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City staff has questions about Zaxby's drive-through

By John Peery
Apopka Chief Staff

Discussion at the city of Apopka's Development Review Committee (DRC) meeting over the forthcoming Zaxby's chicken restaurant centered around the ability of the restaurant site to properly handle traffic during peak dining hours.

A developer's representative and officials from Zaxby's told DRC members that the proposed restaurant's drive-through lane could accommodate up to 17 or 18 cars before there was a problem on the roadway.

The proposed restaurant is slated for a site on the south side of Semoran Boulevard (State Road 436) just east of the Sun-Trust bank branch at the southeast corner of the intersection of Semoran Boulevard and Sheeler Road.

The chicken restaurant is planned for a 1-1/4-acre site, but Zaxby's changed the site plan since its previous presentation to



The wooded area to the left is where the Zaxby's restaurant will be built on the south side of Semoran Boulevard.

the DRC and that caused nearly a half-hour of discussion between DRC members and the Zaxby's representatives.

In its previous plan, Zaxby's had the rectangle-shaped restaurant with its front door facing Semoran Boulevard. Now, the plan has the restaurant's front door facing west with the drive-through pick-up window facing Semoran Boulevard, which is

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Demolition of old hospital begins



Work has begun on demolition of the old Florida Hospital Apopka site on Park Avenue. Some of the buildings will remain for about another year before they will be torn down. The new hospital is now named AdventHealth Apopka and is located at the corner of Ocoee-Apopka Road and Harmon Road.

Barbecue contest set for February 8-9 at Apopka amphitheater

The 2019 Apopka BBQ Showdown presented by Sonny's BBQ, the city of Apopka and Giant Recreation World will take place Friday, February 8, and Saturday, February 9, at the Apopka amphitheater located at the Northwest Recreation Complex,

3710 Jason Dwelley Parkway.

The showdown kicks off Friday, February 8, with a Steak Cookoff Association (SCA) sanctioned steak cook-off event. Saturday features a Florida BBQ Association (FBA) sanctioned barbe-

cue competition with some of the best barbecue teams from all over the southeast. There will be a people's choice category featuring pork butt.

The weekend will include a chili cook-off event that is open to the public with a \$500 first place pay-

out. There will also be a people's choice for chili as well.

The city is currently accepting vendors for the following categories: barbecue food vendors, grills, sauces, knives, equipment, jerky, merchandise, and some general vendors. For

more information, contact Carolyn Ray at cray@apopka.net.

Following the barbecue and chili turn-ins, there will be a concert on the amphitheater stage featuring Cumberland Gap. There will also be product demos, food trucks, and

barbecue vendors selling to the public.

To enter in any of the competitions for barbecue, steak or chili, visit apokabbq.com. Eventbrite.com lists the events and fees to enter. For more information, call John Hanson at 352-255-4853.

My, what big teeth you have



A large alligator keeps an eye on his surroundings while showing off some of his teeth recently near the pumphouse on the Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive. The wildlife drive is open each Friday, Saturday, and Sunday and most federal holidays from sunrise to sunset. The free 11-mile, one-way drive begins at 2803 Lust Road in Apopka.

MLK parade is set to step off on January 21

The 10th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade will be held Monday, January 21, the day set aside for honoring the slain civil rights leader.

Organized by the South Apopka Ministerial Alliance, the parade's theme is "10 years celebrating and living the dream: Honoring the past, acting in the present and influencing the future." All floats must support the theme.

Staging will begin promptly at noon at the VFW Post located at 519 S. Central Ave. Any late arrivals after 1:01 p.m. will be added to the end of the parade. Entry fees are non-refundable. The parade will

begin at 2 p.m.

The parade route departs the Apopka Community Center/VFW Building. On Station Street the parade will bear right, then immediately left onto Marvin C. Zanders Avenue, continue on Marvin C. Zanders Avenue, make a right onto 13th Street and end at the John H. Bridges Community Center.

At the conclusion of the parade, all participants and the community are invited to remain at the Bridges Center for a short Martin Luther King Jr. program and free food.

For more information, email deanqueen456@gmail.com or call 407-721-4759.

AFD helps with 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb

Note: This is the third of a four-part series reviewing the news of Apopka in 2018 written in the pages of The Apopka Chief. This week covers July, August, and September.

By Richard Corbeil
Apopka Chief Staff

July

Creative Pyrotechnics initially said that rain and lightning south of Apopka was the cause for canceling the fireworks show on July 4 at the Northwest Recreation Complex ... The Political Hob Nob and Straw Poll was held at the Apopka Community Center/VFW on July 10 giving the community the opportunity to meet the candidates running for offices.

Fourteen members of the

Apopka Fire Department, including Chief Chuck Carnesale, traveled to New York City to participate in 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb, joining more than 400 first responders to ascend the 80 floors of 3 World Trade Center ... Even though she celebrated her 100th birthday in July, Virginia Bankson still remains very active at Victory Church Outreach Center, painting and sketching, and hosting monthly women's groups at her home.

Carlos Ahrens of Apopka High and Lindsey Robertson of Wekiva High were among two of 31 scholar-ship winners in Comcast's annual Leaders and Achiever Scholarship Programs ... A berth into the state championship was earned for the first time by an Apopka Little League team playing in the softball 12-15 years of age division.

Wekiva High defensive back Renardo Green and linebacker Rian Dans participated in The Opening, a camp for the top high school football players in the nation as selected by Nike and held in Frisco, Texas ... About 300 people attended the inaugural induction luncheon of the newly formed Apopka Sports Hall of Fame held at the Apopka Community Center/VFW, where the first class numbered 45 and all were from Phyllis Wheatley High School.

Sharod Jackson, 31, was found dead at a home on South Central Avenue from the drug opioid overdose. Sharod had played football for the Blue Darters and at a junior college in Texas ... Patricia Pinder, the new Phillis Wheatley Elementary principal, said, "My big focus so far this summer and going into

the school year is culture and significant relationships."

Blue Darter coach Rick Darlington was one of the guest speakers at the youth and high school coaches clinic and camp sponsored by CFL All Star Football ... Although not set in stone, the City Council voted unanimously to approve a proposed property tax rate increase of a half-mill, which would equal an additional \$50 annually in taxes for every \$100,000 in taxable property value.

Mayor Nelson announced that the fireworks that were supposed to be set off July 4 will, instead, light up the sky on September 2, the Sunday of Labor Day weekend ... Apopka police officers packed the City Council chambers on July 18

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Apopka Event of the Week

Friday, January 18 through Monday, January 21, participate in birding field trips, dinner and talks looking for the 360+ species spotted on the 20,000-acre Lake Apopka North Shore property and other nearby sites. Visit www.orangeaudubonfl.org for information on times and costs.

Quotable

A proposed birding park near the entrance to the Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive on Lust Road would be advantageous to people literally from around the world as the wildlife drive draws people from far and wide to experience the wonders of the North Shore of Lake Apopka.

The Apopka Chief on Apopka's requested projects

Opinion

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Our position

Hopefully, Apopka projects will receive state funds

As we reported last week, the city of Apopka is seeking about \$4.8 million from the state government to fund some big-ticket capital items, the largest being more than \$1.9 million for a permanent Fire Station 6. Currently, the city has a temporary Station 6 located on the AdventHealth Apopka hospital campus.

A permanent station will be needed soon as the many houses that are under construction in that immediate area will be occupied sooner rather than later.

Mayor Bryan Nelson is the one pushing the requests and as a former state legislator, he understands the nuances of how things work in Tallahassee. So, hopefully, that will give him an advantage in getting some of these items included in the budget.

One of the requests the city is making of the state is \$650,000 for the Harmon Road extension that would traverse from where Harmon Road currently dead-ends at Ocoee-Apopka Road next to the hospital a little more than a quarter-mile to a new part of Harmon Road that runs west off of Marden Road. The connecting road is needed to give residents and emergency service personnel a direct and much quicker route from Marden Road to the hospital.

This isn't the first time that the city has requested funding for the Harmon Road extension. Under former Mayor Joe Kilsheimer, the city got the state legislature to fund the extension, but former Gov. Rick Scott vetoed that among the many other capital items he axed last year.

Ron DeSantis was sworn in this week as Florida's 46th governor, but we have no idea if he would allow such a project to stay in the state budget. In Florida, the governor has line-item veto over such capital projects and, while we can

understand the use of the veto pen, there are times when such projects are needed, but, for various reasons, aren't able to be funded by local governments.

While every one of the city of Apopka's requests would be beneficial for our community, some of them would be great for the environment or would have a greater effect outside the immediate Apopka area.

Three of the items – Dream Lake water quality improvement project, Lake Cortez flood protection and re-use project, and a storm-water asset management program – would directly aid the environment by helping contain and/or control water, as well as allow city staff to have better control over the storm-water.

A proposed birding park near the entrance to the Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive on Lust Road would be advantageous to people literally from around the world as the wildlife drive draws people from far and wide to experience the wonders of the North Shore of Lake Apopka. The birding park would enhance that visit for everyone who visits our world-class birding area.

There are certainly arguments in favor of the other items that Mayor Nelson is requesting, but we are not so naive as to think that all the items on his list will be funded by the state government. We're also realistic enough to know that the city may receive nothing from these requests.

We hope that Gov. DeSantis will look favorably on at least some of the items so that the citizens of Apopka are able to enjoy some of the fruits of their labor through their tax funds that are paid to the state.

We know that Mayor Nelson will be working hard on Apopka's behalf and we certainly hope that he's very successful.



Parents can become mentors

As we start a new year, it's always a good time to look at our goals for the coming year.

One I want to accomplish as your school board member is open communication with the community. I firmly believe that communication is key to fixing our problems, as well as making real gains on our goals. We cannot address issues if the issues are not known.

To this end, one of the main ways I plan to do this is through a listening tour around the district.

Over the next few months, I will be holding community meetings through District 7, most likely at each of our six middle schools.

At these meetings, community members will be welcome to come and share their thoughts with me. I hope this will not only allow me to hear your

Orange County School Board, District 7



Melissa Byrd

concerns and ideas, but allow us to build a relationship that is open and friendly.

At my heart, I am one of you. I was just a concerned and interested community member of Apopka for 20 years who decided to run for a seat on the school board and this position is a way for me to share our community's insights to the school district staff, making sure our needs are being met.

I believe I can best do that when you share with me and I listen.

I am in the process of scheduling these community meetings and I will announce them here and on-line. Be on the lookout in the coming months to find a meeting near you, and be sure to share the dates with your friends and neighbors.

I would also strongly encourage you to reach out to me personally when you have an issue or question. You can do that by emailing me at melissa.byrd@ocps.net.

I would be happy to listen and work together on the issue. This is my job, to be a liaison between you and the school district. I hope you will help me do it well.

This morning, I watched the superintendent's latest video message to teachers. In it she reminded teachers to be on the lookout for students

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Early commissioner info important

After seeing the group of former commissioners pose for a picture in last week's edition of *The Apopka Chief*, I decided to learn more about the earlier ones. Thus, today's column will be about Commissioner John Talton. He served on the Orange County Commission from 1950-1966.

I never had the pleasure of knowing him or his family. I moved to Apopka in 1988 and my first memories of an historic Apopka family was Roger F. Williams and his mom and dad. I fell in love with Apopka having grown up myself in a small town on the Erie Canal and a suburb of Rochester, N.Y. My mom's love of history was

County Commissioner District 2



Christine Moore

passed down to me. I know it is important to understand the people, values, and culture that precede me.

Thankfully, there is a local museum, historical society and books available for research. So, I got out my personal copy of Jack Christmas' book, "Tales of the Big Potato," I found a chapter on Mr. Talton. I'm bringing Jack's book and

along with historic pictures to adorn my outer commission office. I believe in mini-museums in public buildings to help citizens understand their past and be better prepared to guide the future.

John Talton was born in Apopka and knew from an early age that he wanted to be a farmer. His dad was quite influential as he ran the only small bank in the community. John's upbringing was during the heyday of Harry Ustler's fern industry. Apopka has since named a local street after Ustler, and grandson, Craig, is one of the most entrepreneurial and innovative developers in Orlan-

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This Week In God's Word

Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! Psalm 107:8

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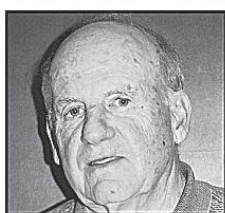
The greatest tribute to the dead is not grief, but gratitude.

Israeli surgeons invent 1st fully personalized tissue implant

JANUARY 11 –When you take a tour of Israel and its major cities Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, what is overwhelming is the tremendous effect this 7,800 square miles and 7.5 million population has had on our planet and its billions of people in just the past 70 years.

As for me, this is certified each month when

Corbeil's Corner



Richard Corbeil

I receive the *Levitt Letter*, which always includes

news on the miraculous developments in science, medicine and mechanical technology from an area so small with a population slightly less than New York City.

The January issue of the *Levitt* continues to amaze me, and I'm pleased to share some with my readers.

The article on medicine is a fascinating report

by Israeli researchers that "they have invented the first fully personalized tissue implant, engineered from a patient's own materials and cells. The new technology makes it possible to engineer any kind of tissue implant – for the spinal cord, the heart, or brain – from one small fatty tissue implant."

The research was conducted by Professor Tal

Dvir's post-doctoral researchers and doctoral students in collaboration with Tel Aviv University's Center for Nanoscience and Nanotechnology and Sagol Center for Regenerative Biotechnology.

"Since both the cells and the material derive from the patient, the implant does not provoke an immune response, ensuring proper regeneration of the

defected organ," Dvir explained.

"With our technology, we can issue any tissue type," Dvir stated, "and after transplantation, we can efficiently regenerate any diseased or injured organ – a heart after a heart attack, a brain after trauma or with Parkinson's disease, a spinal cord after injury. In addition, we can engineer

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Planning Commission gives OK for bigger hospital signs

By Teresa Sargeant
Apopka Chief Staff

The Apopka Planning Commission approved or recommended approval of every item on the Tuesday, January 8, meeting agenda, including AdventHealth Apopka's variance request for the size increase of two wall signs, and architectural plans for a logistics park proposed for the west side of State Road 429.

Five public hearing items and four site plan items were on the agenda.

The board meets the second Tuesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. in the Apopka City Hall council chamber.

Depending on the project application, the board has the authority to give final approval or recommend approval, in which case the project goes to City Council for review.

Variance request for hospital's wall signs approved

AdventHealth Apopka had submitted a variance request to allow for two wall signs to each have 336 square feet in copy area for AdventHealth Apopka located at 2100 Ocoee-Apopka Road.

The large signs would make it easier for motorists driving on adjacent highways, including State Road 429, to see them.

AdventHealth is formerly known as Florida Hospital, part of the Adventist Health System's national network of hospitals and care sites, all of which adopted the new name on Wednesday, January 2. The rebranding reflects the company's mission to be a consumer-centric, nationally-based brand.

The variance is from the city code stating in part that "... the total square footage of wall signs allowed shall not exceed 200 square feet, and any individual wall sign shall not exceed 100 square feet."

On November 13, 2018, the Planning Commission reviewed and approved an amendment to the AdventHealth sign master plan, which allows a maximum wall sign of 100 square feet. The variance approval will increase the maximum wall sign area of 336 square feet for each sign.

Calling the variance request "unique," Planning Commission chair Jim Greene asked city staff if Apopka is "comfortable" granting this variance request and as a result "doesn't tie us into a lot of other variance activity."

Jim Hitt, community development director, said it wouldn't, explaining the larger signage is for the sake of visibility to drivers on State Roads 429 and 451.

"No, this - like you mentioned - is a very unique circumstance for a seven-story building," Hitt said. "We don't have any other seven-story buildings (in Apopka), so if someone

were to come in and build a seven-story building, we would consider that."

Per city code, the Planning Commission must follow two steps to approve a variance. The first is to determine whether the property in question has a physical hardship, or if the surroundings or other conditions justify the variance need. Once a physical hardship is decided, the second step is to see what that hardship is using a list of seven variance criteria.

Hotel/self-storage facility's plans pass

The board unanimously recommended approval of the final development plan and plat for Fairfield Inn and Self-storage, proposed for 1616 East Semoran Blvd, on a 12-acre tract behind the Aldi and Race-Trac stores.

Owned by Farish Enterprises, Fairfield Inn and Self-Storage is designed to be a four-story, 112,320 square foot hotel with 91-lodging units and an outdoor pool, as well as a three-story, 60,732 square foot self-storage facility with outdoor storage for recreational vehicles, trucks and other equipment.

The Planning Commission approved a special exception permit and an associated special exception site plan on December 13, 2016, increasing the hotel's maximum building height from 35 to 55 feet. The hotel would be developed to reach 53 feet.

The storage facility, proposed to be 35 feet tall, is not part of the special exception.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of the Fairfield Inn and Self-Storage's preliminary development plan at its July 10, 2018 meeting. On August 1, 2018 the City Council approved the preliminary development plan.

City Council public hearing on this is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6 at 1:30 p.m.

West Apopka self-storage special exception

The board approved a special exception and special exception site plan for a proposed self-storage facility that would cover a portion of a Plymouth-Sorrento Road property.

The self-storage facility, proposed for 2106 Plymouth-Sorrento Road, would occupy about 6-1/2 acres of a nearly 9-acre property that includes two single-family homes.

The special exception only applies to the parcel's western section.

The self-storage facility will be comprised of 70,935 square feet of building space, including 1,200 square feet for office area, 55,475 square feet for a hybrid climate-control storage, and 14,260 square feet for self-storage. Portable storage pods and a covered RV area are located in the center of the complex.

The development is

planned to be gated, and is part of a planned commercial subdivision.

CJS Holding

The Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the CJS Holding (Lake Gem Lot 1) final development plan, proposing a 13,600 square foot, one-store building for warehouse use for door and frame installation.

The undeveloped, estimated 1-1/2-acre tract is located at 701 Marshall Lake Road. This road will have the development's ingress/egress access points.

Michael Cooper, developer and owner of Cooper Palms Commerce Park, is also the CJS Holding owner and developer.

The City Council will have a public hearing on the final development plan Wednesday, January 16 at City Hall. The council meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Amending a subdivision's final plans

The board recommended approval of amending the final development plan and plat for Vista Reserve, a 153 single-family residential subdivision on 61 acres located about 1/2 mile north of the Rogers Road/Lester Road intersection.

The amendment would

split the one-phase project into two, with phase 1 consisting of 52 units, and phase 2 having 101 units.

On October 3, 2018, the City Council approved the Vista Reserve final development plan and plat when the subdivision was intended to be one phase.

After City Council approval, Pulte Homes submitted a revised plan and

plat proposing the construction to be in two phases instead of one.

Each phase has been designed to function on its own. Consistent with the approved planned unit de-

velopment master plan/preliminary development plan, lot widths of 65-foot and 90-foot are given. The minimum living area is proposed at 2,190 square feet.

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Site near Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive will be cleaned up January 12

By Teresa Sargeant
Apopka Chief Staff

gateway birding park, and the public is invited to volunteer.

Multiple Boy Scout troops will clean up the Hickerson site to prepare it for transformation into a

The cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, January 12. The Hickerson site is located on the north side

of Lust Road and therefore near Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive.

“There is some linoleum on the scenic path that we’ve got to get off,” said Apopka Mayor Bryan Nelson at the December 19 City Council meeting, where he announced the Boy Scout cleanup. Once cleanup is finished,

the St. Johns River Water Management District will perform a controlled burn on the Hickerson site to clear the property, especially because of “this one invasive weed” there, Nelson said.

The Garden Club and the Rotary Club intend to plant about 100 trees on the site.

The St. Johns River Water Management District gave the city of Apopka the approximately 66-acre Hickerson site in exchange for five acres nearby, where St. Johns is thinking about transferring its service center from Maitland.

The move, if approved, would bring 50 high-pay-

ing jobs to Apopka right in the area next to the UF/IFAS Research Center on Binion Road, Nelson said in his October 30 State of the City address.

The city of Apopka is partnering with the Orange Audubon Society on transforming the Hickerson site into a gateway birding park.

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The annual Truck and Tractor Pull in Zellwood, will be held today, Friday, January 11, and Saturday, January 12, at the NOCIA grounds, 4353 Ponkan Rd.

Gates open on January 11 at 4 p.m., with the show beginning at 6 p.m. On Saturday, January 12, the gates open at noon and the show starts at 4 p.m.

The entry fee each day is \$10 per person with children 12 and under free.

The show is hosted by the FATC (Florida Antique Tractor Club) and NOCIA (Northwest Orange County Improvement Association). For more information, call Gary Miller at 352-252-4662.

City bear carts available

Apopka residents living within the city's bear management area can get bear-resistant carts at an affordable price thanks to an \$85,000 grant the city received from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission toward such purchases.

Apopka passed an ordinance requiring residents that live within the bear management area to keep their garbage cans in a location that is inaccessible to bears until no earlier than 5 a.m. on their pickup day. However, if the resident uses a bear resistant cart provided by the city, they are not subject to these restrictions.

Apopka residents who live in the bear management area can request a container for a fee of \$50 (\$25 if 10 neighbors in a row request one).

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City: Zaxby's officials said they were trying to keep cars off SR 436

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the north side of the restaurant.

The DRC is made up of city staff representatives who go over development applications and see if they fall in line with city code before they go to the city's Planning Commission and City Council.

The questions regarding potential backup of cars

in the drive-through line came because of the traffic patterns needed for ingress and egress, as well as the look of the restaurant from Semoran Boulevard since the new plans call for the drive-through pick-up window to be on that side.

Zaxby's officials said they changed the way the restaurant is to sit on the property because it will allow more cars to be in the

drive-through lane without having traffic spill out onto Semoran Boulevard.

David Moon, the city's senior planning manager, questioned the new design, saying that it would cause traffic patterns for those coming into the parking lot from Semoran and those exiting the restaurant site onto Semoran.

"I want to reiterate my overall concern with

the plan because you have a drive-through lane surrounding the entire building," Moon said.

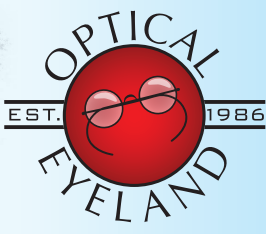
"Vehicles are going to block entranceways into the building. They could be

possibly in front of the main door, which appears to be in the back of the building and you have the walkway connecting with the public sidewalk on Semoran going right through the

drive-through lane area. For emergency access, if the fire department has to respond to the building and you've got cars in front of

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The Way I See It

Patti Bankson

What's Their Beef?

President Trump's first days in office were all about getting the camel's nose out from under the tent... or, put another way, it's been about stopping Government interference in the lives of Americans. That's bad news for the "Camel Keepers", who believe in BIG government... one that's all things for all people. Not just the party's sheep, but liberal politicians who've hung on to the power and control that've become the left's hallmarks... Until this brash, bold non-politician came down an escalator to publicly throw his hat into the ring. You'd think he had said, "Let the games begin", because his opposition instantly came out of their corners with gloves on, oozing hatred for the man and they've been taking punches at him ever since. It seems that what really incenses them is how *unimpressed* he is with them... that he doesn't agree with their lofty opinions of themselves. That, for some reason, they think their candidate won the election and that they're

in charge. Of course, that was only in their dreams. Thus, from minute one... with unflinching energy... he set out to do what he'd promised to do.

In his first 100 days, he signed 13 Congressional Review Act (CRA) resolutions, more than any other president. The resolutions nullified unnecessary regulations and blocked agencies from reissuing them. That led to this Wall Street Journal editorial: "So far the Trump Administration is a welcome improvement, rolling back more regulations than any President in history." At that point, taking executive action, President Trump had accomplished more in those first 100 days than any other President since Franklin Roosevelt.

