dust or diamonds. I tell them ‘Be The Diamond!’”

Being Trizia Eavenson, Esq. would exhaust most people under most circumstances. For a lesser person, just a glance at her daily calendar might be an exercise in multiple personalities—entrepreneur, sought-after legal mind, mentor, wife, and mom. But if you ask her how she feels on any given day, she says simply, she’s living in paradise.

“I love my work,” she says from her upper-floor office looking out toward the Indian River. “Every day really is paradise to me.”

And Eavenson knows the pressure to grow and succeed. It’s been a long

journey to get to this place in time for her. Born in the Bronx, NY, her family moved to Tampa when she was a child, then spent her formative years living in Italy. When she returned to America as a self-described awkward 13-year-old, she says, she experienced bullying, sometimes severe. During college, she had to leave school and work three jobs to help support her family.

She worked her way up from a temporary legal assistant to a paralegal, eventually opening her own firm last year.

It was when she met and married her husband Erik, also a successful Brevard County entrepreneur, about a decade ago that the couple settled down in Viera to start their family. Their son, Enrico, is a kindergarten student at Manatee Elementary School, where, no surprise, Eavenson is an active parent volunteer.

“I didn’t know Viera and Melbourne existed until I met Erik. But I saw a lot of potential here,” she says. “Viera really is a great environment for business.”



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