When I read this list of Trump's accomplishments I can see why his declared enemies are upset... I withdrew from the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal I Directed the elimination of regulations undermining U.S. manufacturing I Called for expediting approval of permits for American infrastructure I Imposed a non-essential federal employee hiring freeze I Imposed a temporary moratorium on new federal regulations I Issued a new rule requiring two old regulations to be eliminated for every new one regulation I Standing up for the women and men of law enforcement

I Created a task force to reduce crime and violence in America I Ordered the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security to coordinate with each other to destroy drug cartels I Began to build the wall along our southern border with Mexico, as promised. And, despite historic levels of Democrat obstructionism, President Trump worked with Congress to pass 28 laws during his first 100 days... more legislation than any president since Truman. And, FYI, President Obama enacted 11 laws in his first 100 days.

So, what's their beef? Hmm... maybe it's that he cares more about America and Americans than about what people have to say about him? And that calling him despicable names hasn't worked on him? They held their collective breath until they won the house, where they'd be able to bring out the big weapon... the one they seemed to think would let them get rid of the upstart: Impeachment. Some in their leadership have backed off, but I'm sure it will rise again if they can find just one thing they think will do the trick. Or, maybe some realize that Impeachment doesn't necessarily mean Good Riddance. Remember Bill Clinton?

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The Festival of Trees captured the hearts of many Apopkans

Editor:
It is with great delight that I take this opportunity to give a hearty thank-you on behalf of Apopka Historical Society, Inc. to the magnificent and amazing committee, City of Apopka, donors, supporters, and volunteers of Festival of Trees 2018. The event captivated the

hearts of many Apopkans during the week of December 2-8, at Museum of Apopkans. The entire event was spectacular! It was the best ever! Teamwork pays off! Museum of Apopkans was instantaneously transformed into a magical palace inside and out, featuring 51 beautifully decorated

Christmas trees. Santa Claus was there for children and adults with their Christmas wish lists, carolers from Apopka High School, live entertainment with "Sounds of The Seasons," visitors bidding on Christmas trees, raffles, gingerbread houses, plant sales, a wine and cheese party, silent auctions, refreshments of tasty

holiday treats, and a Christmas tree decorated in honor of our late and beloved Annie Belle Gilliam, founding member and long time volunteer of Apopka Historical Society. The Festival of Trees committee presented a check to Apopka Historical Society to the amount of \$9,136 at the recent Apopka City Council meeting

on January 2. The Apopka Historical Society is eternally grateful to everyone, and especially the Festival of Trees 2018 committee for making this a successful event.

**Francina Boykin,
President of the Apopka
Historical Society**

Personal gain more important than security of southern border

Editor:
The Transportation Security Administration, was authorized by the Congress of the U.S. and signed into law by George W. Bush November 19, 2001, in response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. (Do you remember that day?) It is a division of the Department of Homeland Security. Its job is to screen all passengers within our country. Why screen them? To what purpose? It is to minimize terrorist threats. And this has been enlarged to encompass train travel. It was a little bit of 'closing the barn doors after the horse got out,' but at least we saw the light of where it could lead if we didn't do something to protect ourselves.

Why then does the Congress of today refuse to approve a border wall or barrier of some kind on our southern border on the grounds that it is immoral? Why is the TSA moral but the construction of a border wall immoral? It is laughable to hear some of our very highest in of-

ice, people who make decisions regarding our very lives, scream that a wall is immoral!

These same people, who have great big walls around their houses and guards with dogs at the gates, don't even want to admit that walls on our borders are not only desirable but a necessity for our survival as a country. Otherwise, we are just a big rabble of people who have decided to gather in a certain area. We will no longer be a sovereign nation in charge of our own destiny. Remember: these members of the Congress of the U.S. were elected by us to make the laws that we decide are necessary for our own good.

If they begin to operate like a runaway train and forget that we the people direct what they do, it is time to end our relationship with them.

I am truly afraid of the current Congress because they are not doing our bidding. They are doing what they think is good for them, not us.

A barrier to illegal entrants at our border enables

our security agents to identify people coming into our country. Otherwise, any and all who decide they want to come in for any reason can enter at will. Their goal may be to have a better life for themselves; conversely, they may be coming for ill purposes. If people simply enter at will, there is no way to interview them to discover who they are and why they want to join us.

The purpose of the wall or similar barrier is to aid in deploying "all lawful means to secure the Nation's southern border, to prevent further illegal immigration into the U.S., and to repatriate illegal aliens swiftly, consistently, and humanely." To those who argue "Trump promised to have Mexico pay for the wall," is a smoke screen by liberals who want to throw a monkey wrench into anything our president proposes because they hate him. They put their personal gains ahead of the security of our country.

**Nancy C. Thomas
Apopka**

Corbeil: New technology extracts hydrogen from water, turns that into electricity

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adipogenic (fatty tissue) implants for reconstructive surgeries or cosmetics. These implants will not be rejected by the body."

The researchers have begun to investigate the potential of human dopaminergic implants to treat Parkinson's disease in animal models. They plan to regenerate other organs including intestines and eyes, using patients' own materials and cells.

The next time you're watering your lawn, taking a shower, or washing your car, consider this report "Water-powered Cars" by Brian Blume www.Israel21c.org.

Blume writes, "Could cars someday run on water, not oil? Australian-Israeli startup Electriq-Global is giving a wet thumbs-up to a new technology that extracts hydrogen from water and turns that hydrogen into electricity to power the vehicle.

"Using hydrogen to power a car's engine is not new; hydrogen fuel cells using compressed hydrogen in gaseous form, already compete with lithium-ion battery powered

electric vehicles, like those from Tesla.

"Electriq-Global's difference is that it gets its hydrogen on demand. The spent fuel is captured and taken back to a plant where it is replenished with more hydrogen and water for reuse."

The Israeli Transportation Ministry supports establishing a fuel recycling plant in Israel.

Electriq-Global claims the entire process is safe, nonflammable, and easy to transport, plus it enables zero-emissions vehicles.

Still, with lithium-ion-based electric cars heading towards the mainstream these days, how can Electriq-Global possibly hope to compete?

By offering greater range and faster fill-ups, Electriq asserts that its hydrogen-based technology can provide a range of 620 miles per charge. The farthest a top-of-the-line Tesla can go on a single charge is about 250 miles.

Electriq also says that refueling will take five minutes, compared with 30-40 minutes for a typical lithium-ion battery fast charge. That would make an Electriq-Global-powered-car closer to today's gasoline vehicles in terms of convenience.

Electriq adds that filling up the tank should cost half what consumers pay today for unleaded gas.

The company was founded in 2014 by Alex Silberman, an electrochemist who has been serving in the area of energy storage, batteries, and fuel cells for 30 years.

Full commercialization is not expected until 2022.

"Hear thou my son, and be wise, and guide thy heart in the way." Proverbs 23:19.

Jewish Humor-Feelings

Sara tells her best friend Leah, "I've broken off my engagement to Moshe."

"Oh, Sara, says Leah. "I'm so sorry. Why?"

"Because my feelings about Moshe have changed: they just aren't the same anymore" replies Sara.

"So tell me," whispers Leah, "are you giving him back the engagement ring?"

"Oh, no," exclaims Sara. "My feelings about the ring haven't changed."

Byrd: Mental illness is on the rise among many adolescents

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struggling with personal problems or mental health issues.

In a very simple approach, she wanted to make sure that teachers tell struggling students they can help get them the help they need.

Just letting the student know that an adult at school cares for them – and will find them help – can make all the difference.

It got me thinking about our responsibility

helping the kids in our community. I believe we have the same directive.

Many of our kids today are struggling with issues that are causing such distress and upheaval in their lives.

Mental illness is on the rise among adolescents and is showing up in the younger years as well.

We have to take care of each other and that means to be on the lookout for our youngest community members around us who might need help.

You could become a mentor to a young person who might just need to know they have someone in their corner.

You can volunteer at your local school where you can make a difference in a child's life.

You can do something as simple as letting your child and his/her friends know that you are there to talk anytime.

It truly takes a village to raise a child. Let's work together to remember that!

Finally, I want to bring

to your attention a wonderful community outreach called Renewal Boutique.

Renewal Boutique is at Apopka High School and provides items to students in need, such as toothpaste, deodorant, socks, underwear, body wash, clothes, shoes, backpacks, and more.

On Renewal Church's Facebook page they state: "It's a room at AHS where students can 'shop' by appointment with an administrator, taking away shame, and providing them with

the help they need, whether it's long-term/ongoing or situational/short-term."

They go on to praise the outpouring of support from the community but are always looking for more donations.

You can help by shopping on Amazon through their wish list for Renewal Boutique at AHS or you can just donate by going to RenewalChurch.com's Boutique fund.

If you would prefer, you can drop off donations at their location on

Wednesdays at 6 p.m. at 2335 Appy Lane in Apopka.

Please, do not drop off donations at Apopka High as that just creates extra work for the staff.

Right now, they are accepting donations for prom season.

If you have any new dresses and shoes or very gently used and dry cleaned prom attire, they would be happy to take it off your hands for the kids.

Let's help our kids have a great prom season!

Moore: Talton had passion for agriculture, adding cattle and chickens

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do today.

Nevertheless, I must get back to Mr. John Talton. John worked in the groves while attending Apopka High School. He had a passion for agriculture and expanded it by adding cattle and chickens to his portfolio. Eventually,

he owned an entire farm and was quite proud of it. He would tell folks how much he liked horses and showed it by riding nightly through his groves. He also shared his love of simply smelling the sweet orange blooms from his citrus trees. John also had a favorite saying, "If you don't have time to fish, you don't

have time."

Finally, John raised his children to look for happiness in life and the goal of money second. This might explain why they left farming to pursue careers mainly in dentistry. They said that life was too hard farming and it was simply too hot in Central Florida. After five days without power

and air conditioning during Hurricane Irma last summer, I can understand how this family felt growing up without it. The children went off to college to study dentistry in Atlanta.

Nevertheless, John's hard work on the farm translated to becoming a director for the Orange County Farm Bureau and

in 1950, he was elected to the Orange County Commission. There weren't term limits then and he remained in office for 16 years. This time was pre-Walt Disney World. Commissioners were still elected countywide and the population had not grown to 1.4 million residents and 58 million tourists.

I wonder what he would have considered his main accomplishments. I ponder what he spent most of his time on at the county. These little mysteries are what keep me digging and looking for answers. If any readers can help, please call me at 407 836-7350.

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Year: Agreement reached for city to provide fire services to county

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to speak against a proposed limit of three percent for raises for city employees.

On the nights of July 2 and 21, crews worked to permanently close the State Road 46 intersection at County Road 46A, allowing crews to move the traffic signal about a half-mile west on SR 46 to a new connector road ... Apopkan Monique Morris, an employee with Orange County Public Schools, received Citizen of the Year Award from Orange County Commissioner Rod Love for weekly tutoring programs for youth, involvement as a local parade director, and work with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life initiatives.

Disney fine artist Doug Bolly of Apopka appeared at the Art of Disney Gallery at Disney Springs sponsored by Disney, offering some of his current and classic pieces ... Wekiva High grad Logan Gilbert, who played third, first, and pitcher for the Wekiva Mustangs and fashioned an 11-2 record at Stetson University in DeLand during his final year, was a first-round draft choice by the Seattle Mariners.

Apopka High Special Olympics coordinator Steve Schwarze reached a zenith in Seattle, Washington, as a coach for the Florida Olympics track and field team at the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games ... Apopka police are looking for three Hispanic masked men who forced their way into a home in the 1000 block of Geneva Way in Chalet North Mobile Home Park at 4 a.m. on July 24, and giving minor injuries to a resident.

From July 1-11, AHS art teacher Matt Houvouras led a group of 16 students (15 from AHS) and four adults from Apopka on a trip to Belfast, Northern Ireland ... Pleasant View Baptist Church of Apopka hosted, for the third year, 100 Men in Black, a program designed to show appreciation for law enforcement officers for their work and service to the community.

A large group of students from Apopka High and Ocoee High, led by AHS basketball coach Scott Williams and New Destiny Christian Church's Pastor Todd Lamphere, went to Puerto Rico to help restore the island from Hurricane

Maria's destruction ... Former AHS bowling star Pete Vergos, who claimed two state championships while in high school, recently competed in a professional bowling tournament while still in college, placing fifth in the field.

August

As part of a three-day operation, APD Sgt. Steve Harmon, dressed in plain clothes, crossed Piedmont-Wekiwa Road on the north-side crosswalk of the road's intersection with U.S. Highway 441, keeping an eye on drivers, not only to make sure he remained safe, but to make sure they were not breaking the law requiring them to yield to pedestrians ... A new bear management ordinance was given the first of two approvals by the Apopka City Council needed to put Apopka in line to receive a state grant that will help pay for bear-resistant garbage cans.

The annual back-to-school sales tax holiday was held Friday, August 2, through Sunday, August 4, throughout Florida, exempting certain school supplies selling for \$15 or less per item, and certain clothing, footwear and accessories selling for \$60 or less per item ... APD Chief Mike McKinley joined in the Orange County Public Schools' district-wide table-top exercise designed to simulate a response to a reported school shooting.

Ken Croston, president of Electronics Locksmith, Inc. was elected chair of the Board of Directors for the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce ... A Classic Car Show, sponsored by Mullinax Ford, was held on the campus of the Church of the Holy Spirit, with a portion of the show's prize drawing and 50/50 drawing benefitting Apopka's Debbie Turner Cancer care and N.A.O.M.I.'s KIDS.

With 1,495 bowlers competing in the under-20 division in Dallas/Ft. Worth, Apopka High's Gage Stelling finished in seventh place before heading off to college ... For the eight schools inside Apopka's city limits, the new law that grew out of the shooting at Parkland, there is at least one armed person on every campus.

A town hall meeting held at the Apopka Community Center/VFW, including two speakers and a panel, explored ways men

and women can contribute to their communities through mentorship, learning from mentors and using different resources to produce positive solutions ... More than 200 backpacks were brought to the First United Methodist Church in Apopka for the Celebration of Life of Maureen Sumlin, who died August 1, at age 52.

Paul Young, Apopka resident and realtor of Young Real Estate, was named winner in the Orlando Realtor Association's Young Professional's Network "20 Under 40" Rising Stars in Real Estate Awards for 2018 ... Pauline Mathius of Apopka was awarded Sertoman of the Year by the South Seminole Sertoma Club.

An agreement was reached between the city of Apopka and Orange County for the Apopka Fire Department to again provide fire and ambulance service outside Apopka city limits, especially areas in extreme northern Orange County and some on the eastern side of Apopka ... After the first-year anniversary of the new facility, Florida Hospital will have a new name - AdventHealth Apopka effective January 2.

The Mason's Orange Lodge #31 awarded W.R. "Mac" McGuffin for 60 years of service as a Master Mason at Wellspring Residence on Welch Road ... Three new Eagle Scouts were honored at First Baptist Church - Nicholas O'Brien, Justin Hayes, and Zach Zorn, all of Troop 601.

Apopka resident Michelle Chase was chosen as one of the top 100 real estate agents in the Orlando Metro area. She is a Realtor with Home Wise Realty Group of Altamonte Springs ... In preseason football scrimmages, the Blue Darters whipped the Mt. Dora Hurricanes 56-7 in two quarters and the Wekiva Mustangs totaled 45-7 in dispatching two teams in scrimmages of one quarter each against Lake Mary and Liberty.

Wolf Lake Elementary and Wolf Lake Middle, schools that share a central energy plant that sometimes wasn't efficient for both schools, now have a second plant adding all the power needed for both schools ... In preseason Kickoff Classics, the Blue Darters got a 28-13 victory over Daytona Beach Main-

land and the Mustangs blew out Lake Brantley 35-0.

The long-awaited splash pad at the Kit Land Nelson Park opened on August 25 ... Christine Moore of Apopka emerged from a five-candidate race for a county commissioner's seat to face Patricia Rumph of Pine Hills in a runoff ... The Apopka Pregnancy Care Center raised nearly \$20,000 during a fund raiser held from Mother's Day through Father's Day of 2018.

The Blue Darters continued with another blow-out opening the regular season with a 47-0 victory over the Ocoee Knights, while the Wekiva Mustangs toppled the Jones Tigers 17-3.

September

The moving of the UCF Business Incubator office was one of the items that got plenty of attention at the City Council meeting, and eventually received unanimous approval from the council in a 5-0 vote ... The fireworks display originally scheduled for July 4 lit up the sky over Apopka to celebrate Labor Day at Northwest Recreation Complex.

Cynthia Haupt, formerly principal of College Park Middle School in Orlando, has taken the mantle as the new principal of Wolf Lake Middle School, a school with 1,372 students ... The Domestic Peace Corps visited City Hall to introduce 2018-2019 volunteers to the City Council.

Apopka High select- ed Mrs. Lisa Munyon as Teacher of the Year for the 2018-2019 school year and Mrs. Sue Cevallos as Support Person of the same year ... The Florida Department of Health presented the 2018 Health Community Champion Award to the City of Apopka for having areas for outdoor activities such as walking, bicycle trails, playgrounds, ball fields, and more.

The Wekiva Mustangs beat North Gwinnett, Georgia's defending Class 7A champions 28-14, and the Blue Darters rushed for a school-record 615 yards in a 33-28 victory over the St. Johns Bartram Trail Bears ... Demolition on the interior of the old Florida Hospital Apopka campus began and the tearing down of the 52-year-old building should begin soon.

City Hall was lit up red, white, and blue the evening of September 11, to honor the victims of September 11 in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Shanksville, Pennsylvania ... Taking a different direction from its annual Black Tie Gala, the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce hosted its first BBQ and Blues Chamber Business Awards to recognize community leaders, businesses, volunteers, and public servants.

The city of Apopka was awarded \$85,000 by Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission to purchase bear-resistant garbage cans for \$250 and then sell them to Apopka residents who

live in the bear-management area for \$50 ... Lakeland defeated the Apopka Blue Darters 37-20, and the Wekiva Mustangs used a comeback from being down 19-7, to defeat Winter Park 25-22.

Apopka High girls swim team downed Colonial 143-70 and the boys matched the girls' victory winning their side 108-45 ... The AHS boys bowling team won a doubleheader over Wekiva 2,518 to 1,749 and 1,566 by Ocoee.

The Chamber of Commerce named Steve White, owner of Porkie's Original BBQ as Businessman of the Year and Natalie Arrowsmith, owner of Next Home Arrowsmith Realty as Businesswoman of the Year ... Wekiva High lineman Tyler Davis and linebacker Rian Davis were selected to participate in the Under Armor All American Game on January 3 in which many of today's NFL stars played.

Wekiva destroyed Olympia 43-7 and the Blue Darters walloped the Boone Braves 49-13 ... The property rate increase approved by the City Council at 4.0376 mills will equal \$403.76 per \$100,000 in taxable property value.

Apopka police captain Jerome Miller spent 10 weeks at the FBI national Academy in Virginia ... After a loss to Lakeland, the Blue Darters responded by thrashing Dr. Phillips 38-7, making it a win four years in a row, holding the Panthers to six yards rushing and forcing five turnovers.

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Plan: Warehouse plan amended

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The City Council public hearing on the Vista Reserve plan and plat is scheduled for February 6, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Logistics park's master plan to be amended

The Mid-Florida Logistic Park's development plans have been given recommended approval. One document was a PUD master plan amendment calling for change to some project details, including the overall square footage reduction from 2,406,095 square feet to 2,342,566.

Besides the PUD master plan amendment, the board also recommended approv-

al for the park's preliminary development plan and preliminary site plan.

Mid-Florida Logistics Park is proposed to be an industrial subdivision consisting of five industrial warehouses totaling about 2.4 million square feet on a 189-acre property with railroad spurs. The project would be developed in multiple phases.

The site would be west of State Road 429, south of General Electric Road and east of Hermit Smith Road.

On October 18, 2018, the City Council approved the park's PUD master plan.

The development plans will have its first City Council reading on February 6 at 1:30 p.m., with a second reading on February 20, beginning at 7 p.m.

Circuit court offers free program about judicial system operations

The Ninth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida, serving Orange and Osceola counties, will host "Inside the Courts," a free four-night program designed to show citizens how the judicial system operates.

Participants will learn about the judge's role, the process of a case, the challenges local courts face today, and what the court of the future looks like. Plus, they will have the opportunity to ask questions.

Those who attend three of the four sessions will receive a certificate of completion from the court.

The program will be held four consecutive Tuesdays, February 12, 19, 26, and March 5 from 6-8:30 p.m.

Seats are limited. Those wishing to reserve a spot may do so by registering at www.NinthCircuit.org or by calling 407-836-0517.



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City: Restaurant should open this summer

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the doors, it makes it more difficult to access the building.”

Zaxby’s officials said there would have to be 11 cars in the drive-through lane before the cars would block the restaurant’s front door. That happens 2-3 hours per day during the peak times, they said.

The restaurant representatives said they designed the drive-through to help keep cars from stacking out onto Semoran Boulevard.

“The goal here was to ensure that we could contain any traffic internally,” one of the Zaxby’s representatives said.

The restaurant will also be able to be accessed from the southwest side of the parcel off of a driveway from Sheeler Road.

Plans call for the Apopka Planning Commission to hear the matter at its February 12 meeting. The City Council could possibly have it on the February 20 agenda, but certainly by the March 6 meeting date.

Zaxby’s officials told DRC members it generally takes about 90-100 days to construct one of the restaurants. They have previously said they want construction to begin as soon as possible after the City Council gives final approval.

Mid-Florida Logistics Park

DRC members and representatives from Mid-Florida Logistics Park went over some minor details for the final development plan for Lot 1 of the massive proposed warehouse area off General Electric Road in the Plymouth area of Apopka.

Mid-Florida Logistics Park is a planned area that will have seven warehouse buildings totaling more than 2.3 million square feet in the Plymouth area of Apopka. It is planned for an area nestled on the west side of State Road 429 (Wekiva Parkway) just south of U.S. Highway 441.

The developers have not made any announcements regarding the companies that will be working out of the various warehouses that will be phased in over a few years, but one of the developer’s representatives previously

told city staff that a tenant planned for the most southerly of the seven warehouses would be welcomed.

“It is a tenant and a user that is going to be very well received and liked in this marketplace,” the representative said. He gave no indication as to what that business would be.

The seven buildings in the proposed warehouse area range from 82,000 sq. ft. to 655,000 sq. ft. Five of the buildings range in size from 255,000 sq. ft. to 399,000 sq. ft.

The developers are seeking a handful of variances to the property that is zoned PUD (planned unit development). Perhaps the most noticeable would be the maximum building height. Except for variances granted by the City Council, such as with AdventHealth Apopka, the maximum building height allowed inside the city of Apopka is 35 feet. Developers want Mid-Florida Logistics Park to have a maximum building height of 55 feet in order to handle automated equipment and maximize storage.

A company that could bring 1,300 jobs to the warehouse area has placed Apopka on the short list among the areas in Florida that the company is looking at for its operations.

“We checked all the boxes. Hopefully, that would be a great game changer for Apopka,” Mayor Bryan Nelson said. “The jobs pay about 1-1/2 times more than the average wage here in Orange County.”

Other items

The final development plan and plat were presented to DRC members for Bridle Path, a 152-lot residential subdivision located at 5526 Plymouth-Sorrento Road, and caused no major discussion between developers and city staff.

The lots vary in size but most are either 50 feet wide or 55 feet wide. The subdivision is located on the west side of Plymouth-Sorrento Road north of Kelly Park Road near the Wekiva Parkway’s interchange at Kelly Park Road.

The Apopka Planning Commission should see Bridle Path at its February 12 meeting while it will likely come before the City Council on March 6. If those dates are met, then developers could begin construction some time in April or May.

...
A subdivision about 10 percent of the size of Bridle Path also came before the DRC as Ponkan Reserve took just a few minutes’ times of discussion among DRC staff and the developers.

Ponkan Reserve’s developers submitted its preliminary development plan for the 14-home subdivision that will be located on the south side of Ponkan Road less than a half-mile east of where Vick Road dead ends into Ponkan Road.

Large lots dominate this one-street subdivision as the lots will be 95 feet wide and about 140 feet deep. The 14 homes will be built on 7-1/2 acres. The houses must be a minimum of 1,700 sq. ft.

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Lifestyle

Wekiva High student brings joy to families in Jamaica

By Teresa Sargeant
Apopka Chief Staff

A Wekiva High School junior spearheaded a drive to bring joy to fire survivors in Jamaica this past holiday season.

Shanelle White, 16, a WHS junior, along with her two younger sisters Samara and Shania, and their cousin Malik Alli, visited several Jamaican parishes, including St. Andrew, St. Elizabeth, and Kingston to bring toys, clothes, and shoes to families there.

White, who has relatives in Jamaica, traveled

there December 21 and returned to the United States January 4.

She said she didn't know the number of families she helped, but she knew collectively, the families had more than 20 children, including Latoya Maitland, a single mother of three sons. She lost her St. Andrew parish home in a fire. Maitland's family was the main family White said she had in mind to help.

After her father conceived the idea of helping families in Jamaica, White approached her cu-



Shanelle White visited Jamaican parishes to bring toys, clothes and shoes to families.

linary teacher Christopher Bates about the best way

of bringing this to reality. Bates suggested doing

this through National Honor Society, of which he's

the school's adviser. White then asked WHS Principal Michele Erickson to place a donation box in the office, which Erickson agreed to do.

"The original idea was to donate to charities down there to help out children and families," White said.

White learned through her aunt it wouldn't be easy to determine if the charities would get such donations directly to children. That was when White decided to get more directly involved.

"I really wanted to

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AFD engineer Hopper retires



Apopka Fire Department engineer Mary Jo Hopper (c) retired after 25 years of service on Friday, January 4. Here, Mayor Bryan Nelson, (l), and Fire Chief Chuck Carnesale present her with a plaque and ceremonial axe for her years of service with the Apopka Fire Department.

Chasing warblers and drawing nature are part of Birding Festival

The annual North Shore Birding Festival will be held Friday, January 18, through Monday, January 21, on the North Shore of Lake Apopka. The Orange Audubon Society is sponsor of the festival.

This festival replaces the event known as Birdapalooza or the Lake Apopka Birding Festival as this event includes 23 different birding trips as well as a dinner with keynote speakers on both Friday and Saturday nights.

Each of the trips requires a fee ranging from \$20 to \$50 and most are on the North Shore of Lake Apopka, although some are at other places around



Among the events at the festival will be a nature journaling and art workshop by Susan Snyder.

Central Florida. Most of the birding tours that are on Lake Apopka's North Shore begin at the McDonald Canal pavilion, 24600 CR 448A, Mount Dora.

Those interested in the various birding trips should

visit <https://bit.ly/2s6yVQB> for more information about the festival.

The North Shore Birding Festival on Lake Apopka hosts birders visiting

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Church will host meal packing event

On behalf of a non-profit meal packaging organization, volunteers will get together and pack 100,000 meals for regional food banks – which serve more than 500 food pantries – at Thrive Apopka Church on Saturday, January 26.

Deliver the Difference's #FoodParty offers volunteers two packing shifts: 9 a.m.-11 a.m., and noon-2 p.m. Thrive Apopka is located at 951 N. Park

Ave., Apopka.

Meal packs to be created include macaroni and cheese, tomato basil pasta, apple cinnamon oatmeal and minestrone soup.

"All of the meals are highly nutritious, high in protein, and full of minerals and vitamins," according to a Deliver the Difference #FoodParty pamphlet. "Each pack consists of six servings costing 30 cents each or \$1.80 for the six

servings and we work with local businesses to fund these meals."

Located in Eustis, Deliver the Difference has packaged hundreds of thousands of meals for disaster relief, such as the 2010 Haiti earthquake, the tsunami in Japan, the tornados in Joplin, Miss., and Alabama, and the drought in The Horn of Africa.

In November 2011, Deliver the Difference

started focusing on large number of people in need locally.

Deliver the Difference initiated its #FoodParty program in 2017, intended on uniting local businesses, food pantries, and volunteers to overcome hunger in local communities.

For more information, to sign up for the January 26 #FoodParty or to donate, visit DeliverTheDifference.org.

Member of the Year



Holly Gondera was voted Women's Council of Realtors Orlando Regional 2018 Member of the Year. Gondera is the CEO/Managing Broker at HAUS Real Estate.

Cops vs. Firefighters for Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is Saturday

The city of Apopka is inviting Central Florida police and firefighters to compete in the second annual Cops vs. Firefighters for Cystic Fibrosis event, benefiting the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. First responders will compete in events challenging their skill, physical fitness, and agility in front of cheering crowds of supporters on Saturday, January 12, 2019, at the Northwest

Recreation Complex, 3710 Jason Dwelley Parkway.

All competitions are based on several aspects of law enforcement and firefighting jobs such as the bench press, pull-ups, the tire flipping and various relays.

In early 2017, Apopka police officer Jason Wiggins spoke with Apopka Sgt. Steve Harmon about organizing a fundraiser in-

volving the police department and that would give back to an organization.

"I approached Sgt. Steve Harmon because I knew two of his nephews had cystic fibrosis," Wiggins said in an email. "Sgt. Harmon and I then came up with a physical fitness competition event between the police and fire departments due to the history of the friendly rivalry. Sgt. Harmon

had competed in previous events including the Police and Fire Olympics, so he had some ideas of what type of events to do. The events are somewhat related to law enforcement and fire department job functions."

Seven teams competed in the 2018 event, all from the Apopka police and fire departments. One of the fire department teams emerged as the win-

ner. "We had extra inventory of event T-shirts, which we sold out of at a recent fundraiser at the Apopka Chili's on West Orange Blossom Trail," Wiggins said.

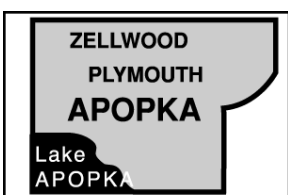
For 2019, at least about a dozen teams signed up and several more who said they would register. The enrolled teams

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Highwaymen Art Show and Citizen Planner Workshop part of events

On Saturday and Sunday, January 12 and 13, there will be a Mount Dora Florida Highwaymen Art Show, Sale and Benefit, from 11a.m.-5p.m. each day at Donnelly Park Pavilion on the corner of 5th and Donnelly. Admission is free.

In the early 1950s through the 1980s, a group of twenty-six African-American artists known as the "Florida Highwaymen" used vivid and bright



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colors to capture the beautiful untouched Florida landscape.

They painted from their garages and back

yards on inexpensive Upson board (fiberboard panels, 3/16 inch thick) and then on the weekends they would travel and sell their Highwaymen paintings to hotels, offices, businesses and individuals who appreciated the artwork for around \$25 a piece.

Collecting Florida Highwaymen art has become an exciting, but often expensive, hobby.

The market for an original work of art by

a Florida Highwayman can easily bring \$5,000 or more.

Some of the Highwaymen who are still living have resumed painting to meet the continuing demand for their work.

For information about the show, contact Heron Cay at (352) 383-4050.

A Citizen Planner Academy Workshop on Planning Basics will be held on Saturday, January

19, 2019, from 9 a.m. to noon at 450 E. South St., Orlando.

County officials said the workshop is for those who have such questions as why apartment complexes are built in certain places, or how is it determined where parks and schools should go?

Those who attend the workshop will be able to learn about the Orange County land development process using role-play-

ing exercises and Orange County's interactive map.

The event is free and open to the public, but space is limited, so those who attend must secure free tickets by going to the Eventbrite registration page at www.ocfl.net/CitizenPlannerAcademy.

Parking is free. For more information, call Marthaly Irizarry at 407-836-2934 or email Marthaly.Irizarry@ocfl.net.

Telling the Truth

(See verse below)

We live in an age where some justify lies by calling them "alternative facts" and where people accept a sophomoric relativism which says that one is entitled to believe whatever one wishes, even when one is believing blatant falsehoods. The fact that people can believe things which are easily shown to be false only illustrates how naive and gullible we can be. This inability to distinguish truth from falsehood is something which we see most clearly in children. Young children will believe almost anything (e.g., the tooth fairy, the Easter bunny, and Santa Claus, to name just a few). As children get older, we expect them to discern truth from falsehood, and to tell the truth. Some parents question the wisdom of lying to children

about such things as Santa Claus, as it sends several questionable messages. As children grow out of the naivete of early childhood, we teach them to be critical and discerning, for example, telling them not to trust strangers, and requiring them to tell the truth at all times. Like the little boy who cried wolf, we have trouble trusting those who have repeatedly deceived us. We are not relativists in our everyday life, knowing that there is an objective truth about factual matters. And while it may be wise to suspend judgement on some issues until the facts are better known, we should not deceive ourselves into believing that there are alternative versions of reality. Truth is one.

— Christopher Simon

Book of Revelation is topic for 13 week study

The Florida Living Seventh-day Adventist Church has joined churches around the world in a study of the Book of Revelation from the Bible.

The study guide that is being used for the studies that began Saturday, January 5, is written by Ranko Stefanovic, Ph.D., professor for New Testament, at the Seventh-day Adventist

Seminary, Andrews University, whose biblical specialty is the book of Revelation.

The classes convene each Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Florida Living Seventh-day Adventist Church, 600 Edgehill Place, Apopka. The public is invited.

Inquiries can be directed to Pastor Jim King at 407-284-7472.

Obituaries

VIRGIL DALE HATAWAY, 66, Ocoee, died Friday, December 28. Mr. Hataway was born in Panama City. Survivors: wife, Ruth; children, Cheryl, Ana, Jimmy. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

QUANITA "FAYE" TAYLOR, 72, Apopka, died Thursday, December 13. Mrs. Taylor was born in Burnet, Texas. Survivors: children, Michael, Sherry Shuster; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

BEULAH MAY POMEROY, 94, Zellwood, died Tuesday, January 1. Mrs. Pomeroy was born in Alburgh, Vermont. Survivors: sons, Larry, Gary, Wesley Jr. Charles; stepdaughters, Gay DeLores Johnson-Steiner, Lynn Lorraine Karoly; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

DUDLEY SAMUEL WALKER, 87, Apopka, died Tuesday, January 1. Mr. Walker was born in Saint Elizabeth, Jamaica. Survivors: children, Joyce, Angela, Lorine McCintosh, Andrea Hart, Neil; siblings, Lloyd Stanley, Pauline Stanley; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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Anime, manga and wild polygons are part of Library events

Listed below are the events occurring at the North Orange Branch Library for January. If you have any questions about the events or information shared below, please feel free to contact us as 407-835-7323. The North Orange Branch Library is located at 1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka.

More events and information is at www.ocls.info. **Cookies & Milk with a**

Cop North Orange Branch Saturday, January 19, 11 a.m.

Bring your kids to meet our local police officers for cookies and milk! Interact with officers in a fun and informative environment. Sponsored in part by the Apopka Police Department and Oerther McDonald's. Recommended for lower and upper elementary.

Feelings Faces North Orange Branch Tuesday, January 22, 11 a.m.

Have a great time exploring feelings and emotions with your early learner! Recommended for toddlers and preschoolers.

Chinese Tales North Orange Branch Thursday, January 24, 11 a.m.

Enjoy animal fables, crafts and activities at this

library celebration of Chinese tales. Recommended for preschoolers.

Totally Totoro North Orange Branch Thursday, January 24, 4:30 p.m.

Are you a fan of anime and manga? Share your fandom with others while making crafts inspired by the classic anime, My Neighbor Totoro. Registration recommended. Recommended for tweens and

teens. **Cuisine Corner: Healthy Cooking for One or Two North Orange Branch Saturday, January 26, 11 a.m.**

Cooking for one or two can be a challenge. Yamira Lee Johnson, head chef and founder of Breaking Bread with Mira and certified holistic life coach, will show you how to make tasty meals for one or two without wasting food. For more

information about Breaking Bread with Mira, visit breakingbreadwithmira.com. Space is limited. Registration required.

Polygon Wild North Orange Branch Tuesday, January 29, 11 a.m.

We're going wild for shapes! Learn about our many-sided friends with fun hands on activities and stories. Recommended for preschoolers.

Festival: Nature tours and dinner also part of event

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Florida or locals wanting to learn more from well-known, knowledgeable birding guides. Trips will search for as many as possible of the more than 360 species documented, plus recently sighted rarities.

Among the events of the festival will be a workshop by Utah artist and naturalist Susan Snyder. She will share how to make artful and thoughtful nature journal pages on Saturday, January 19, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the McDonald Canal Pavilion, 24600 CR 448A, Mount Dora (Astatula). This two-hour Nature Journaling workshop, part of the North Shore Birding Festival, allows participants to draw birds, bugs, buds, and other natural wonders to create some fun journal pages. All materials will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. Ages 8 and up; children younger than 14 must be accompanied by a paying/participating adult. Cost is \$5 per adult, \$1 per child. Maximum par-

ticipants is 20. Pre-registration required at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f044ea9a92ca3ff2-north>. For more information, call 407-637-2525.

The Friday, January 18, dinner will include speaker Frank Salmon on "Chasing Warblers."

America's small, hyperactive wood warblers are colorful, have distinctive songs, and are among the most looked-for birds. Salmon, a Central Florida birder and photographer caught the warbler bug over the past five years at Orlando's birding hot spot Mead Botanical Garden. More recently, he learned about eBird, <https://ebird.org/home>, a citizen science effort of Cornell Lab of Ornithology, in which birders report their sightings. Salmon has visited all the warbler hotspots in North America, following sightings by other birders listed on eBird. Some of Salmon's pictures of warblers can be seen at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/fwsalmon>.

The Saturday, Janu-

ary 19, dinner will include speakers Greg Miller and Glenn Crawford on "Central American Birding."

Miller and Crawford of Wildside Nature Tours will share some of the experiences you can expect if you go birding in Central America. Miller is the well-known Ohio birder who did a "Big Year" in 1998 and was subject of a 2004 book, *The Big Year*, and a 2011 movie based on the book. He was birder adviser and was played by Jack Black in the film. This is his third year participating in the North Shore Birding Festival. Crawford is the dean of Belizean birding guides. The presentation will feature the birds of Crawford's native Belize, as well as Guatemala and Panama. Photos in the presentation are taken by photographer Kevin Loughlin, founder and president of Wildside Nature Tours, and frequent visitor to Central America.

In both the Friday and Saturday evening dinners, the event will begin at 4:30 p.m. with meet-and-greet snacks and follow with din-

ner at 5:30 p.m., and the talk at 6 p.m. It will be held at the University of Florida Mid-Florida Research and Education Center, 2725 S. Binion Rd, Apopka, in the auditorium. The cost, including dinner is \$20, and is a fund-raiser toward Orange Audubon Society's nature and environmental education center fund.

Reservations must be made by Tuesday, January 15. The registration link is at <https://bit.ly/2COGPUv>. The North Shore Birding Festival is sponsored by Orange Audubon Society <https://www.orangeaudubonfl.org/festival/>.

For more information on either dinner, call 407-637-2525.

Obituaries: Mr. Barnes was a U.S. Navy vet

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SCOTT C. BARNES, 55, Apopka, died Tuesday, January 1. Mr. Barnes was born in Jacksonville. He was a four-year veteran of the U.S. Navy. He worked in the masonry industry as a journeyman mason. Survivors: sisters, Dawn Santovenia, Kelly Robertson; brothers, George, Daniel. Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Apopka.

ANA DINA PALOMO GALLO, 86, Apopka, died Sunday, January 6. Mrs. Gallo was born in San Salvador, El Salvador. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

Scott C. Barnes

May 16, 1963 - January 1, 2019

Scott C. Barnes, 55, of Apopka, FL passed away unexpectedly on January 1, 2019 and is now resting at peace in Jesus's arms.

Scott was born on May 16, 1963 in Jacksonville, FL to George and Sharon Barnes. He served in the Navy for 4 years as a Maintenance Technician on the USS Acadia. After the military, he joined his brother-in-law in the masonry field working as a mason tender and eventually becoming a journeyman mason.

Scott is predeceased by his parents, George and Sharon Barnes. He is survived by his sisters, Dawn Santovenia and Kelly Robertson (Pascal Robertson), his brothers, George Barnes and Daniel Barnes (Cheryl Barnes), 8 nieces and

nephews, 6 great nieces and nephews, and his two beloved dogs, Pepsi and Ella.

He was a wonderful son and brother and will be sincerely missed. He was a truly generous person with a kind heart. While he did not have a lot, he always happily had something to share with others.

The funeral service will be held at Baldwin-Fairchild in Apopka on Saturday, January 12, 2019. There will be calling hours for family between 11am and 12pm and for friends between 12pm and 1pm, then a graveside service will be held at 1pm at Edgewood Cemetery in Apopka.



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Waymon William Jones

December 24, 1929 - December 29, 2018

Waymon William Jones, Apopka, was born in Winter Garden, Florida, December 24, 1929, the son of Snow and Alma Jones, and went to be with his Lord on December 29, 2018, having lived a long, healthy and successful life.

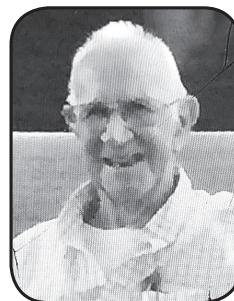
Waymon had a brother James, and while attending Lakeville High School he worked at Imperial Cleaners. He was an award-winning dry cleaner in Apopka, and was the sole proprietor of Contemporary Cleaners, and thereafter purchased a Weki-va cleaners.

Virginia Cochran became Waymon's wife on August 14, 1959, and they were active members of Trinity Baptist Church. Living most of his life in Apopka, he resided temporarily in Spring Branch, Texas.

Waymon was a family man, and his main objectives were to raise a successful

family, be an amazing husband, father, and role model to his children, and each of these goals he was able to attain and surpass.

A character, he was the most prized by far. He was an



onery fellow, in his habits and ways which just made him all the more lovable. He was detail oriented and mindful to his family, his past history, and his documentation of it all was bewildering.

Waymon is survived by an incredibly loving family, and rightfully so. His family meant the world to him and

he made sure that they were aware of that fact, every moment, of every day.

He is survived by: Virginia; Ted and Cheryl Jones, of Apopka, along with Chris, Ryan, Amanda, and Jarod; Ron and Jackie of Colorado, along with Matthew, Jason, Carl, Justin, Rhoni, London and Seth; Steve and Cindy Sue of Texas, along with Mandy, Derek and Dillon; Lynn of Apopka, along with Blake, Gerhard and Samantha; Doyle and Suzanne of Apopka, along with Drake; Susan of Texas, along with Austin, Logan, Preston and Taylor; Jeff and Shannon of Bristol, Conn; and Julie of Apopka. Waymon was predeceased by James in 1991.

His last wishes were to be cremated with his immediate family present.

He was very much loved and will be greatly missed.

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Liz Felter, 'the plant whisperer,' visits Diagnostic Plant Clinic

By Beverly James
UF Journalist

At the UF/IFAS Diagnostic Plant Clinic in Apopka, Liz Felter gazes at the tomato plant and considers it quietly for a few seconds. Stroking the discolored leaves, she sticks two fingers in the soil and pushes the dirt down.

"My gut tells me it's not Erwinia," says Felter, a University of Florida IFAS Extension regional specialized agent. The visitor to the UF/IFAS Diagnostic Plant Clinic in Apopka merely nods as Felter continues.

"But I do think you planted too deep, and you need to pull them up a little. It could be rhizoctonia," she says. "Give me a few days to run some tests and I'll have an answer for you."

Visitors to the plant clinic housed at the UF/IFAS Mid Florida Research

and Education Center are mostly male farm managers, landscapers or nursery workers. But gender doesn't matter when they turn to "the plant whisperer" for help.

"She is amazing with plants, knows everything about them," said Michael Gutierrez, who manages Brook Hollow Hydro Farms in Ocoee. "She is very personable, knowledgeable, a plant whisperer. And, if Liz can't figure it out, she is plugged into a network of people who can solve the problem and help us implement strategies to prevent future problems."

Within minutes, Felter is on to the next assignment, as she races down a winding hallway to her office across from the clinic that she directs.

One of the few women in a once male-dominated industry, Felter sees a major change in the profession. "When I graduated



Liz Felter inspected plants at the UF/IFAS Diagnostic Plant Clinic and provided solutions to visitors.

with my master's degree 35 years ago, there were four men for every one woman," she said. "Now, the trend has reversed. There are four times as many women as men in my classes."

Felter brings a unique set of skills to her job.

With a bachelor's de-

gree in environmental horticulture, and a Ph.D. in social sciences, Felter is well equipped to understand how people will adjust to new research, and adapt and use that research, she said.

"It's a unique combination that allows me to un-

derstand how people will respond to using good bugs to eat bad bugs, for example," she said. "They either think it's a great idea, or they wonder how they will use it in their system. I'm interested in the behavioral aspect."

But her extension work is all about plant production, food production in greenhouses and local food awareness.

In 2019, Felter will offer produce safety training workshops for local growers. "The workshop will help local growers be in compliance with the federal food safety modernization act requirements," she said. "They will learn how to safely grow, harvest and process food for packaging. And, they will be able to track all the food so when there is a safety issue, growers can stop the tainted food from making it to market."

In addition, Felter

helps decision makers and policy makers work on ordinances that will be friendlier to urban agricultural producers. Many communities have antiquated definitions of farms on the books, and some leaders believe farming leads to more pollution, Felter said. "We need them to realize that someone growing hydroponic lettuce uses a contained system of nutrients, therefore no runoff occurs from their production site," she said.

So, Felter will assist with a tour for local legislators and decision makers visiting farms in Seminole County to introduce them to what local production is available in the area.

"The goal," said Felter, "is to help residents in Central Florida learn where their food comes from, and help legislators support urban agriculture with policy that works in the 21st century."

Paraprofessional earns scholarship



On Wednesday, January 9, ESE paraprofessional Ishmael Grandison (l) was awarded the Melody Burton Scholarship for Future Teachers, established in 1995 by the OCPS Foundation. The scholarship commemorates the life and education of Melody Burton, an Orange County Public Schools teacher who lost her battle with cancer in 1993. The endorsement will provide financial assistance for a selected OCPS paraprofessional interested in teaching in critical areas the school district selects each year. Pictured above are, (l-r), Ishmael Grandison, Wekiva High School Principal Michele Erickson and Chief of High Schools Dr. Harold Border.



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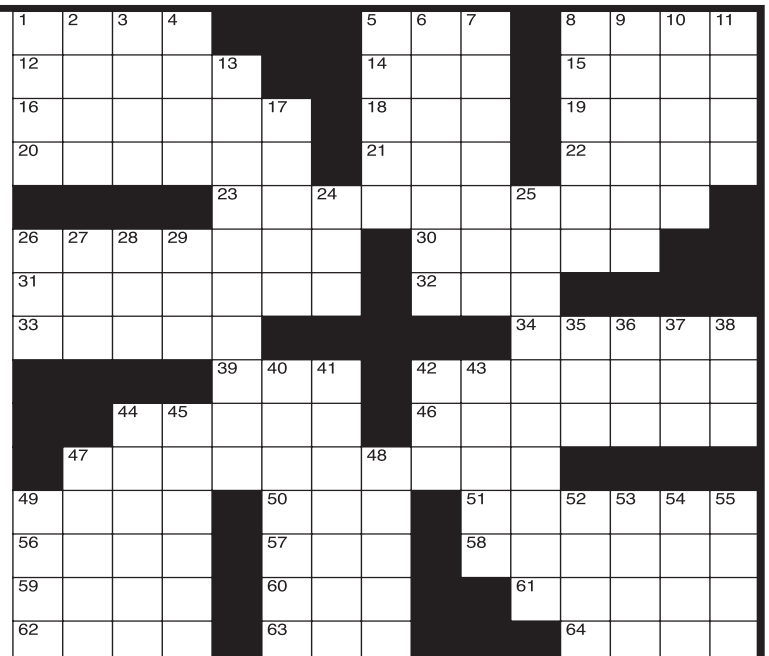
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Homestead
5. More (Spanish)
8. Type of notification
12. Approves
14. Mandela's party
15. "Mom" actress Faris
16. Predatory insects
18. Where honey goes
19. Canadian flyers
20. Of an earlier time
21. Indigenous people of Australia
22. Organize
23. All over
26. Made it through
30. Between-meals food
31. A quantity upon which an operation is performed
32. German mythological god
33. "Heavy" type of rock music
34. Pharmacy chain Duane
39. First responders
42. Mysterious
44. Leisurely stroll
46. Most naughty
47. Plant tissue
49. Small fish
50. Men's fashion accessory
51. Distant planet
56. Destroy
57. Location in Norse mythology
58. One who is deliberately cruel
59. Romeo, car
60. Of the ear
61. Former name of Tokyo
62. Male children
63. French/Belgian river
64. Tide

CLUES DOWN

1. Grave
2. Alright
3. Sharp tooth
4. Bird genus
5. Important
6. One who studies carefully
7. Not very big
8. Astronomy unit
9. A way to open up
10. Trap
11. Handle of a knife
13. Indicates one from a part of W. Africa
17. Lucky number
24. Doctor of Education
25. Legendary Cubs broadcaster
26. Female parent
27. Mimic
28. Connects to the rim
29. Small constellation
35. Indicates near
36. Consumed
37. Criticize
38. Shock therapy
40. Type of cigarette
41. The fashionable elite
42. Shed tears
43. Arm or branch of a bone
44. Quell anger
45. Where rock and rollers play
47. "The Alchemist" author Coelho
48. Choppers
49. Lacks brightness
52. Port in Yemen
53. Brood of pheasant
54. Approves food
55. A type of sign



Solutions to the Crossword Puzzle are found on page 4B of this newspaper

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- Walgreens, N. Park Ave/Welch Rd.
- Wawa Store, 449 W. Main St. - corner of Hwy 441 and Bradshaw
- Wekiva High School, Hiwassee Rd.
- Winn Dixie #2246 – Hwy 441 (beside Lowe's)
- Zellwood Station (inside MHP)
- Zellwood Truck Stop Diner, Hwy 441
- Zellwood Water Users, Inc., 3262 Robinson St.

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Arrest your tastebuds with great flavors from Jail-House Chili

We have an interestingly named recipe for you: Jail-House Chili. The publication, *Paths of Sunshine*, is from the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs.



3 tablespoons paprika (for color)
3 tablespoons flour
6 tablespoons cornmeal
1 cup water

In a 6-quart pot, heat the oil and add the meat to sear over high heat, stirring constantly until the meat is grey – not brown. Add water, cover and cook at a bubbling simmer 1-1/2 to 2 hours. Add all other ingredients except the thickening (flour and cornmeal). Cook at simmer for another 30 minutes. If much fat was left on the meat, it will rise to the top after the spices have been added. Skim fat before thickening. Mix flour and cornmeal with 1 cup water. Add to chili mixture, stirring constantly to prevent sticking. Cook 5 minutes more to determine if more water is necessary to reach desired consistency. This is fairly hot chili, above average. Serves 6.

LORETTA SHUMAN'S FRIED GROUPEUR CHINESE STYLE
Recipe from Feeding the Flock, New Vision Community Church

2 pounds grouper steaks or fillets
1/4 cup flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup vinegar
1 cup sugar
1-1/3 cup water
3 chicken bouillon cubes
1 cup drained pineapple chunks
1 large green pepper cut in strips
3 tablespoons cornstarch
1-1/2 tablespoons water
1-1/2 teaspoon soy sauce

Cut steaks or fillets into 2-inch wide strips and roll in flour seasoned with salt. Place fish in heavy frying pan which contains about 1/8 inch of fat, hot, but not smoking. Fry at moderate heat. When fish is brown on one side, turn carefully and brown the other side. Cooking time is approximately 10 minutes, depending on thickness of fish. Drain on rack or absorbent paper. While fish is frying, combine vinegar, sugar, water, bouillon cubes, green pepper, and pineapple in saucepan. Simmer for 10 minutes. Combine cornstarch, water and soy sauce to make a thin paste. Add gradually to hot sauce and cook until thick, stirring constantly. Serve the sauce over fish and rice.

LARRY MEREDITH'S HOGBODY'S HOME FRIES
Recipe from Reader of The Apopka Chief and The Planter newspapers
Two Idaho baking potatoes, baked till

done
Olive oil for frying
McCormick's Black Pepper Meat Marinade
Salt
Garlic Powder

He says, "A very simple recipe for good ole homemade home fries. Bake two Idaho potatoes in the oven till done, remove from oven and let cool. Then keeping them wrapped in the foil, refrigerate till the next morning, cut them in quarters and using olive oil (don't overdo it), fry them in a deep-dish pan. Flavor to taste with McCormick's black pepper meat marinade, salt, and garlic powder. Cook till golden brown and serve. Delicious!

FRANCES JONES' SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE
Recipe from Apopka Historical Society's Preserving the Big Potato – A Collection of Potato Recipes

1 large can sweet potatoes
1/3 cup evaporated milk
3/4 cup sugar
1 cup chopped pecans
1/3 cup plain flour
2 eggs
1 stick margarine or butter (1 stick equals 1/2 cup)
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup light brown sugar
1/3 cup additional margarine, melted

In mixing bowl, beat together sweet potatoes, eggs, milk, 1/2 cup margarine, sugar and vanilla. Pour into baking dish. Top with brown sugar, flour, 1/3 cup margarine and pecans. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes.

TONI LAPIERRE'S OLE VIRGINIA MACARONI AND CHEESE
Recipe from Feeding the Flock, New Vision Community Church

1 16-ounce package macaroni
1/4 stick (2 tablespoons) butter
1 small can stewed tomatoes
1/4 cup green onions, sliced
1/2 small carton sour cream
Salt to taste
Pepper to taste
3/4 cup milk (preferably evaporated, mixed half and half with water)
1-1/2 pounds grated sharp cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cook macaroni according to directions on package. Drain. Place butter in casse-

role dish and melt in oven; remove. Puree stewed tomatoes in blender. Stir tomatoes, onion, macaroni, sour cream, salt, pepper, melted butter, milk and cheese together and pour in 9 x 13 casserole dish. If desired, top with grated cheese, as well. Cover with buttered foil to keep cheese from sticking and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. The amount of milk may be adjusted because it should not be too dry or have too much liquid when done.

QUICK FAT-FREE RAISIN BREAD
THE NEW YORK TIMES NEW NATURAL FOODS COOKBOOK
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2 cups whole wheat flour
1 cup raisins
2 tablespoons brown sugar
1 teaspoon baking soda
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup molasses
1 cup buttermilk
2 tablespoons hot water

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
2. Mix together the flour, raisins, sugar, baking soda, and salt.
3. Add the molasses, buttermilk, and hot water. Mix well, then turn into an oiled 8 x 4 x 2-inch loaf pan.
4. Bake for 45 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Turn out of the pan onto a wire rack to cool. **Yield:** One loaf.

TRUDY BARBARINO'S NO-BEAT POPOVERS
Recipe from Apopka Citizen Police Alumni Association, Sharing Our Finest Cookbook

2 eggs
1 cup milk
1 cup presifted flour
1/2 teaspoon salt

The secret is to start with a cold oven and not peek during 30 minute baking time. Grease muffin cups well. Break eggs into mixing bowl and add remaining ingredients. Mix well with a spoon, disregarding lumps. Fill prepared cups 3/4 full. Set oven at 450 degrees and immediately put muffin tin in. Bake 30 minutes. Serve at once. Makes 8 muffins.

Previous recipes can be found online at www.theapokkachief.com/recipes
 Please email your recipes to: news@theapokkachief.com.

JAIL-HOUSE CHILI
Recipe from Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Paths of Sunshine Cookbook

1/2 cup olive oil
3 pounds lean beef, diced
1 quart water
8 chili pods (or 6 tablespoons chili powder)
3 teaspoons salt
10 cloves garlic, finely chopped
1 teaspoon cumin
1 teaspoon oregano
1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 tablespoon sugar

January EVENTS ★ ★ WEEKLY ★ ★ UPCOMING ★ ★ ONGOING ★ ★ EVENTS

OCPS - SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION. Traffic patterns have changed. Stormy weather comes and goes! Be careful with your umbrellas. And always watch out for those pedestrians. School zones are in force, even if lights are not flashing.
DON'T TEXT WHILE DRIVING - Please!
 Children must be five years old on or before September 1 to start kindergarten. To enter first grade, a child must be six years old on or before September 1 and must have successfully completed kindergarten (Florida Statute 1003.21). Immunizations must be current.

City of Apopka's Northwest Recreation Complex, 3710 Jason Dwellley Parkway, Apopka 32712, 407-703-1784. On any given weekend, you can see many, many families in attendance at the beautiful complex setting participating in various organized sport programs. Amenities at the complex include: Soccer Fields, Softball Fields, Baseball Fields, Multi-Purpose Fields, Sand Volleyball Courts, Outdoor Basketball Courts, Tennis Courts, Walking Trail, Amphitheater, Playground, Concession Stands.

11-mile wildlife drive (complete with directional signs) (opened in 2015) on Lake Apopka shores, by entering from Lust Road off Binion Road, about a mile south of Camp Wewa in the Plymouth area, for one-way drive, 10 miles per hour, with possible wildlife spotting stops. **DO NOT FEED THE GATORS - The drive may be closed!** If you are stopping, drive will take more than 1 hour. Drive runs by canals used in muck-farming days. The one-way drive exits on Jones Road in Zellwood. You will see a freshwater marsh system and wildlife dependent on that type of system. The drive is open on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and federal holidays and is controlled by the county. Open during daylight hours only (one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset). Official sunrise and sunset hours can be found online. The road is closed on other days due to ongoing restoration work. The trail is 11 miles long. **Since its opening, the trail has had more than 100,000+ visitors. FEEDING THE ALLIGATORS MAY CAUSE CLOSING OF THE TRAIL.**

WEKIWA SPRINGS STATE PARK is a 7,000-acre Florida State Park in Apopka, Florida. It is located 20 minutes north of Orlando, off Interstate 4 at exit 94, near Altamonte Springs and Longwood. The park also contains the head water of the Wekiwa River. Address: 1800 Wekiwa Circle, Apopka 32712, open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For information, call 407-884-4311.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11
 Annual **TRUCK AND TRACTOR PULL**, NOCIA grounds, 4353 Ponkan Rd., Zellwood. Gates open at 4 p.m., with show beginning at 6 p.m. Admission \$10 per person and children under 12 free.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

Annual **TRUCK AND TRACTOR PULL**, 2nd day at NOCIA grounds, 4353 Ponkan Rd., Zellwood. Gates open at noon, with show beginning at 4 p.m. Admission \$10 per person and children under 12 free.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13
MONDAY, JANUARY 14

Zumba Seniors Fitness Class, MONDAYS and FRIDAYS 9:00 a.m., at Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Avenue. Call 407-703-1642 for information.

Beginning Racewalking Program: 5:00 p.m. - 5:55 p.m., at the Orange County Parks' Magnolia Park, 2929 Binion Rd., Apopka. The program is for people age 12 and older, and is free. Pre-registration is required by calling 407-886-4231. For park information, visit www.orangecountyparks.net.

Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays at 6:30 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, 601 S. Highland Avenue. If you have a problem with food – overeating, anorexia, bulimia – there is a solution for you. For more information, visit OA.org or call Laura 407-484-7736 or Ginger 407-832-5772.

Toastmasters: Every Monday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., in the Museum of Apopkans, 122 E 5th St, Apopka, FL 32703. For more information, (Number changed) call 407-765-2629 or visit www.Apopka-toastmasters.org.

Toastmasters: Forest Lake Church Room 9, 515 Harley Lester Lane, Apopka, Florida 32703. Time: 7 p.m., Open to everyone interested. For information, call 407-761-2943. Club Number: 4899556, District 84, Area D42. Orators of Excellence.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15
Walk and Talk: 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m., at Magnolia Park. Call 407-886-4231 for more information.

PLANT CLINIC at UF Mid Florida Research Center, 2725 Binion Rd., Apopka, every Tuesday, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. with rotating Master Gardener clinicians to evaluate your plant specimens. For information, call 407-254-9200 or visit orange.ifas.ufl.edu/res_hort/

Art Class: 9:00 a.m., at the Fran Carlton Center, 11 N. Forest Ave., Apopka. For more information, call and leave message for Nancy McDonald at 407-703-1631.

SECOND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH: The American Cancer Society group discussion on prostate cancer is held at the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce building, 180 W. Main St., Apopka, at 6:30 p.m., and is open for anyone who is interested in the subject or who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. It is free. For more information, call 407-341-1826.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16
Apopka/Altamonte Springs VFW Post 10147 meets every Wednesday morning at 519 S. Central Avenue, Apopka, from 8:30-10 a.m. New members are always welcome. Call 407-889-8266, or email info@vfwpost10147.com

Zumba Seniors Fitness Class, WEDNESDAYS at 8:00 a.m. at Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Avenue. Call 407-703-1642 for information. Classes also held on Mondays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m.

City of Apopka DRC (Development Review Committee) meets every Wednesday at 9 a.m.-10 a.m. at City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka.

TOPS Chapter #646. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), TOPS, a non-profit organization, will help you reach a weight goal with support from friendly, caring members, education, and rewards. Each Wednesday a.m.- weigh-in begins at 8:45 - meeting ends at 10:30. Come to 9635 Bear Lake Road, Apopka, to meet with others who have a like-minded goal to lose weight. No products, no specific diet to follow, no meds. Call 407-312-7123 for more information.

Cards & Bridge: 9:30 a.m. for SENIORS. Come and join the fun, or bring in some friends and start your own. Call 407-703-1631 for information.

Crafts & Chatter and Board Games, 9:30 a.m. for SENIORS. This is an informal gathering of senior adults who enjoy playing board games, cards or creating projects. Call 407-703-1631 for information.

Tiny Tales - Rhyme Time for You and Baby: At 10:15 a.m., lasts approximately 15 min. every Wed. For infants birth to 18 months, OCLS North Orange Branch.*

Toddler Time: At 10:45 a.m., every Wed., Especially for children ages 18 to 36 months and lasts approximately 20 minutes. OCLS North Orange Branch.*

Storybook Fun for Your Little One: At 11:15 a.m. every Wed. Recommended for children ages three to five. The programs are free and last approximately 30 minutes. OCLS North Orange Branch.*

EARLY BIRD BINGO at Bahia Shrine Center, 3101 E. Semoran Blvd.. Doors open at 5 p.m., and the early bird game starts at 6 p.m. For more info, call 407-660-8811.

City Council meetings are normally held the first Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., and **third Wednesday at 7 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 120 E. Main St., Apopka. All meetings open to the public. **Subject to change with notice.** For info., call City Clerk 407-703-1704. **Agenda and minutes of meeting can be found online. Once posted, check for any revisions by Tuesday at**

5 p.m. before the meeting.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 17
Walking Club: SENIORS 8:00 a.m. City of Apopka. Will meet at Magnolia Park. Call 407-886-4231 for information.

Chair Exercise Class for seniors, 9 a.m., Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Avenue, Apopka. Call 407-703-1784.

ROTARY Luncheon Meeting, 12:00 Noon. Meetings are at the Apopka Community Center/VFW Post 10147, 519 S. Central Avenue. For information call 407-415-6588.

Motorcycle Night: 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. at Porkie's BBQ, 256 E. Main St., Apopka. Every Thursday night will feature drawings, prizes, trophies and just plain showing off. For information, call 407-880-3351

UPCOMING EVENTS.

On Friday, January 18th, through Monday, January 21st, participate in birding field trips on the 20,000-acre Lake Apopka North Shore property and other nearby sites, sponsored by Orange Audubon Society. Trips will search for as many as possible of the 360+ species documented, plus recently sighted rarities. Visit www.orangedaubonfl.org.

APOPKA BBQ SHOWDOWN, February 8-9, 2019, at Northwest Recreation Complex, 3710 Jason Dwellley Parkway. BBQ competition takes place Friday, February 8, and the event will run through Saturday, February 9 from 11 a.m.-6 p.m., to include everything BBQ, live entertainment on the amphitheater stage from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., live demonstrations, BBQ food vendors and merchants. Applications are being accepted. For information, call 407-703-1642.

ONGOING EVENTS

The FOLIAGE SERTOMA CLUB meets the first and third Tuesday of each month, beginning at 11:45-noon, at Beef 'O' Brady's in The Back Room, 1410 Rock Springs Rd., Apopka

"Cookies and Milk with a Cop (Storytime, Too)" every third Saturday of the month at North Orange Branch Library, 1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka, 11:00 a.m. This event is sponsored by APD and McDonald's located at 233 E. Main St.

BROWN BAG LUNCH - Third Saturday of each Month at Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit at the corner of Highland and 6th St., Apopka, from 10 am.-1 p.m. All are welcome to come and be fed with those who would like to share in a brown bag lunch. In addition, men's socks, flip flops, stuffed animals and children's books among other things will be offered. For information, call 407-703-4223.

COFFEE WITH A COP is scheduled Saturday, from time to time at McDonald's on 233 E. Main Street. Meet with Apopka

Police Chief Michael McKinley and other officers to discuss matters of concern to you, and enjoy a cop of coffee.

The Altamonte Springs/Apopka VFW Post 10147 is located at 519 S. Central Avenue, Apopka. The post is open Wednesday and Saturday Mornings from (TIME CHANGE) 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. (other hours by appointment only). All members and families are urged to attend. Those who have served in any branch of the military, during any war or conflict, and who may be interested in becoming a member, are also urged to attend. Call 407-889-8266, or email info@vfwpost10147.com Auxiliary is being formed.

NWOC FFA Alumni - Monthly meetings (usually the 4th Monday evening in a month during the school year) are open to anyone. You do not have to have been a member of FFA, nor is it necessary to have a child in an FFA chapter. **All that is required is a desire to help these young people, both for FFA and 4-H.** For information, contact nwocffa@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed - The Debbie Turner Cancer Center needs volunteers to help in the office Monday thru Friday from 10-4. Help for an hour or two would be great. Administrative portion is moving to office next door in a couple of weeks. Call Joann at 407-880-2111 or 407-920-2882 cell.

Museum of Apopkans, 122 E 5th Street, Hours open: Tuesday through Friday, 1:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. Contains displays and information about Apopka's history, and has history books for sale. For more information, call 407-703-1707. Monthly meetings of Apopka Historical Society are normally held on a Sunday afternoon.

The Apopka Elks Lodge 2422 meets first and third Tuesdays of month, 201 W. Orange. For more information, call 407-886-1600 or email apopkaelks@aol.com

GFWC Apopka Woman's Club, meets at First United Methodist Church, 201 N. Park Avenue. Call 407-880-2111 for more information.

Foliage Garden Club - meets the first Thursday of each month, at 9:30 a.m., at the Museum of Apopkans, 122 E., 5th St., Apopka, September through June.

Apopka Garden Club - meets the first Tuesday each month at First United Methodist Church, 201 S. Park Ave., September through May. For information, call Kathy 407-886-6970.

Music at Magnolia recorder classes begin on Mondays from 3:30-4:15 p.m. and intermediate classes are held on Wednesdays 11:15 a.m.-noon and 2:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m. at 2929 S. Binion Rd. (Hwy 437), Apopka. The classes are open to all ages. The cost is \$2 per person per class. If you are a novice, or are interested in learning to play the record-

er, call 407-886-4231

City of Apopka Planning & Zoning - usually the second Tuesday of the month. 5:30 p.m. City Council Chambers, City Hall, 120 E. Main St., Apopka. All meetings open to the public. Subject to change with notice. For info., call David Moon, 407-703-1739.

Bridge Games and Classes: Every Monday and Friday morning at 9:15 a.m., at the Lake County Duplicate Bridge Club, 510 W. Key Ave., Eustis. For more information, call 352-315-9934 or visit lakeduplicate.com.

Hospital Health Course Offered: The Living Healthy Program at Florida Hospital Apopka designed to help those with chronic diseases such as high blood pressure, arthritis, diabetes, cancer and more. Call 407-625-7048 to learn more about free chronic disease self-management courses.

Computer Classes in both English and Spanish: Available daily or weekly at OCLS North Orange Branch.* Classes are: Computer Basics, Excel, Word Resume Writing, Email for Seniors, ELLIS English Lab, Word, Online Job Searches, Power Point, Internet, Open Lab, How to use a mouse and keyboard, etc. Call OCLS North Orange Branch* for more details.

Habitat Volunteers: Go to www.habitatseminoleapopka.org, click on volunteers. There are a number of opportunities available at the Restores. Call 407-696-5855 or 407-880-8881 to sign up for information.

"Open Heart Kitchen": The Golden Years Senior Ministry of St. Paul AME Church will sponsor a soup kitchen, on the third Monday of every month, from noon-4:00 p.m., at the Church at 1012 S. Park Ave., Apopka. For more information, call 407-889-4464.

(*OCLS) Orange County Public Library North Orange Branch Address: 1211 E. Semoran Boulevard, Apopka 436 (Semoran) and Thompson Road. www.ocls.info. To reserve a space, call 407-835-7323.

**Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce, 180 E. Main St., Apopka. For more info, call 407-886-1441

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Participants sought for study on memory loss and performing arts

Florida Hospital and the Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts are recruiting participants for a groundbreaking study that aims to determine if and how the performing arts can help memory loss-care recipients and their caregivers.

The study is designed to build caregiver resilience and reduce stress levels through a fun and interactive class that will meet once a week for eight weeks, beginning in January.

The curriculum was created exclusively for the study and provides opportunities for participants to explore their emotions, use their imagination and explore conflict in a safe environment.

Both the care recipient and the caregiver must be available to participate in the classes and no performing arts experience is required.

Central Floridians who meet the following qualifications have an opportunity to be a part of this groundbreaking study: * Caregiver must be the unpaid and primary care-

giver, and 18 years of age or older

* Care recipient must be 65 years of age or older

* Care recipient and the caregiver must live in the community (not in a nursing or rehabilitation facility)

For caregivers, who have unique burdens and often don't know where to turn for support, the study will determine if and how much the experience improved their resilience, decreased negative emotions — like guilt and anxiety — and reduced overall stress levels.

For patients, the study will identify alternative treatment options.

The study is just one component of Advent Health (formerly Florida Hospital) and Dr. Phillips Center partnership, which is designed to create a leading center of excellence for performing arts and wellness education.

Interested participants can learn more about the study by visiting www.creationhealthresearch.com/care-giver-study or calling Pam Jennelle at 407-303-7365.

Apopkans graduate, make Dean's List

Ingrid Rivera of Apopka graduated from Troy University, in Troy, Ala., during the fall 2018 semester.

Rivera graduated with the Master of Science in Counseling and Psychology degree.

Troy University is a public, international univer-

sity with more than 145,000 alumni.

Madison Diaz Granados of Apopka made the Dean's List for the 2018 fall semester at Georgia College in Milledgeville, Ga.

Georgia College is a public liberal arts university.

Foundation: Event will have kids obstacle course

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are from Apopka police, Apopka fire, Winter Garden police, Clermont police, Mount Dora fire, Seminole County fire and Winter Park fire departments. Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that causes constant lung infections and over time limits breathing.

According to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the type and severity of the symptoms can vary from one individual to another.

Ninety cents of every dollar raised goes to research and development for the disease.

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation does not receive any federal funding.

The event organizers plan to have a junior obstacle course for kids.

There will be food, drinks, music and teams competing for "bragging rights," Wiggins said.

"The team events are just that," Wiggins said. "It is about the four members working together and combining their skills. Most competitions are for individuals. Police and fire department personnel have to work together as a team in real life so they should compete like that, too."

Law enforcement agencies and fire departments can learn more and register their teams by visiting www.apopka.net/604/CF-Competition-2019.

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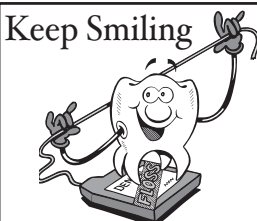
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Jamaica: White thanks many people who assisted with the Joy to Jamaica drive

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be a part of the process," Shanelle said. "So (my aunt's) friend did a little more digging and found a family (the Maitlands) down there. I wanted to help them, but I also wanted to help more people so my dad told me there were people in his parish where he used to live who could be helped. My aunt knew people who could also be helped."

White had been to Jamaica before, visiting relatives there. The December trip was no different because that was also a time for her to see her family.

"It was a mix of both," White said.

Through the White family's Joy to Jamaica



Latoya Maitland lost her parish home in a fire. Her family was one of the families helped by Shanelle White and the Joy to Jamaica drive.

drive on GoFundMe.com, they are working on raising money for children's school clothes and shoes. White will purchase these items and ship them to Ja-

maica. She said she doesn't know the next time she will visit the country.

"When they go to school, they have certain uniforms to buy and the



shoes must be a certain color," White said.

White credited many people for assisting her in the Joy to Jamaica drive, including the National Honor

Society and Wekiva High's Black Student Union for promoting it, her sisters for donating their unwanted clothes, her teacher and Erickson for their support,

and to those who donated on the drive's GoFundMe page.

"Even the families down there (in Jamaica)," White said, "because if it wasn't for them opening my eyes to what I'm not seeing every day, I wouldn't have been so encouraged to immediately go to the store and find the shoes and clothes they need for their uniforms because they need khaki pants and polo shirts."

Erickson commended White in an email for her charitable efforts.

"Shanelle is a wonderful young lady with a 4.5 weighted GPA who is in the chorus and taking all AP and honor classes," Erickson wrote. "She is a joy!"

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See the story and picture at the bottom of the page about senior Apopka Blue Darters boys basketball player Nate Louis hitting the 1,000-point mark this week. Louis scored 23 against rival West

Orange to lead the Darters to a 64-44 victory. The prestigious mark was passed during the first quarter when he tallied 10 points. Apopka's overall record for the season is now 10-2.



(Staff photo by Tammy Keaton)

Terrence McClain keeps his eyes on the bucket while going up for a shot in Wekiva's victory over Freedom.

Mustangs thump Freedom, 63-45

By Neal Fisher
Apopka Chief Staff

During what has become a very difficult season, the Wekiva Mustangs most recent victory was much needed. The score was 63-45 and the Freedom Patriots provided the opposition on Monday, January 7.

Much needed because the overall record is still only 5-9.

"And quite frankly we still didn't play well or near to the capability possessed," Mustangs coach Gersino Lubin said. "There was a lack of mechanical and technical soundness throughout the contest in particular. Sound mechanical and technical play goes hand-in-hand with executing winning play throughout a contest. Streetball was on display too much.

"The physical advantages were held by us. We were the quicker, faster, stronger, more agile and bigger team in general. Eventually, so many differences wore Freedom down physically. Despite a strong desire to

play at the same level, the energy just wasn't there as the second half progressed."

Michael James scored the first six points of the contest by means of converting field goal attempts. And the lead was never given up by the Mustangs. However, field goal attempts which were converted after Freedom was given open looks distinguished several stretches.

On five occasions, the Mustangs extended the lead to six points. Freedom then cut the lead back to one possession each time.

With about 1:45 left in the first half though, the Mustangs began a streak of nine consecutive points. Terrence McClain drained a trey from the left wig. Another two points came from McClain converting a 10-foot turnaround jumper in the paint. Successful lay-ups by James accounted for the other points. The score was 29-19 when the run ended a few possessions into the third quarter.

Ten more consecutive points

were produced by Wekiva with a starting time of about two minutes later to put a possible victory by Freedom out of reach. Latavius Poole scored the last six, including four by means of tip-ins/offensive rebounds. Contributions were also made by James, McClain and Xavier Christian.

Advantages of four, two, eight and four points were built by the Mustangs per quarter, respectively.

In order, scores after each quarter were 14-10, 25-19 and 46-32.

Continuing to fulfill the role of providing vitality, Michael James and Terrance McClain tallied 22 points apiece.

Field goal percentage for Wekiva rose from 29.4 during the first half to 40 at the end of the contest. The same upward turn occurred for the Patriots as the contest ended with 38, up from 29 at halftime.

Wekiva taking significantly more attempts was the difference.

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Blue Darters win first two in 2019, one over West Orange

By John Peery
Apopka Chief Staff

In the final game of 2018, the Apopka Blue Darters boys basketball team saw its eight-game winning streak snapped.

Albeit modest, after the first two contests of 2019, another winning streak has begun.

Coach Scott Williams' crew shook off the rust of 13 days without a game over the Christmas and New Year's holidays with a 61-58 road victory over Central Florida Christian Academy on Friday, January 4, and then backed that up with a solid 64-44 win over longtime rival West Orange on Tuesday, January 8, in a huge District 9A-3 game.

In addition, Apopka senior Nate Louis broke the 1,000-point barrier for his Apopka career in the victo-



(Photo by Alex Olivera)

Apopka point guard John Latimer III keeps the ball away from West Orange defender Ty Shuler.

ry over West Orange. A story about that begins elsewhere on page 1C.

The Blue Darters now stand at 10-2 overall and remain perfect at 3-0 in district play.

Apopka 64, West Orange

44

West Orange led just once, at 3-2, and after Apopka's Zach Anderson's bucket gave the Blue Darters a 4-3 lead just 90 seconds into the contest, the Darters never trailed again en route to the 20-point victory at Apopka's Joe A. Sterling Gymnasium.

Anderson's bucket put the Blue Darters on a nine-point surge before the Warriors scored again and by the end of the first period, Apopka had built its lead to 18-8.

"I thought the first four-and-a-half minutes we were really dialed in and then what hurt us in the first half was we got in some foul trouble," Apopka coach Scott Williams said. "John (Latimer) got two and Rudy (Gatling) got three, and those are two of our primary ballhandlers and we had to scuffle some

with our rotation in the second quarter in particular. As a result, we were not really as efficient as we want to be, but we got out of the half OK."

Nate Louis led all scorers with 23 points, including 10 in the first quarter.

West Orange got no closer than six points during the second period and the Blue Darters took a 29-19 lead into halftime.

Any doubt that Apopka was going to win this district contest was erased in the third period when the Blue Darters outscored the Warriors 24-7 in the quarter.

"It's always good to win a district game, especially at home to protect your home court," Apopka coach Scott Williams said. "I thought as the game went we got better and better. We

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Four-year varsity player Nate Louis breaks 1,000-point barrier for Darters

By John Peery
Apopka Chief Staff

Apopka Blue Darters boys basketball coach Scott Williams is in his 26th year of coaching high school basketball in the talent-rich state of Florida. Before this week, he had just two players who hit the rarefied air of 1,000 career points.

Apopka's Nate Louis has joined that elite team, scoring 23 points in leading the Blue Darters to a 64-44 victory over longtime rival West Orange. Louis came into the game needing just eight points to join the 1,000-point club and now has 1,015 with 13 games left in Apopka's regular season.

"It's a very rare thing," Williams said about a high school player scoring more than 1,000 points in his career. Louis turned the feat in about 90 games he has played on Apopka's varsity boys basketball team since his freshman year.

"For a high school player, that's pretty heady stuff because, 1-they either have to be gifted and allowed to be an extraordinary scorer, or 2-they have to have been consistently talented enough to be a big part of varsity for a minimum of three, if not four, years," Williams said.

"In Nate's case, to be good enough as a freshman to be important to us and to play a lot that year

certainly is why he is a highly recruitable, talented young man.

"It's a wonderful accomplishment for him and his family, and neat for our program."

Williams said his teams haven't usually had one player who dominated the scoring side of the ball.

"It's not necessarily by design but how we've been blessed. Typically, we've been balanced by a number of guys who can contribute," Williams said. "They're all willing to share."

While that may keep the number of 1,000-point scorers low, it can be better for the team, Williams said.

"That balance creates a difficulty in being able to play us and that is all because of their willingness to share the ball and play together and to take an average shot and make it good, and take a good shot and make it great by using one another. That's a blessing to be able to coach guys like that."

Louis has worked to better his game, especially from behind the three-point arc.

"He continues to get better. He's a model of consistency," Williams said. "What he's done is he's worked on his game and his ceiling continues to grow.

"Last night (against West Orange) was a perfect example of that. The improvement in his shooting from range has continued to blossom

to where he can now score at all three levels - at the rim, in the mid-range, which I think is still his greatest gift because he's such an exceptional shooter from 17 feet off the dribble, and now becoming a much better catch-and-shoot three-point shooter."

Louis, who's averaging 12.6 points per game, didn't know that he was approaching the 1,000-point mark, and that was by design, Williams said.

"I haven't been saying anything about it. He was totally unaware that it happened. That's because I didn't want him putting any pressure on himself," Williams said. "It was neat that, on a night where he was really, really good offensively and we needed it, that he was able to do that.

"I'm really proud of him and love coaching him. It is easy to come to the gym when your best players are willing to be coached and willing to be challenged. We have had that since I started here, guys who want to be good and want to be great teammates while doing it. It's a lot of fun."

Louis is being recruited to play college basketball and it's yet to be seen where he'll end up, Williams said.

"Without a doubt, he's going to be blessed that, if he takes care of his business in the high school and col-

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Taking off just before a whistle was blown, Nate Louis skies toward the bucket for the Blue Darters.



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NASCAR INSIDER

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Making a mark at Talladega Superspeedway

Bill Elliott's qualifying lap for the 1987 Winston 500 at Talladega Superspeedway saw him post a NASCAR qualifying record speed of 212.809 miles per hour in his No. 9 Ford Thunderbird and forever cemented his reputation as "Awesome Bill."

What many don't remember about that era of stock car speed is that two women, Lyn St. James and Patty Moise, exceeded Elliott's speed at Talladega in specially prepared stock cars.

Elliott's fast lap at Talladega came just prior to the race that marked the end of the era of racing unrestricted engines on NASCAR's fastest tracks.

On the 22nd lap of that Winston 500, Bobby Allison's car went airborne on the frontstretch, ripping down a large swath of the catch-fence and coming perilously close to sailing into the packed grandstands.

After that, NASCAR first mandated smaller carburetors, then soon began slowing speeds with restrictor plates, which have remained in use since that time.



Lyn St. James stands next to her record-setting Ford Thunderbird at Talladega Superspeedway, which she drove to a then-record lap speed of 212.577 mph.

But that wasn't the end of speed records being set at Talladega.

In October 1988, the Elliots helped prepare a special version of the Ford Thunderbird in which St. James toured Talladega at a speed of 212.577 miles per hour, setting the closed-course record at that time for a female driver in a stock car. St. James bested a mark of 204.233 mph that she had set three years earlier in a Ford Mustang Probe GTP Prototype. She also recorded a record top speed of 232.4 mph.

St. James and her fast Ford were back at Talladega last fall, and the car is now on display at the International Motorsports Hall of Fame located on the speedway grounds.

The specially prepared car had a bigger engine than the standard NASCAR power plant, with 377 cubic inches instead of the normal 358.

It had a lower ride height and other aerodynamic features designed to be stock-appearing but also minimizing drag.

In addition to the female speed record, St. James and her crew also set 21 other records (some for females and others for all drivers), but she was unable to achieve one of her main goals, which was to use the speed runs to earn a NASCAR ride.

St. James also wasn't able to hold her closed-course lap record for long, as Moise would post a speed of 216.607 mph in a Buick at Talladega the very next year. Moise then broke her own record in 1990, also at Talladega, with a lap at 217.498 mph.

Moise, the wife of NASCAR vice president Elton Sawyer, was a NASCAR driver for 12 seasons, mostly in the series now known as Xfinity.

St. James, with no prospects in NASCAR, went on to a career as an Indy Car driver and made seven Indy 500 starts, including her first in 1992, when she earned rookie of the year honors with an 11th-place finish. She also was on the winning team twice at the 24 Hours of Daytona, and once at the 12 Hours of Sebring.

When St. James, now 71, was asked during a photo session at Talladega last October to climb back behind the wheel of her old Thunderbird, she was a little hesitant at first.

But after she climbed in, she had a broad smile on her face.

"The seat still fits!" she said.

St. James also recalled some of her thoughts of the day of her historic run.

"The car was so heavy, and the tires were so small," she said. "I didn't have a lot of feel."

"As a race driver, you have to be able to adapt to different kinds of cars, that's your job. But it had this great big steering wheel, and it was so heavy — I couldn't feel a darn thing."

She also said Bill Elliott, who helped tune the car, was a big help during the speed runs.

"I'd come in and ask Bill what to do," St. James said. "He'd say: 'You just have to drive it deep into the turn until it takes a set.'"

"I'd say: 'It doesn't feel like it's going to turn,' and he'd say: 'You just have to wait — it'll turn all right.'"

"Bill is not only an extremely talented race car driver, but he's also known to be able to set up a car and make the adjustments when needed, which was invaluable."

In recent years, St. James worked with young female drivers to develop their careers, but said she'd grown tired of dealing with parents with unrealistic expectations for their children. She now works as a motivational speaker.

Tunnel construction proceeding at Talladega

Despite an unseasonably wet winter, progress is being made on a new oversize tunnel under Turn Three of Talladega Superspeedway.

Track officials say the new tunnel, which is the first major project in a \$50 million Transformation Infield Project, is still set to be ready for the track's next NASCAR weekend, on April 26-28.



Crews work on the new, large tunnel that will provide access to the Talladega infield through Turn Three.

The current tunnel under Turn Four does not offer enough clearance for larger vehicles, but the new tunnel is wider and taller, allowing race team haulers and fans' recreational vehicles to enter the infield without crossing the race track.

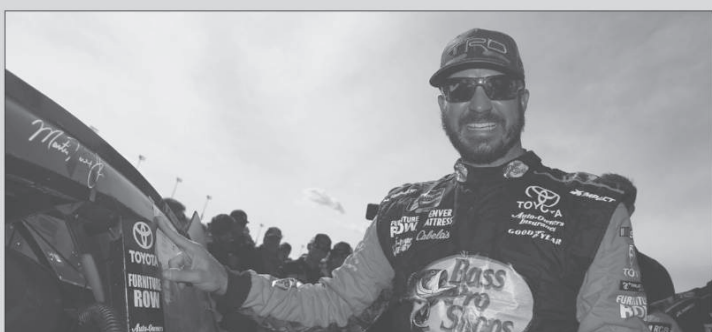
Once completed, it will be open 24 hours a day during race weekends.

Fans can follow the work at Talladega at www.talladegasuperspeedway.com/transformation and watch the view from a construction camera.

Bass Pro Shops to continue sponsorship of Martin Truex after move to Gibbs

Martin Truex Jr.'s longtime sponsor Bass Pro Shops will move with him from the now-shuttered No. 78 team to the No. 19 at Joe Gibbs Racing, the team announced last week.

According to the news release, Bass Pro Shops has signed a multi-year contract, and its logos will be carried on the hood of Truex's car for 24 races this season.



Bass Pro Shops will be the primary sponsor of Martin Truex's No. 19 Toyota at Joe Gibbs Racing for two dozen races next season.

"We're fired up to keep rolling with Martin in 2019," Bass Pro Shops founder Johnny Morris said in the release. "His spirit and passion for hunting and fishing makes him a great ambassador for Bass Pro and the outdoors."

"Martin is a true champion in racing as well as in life, and I'm honored to call him my friend and fishing buddy of more than 15 years."

Daniel Suarez, who drove the No. 19 last year, appears set to join Stewart-Haas Racing.

Sprint car promoter Pete Walton nominated for annual honor

Pete Walton, the founder and promoter of the United Sprint Car Series, has again been nominated for the National Sprint Car Hall of Fame 360 Promoter of the Year.

Walton, an old-school promoter who is known to tack up his own posters when he brings his series to town, has been instrumental in reviving Sprint car racing in the Southeast. His series runs 360-cubic-inch engines, smaller than the 410 engines run in some other series.

In the past two seasons, Walton's circuit has gotten a boost from NASCAR team owner and former driver Tony Stewart, who competed in 15 races and had three victories.

Although he rarely releases his schedule in advance, Stewart is likely to return for more appearances with the USCS in 2019.

The promoter of the year will be announced during the Chili Bowl Nationals festivities on Jan. 14-19.



Pete Walton, right, poses alongside longtime Sprint car driver Red Stauffer at a recent USCS event.

Blaney will appear in an episode of 'Magnum P.I.' on CBS

Ryan Blaney, driver of the No. 12 Ford for Team Penske, has long been known as a driver who will go out of his way to promote the sport of NASCAR.

Later this month, Blaney will appear in an episode of the CBS show "Magnum P.I."

According to a release from CBS, Blaney will guest star as a bounty hunter looking to track down a man accused of murder.

The episode, entitled "Winner Takes All," is scheduled to air on Jan. 30, just after the NFL's AFC Championship Game.

Last year, Blaney appeared in an episode of the NBC series "Taken," and in 2017 he, Brad Keselowski and Joey Logano had small roles in the movie "Logan Lucky."



Roush Fenway, Chip Ganassi shutter Xfinity teams

Two powerhouse NASCAR teams revealed last week that they won't be fielding teams in the Xfinity Series this year. Roush Fenway Racing and Chip Ganassi Racing said they were parking their Xfinity cars, with both citing a lack of funding.

"Due to a lack of sponsorship funding, we will cease operation of the No. 42 Xfinity team in 2019," Chip Ganassi said in a statement posted on Twitter. "This was a difficult decision for me to make, and it comes with much anguish, as this is a championship-caliber team (having won six races and finished second in the owners championship), and more importantly because it affects a number of good people's livelihoods."

"Running a car without proper funding is difficult to do."

The team, which had victories last year with Kyle Larson, Ross Chastain and John Hunter Nemechek driving, had announced plans for Chastain to run the No. 42 full time with sponsorship from DC Solar. But late last year, there were reports in California newspapers that the FBI had raided the home of DC Solar CEO Jeff Carpoif in relation to a tax matter.

Chastain, the son of Florida watermelon farmers, was one of the feel-good stories of 2018 when he earned a part-time ride in the No. 42 and scored his first Xfinity win. His plans for this year were uncertain late last week.

Several NASCAR personalities took to Twitter to express their disappointment at the bad break for Chastain.

"I'm gutted for @RossChastain," wrote driver and TV commentator Regan Smith. "Worked his butt off to get his break and now it's gone before he gets to start it. Good news is he showed his talent and teams have taken notice. It'll work out in the long run for him."

Ganassi will continue to field Cup cars for Larson and Kurt Busch.

Roush Fenway Racing president Steve Newmark confirmed in a SiriusXM NASCAR Radio interview that the team will not field

entries in the Xfinity Series this season.

That's a major departure for the team, which fielded two Xfinity cars in 2018 and has run 1,698 races since its first in 1993, with 137 wins and 96 poles.

Mark Martin was the team's first Xfinity driver and won in two of his first three starts. He went on to win 40 Xfinity races for Roush.

Newmark said a lack of sponsorship was part of the reason for dropping the Xfinity program, and he said the team also wanted to focus its efforts on its two Cup cars. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. is returning to the No. 17 Ford, and Ryan Newman is moving over from Richard Childress Racing to drive the No. 6, which was shared last year by Trevor Bayne and Matt Kenseth. Neither Bayne nor Kenseth has announced any racing plans for this year.



Ross Chastain drove Chip Ganassi Racing's No. 42 Chevy Camaro to victory at Las Vegas in September.

NUMERICALLY SPEAKING

20 Career Xfinity Series wins for car owner Chip Ganassi

286 Career laps led in Xfinity racing by Ross Chastain (270 of them in three starts in the No. 42 of Ganassi)

2 Drivers with multiple Xfinity wins in cars owned by Chip Ganassi (Kyle Larson with nine; Reed Sorenson with three)

5 Drivers who won Xfinity Series championships driving for Roush Fenway Racing (Ricky Stenhouse Jr. with two, and Greg Biffle, Carl Edwards and Chris Buescher with one apiece)

Metro vs. Florida basketball set for four days in Jan.

By John Peery
Apopka Chief Staff

The Apopka Blue Darters boys basketball team will host the ninth annual Metro vs. Florida Challenge Thursday, January 17, through Saturday, January 19, and Monday, January 21, at Joe A. Sterling Gymnasium.

The four-day, 20-game event is the brainchild of Apopka coach Scott Williams who began the event when he was coach at Wekiva High School.

Until 2018, the event was played over Thanksgiving weekend, but has been changed to Martin Luther King Jr. weekend since the beginning of high school basketball in Florida has been pushed to the week after Thanksgiving.

"It's an event that, over the years, has showcased a bunch of great teams and great players," Williams said. "It is a very popular event for college coaches and recruiting services because they can come and watch a bunch of



Apopka's Earl Lombardi goes up for a shot in a Blue Darters' victory.

good basketball and see a bunch of good players play. It's something we're really proud of."

For the Blue Darters, at 10-2 after picking up two wins over the

past week, the event is important as they will be playing two teams from Lake County, state-ranked Eustis and Lake Minneola.

"That event, which is so big for our program and basketball in the area, is also big for us this year and to keep getting better," Williams said.

The event features a Metro Conference team paired against a team from outside the Metro Conference. Orange County Public Schools teams will play teams from across the state as far away as Cape Coral, Lake Wales, and Melbourne.

Three games will be played each evening on Thursday, January 17, and Friday, January 18, with seven games each day on Saturday, January 19, and Monday, January 21, which is the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

January 18 will be Wekiva's night as the Mustangs' boys basketball team will play the Vanguard School out of Lake Wales at 5 p.m. and that will be followed

at 6:30 p.m. by Wekiva's girls basketball team's game against the Apopka Blue Darters girls basketball team.

The Apopka High boys basketball squad will hit the court on January 19 for a 6:30 p.m. game against the Eustis Panthers. Then, on January 21, the Blue Darters will tip off the day's contests with an 11 a.m. game against the Lake Minneola Hawks.

The overall schedule follows:

Thursday, January 17: 5 p.m.-Freedom vs. Windermere Prep; 6:30 p.m.-University vs. Titusville Astronaut; and 8 p.m.-Cypress Creek vs. Master's Academy.

Friday, January 18: 5 p.m.-Wekiva vs. Vanguard School; 6:30 p.m.-Apopka girls vs. Wekiva girls; and 8:30 p.m.-Edgewater vs. Leesburg.

Saturday, January 19: 11 a.m.-Jones vs. Lakeland Kathleen; 12:15 p.m.-Evans vs. Clermont East Ridge; 1:45 p.m.-Lake

Nona vs. Winter Springs; 3:30 p.m.-Olympia vs. Winter Haven; 5 p.m.-Dr. Phillips vs. Melbourne; **6:30 p.m.-Apopka vs. Eustis;** and 8 p.m.-West Orange vs. Auburndale.

Monday, January 21: 11 a.m.-Apopka vs. Lake Minneola; 12:15 p.m.-Colonial vs. Lake Highland Prep; 1:45 p.m.-East River vs. Mount Dora Christian Academy; 3:30 p.m.-Timber Creek vs. Lake Brantley; 5 p.m.-Ocoee vs. Cape Coral Mariner; 6:30 p.m.-Windermere vs. Central Florida Christian Academy; and 8 p.m.-Winter Park vs. The First Academy.

All games will be played at Apopka High School's Joe A. Sterling Gymnasium.

"We hope the folks will want to come out next weekend and see some really good basketball," Williams said. "It's only \$10 a day for all the games that day or \$15 for the whole event. That's the best deal around. We're really proud of that event."

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In the period from January 1-7, the Apopka Police Department received 1,272 calls for assistance, responded to 17 crashes, is-

sued 47 citations, and made 18 arrests. Of the arrests, none were juvenile arrests.

The following were arrested and charged:

Luis Angel Alicea Hernandez, 38, 1197 S. Christiana Ave., Apopka, drug equipment-possess and/or use, larceny-retail theft/shoplifting petit 1st offense 2nd degree 1st offense, vehicle theft-grand theft of motor vehicle.

Erick A. Amador, 21, 4739 Holliday Ln., Orlando, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license.

Henry Lee Brown, 52, 215 W. 7th St., Apopka, drugs-possess cocaine, marijuana-possess not more than 20 grams.

Jillian Mary Eschenbrenner, 34, 951 S. Apopka Blvd., Apopka, larceny-petit 1st offense.

Anthony Austin Faircloth, 22, 3000 Clarcona Rd., Apopka, drug-possess controlled substance without prescription includes marijuana over 20 grams, trespassing-fail to leave property upon order by owner.

Lakaisha Dauzanee Francois, 23, confidential address, Apopka, contempt of court-violation injunction protection domestic violence.

Leonardo Lee Garcia Santiago, 31, 596 Conure St., Apopka, drug equipment-possess and/or use, loitering or prowling, marijuana-possess not more than 20 grams.

Cory E. Johnson, 26, transient, Apopka, larceny-retail theft/shoplifting petit theft 2nd degree third or subsequent offense.

Mark Allen Lee, 37, 3000 Clarcona Rd., Lot 501, Apopka, loitering or prowling.

Nicole Yvette Lester, 35, 1433 Rosecliff Cir., Sanford, robbery-no firearm or weapon.

Melissa Cassandra Lewis, 40, 713 E. Magnolia St., Apopka, drug equip-

ment-possess and/or use, drugs-possess methamphetamine.

Author Lee Manning, 27, 3030 Overland Rd., Apopka, battery on officer or firefighter etc., larceny-retail theft/shoplifting petit 1st offense 2nd degree 1st offense, resist officer-obstruct without violence, trespassing-fail to leave property upon order by owner.

Marrio Correlly Miles, 39, 139 W. 8th St. 5, Apopka, battery-touch or strike, larceny-petit 1st offense, larceny-resist arrest commit theft resist recovery of property, robbery-no firearm or weapon.

Tyler Lee Mrowczyn-

ski, 24, 2014 Section Dr., Apopka, drug equipment-possess and/or use, marijuana-possess not more than 20 grams, out-of-county warrant.

Nichole Frances Nulls, 33, 3125 Kathleen Ave., Eatonville, out-of-county warrant.

Manuel Gonzalez Ramos, 33, 31418 SR 44, Eustis, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license, out-of-county warrant.

John C. Summers, 48, 1532 Lawson Palm Ct., Apopka, traffic offense-DUI alcohol or drugs.

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Apopka Blue Darters walk all over the Warriors 64-44



Blue Darter's John Latimer III stops and pops a three against the West Orange Warriors on Tuesday night.



Apopka's Zach Anderson drives into a wall of orange as the Darters cruise to a 64-44 victory.



West Orange's Skylar Helmuth defends against Keaving Etienne with his finger tips during Tuesday's game.



Keaving Etienne rises to the hoop as a floating Nigel Brown grabs his arm from behind fouling him during Apopka's victory.



Zach Anderson dribbles through a thicket of West Orange arms swiping at the ball during Apopka's 64-44 victory over the Warriors.



Apopka Blue Darters coach Scott Williams points from the sideline to a player as Apopka sweeps past West Orange for another victory.



A West Orange defender fails to stop Keaving Etienne as he dribbles through the team and takes the ball to the basket.



John Latimer III takes the ball to board with two hands in Apopka dominant victory over West Orange.



Apopka's Keaving Etienne flips a shot back over a Warrior as he jumps away from the hoop.



Nate Louis stretches out for the basket as finger rolls a layup during Apopka's 64-44 victory.

Photos by Alex Olivera

Mustangs destroy Freedom High School 63-45



Michael James (15) and Terrence McClain (1) leap above Patriots as Xavier Christian (11) looks on.



Wekiva's Jayden Battle leaps high over his teammates to snag a rebound on Monday, January 7.



Terrence McClain makes an attempt at a layup as Wekiva topples Freedom 63-45.



Terrence McClain and a Freedom Patriots player get tangled up with one another as they lunge for a loose ball on Monday night January 7.



Wekiva Mustangs' Donovan Stokes reaches way into the sky for a rebound that bounces over and beyond his reach during the Monday night game.



Issac Laster drives to the basket between two Patriots players during Wekiva's 63-45 victory.



Coach Gersino Lubin calmly watches as his team dispatches Freedom.



Xavier Christian sets for a shot over a Freedom player.



Jayden Battle shoots a set of free throws during the game.

Photos by Tammy Keaton and Neal Fisher

Wekiva High Mustangs boys soccer falls to Cypress Creek



The Wekiva Mustangs boys soccer team fell to Cypress Creek Monday, January 7, in the first game of 2019. No roster is available.



Photos by Kiara Keaton

Wekiva High girls basketball team start 2019 with victory

By Neal Fisher
Apopka Chief Staff

The Rob Moramarco Challenge was exactly what the Wekiva Mustangs needed after the outcome of the previous outing was a disappointing loss.

By a 64-59 margin, the Miramar Patriots were defeated. And the overall record increased to 11-4.

Six contests were played throughout the day at Flagler Palm Coast High School on Saturday, January 4.

“Well-organized and enjoyed is my description of the event,” Mustangs coach Tommie Butts said. “Preparing for the postseason was facilitated by par-

ticipating. We got what was needed at this juncture of the season and within the context of working on the negatives which could cost us during the postseason.”

After missing a season and change due to knee injury, Alexis Choice returned to the line-up last month. Choice was a force for the first time since returning as 18 points were tallied along with 11 rebounds and three charges drawn on offense. Another combined 34 points were added by Emmy James and Danesha Boles.

“Winning was important after losing the final of the Florida Prospects Holiday tournament,” Butts said. “Why we lost

and won is more important though. Too many opportunities were not converted into points or stops on the defensive end. Some of which can be attributed to players out of the line-up due to injuries. Tonight was a much different story.”

The fourth quarter began with Wekiva scoring 12 consecutive points and was the difference.

Turnovers committed by the Patriots were turned into transition opportunities and successful lay-up attempts on the first two possessions. Thrown behind the player, pass-ports were intercepted. Then consecutive field goal attempts from outside the paint and off-balance were

taken by Miramar. With long rebounds, more transition opportunities were created and ended again with lay-ups. Two successful free throw attempts by Choice brought the total of successive points to 12. The score was 58-48 when the run ended.

“Full court pressure created the turnovers to begin with and then put us in the position to continue the run by creating more transition opportunities,” Butts said. “In this case, the decision to use the full-court pressure was executed without hesitation and according to the plan of wearing the opponent down. Damage could still have been minimized

if the Patriots had kept playing the same way before the turnovers. A couple of unproductive possessions in which steps taken backwards could have been overcome.

“Mental clarity and focus wasn’t nearly as sharp. Instead, execution of a high-level which had facilitated gaining the lead reverted and more bad play followed. Those field goal attempts were missed simply because rushed.”

Four points was the largest lead held by the Patriots throughout the first three quarters. And Wekiva never possessed the lead. After 24 minutes, the score was 48-46.

The lead remained at

a minimum of seven until the last possession. A three-point field goal attempt was converted by the Patriots at the buzzer.

Geographical and District 9A-3 rival, West Orange traveled to Wekiva for the next contest.

The Mustangs were atop the district standings with a 3-0 record and by one game. Home-and-home series are held for all teams in District 9A-3. The first half of the series have been completed.

The contest was missed by Myanna Garrett and Sedayjah Payne.

“Myanna and Sedayjah getting healthy and returning is the most significant priority,” Butts said.

Mustangs win once in holiday tournament played in Miami

By Neal Fisher
Apopka Chief Staff

Played during the first weekend of the new calendar year, the purpose of the Wekiva Mustangs participating in the Adidas Holiday Slam was to build team chemistry as well as bonding.

“Several contests need to be played before deciding if the goal was successfully met,” Mustangs coach Gersino Lubin said. “A lot of work and a long way to go regardless was ascertained during the Slam though.”

Victory was taken over

the Mater Lakes Academy Bears (Miami) by a score of 62-50. The Columbus Tigers (Lake City) and Coral Springs Colts walked off Florida Christian’s court with victories. Florida Christian is located in Miami.

“This team is very focused and has a great work ethic,” Lubin said. “There is a pride in being dedicated to the cause and effort isn’t a question. However, the effort isn’t always properly directed. Not being used towards winning or even creating the position from which winning is possible is the result far more

the result of the effort than meaningful. We still have to learn expending effort in a negative vs. positive manner.

“In particular during the second contest, the energy was used in a positive manner and we put together the kind of play which best suits the strengths possessed. Too many stretches of time in which the effort wasn’t as properly directed was the underlying cause of the reasons for the losing the two other contests. All which can be said right now is perhaps in time the team chemistry and bonding will develop and subsequently

the inconsistencies which have plagued us all season disappear.”

Columbus and Coral Springs scored on the first possession and never trailed. The deficit steadily increased throughout the contests and ended at 59-49 and 73-46, respectively. Statistics also reflected the state of the program.

“After taking the trip to Miami we were sluggish and a step slow during the first contest,” Lubin said. “And then Columbus passes the ball at an efficient rate. Every pass had purpose. The combination isn’t going to result in vic-

tories against the average opponent, let alone the top echelon.

“Too many mistakes and the most recent example of the effort not being directed properly fostering the mistakes was the story against the Colts. Terrence (McClain) kept us close enough to have an opportunity to win during the first half. Then the opportunity to win was kept alive by Michael (James). Scoring wasn’t coming from anyone else. And as is normal, both simply ran out of gas having to shoulder the entire load of scoring. One player scoring isn’t going

to win contests either. That position in which points could be scored was created, but mistakes prevented the last step of taking the attempt. Defensively, help on the weak side was missing.”

McClain and James accounted for over 85 percent of the points during both contests.

Percentage for field goal attempts was over 47 by both opponents. During the runs putting the opponents ahead for good at the beginning of the contests, over 60 percent of the field goal attempts were converted.

2019 starts well for local teams and especially for Nate Louis

The new year started off pretty good for both the Apopka High and Wekiva High boys basketball teams.

Both claimed double-digit victories in the first full week of 2019.

For Wekiva, the Mustangs got a much-needed victory over Freedom as the team looks to continue its improvement. Wekiva now has a few days off before jumping back into District 9A-3 play with a home game against West Orange on Tuesday, January 15.

The Blue Darters not only won on Friday, January 4, at Central Florida Christian Academy, but thumped rival West Orange by 20 to improve to 10-2 overall and 3-0 in district play.

Apopka is playing pretty well right now and nothing demonstrates that more than senior wingman Nate Louis breaking the 1,000-point barrier for his career as a Darter.

That’s quite an accomplishment for a high school basketball player. Louis has played varsity basketball since his freshman year, so he’s into his fourth season, but he’s also had the consistency and ability to put the ball in the hoop so he could meet that mark.

Louis came into the game against West Orange with 992 career points and clipped the 1,000-point mark before the first quarter ended as he posted 10 points in the



John Peery
Peery’s Extra Points

opening period.

Apopka coach Scott Williams knew that Louis was very close to the mark, but hadn’t mentioned it to Louis so that the senior wouldn’t feel pressed to get over the hump. That paid off as Louis was silky smooth throughout the game, but especially early. He ended the night with a game-high 23 points.

Congrats are in order for Louis and the entire team.

That is quite an accomplishment.

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Terrific Tigers

There’s not a lot to say about Clemson’s 44-16 beat-down of Alabama other than it was a ... beatdown.

I’m not sure even the most passionate and optimistic Clemson fan could have seen that one coming, but it was one that I enjoyed.

The Tigers just ripped apart an Alabama team that had steamrolled its way through the regular season and then had taken care of Oklahoma in the semifinals. There was, however, a bit of uneasiness that had reared

itself in that game after Alabama had taken a 28-0 only to see Oklahoma come back and make it a little bit of a game.

Clemson fully exposed that weakness, which, of all places, was on the defensive side of the ball.

The Tigers were fully locked and loaded while Alabama’s players looked like they didn’t know what hit them.

I imagine that Tuesday morning was a somber one from the Gulf Coast to the northern stretches of Alabama and it will be interesting to see how many bandwagon fans jump off only to get back on when Alabama gets back to its winning ways.

Clemson, meanwhile, has it all going and Dabo Swinney, an Alabama alum, is king of the mountain right now. As a Tennessee guy, I’m not exactly fond of Alabama, but Swinney is one of three Alabama alums who are head coaches for whom I root. The other is David Cutcliffe at Duke. If you know his story, you know why I like and respect him. The third, of course, is Tennessee head coach Jeremy Pruitt.

Both are great men and outstanding mentors of young men. And they’re not bad football coaches.

Congrats to Clemson and all the Tiger fans. This is one of the best teams ever

in college football and their 15-0 proves it.

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NFL playoffs

I was just 1-3 in my picks of last weekend’s NFL playoff games, but that’s not unusual. Indianapolis completely dominated Houston while the Chargers moved the ball at will against the Ravens but did little more than kick field goals and had to hold on for the win. The double-doink in Chicago doomed that pick.

The only game I got right was Dallas’ win over Seattle.

On to this weekend’s games.

AFC Divisional game, Saturday, January 12, 4:35 p.m., NBC, Indianapolis Colts (11-6) at Kansas City Chiefs (12-4): This one features one of the hottest teams going, Indy, against one of the better, more consistent teams all season. It also pits two of the better quarterbacks in the league against one another, meaning it’s likely to be a fairly high-scoring game, at least by NFL standards. While the Colts are on a roll behind quarterback Andrew Luck, I find it hard to go against the Chiefs at home. Kansas City has lost just once at home and that was by a point to the Chargers, who are proving to be pretty good themselves.

This could be an exciting one to watch, but I think Patrick Mahomes and the Chiefs will come out on top. **Kansas City 34-Indianapolis 32.**

NFC Divisional game, Saturday, January 12, 8:15 p.m., FOX, Dallas Cowboys (11-6) at Los Angeles Rams (13-3): This sounds like an old-school playoff matchup with the Cowboys and Rams battling it out. I can see Tom Landry and Chuck Knox matching wits on the sideline, but these are new times and, while the Cowboys did a good job in beating Seattle last week, I think that the Rams have just too much firepower for Dallas. Like Kansas City, Los Angeles has lost just once at home this season and that was to Philadelphia, which really needed that game late in the season to even qualify for the playoffs. I think Dallas will do OK, but I would expect the Rams to pull away late and win convincingly, at least as far as the final score goes. **Los Angeles 30-Dallas 20.**

AFC Divisional game, Sunday, January 13, 1:05 p.m., CBS, Los Angeles Chargers (13-4) at New England Patriots (11-5): While I must give the Patriots credit for winning the AFC East for what seems like the 29th time in a row (actually, it’s 10 in a row and 15 of the past 16), I don’t think this New England team has what it will take to even get to the Super Bowl, much less win it. In fact, I don’t

think the Patriots will make it past this game. I know that quarterback Tom Brady and coach Bill Belichick are money in the playoffs, but I think there are chinks in the armor and that the Pats are on the downhill slope of their dynasty. The Chargers, under quarterback Philip Rivers, are having a great season and are unbeaten outside Los Angeles. The only road game the Chargers have lost was to the Rams, another L.A. team. I wouldn’t be surprised to see the Patriots hold serve at home, but I’m not expecting them to. **Los Angeles 27-New England 24.**

NFC Divisional game, Sunday, January 13, 4:40 p.m., FOX, Philadelphia Eagles (10-7) at New Orleans Saints (13-3): Just like the Chiefs, the Saints have been strong all season with a high-powered offense led by Drew Brees. That’s nothing new but New Orleans’ defense has been at least decent this season. I just don’t think the Eagles have enough offense in the tank to outscore the Saints. Plus, I like the idea that a former Blue Darter, defensive end Trey Hendrickson, plays for the Saints. In his second season with the Saints, I’d love to see him end up with a Super Bowl ring. If he does, that ride starts now and I think the Saints will win fairly handily. **New Orleans 34-Philadelphia 23.**



Blue Darters fall to Lk. Brantley, 4-0



The Apopka Blue Darters boys soccer team fell to Lake Brantley, 4-0, in a match played on Monday, January 7. A numerical roster for Apopka was not available.

Photos by Ken Rojo

West Orange downs Wekiva girls basketball team, 54-39

By Neal Fisher
Apopka Chief Staff

Another chapter was added to the recipe being consistent for the Wekiva Mustangs' losses when the West Orange Warriors provided the opposition last Wednesday, January 9. The final score was 54-39.

Both teams now have 3-1 records and are tied atop the District 9A-3 standings. Overall records are 11-5 for Wekiva and 14-3 for West Orange.

Most noteworthy though, a stretch in which the lack of fundamental execution has left the Mustangs average for the first time in six seasons. Over the last six contests, the re-

cord is 3-3.

"There is a clear pattern," Wekiva coach Tommie Butts said. "During each loss, failing to convert opportunities to make plays which significantly impact the direction of the contest into fruition was the reason.

"Opportunities to create plays putting teams in position to or prevent opponents from scoring were not completed. The first several steps were executed but not the last."

Scoring by means of the lay-up about halfway through the first quarter, Morgan Beachum broke what was a 5-5 tie.

The points were the first of nine consecutive and the Warriors never

trailed again.

"The most tangible proof of inconsistent execution's impact was a run which cuts the lead to less than seven points as well as generating an opportunity to win in the closing minutes was not sustained. In particular and again, successfully executing the last step was inconsistent.

"And so many were of the brain-cramp kind. For example, about a dozen times the ball was turned over by the Warriors. Then we turned the ball over on the subsequent possession. Violations were committed twice when inbounding the ball. Or West Orange's percentage for two-point field goal attempts was 58.9,

which means a lot were lay-ups and uncontested. Help defense was not a priority."

While West Orange went in front and controlled the means by which the contest was played, the possessions at the end of the third quarter tangibly determined the outcome. Another nine consecutive points were scored by the Warriors. The lead had been cut to 31-29 with about 1:30 left in third quarter.

Wide open on the left wing, Kennedy Rogers drained a trey. The second of the two inbound violations was then committed. This time, Kristina Kline was unguarded when receiving the inbound pass. Turning four consecutive

points into nine over the course of about 15 seconds and as the quarter came to a close was completed with the easy lay-up Butts referred to.

"There is a big difference in the strategy employed between six and 11 points behind," Butts said. "We didn't commit the sole mistake of stepping on the line when passing the ball inbound. A mistake was compounded by a second. West Orange's lead went from being challenged to comfortable. Bottom line, whatever possibility of sustaining a rally was over when the lead grew to 11 points. More risks have to be taken. Every possession is more critical. Play-

ing with the pressure of not having any room for mistakes has to be overcome."

No more than two consecutive points were tallied by the Mustangs during the fourth quarter.

Scores were 11-7, 32-17 and 40-29 after each quarter, respectively.

"For starters or most noticeably, too many early field goal attempts were taken and the offense was rushed in general," Butts said.

"The ball watching bug continued too."

All of which was further exemplified by field goal percentage. Wekiva converted only seven of 28 two-point field goal attempts or 25 percent.

Specks are bitin' in Lake Monroe, Lake Jesup, St. Johns River

Hello Folks,

Well, we have started off the New Year and, hopefully, you got a chance to try out that new rod and reel you got for Christmas. If you haven't, now is a good time to get on the water and do some fishin'. The specks are bitin' and the bass fishin' is in transition.

Davis over at Bitters Bait and Tackle reports that folks are catchin' some nice specks in Lake Monroe and Lake Jesup. If you go to Lake Monroe, try driftin' open water with jigs tipped with a minner. Some



Jim Keck
Goin' Fishin'

folks are catchin' some specks just on minners either free-linin' or fishin' 'em under a cork.

If you want to catch some specks in the St. Johns River, Davis reports to fish the pads in the river.

Keep movin' from pad field to pad field until you find the specks. Once they quit bitin', move to the next set of pads and you should be able to catch some enough keeper specks for supper.

As I said earlier, the bass fishin' is in transition. We have been gettin' some cooler weather and then it warms up and the bass can't figure out what to do. We need a couple of weeks of some cooler weather so the bass can figure out what they want to do.

We have a full moon comin' up on Monday, January 21. I'm gettin' some

reports that the bass are startin' to make a few beds but there aren't any bass on 'em yet. So that said, some bass are gettin' ready to spawn this month.

If you want to catch some bass now, try fishin' the Harris Chain. You will do best with shiners fished along the shoreline cover or driftin' open water around the submerged hydrilla and eel-grass beds.

You can also catch some bass in the Butler Chain on shiners. Most folks are driftin' with shiners in open water over the

submerged hydrilla and eel-grass beds. You can catch some bass on chatter-baits and Bitters Vibe worm. The best color has been watermelon with red glitter. Davis reports that she is catchin' some bass in deeper water on Rat-L-Traps fished over the submerged hydrilla and eel-grass beds.

Rick and I fished a local lake yesterday and we caught 12 bass on a variety of baits.

We didn't catch any big 'uns, but Rick did catch a nice two-pounder. We caught our bass

on swim-baits, and plastic worms. The best color that we caught our bass on was watermelon with red glitter and green pumpkin. We caught them around the pads and near shoreline cover like pads and clumps of eel-grass. We caught a few bass fishin' deeper water around the submerged eel-grass patches.

Well, that's it for this week. I hope to see you on the water.

Tip of the week: go fishin'.

Save a few and good luck!

Apopka: Darters will host Metro vs. Florida Challenge next weekend

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had a really, really good third quarter and took control of the game."

Apopka had a 16-0 run through a four-and-a-half minute run of the third to lock down the victory.

As a team, the Blue Darters had 16 steals and nine blocks, seven of them by Anderson, who also had five of the steals.

"Our length defensively was really good tonight. We were really active in the passing lanes and really good on the glass. We affected a lot of shots and that's been something that's been important for us all year long," Williams said.

"Our bigs rotated great tonight and were active and long at the rim and affected a lot of shots. That, and I thought we did a good job in mixing in our traps and keeping them off-balance. That allowed us to get some easy baskets in transition.

"For Earl Lombardi, our young big, that's a defense that he's having to work and learn, and I thought he was really good at it in the third quarter. His

ability to be good in the middle of that run we were still giving Nate and Keeving and Zach a little bit of rest. I'm so happy for Earl. He did a good job in there."

The halfcourt traps paid off on the scoreboard and that was reflected in Apopka's 18 fastbreak points. West Orange scored just four points in transition.

For the game, the Blue Darters shot 46 percent from the floor and 78 percent (14-of-18) from the free throw line.

"There were stretches when we shot it really well because we were doing a really good job in transition with some early offense getting some stuff quickly and then I thought there were stretches when we did a wonderful job moving the basketball, getting it to the third side, getting it to the paint and getting good scoring opportunities," Williams said.

"Then, there were some stretches when I thought we were a little bit dribble-happy and a little stand-around-happy, and we're not nearly as good

when we do that. Some of that is a credit to West Orange and their athleticism and length as well. We shot it well as we moved it well."

Coach Williams noted that West Orange was without three of its normal starters, although one of them, Darrell Harding, is an early enrollee at Duke University as a football player.

"They were a little short-handed tonight with three starters out," Williams said. "We know that they will be a lot better offensively the next time we see them, but I thought it was a really fine effort by our guys tonight and we're thrilled."

Joining Louis in double figures was Anderson, who had 11 points. Latimer posted 9, while Etienne had 8. Other Apopka scorers were: Gatling (6 points), Isaac Joseph (3), and Jacob Hall and Lombardi (2 each).

Apopka 61, CFCA 58

Over the final minute of the third quarter and the first 3-1/2 minutes of the fourth, the Blue Darters

outscored the host Central Florida Christian Academy Eagles 15-3, turning a 48-41 deficit into a 56-51 lead as Apopka defeated CFCA 61-58 on Friday, January 4.

It was the first game in 13 days for the Blue Darters who didn't play in a holiday tournament over the two-week break. Apopka coach Scott Williams said the contest helped the Blue Darters knock off some rust before getting back into the meat of their schedule.

"It was a really good basketball game," Williams said. "They're a good team. They did a lot of things that can really challenge you. We didn't execute well, but I thought our effort was really good. That's a big deal."

As always, the coach did see some things that need improving.

"The little things - getting stops in the half-court, being strong with the basketball, rebounding the basketball a little bit better - we've got to focus on those things coming out of the break," Williams said.

The Blue Darters started off just fine, scoring the first six points of the game, but then gave up the next 10 in a row before sixth man Rudy Gatling hit a trey to end CFCA's scoring streak.

The Eagles stayed ahead of the Blue Darters through the rest of the first half, eventually taking a 31-24 halftime lead.

CFCA's man-to-man half-court trapping defense gave the Blue Darters fits as Apopka's top two scorers, Nate Louis and Zach Anderson, combined for just five points over the first two periods. Gatling led the Blue Darters in the first half, scoring all eight of his points in the first and second quarters. He hit two three-pointers to boost the Darters.

CFCA upped its lead to eight a couple of times in the third quarter before the Blue Darters went on an 11-3 run to tie the game at 39-39 on Keeving Etienne's bucket with 2:49 left

in the third period. CFCA, however, responded with a 7-0 run of its own before Apopka finished the third quarter with a 7-2 spurt to pull to within 48-46 by the end of the period.

That's when Apopka took control of the game as the Blue Darters took a 53-51 lead on a steal and bucket by Louis with 5:33 left in the fourth period. Apopka never relinquished the lead after that.

After a couple of turnovers by the Blue Darters with about three minutes left, Apopka also got defensive stops to keep a narrow lead.

That lead doubled from three points to six when Etienne, a post player, nailed a three-pointer from the left wing. It was just the second three-point field goal try for Etienne and the first he's made, but it was huge for the Blue Darters as the bucket gave Apopka a 59-53 lead with 2:17 left.

CFCA quickly scored five straight to pull to within one at 59-58, but Apopka point guard John Latimer III secured the victory with a driving layup for a bucket with 45 seconds remaining.

Apopka's defense did the rest of the work for the Blue Darters' ninth win in 11 games.

Four Blue Darters hit double figures as Apopka had balanced scoring. Louis topped the team with 13 points, while Etienne, Anderson, and Latimer all had 12 points each. Gatling ended with 8 points, while Jacob Hall and Earl Lombardi had 2 each.

As a team, Apopka shot 59 percent from the field, hitting 26-of-44. As a team, Apopka had 15 assists on the 26 made shots. Latimer led with four.

Jordan Preaster of CFCA led all scorers with 26 points.

"It's a good win on the road against a good team," coach Williams said. "For that, I'm really thankful. It's easier to learn lessons after a close win than the disappointment of a close

loss. I'm disappointed in some of the ways we didn't execute very well. Hopefully, as a staff we can help them clean it up."

What's ahead

The schedule doesn't get any easier as the Blue Darters will visit Dr. Phillips, today, Friday, January 11, for a 7:30 p.m. contest. The Panthers are coached by Apopka High alumnus and former basketball player Daniel Batchelor.

The Blue Darters then face the Oviedo Lions on Saturday, January 12, at 5 p.m. in a neutral-site contest at Mount Dora Christian Academy in the Nathan Hayes Challenge, a one-day event.

It's back to District 9A-3 action for the Blue Darters on Wednesday, January 16, when Apopka travels to Evans. The Trojans will be looking to avenge a 53-32 loss to Apopka on December 4.

After that, the Blue Darters will host the four-day Metro vs. Florida Challenge that will be played Thursday, January 17, Friday, January 18, Saturday, January 19, and Monday, January 21.

The Blue Darters will host Eustis on Saturday, January 19, at 6:30 p.m., and Lake Minneola on Monday, January 21, at 11 a.m.

There are three games on Thursday, January 17, and three on Friday, January 18, beginning at 5 p.m. on both days. On Saturday, January 19, and Monday, January 21, there are seven games each day starting at 11 a.m. with the final game set for 8 p.m. each day.

The Apopka and Wekiva girls basketball teams will play each other on Friday, January 18, at 6:30 p.m. as part of the Metro vs. Florida Challenge.

Tickets are \$10 per day and \$15 for the entire event.

All Metro vs. Florida Challenge games will be played in Apopka High School's Joe A. Sterling Gymnasium.

Points: He'll sign with college after season

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lege classroom he's going to be able to earn a college degree without an cost to him or his family any money," Williams said.

"He's going to be playing college basketball. Whether it's at the high Division II level or the low Division I level based on how he finishes the year academically. The recruit-

ment has been varied and extensive. As he and his family are being patient, so are schools to allow this season to play out and for his academics to play out. He's already qualified for Division II. He's working and having a great year toward qualifying for Division I.

"I think the best thing about it is Nathan is grounded enough, his mom

and dad are just wonderful people and have done a tremendous job raising him, and have turned him into a really fine young man. They are a family that is not worried about the name on the front of the jersey and its level.

"I'm very confident that whatever decision they make it will be one that he really enjoys," Williams said.

entirety of the practices and the contests. There isn't a lack of effort or fight from this team. However, the direction in which the effort is applied isn't always useful or meaningful."

District 9A-4 rival West Orange will travel to Wekiva next Monday, January 15 for the next contest.

Wekiva: Mustangs had 44 rebounds

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Attempts at halftime were 34-24 and 58-46 total.

At the top of the reasons for more attempts list was offensive rebounds. Seven more offensive rebounds were grabbed by the Mustangs during the first half and turned into 12

points. Wekiva held an advantage of 44-31 for all rebounds.

"Breaking the cycle of losing is so hard," Lubin said. "This victory is indicative of the level and how much more is required than the normal amount.

"Everyone is putting in the effort throughout the

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AHS girls soccer thumps Lake Howell, 7-1



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The Apopka Blue Darters girls soccer team whipped Lake Howell, 7-1, on Tuesday, January 8, running the overall record to 9-4. In the picture at the left, Madison Tryon controls the ball while in the picture above, Brook Schulz battles a Lake Howell player for possession of the ball. Apopka's next home game will be on January 16 against Mount Dora.

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UF researchers were awarded \$194K grant

By Beverly James
UF Journalist

Researchers with the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences have been awarded a two-year grant for \$194,000 to breed varieties of hops that can grow in Florida.

The researchers, based at the UF/IFAS Mid Florida Research and Education Center in Apopka, said the grant will help continue their work to bring an alternative crop to the state. Hops are a vital component in brewing beer, and the craft beer industry has exploded in recent years.

"The 195 craft breweries across Florida produce 1.3 million barrels of beer and add \$3.1 million to the state's economy," said Brian Pearson, assistant professor of environmental horticulture. "This makes hops an attractive alternative cash crop for Florida growers seeking to di-



(Photo Credit: Camila Guillen)

Researchers at UF/IFAS will work to bring an alternative crop to the state thanks to a two-year grant.

versify their farm portfolio."

The team is comprised of lead researcher Alfred Huo, an assistant professor whose research focuses on breeding ornamental plants and vegetables using biotechnology such as CRISPR; Roger Kjelgren, director of the UF/IFAS Mid Florida Research and Education Center; Lance Osborne, an entomology professor who specializes in invasive pests and the use of insects to manage them; and Pearson, who will focus on manipulating plant

hormones to produce Florida-friendly varieties.

With the help of grants and private financial and in-kind donations, UF/IFAS researchers across the state are cultivating hops varieties to see which ones will grow in Florida, Pearson said. But scientists quickly realized that Florida's days are too short to grow a substantial yield of hops with current available varieties.

"Hops need 16 hours of daylight during the growing season, and the longest

our days get in Florida is 14 hours. So, we are seeing 100 pounds per acre produced in Florida," Pearson said. "But, in the Pacific Northwest where days are longer, they are producing in excess of 1,500 pounds per acre.

"The solution is to breed a new variety that does not need as much sunlight."

Interest in the UF/IFAS research has reached international shores. Scientists from Brazil, which has a climate similar to Florida's, are interested in the team's breeding efforts. "Our breeding a new variety would be huge, not just for Florida, but also for other countries that pay an exorbitant amount of money to import hops," Pearson said.

Researchers will use the grant to do just that, Huo said. Still, he cautions growers and craft beer brewers to exercise patience. "It can take five to seven years to get a new variety," Huo said. "But it will be worth the wait."



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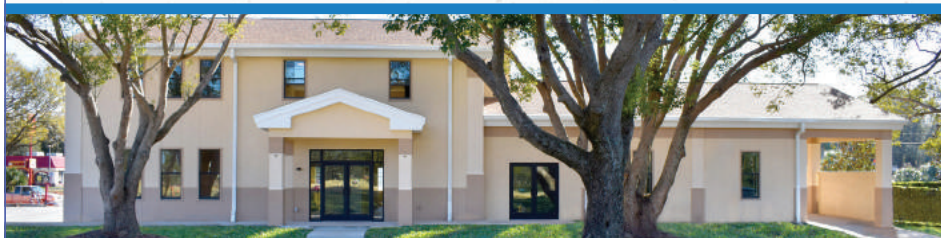
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A reminder of the significance of the Statue of Liberty in U.S.

Agreement between France and U.S.

The Statue of Liberty was a joint effort between France and the United States, intended to commemorate the lasting friendship between the peoples of the two nations.

The French sculptor Frederic-Auguste Bartholdi created the statue itself out of sheets of hammered copper, while Alexandre-Gustave Eiffel, the man behind the famed Eiffel Tower, designed the statue's steel framework.

The Statue of Liberty was then given to the United States and erected atop an American-designed pedestal on a small island in Upper New York Bay, now known as Liberty Island, and dedicated by President Grover Cleveland in 1886.

Over the years, the statue stood tall as millions of immigrants arrived in America via nearby Ellis Island; in 1986, it underwent an extensive renovation in honor of the centennial of its dedication. Today, the Statue of Liberty remains an enduring symbol of freedom and democracy, as well as one of the world's most recognizable landmarks.

Origins of the Statue of Liberty

Around 1865, as the American Civil War drew to a close, the French historian Edouard de Laboulaye proposed that France create a statue to give to the United States in celebration of that nation's success in building a viable democracy. The sculp-

tor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, known for largescale sculptures, earned the commission; the goal was to design the sculpture in time for the centennial of the Declaration of Independence in 1876. The project would be a joint effort between the two countries—the French people were responsible for the statue and its assembly, while the Americans would build the pedestal on which it would stand — and a symbol of the friendship between their peoples.

Due to the need to raise funds for the statue, work on the sculpture did not begin until 1875. Bartholdi's massive creation, ti-

led "Statue of Liberty Enlightening the World," depicted a woman holding a torch in her raised right hand and a tablet in her left, upon which was engraved "July 4, 1776," the adoption date of the Declaration of Independence.

Bartholdi, who was said to have modeled the woman's face after that of his mother, hammered large copper sheets to create the statue's "skin" (using a technique called repousse). To create the skeleton on which the skin would be assembled, he called on Alexandre-Gustave Eiffel, designer of Paris' Eiffel Tower. Along with Eugène-Emmanuel Viollet-le-Duc, Eiffel

built a skeleton out of iron pylon and steel that allowed the copper skin to move independently, a necessary condition for the strong winds it would endure in the chosen location of New York Harbor.

Statue of Liberty: Assembly and Dedication

While work went on in France on the actual statue, fundraising efforts continued in the United States for the pedestal, including contests, benefits and exhibitions. Near the end, the leading New York newspaperman Joseph Pulitzer used his paper, *The World*, to raise the last necessary funds.

Designed by the American architect Richard Morris Hunt, the statue's pedestal was constructed inside the courtyard of Fort Wood, a fortress built for the War of 1812 and located on Bedloe's Island, off the southern tip of Manhattan in Upper New York Bay.

In 1885, Bartholdi completed the statue, which was disassembled, packed in more than 200 crates, and shipped to New York, arriving that June aboard the French frigate *Iser*.

Over the next four months, workers reassembled the statue and mounted it on the pedestal; its height reached 305 feet (or 93 meters), including the pedestal. On October 28, 1886, President Grover Cleveland officially dedicated the Statue of Liberty in front of thousands of spectators.



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Scientists are studying animals in their...

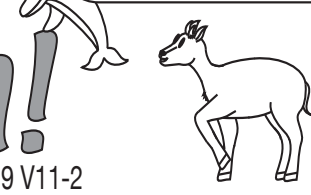


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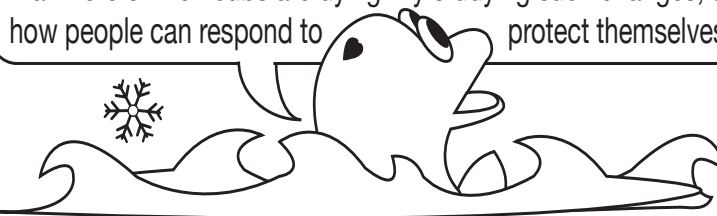
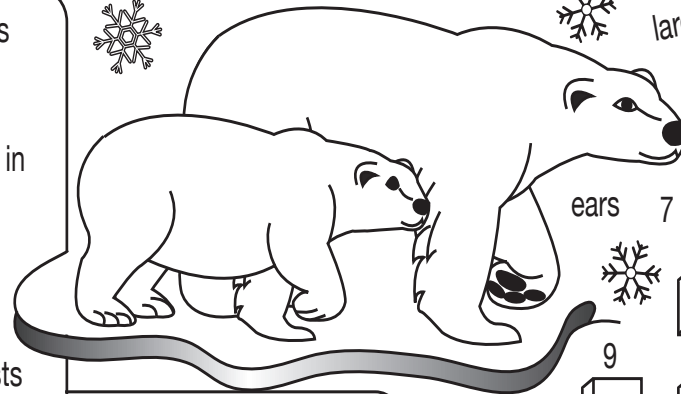


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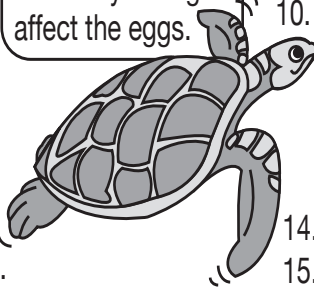
Studying Earth's Climate

For many years, scientists have been charting the world's changing temperatures. It is natural for some movement of temperatures to occur, but many people wonder how the changes in climate that result will affect animals and people in their habitats and daily lives.

In the coldest northern parts of the world, scientists are studying ice and the way it freezes and melts. Some are also studying the region's polar bears, marine animals that spend most of their time at sea rather than on land. Scientists have seen that the ice that these bears live and hunt upon is starting to melt earlier in the season than it once did. The bears are swimming farther from home to hunt for food (seals) and some are not making it back. Some reports say that polar bears are getting thinner and that more of their cubs are dying. By studying such changes, scientists hope to understand how people can respond to protect themselves and wildlife around the globe.



People check the temperature of the sand at the green sea turtles' nesting area. They want to see if any changes affect the eggs.



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Read the clues to fill in this puzzle about polar bears:

- A polar bear's _____ layer can grow up to 4 inches thick. It provides warmth and can keep them from going hungry.
- Polar bears live in the _____ region around the North Pole.
- Mothers care for their _____ for about 2 1/2 years.
- The "food" or prey for polar bears mostly lives in the _____.
- The foot of a polar bear is partially _____ to help it swim.
- Polar bears have been known to kill Beluga _____.
- The loss of _____ may push polar bears closer to extinction.

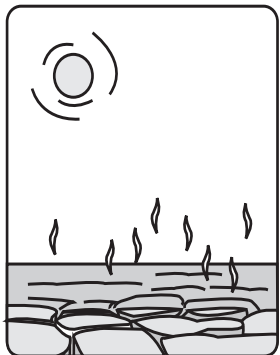
- The bottoms of a polar bear's _____ have hair to keep them warm.
- In the wild, polar bears _____ 25-30 years.
- The skin of a polar bear is actually black, but its _____ makes it look white.
- Polar bears do not _____ in the winter like other bears.
- Polar bears can swim up to 60 _____!
- Polar bears don't like fruit or vegetables; they mostly eat _____.
- Polar bears have small _____ so they don't lose too much heat.
- Polar bears are, on average, the _____ bears in the world.

What Conditions Might Change?

Due to changes in the climate, weather people think that we may have more or stronger...

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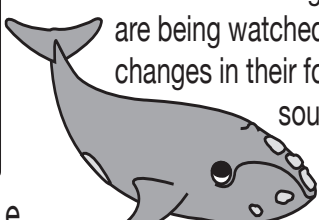
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These water animals have been found swimming many miles farther north than usual. Some people think that rising water temperatures let these animals feel comfortable in areas where they normally would not go.

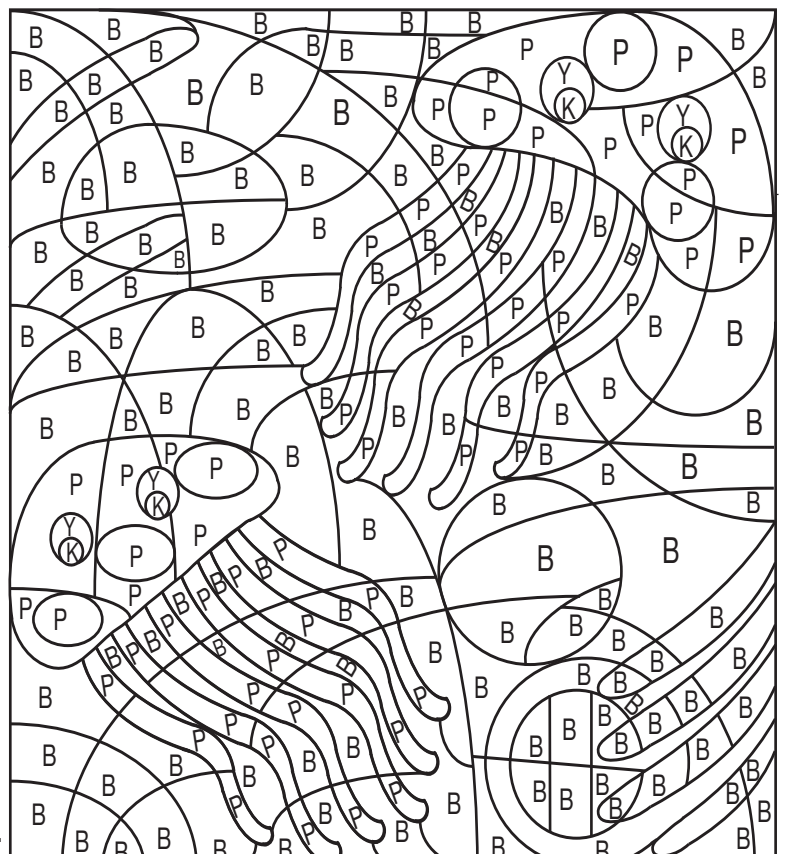
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North Atlantic right whales are being watched for changes in their food sources and their habitat, too.



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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF AIKEN IN THE PROBATE COURT

CASE NUMBER 2018GC02-00023

IN THE MATTER OF: ELIZABETH RILEY HOLDER, PETITIONER

VS. JUDITH W. BOURNE, JEFFREY D. WAGGONER, AND LEAH MORGAN RILEY, RESPONDENTS

NOTICE OF HEARING DATE: FEBRUARY 26, 2019 TIME: 2:00 P.M. PLACE: 109 PARK AVENUE, AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA 29801

PURPOSE OF HEARING: TO REMOVE JEFFREY D. WAGGONER AS CO-TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST CREATED BY ELIZABETH RILEY

HOLDER DATED JULY 17, 2001 AND TO APPOINT ROBERT T. RILEY AS CO-TRUSTEE TO SERVE WITH JUDITH W. BOURNE.

Executed this 27th day of December, 2018. Arthur W. Rich, Attorney for Petitioner 205 Barnwell Ave., NW Aiken, SC 29801 803-649-3923 803-649-1701 (fax) brich@buzrich.com Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 18 and 25, 2019 162372

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NUMBER: 2018-CA-13986-O

DIVISION NUMBER: 37 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$8,239.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT TO: KEVIN V. DEL-PILAR AND KARILYN DIAZ

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AIM Movers located at 6922 Knightswood Dr. in the County of Orange in the City of Orlando Florida 32818, intends to register the above said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Orlando, Florida, this 4th day of January 2019.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2018-CA-004665-O

FORTY ONE YELLOW, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs. GIUSEPPA L. LYE; ANDREW LYE; NORTHGATE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; MILLENIA COVE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.; AN NOMINEE FOR MORTGAGE LENDERS NETWORK USA, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II; Defendants.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF AIKEN IN THE PROBATE COURT

CASE NUMBER 2018GC02-00022

IN THE MATTER OF: ELIZABETH RILEY HOLDER, PETITIONER

VS. JUDITH W. BOURNE, JEFFREY D. WAGGONER, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. and TAYLOR MATRICE RILEY, RESPONDENTS

NOTICE OF HEARING DATE: FEBRUARY 26, 2019 TIME: 2:00 P.M. PLACE: 109 PARK AVENUE, AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA 29801

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IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2017-SC-22131 NOLAND'S ROOFING, INC. Plaintiff,

vs. LEZA TELLAM Defendant.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2018-CP-004022-O

IN RE: ESTATE OF ADAM MICHAEL ROSEN Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Adam Michael Rosen, deceased, whose date of death was November 23, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clerk of the Circuit Court, Probate Division, 425 North Orange Avenue, Room 340, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2018-CP-004022-O

IN RE: ESTATE OF ADAM MICHAEL ROSEN Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Adam Michael Rosen, deceased, whose date of death was November 23, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clerk of the Circuit Court, Probate Division, 425 North Orange Avenue, Room 340, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM

copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is: January 11, 2019. Signed on December 13, 2018. Dianne Lynn Matheny Co-Personal Representative 6514 Lundeen Way Orlando, FL 32818 Teri Lynn Wilson Co-Personal Representative 14697 S. Hwy 4475 Summerfield, FL 33491 John L. Thomas, II Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar No. 80836 611 N. Wymore Road, Suite 105 Winter Park, Florida 32789 Telephone: (407) 843-1290 Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162387

owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.

If you are a person with a disability who needs special accommodation, you are entitled to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the address or phone number below at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving an official notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Ninth Circuit Court Administration ADA Coordinator Orange County Courthouse 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, 32801 (407) 836-2303 Dated: January 3, 2019 By: Corey M. Ohayon Florida Bar No.: 0051323. Attorney for Plaintiff: Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire Popkin & Rosaler, P.A. 1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard Suite 400 Deerfield Beach, FL 33442 Telephone: (954) 360-9030 Facsimile: (954) 420-5187 18-46019 Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162350

Attorney for Personal Representative: LAUREN Y. DETZEL Florida Bar No. 253294 BRIAN M. MALEC Florida Bar No. 41498 DEAN, MEAD, EGERTON, BLOODWORTH, CAPOUANO & BOZARTH, P.A. 420 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 700 P.O. Box 2346 Orlando, Florida 32802-2346 Telephone: (407) 841-1200 Fax: (407) 423-1831 Primary E-mail: ldetzel@deanmead.com Primary E-mail: bmalec@deanmead.com Secondary E-mail: probate@deanmead.com Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162351

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2016-CC-006378-O

RAVINIA AT EAST PARK HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, Plaintiff,

v. ROBERT TANAKA MASIKU; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT TANAKA MASIKU; TENANT #1 and TENANT #2, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment dated January 8, 2019, entered in CASE NO.: 2016-CC-006378-O, of the County Court in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein RAVINIA AT EAST PARK HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., is Plaintiff, and ROBERT TANAKA MASIKU, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT TANAKA MASIKU, n/k/a THERESA PHIRI, AND TENANT #1 n/k/a TJ MASIKU, are the Defendants, at the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Courts, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801, by electronic sale beginning at 11:00 A.M., on April 10,

2019, at www.myorangelcrlk.realforeclose.com, the following described property as set forth in the Final Summary Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 36, RAVINIA AT EAST PARK, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 79, AT PAGE 28 THROUGH 31, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

This property is located at the street address of 10854 Sunset Ridge Lane, Orlando, Florida 32832.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the foreclosure sale, if any, other than the owner of this property as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of January, 2019. Scott D. Newsom, Esq. Fla. Bar No.: 0144710 SCOTT D. NEWSOM, ESQ. HURLEY, ROGNER, MILLER, COX & WARANCH, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiff 1560 Orange Avenue, Suite 500 Winter Park, Florida 32789 Phone: (407) 571-7400 Fax: (407) 571-7401 Primary Email: snewsom@hrmcw.com Secondary Email: sworrell@hrmcw.com Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162389

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2018-CP-003905-O

IN RE: ESTATE OF BETTY IRENE BIXBY, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of BETTY IRENE BIXBY, deceased, whose date of death was August 9, 2018; File Number 2018-CP-003905-O, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM

claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: January 11, 2019. Signed on December 13, 2018. Dianne Lynn Matheny Co-Personal Representative 6514 Lundeen Way Orlando, FL 32818 Teri Lynn Wilson Co-Personal Representative 14697 S. Hwy 4475 Summerfield, FL 33491 John L. Thomas, II Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar No. 80836 611 N. Wymore Road, Suite 105 Winter Park, Florida 32789 Telephone: (407) 843-1290 Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162387

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2018-CA-003585-O

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

vs. ALLISON M. DESANTO/A/K/A ALLISON MARIE DESANTO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALLISON M. DESANTO/A/K/A ALLISON MARIE DESANTO; ALLAN M. DESANTO; CHRISTOPHER C. MILES; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTOPHER C. MILES; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al., Defendant(s).

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 16, 2018 and an Order Granting Defendants Motion to Cancel Foreclosure Sale on January 2, 2019 entered in Civil

Case No.: 2018-CA-003585-O of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, and ALLISON M. DESANTO/A/K/A ALLISON MARIE DESANTO; ALLAN M. DESANTO; CHRISTOPHER C. MILES, are Defendants. TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL, The Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, www.myorangelcrlk.realforeclose.com, at 11:00 AM, on the 5th day of March, 2019, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure, to-wit:

LOT 5, BLOCK B-5, FERNWAY, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK O, PAGE 55, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the

owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.

If you are a person with a disability who needs special accommodation, you are entitled to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the address or phone number below at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving an official notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Ninth Circuit Court Administration ADA Coordinator Orange County Courthouse 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, 32801 (407) 836-2303 Dated: January 3, 2019 By: Corey M. Ohayon Florida Bar No.: 0051323. Attorney for Plaintiff: Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire Popkin & Rosaler, P.A. 1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard Suite 400 Deerfield Beach, FL 33442 Telephone: (954) 360-9030 Facsimile: (954) 420-5187 18-46019 Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162350

Attorney for Plaintiff: Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire Popkin & Rosaler, P.A. 1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard Suite 400 Deerfield Beach, FL 33442 Telephone: (954) 360-9030 Facsimile: (954) 420-5187 18-46019 Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162350

Notice of Public Sale In Accordance with Florida State Statutes 83.805 and to satisfy an operator's lien, the contents of the following units will be sold on Lockerfox.com prior to the following sale date to the highest bidder.

Date: FEBRUARY 1, 2019 Time: 3:30 PM AT: Security Self Storage, 1280 E Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32826

Tenant's Name Property - (miscellaneous household items unless otherwise specified)

Demetrius Hardwick: boxes, shoe boxes, baskets, misc.

Alexandra Roca: shelves, boxes, totes, mini fridge, misc.

Ashlie Plymire: boxes, furniture, misc.

Raul L Segurra: boxes, totes, wheels, misc.

Jorge Reyes: TV, shelf, bed frame.

Larry Peteset: air tank, truck ramps, totes, chair, misc.

Alberto Romero: boxes, totes, coolers, TV, misc.

Irvyng Pena-Molina: boxes.

Juan Gotay: 162347

fridge, boxes, amp, misc. Michael James: boxes, furniture, vacuum, misc. Orlando Pabon: mattress, boxes, totes, bike, misc. Luz Crespo: TV, TV stand, box, misc. Scott Schroeder: generator, machine pulls, boxes, ladder. Santiago Leon: ovens, kitchen equipment, boxes, misc. Edward Bailey JR: furniture, totes, household items, misc. Jose Marquez: furniture, microwave, mattress, misc. Amariliz Amador: TV, bedset. Leticia Nelson: furniture, mattress, misc. Elizabeth Mercado: boxes, totes, mattress, furniture, misc. Zarysha Gilmore: bikes, totes, clothes. George Nunn: mattress, chair, TV stand. Celimar Casado: mattress set. Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162347

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2018-CP-003967-O

IN RE: ESTATE OF CHARLES JAMES MIOTKE A/K/A CHARLES J. MIOTKE Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Charles James Miotke a/k/a Charles J. Miotke, deceased, whose date of death was December 28, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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dent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is January 11, 2019. Personal Representative: Kris J. Miotke 5825 Passage Creek Dr. Dublin, Ohio 43016 Attorney for Personal Representative: Michael A. Kurey Attorney Florida Bar Number: 978833 211 E. Rich Ave DeLand, Florida 32724 Telephone: (386) 734-5959 Fax: (386) 734-5945 E-Mail: eservice@phillipsandfinley.com 2nd E-Mail: mkurey@phillipsandfinley.com Publish The Apopka Chief January 11 and 18, 2019 162353

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2017-CA-00185-O (37)

U.S. BANK N.A., AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE J.P. MORGAN MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST 2006-RM1 ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-RM1, Plaintiff,

vs. ANDRE DELEON, JR.; JESSICA GARCIA; AIDA MALDONADO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF AIDA MALDONADO; STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al., Defendant(s).

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 28, 2018 and an Order Canceling and Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated January 7, 2019, entered in Civil Case No. 2017-CA-001185-O (37) of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK N.A., AS

TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE J.P. MORGAN MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST 2006-RM1 ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-RM1, Plaintiff, and ANDRE DELEON, JR.; JESSICA GARCIA; AIDA MALDONADO; STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 N/K/A JACQUELINE MARRERO, are Defendants. TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL, The Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, www.myorangelcrlk.realforeclose.com, at 11:00 AM, on the 17th day of April, 2019, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure, to wit:

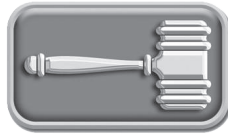
LOT 22, PARK MANOR ESTATES, SECTION #9, ACCORDING TO

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NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

Rhapsody Chefs

located at 4212 Turtle Grass Court, in the County of Orange in the City of Saint Cloud Florida 34772, intends to register the above said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Saint Cloud, Florida, this 9th day of January, 2019.

David Anthony Perez

Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 2019 **162402**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NUMBER: 2018-CA-13951-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 39
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$3,013.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT TO: MARCUS D. ANDERSON

4414 ROBBINS AVENUE ORLANDO, FL 32808 and all others who claim an interest in \$3,013.00 in U.S. Currency, which was seized on or about the 11th day of November, 2018, at or near W. Wetherbee Road and Sir Winston Way, Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 9th day of January, 2019.

Eric D. Dunlap
Florida Bar No. 897477
Assistant General Counsel
Orange County
Sheriff's Office
Legal Services
2500 West Colonial Drive
Orlando, FL 32804
(407) 254-7170
Eric.Dunlap@ocfl.net

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

TRI COUNTY TOWING INC gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on JANUARY 25, 2019, 10:00 am at 1611 N FORSYTH RD ORLANDO, FL 32807, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TRI COUNTY TOWING INC reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

On FEBRUARY 11, 2019 at 7AM at **Towtruck Co.**, at 639 W. Robinson St. Orlando FL 32801, telephone 407-999-4939, the following vehicle(s) will be sold for cash. Some of the vehicle(s) posted may have already been released and not eligible for salvage sale.

2003	VOLK	WVWRH63B93P294512
2000	DODGE	1B3E46C7YD869466

Terms of the sale are cash. No checks will be accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Vehicle(s) and/or vessel(s) are sold "as is", "where is", with no guarantees, either expressed or implied.
January 11, 2019 **162355**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

Public notice is hereby given that **ACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS LLC, d/b/a ACE WRECKER**, will hold a public auction at ACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS LLC, d/b/a ACE WRECKER, 5601 South Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, FL 32839. Pursuant to the laws of the state the following vehicles will be sold to the highest bidder. Sale Date: 1/25/2019 At 8AM

2001	HYUNDAI	VIN: KMHJG35F1U231997
2005	CHEVROLET	VIN: 1GCEK19B65E159447

Terms of the sale are cash and no checks are accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Said auto will sold "as-is" with no guarantee.
January 11, 2019 **162367**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

Public notice is hereby given that **ACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS LLC, d/b/a ACE WRECKER**, will hold a public auction at ACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS LLC, d/b/a ACE WRECKER, 5601 South Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, FL 32839. Pursuant to the laws of the state the following vehicles will be sold to the highest bidder. Sale Date: 1/28/2019 At 8AM

2004	BMW	VIN: 5UXFA13544LU35272
1999	MINI	VIN: 4A3AK34Y8XE039445
2003	CHEVROLET	VIN: 2G1WFS2E839389830
2010	TOYOTA SCION	VIN: JTKDE3B75A0313523
2005	DODGE	VIN: 1D4GP24RX5B279110

Terms of the sale are cash and no checks are accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Said auto will sold "as-is" with no guarantee.
January 11, 2019 **162368**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following vehicles will be sold at Public Auction to satisfy liens pursuant to Chapter 713.585 of the Florida Statutes at the Location of each Lienor on date indicated at 9AM. Inspect one week prior to Auction at Lienors address. As is. Where is. 2006 JAGU 4D, VIN# SAJWA71B26SH07490, Lienor: ABDO S Auto Spa, 1787 W. Fairbanks Ave., Winter Park, FL 32789, Pho: 407-679-5500, Lien: \$7736.20, Sale: Jan. 28, 2019; 2005 BMW 4D, VIN# WBAE737455N90194, Lienor: Car Port Specialist Of Belle Isle, 5242 S. Orange Ave., Orlando, FL 32809, Pho: 407-856-2468, Sale: Jan. 28, 2019; 2009 MITTS SW, VIN# JA4MT31W292007418, Lienor: Noel Services, 6948 Venture Cir., Orlando, FL 32807, Pho: 407-920-2975, Lien: \$6478.00, Sale: Jan. 29, 2019; 2006 DODG UT, VIN# 1D4HD48N46F167341, Lienor: Car Port Specialist Of Belle Isle, 5242 S. Orange Ave., Orlando, FL 32809, Pho: 407-856-2468, Lien: \$5425.75, Sale: Feb. 06, 2019; 2004 TOYOT UT, VIN# JTEZU14R448012584, Lienor: Ultimate Auto Collision Center, 7121 Gardner St., Winter Park, FL 32792, Pho: 407-678-1918, Lien: \$1831.55, Sale: Jan. 29, 2019. Pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585 the preceding claim a lien on vehicle shown for storage, labor and/or services. Unless charges shown are paid in cash, said vehicles will be sold for cash by public auction on date at time shown where vehicle is located. Owners or any one claiming an interest have a right to a hearing prior to the scheduled auction which can be set by filing demand with clerk of the Circuit Court in their county and mailing copies of demand to all other owners and lien holder. Owner can recover possession without judicial proceeding by posting bond per Florida Statute 559.917. Auction proceeds in excess of charges due will be deposited with Clerk of the Circuit Court.
Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 2019 **162365**

NOTICE OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE

Pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585, Adam Auto Services, Inc., will sell at public sale for cash the following described vehicle(s) located at lienor's place to satisfy a claim of lien: 2014 VOLK, VIN 3VW4A7AJ3EM354382, Lien Amt: \$3,689.00, Lienor/Adam Auto Services, Inc., 1331 W. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32805, 407-985-5698, cell: 407-283-8401. Sale Date: January 21, 2019, at 9:55 a.m., at Adam Auto Services, Inc., 1331 W. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32805. Said vehicle(s) may be redeemed by satisfying the lien prior to sale date. You have the right to a hearing at any time prior to sale date by filing a demand for hearing in the circuit court. Owner has the right to recover possession of vehicle by posting a bond in accordance with F.S. 559.917. Any proceeds in excess of the amount of the lien will be deposited with the Clerk of Circuit Court in the county where the vehicle is held.
Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 2019 **162383**

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO F.S. 713.78 FOR SALE

On FEBRUARY 1ST, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., at **BJ'S TOWING SERVICE**, 670 E. Mason Ave., Apopka, FL 32703, the following vehicle(s) will be sold for cash to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	VIN NUMBER
03	FORD	1FMZU63K13UB97488
04	DODGE	1D4GP45R04B530958
98	CHEV	1GCEC14W1WZ178148
06	PONT	2G2WR554061138504

BJ'S Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. BJ'S Towing reserves the right to bid. Bidding begins at the amount owed. All Vehicle(s) are sold as is, no warranties and no guarantees of title(s). Vehicle(s) may be seen the day before the sale from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. only. Please call (407) 886-0568 for further info.
January 11, 2019 **162384**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

On JANUARY 23rd, 2019 at 9AM at **Superior Towing of Orlando Inc.**, at 2452 Silver Star Rd Orlando, FL 32804, telephone 407-298-8484, the following vehicle(s) will be sold for cash. Some of the vehicle(s) posted may have already been released and not eligible for salvage sale.

2004 NISSAN VIN# JN8AZ08T14W207934

Terms of the sale are cash. No checks will be accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Vehicle(s) and/or vessel(s) are sold "as is", "where is", with no guarantees, either expressed or implied.
January 11, 2019 **162385**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

On FEBRUARY 5th, 2019 at 9AM at **Superior Towing of Orlando Inc.**, at 2452 Silver Star Rd Orlando, FL 32804, telephone 407-298-8484, the following vehicle(s) will be sold for cash. Some of the vehicle(s) posted may have already been released and not eligible for salvage sale.

1996 TOYOTA VIN# 1NXBA02E1TZ444012

Terms of the sale are cash. No checks will be accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Vehicle(s) and/or vessel(s) are sold "as is", "where is", with no guarantees, either expressed or implied.
January 11, 2019 **162386**

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

Sweet's Cakes & Stuff

located at PO Box 3604, in the County of Orange in the City of Orlando Florida 32802, intends to register the above said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Orlando, Florida, this 9th day of January, 2019.

Sylvia Calvette Pryor

Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 2019 **162403**

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

A Courteous Answering Service

located at 2810 E Robinson St, in the County of Orange in the City of Orlando Florida 32803, intends to register the above said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Orlando, Florida, this 4th day of January 2019.

A Courteous Communications Corp.

Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 2019 **162357**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

Public notice is hereby given that **ACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS LLC, d/b/a ACE WRECKER**, will hold a public auction at ACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS LLC, d/b/a ACE WRECKER, 101 Bay Stret, Ocoee, FL 34761. Pursuant to the laws of the state the following vehicles will be sold to the highest bidder. Sale Date: 1/23/2019 At 8AM

2002	CHRYSLER	VIN: 1C3EL55R52N262060
2006	CHRYSLER	VIN: 2A8GP54L96R825036
2004	CHRYSLER	VIN: 1C3EL46X14N307165

Terms of the sale are cash and no checks are accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Said auto will sold "as-is" with no guarantee.
January 11, 2019 **162369**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

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1997	HONDA	VIN: 1HGCD5650VA129103
2014	ACURA	VIN: 5FRYD3H47EB009639

Terms of the sale are cash and no checks are accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Said auto will sold "as-is" with no guarantee.
January 11, 2019 **162370**

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2015	DODGE	VIN: 3C4PDCB88FT627625
2015	KIA	VIN: 5XGGM4A73FG516737
1996	BMW	VIN: WBABK7322ET60156

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January 11, 2019 **162371**

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BARTLETT TOWING gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on JANUARY 21, 2019 8:30:00 AM at 2252 Apopka Blvd Ste B, Apopka FL 32703 pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. Bartlett Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

1GBA5J8F87Z207789	2007	SATURN ION LEVEL 2
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2016	HYUNDAI	VIN: KMHCT4AE3GU037337
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January 11, 2019 **162381**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

On FEBRUARY 14, 2019 at 7AM at **Towtruck Co.**, at 639 W. Robinson St. Orlando FL 32801, telephone 407-999-4939, the following vehicle(s) will be sold for cash. Some of the vehicle(s) posted may have already been released and not eligible for salvage sale.

2018	KIA	KNDJN24A2XJ7888895
2017	MINI	JA32U2FU1HU006976
2009	CHEV	1G1AT58H197244370
2018	MAZD	JMK3F8C6M6J0359833

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January 11, 2019 **162379**

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S IMPOUNDED ANIMAL TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You are hereby notified that the following described livestock to-wit:

1 (ONE) BLACK & WHITE PIG

is now impounded at 1113 Ocoee Apopka Road, Ocoee, Florida 34761, and the amount due by reason of such impounding is approximately \$602.25. The above described livestock will, unless redeemed within three (3) days from date hereof, be offered for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Eric Nieves, Judicial Process Sales Coordinator, not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at Orange County Sheriff's Office, 425 North Orange Avenue, suite 240, Orlando, FL 32801; Telephone: (407)836-4570; If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

JOHN W. MINA,
as Sheriff
Orange County, Florida
BY: Sgt. Mark Garcia
As Deputy Sheriff
Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 2019 **162388**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

On JANUARY 31, 2019 at 8:00 O'CLOCK AM at **JOHNSON'S WRECKER SERVICE, INC.**, 580 WILMER AVE., ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32808, TELEPHONE 407-293-2540, THE FOLLOWING VEHICLE(S) WILL BE SOLD FOR CASH. SOME OF THE VEHICLES POSTED MAY HAVE ALREADY BEEN RELEASED AND NOT ELIGIBLE FOR SALVAGE SALE.

YEAR	MAKE	VIN#
2016	KIA	KNDJN2A28G7328060
2017	TAIZHOU JIAOJIA	LT4Z1NAA0H2001346
2018	TOYOTA	5FYBURHE1JH825201
		UNKNOWN
2006	CHONGQING HUANS	LWGYCKL4660001263
2004	TOYOTA	4T1BE32K24U292948
2006	MAZDA	1Y1HP80D65M38689
2000	CHEVROLET	1GGC29U3YIE354388
2005	JEEP	1J4G3CK875W621455
2005	FORD	1FTPW145XSK68028
2012	NISSAN	JN8AS5MTCW277185
1998	CHEVROLET	1GCCS1949W8160178
2014	TOYOTA	4T1BF1FK7E3U72372
2004	HONDA	1HGCM7252A027026
		UNKNOWN
2008	TOYOTA	JTDKB20U983358905
2008	PONTIAC	2G2WP552081179299
1973	CHEVROLET	1L69K3D125688
2006	SATURN	5GZ2C263486S871759
2005	HONDA	2HGES16345H581482

TERMS OF THE SALE ARE CASH. NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED. SELLER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO FINAL BID. ALL SALES ARE FINAL. NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE. VEHICLE(S) VESSEL(S) ARE SOLD "AS IS", "WHERE IS", WITH NO GUARANTEES, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED.
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2004	TOYT	1NXBR32E64Z285032
2006	SCIO	JTKK7624765014260

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January 11, 2019 **162400**

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2013	CHEVROLET	VIN: 2GNALBK1D6159924
2012	FORD	VIN: 3FAHP0HA7CR197092

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January 11, 2019 **162366**

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located at 331 Lake Ave., in the County of Orange in the City of Maitland Florida 32751, intends to register the above said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Maitland, Florida, this 3rd day of January 2019.

Jeremiah Thomas Stokes

Publish: The Apopka Chief January 11, 2019 **162354**

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The U.S. Government opened Ellis Island in New York in 1892

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The Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island

In 1892, the U.S. government opened a federal immigration station on Ellis Island, located near Bedloe's Island in Upper New York Bay. Between 1892 and 1954, some 12 million immigrants were processed on Ellis Island before receiving permission to enter the United States. **From 1900-14, during the peak years of its operation, some 5,000 to 10,000 people passed through every day.**

Looming above New York Harbor nearby, the Statue of Liberty provided a majestic welcome to those passing through Ellis Island. On a plaque at the entrance to the statue's pedestal is engraved a sonnet called "The New Colossus," written in 1883 by Emma Lazarus as part of a fund-raising contest. Its most famous passage speaks to the statue's role as a welcoming symbol of freedom and democracy for the millions of immigrants who came to America seeking a new and better life: "Give me your tired, your poor/Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free/The wretched refuse of your teeming shore/Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me/I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

The Statue of Liberty Over the Years

Until 1901, the U.S. Lighthouse Board operated the Statue of Liberty, as the statue's torch

represented a navigational aid for sailors. After that date, it was placed under the jurisdiction of the U.S. War Department due to Fort Wood's status as a still-operational army post. In 1924, the federal government made the statue a national monument, and it was transferred to the care of the National Parks Service in 1933. In 1956, Bedloe's Island was renamed Liberty Island, and in 1965, more than a decade after its closure as a federal immigration station, Ellis Island became part of the Statue of Liberty National Monument.

By the early 20th century, the oxidation of the Statue of Liberty's copper skin through exposure to rain, wind and sun had given the statue a distinctive green color, known as verdigris.

In 1984, the statue was closed to the public and underwent a massive restoration in time for its centennial celebration. Even as the restoration began, the United Nations designated the Statue of Liberty as a World Heritage Site.

On July 5, 1986, the Statue of Liberty reopened to the public in a centennial celebration.

After the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, Liberty Island closed for 100 days; the Statue of Liberty itself was not reopened to visitor access until August 2004. In July 2009, the statue's crown was again reopened to the public, though visitors must make a reservation to climb to the top of the pedestal or to the crown.

Did you know?

The base of the Statue of Liberty's

pedestal contains exhibits on the monument's history, including the original 1886 torch. Visitor access to the Statue of Liberty's torch was halted for good after German operatives set off an explosion on the nearby Black Tom peninsula in July 1916, during World War I.

www.history.com/topics/landmarks/statue-of-liberty

Black Tom Peninsula Explosion

The Black Tom explosion on July 30, 1916, in Jersey City, New Jersey, was an act of sabotage by German agents to destroy American-made munitions that were to be supplied to the Allies in World War I. [1][2] This incident, which happened prior to American entry into World War I, is also notable for causing damage to the Statue of Liberty.

Footnotes [1][2] found at Wikipedia.org/wiki/Black_Tom_explosion

A Young Poet Captures the Essence of Lady Liberty

Emma Lazarus, a native New Yorker, contributed one of the most well known pieces of art inspired by the Statue of Liberty and its optimistic message to the world's disenfranchised people. Her sonnet entitled "The New Colossus," written in 1883 for an auction to raise funds for the pedestal, was a tribute to the symbolism of Lady Liberty. In the past, many large monument statues were meant to deter enemies or to represent the strength and wealth of a nation.

But this is not so for Lady Liberty:

The New Colossus
Not like the brazen giant
of Greek fame,
With conquering limbs
astride from land to land;
Here at our sea-washed,
sunset gates shall stand
A mighty woman with a torch,
whose flame
Is the imprisoned lightning,
and her name Mother of Exiles.
From her beacon-hand
Glow's world-wide welcome;
her mild eyes command
The air-bridged harbor
that twin cities frame.
"Keep, ancient lands,
your storied pomp!"
cries she With silent lips.
"Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses
yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse
of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless,
tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside
the golden door!"

- Emma Lazarus

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