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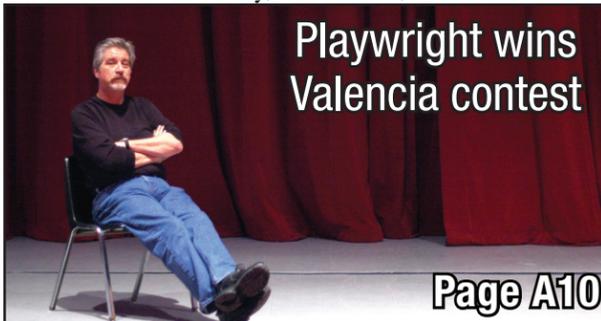


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Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Winter Park showed off its Irish pride in a parade.

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Jeff Cooper congratulates his mother, Carolyn Cooper, after her election to the Winter Park City Commission on Tuesday.

Preservationists prevail

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Cooper, McMacken, Reponen win seats; Amendment 10 fails

ABRAHAM ABORAYA
GUEST REPORTER

The computer room, warm with the air of a dozen campaign supporters and family members, buzzed with tense anticipation. The refresh button was hit every few seconds.

The computer screen showed that Carolyn Cooper was beating out David Lamm for Winter Park City Commission Seat 3 when Cooper's iPhone rang. On the other line was Lamm, congratulating her and conceding the race.

She kept her composure,

thanked her opponent, hung up, and the room exploded with contagious cheers, spreading throughout the house on New York Avenue in Winter Park. Cooper — the underdog, the candidate who campaigned with the man-

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Station to be rebuilt

ISAAC BABCOCK
OBSERVER STAFF

Winter Park residents learned more about how their new Amtrak Station could shape up after Mayor Ken Bradley introduced plans for a complete rebuild at Monday's meeting.

The city is in the preliminary design phase of the new station, which could be open as early as the end of 2011.

Bradley said that it could be larger and more accommodating to rail users as well as the general public.

"It'll be a little bit bigger for bathrooms, and they'll be integrated for the public using the park," Bradley said.

More specific physical features have yet to be determined as the city works through design and obtaining funding for the station, which is estimated to cost \$1 million.

That money would come from the Federal Transit Administration; money which Bradley said is already earmarked for the station, but has yet to arrive.

In the meantime, city staff is poring over a preliminary design to work as a framework for the final design phase.

"I think as this initial design comes out, I'm sure we'll be looking at doing things that are architecturally significant," Bradley said.

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Underground market pays off

Most homes sales in January consisted of bank-owned homes and short sales

ABRAHAM ABORAYA
GUEST REPORTER

Steve Moreira pulled up to the beige house and immediately the buzz of a heavy duty reciprocating saw floated from the backyard, through the open house to the driveway. The beast of a power tool is commonly called a Sawzall because, well, it saws all.

Moreira laughed at the sound because he knew what was in store. In the backyard, a two-man crew

was using the vibrating blade to cut a boat into bite-sized pieces and load it onto a pick-up truck's bed.

Mike Allen lamented the dismantling of the boat because, frankly, it's a nice boat.

"Well, the trailers all messed up or we would've pulled it out of here," says Allen, the saw's operator, wearing a white T-shirt flecked with green paint. "The trailer's already kicked



PHOTO BY ABRAHAM ABORAYA — THE OBSERVER

Mike Allen cuts a boat into pieces for removal from a foreclosed property. Some real estate professionals are purchasing these homes from the banks as investments.

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Thousands satisfy sweet tooth at fest

Orlando Science Center hosted four floors of chocolate creations, games

KATIE KUSTURA
OBSERVER STAFF

Victoria Huffman peered over the heads of two tiny boys, bouncing on her heels as she waited in line for a taste of chocolate-covered popcorn. Squeezing her way to the front, the thirteen-year-old blonde grabbed a handful of the stuff and lit up with a smile.

"The chocolate-covered popcorn is awesome," she said.

Chocolate-covered popcorn was just one of the many sweet treats available at last weekend's Festival of Chocolate, hosted by the Orlando Science Center (OSC).

Last Saturday, March 6, and Sunday, March 7, an estimated 7,000 attendees explored four floors of chocolate tasting, shopping, education and interactive experiences, according to Jeff Stanford, OSC's VP of Communications.

Vendors from all over Florida brought out their very best for the festival. Six of the festival's vendors have stores in Winter Park or stands at the Winter Park Farmer's Market.

Donna Moore, founder of Chateau E.I.E.I.O, brought some of her famous Barkolate bars, which are made

of dark chocolate and other natural ingredients. In addition to the Barkolate bars, the OSC had a special request.

"They asked me if I would do a gross booth, so I named it 'Double Dare Ya,'" said Moore.

Moore's gross booth featured jalapenos dipped in chocolate that were decorated to look like mice, alligator jerky dipped in chocolate and other strange sweets.

Across the room from Moore's booth, Xocai's Betty Hendrick hawked antioxidant-filled chocolate at her health-food themed table.

Just feet away from Xocai, Peterbrooke Chocolatier owners Kevin and Jami Wray said they received great reactions to their unusual turn on the popped movie theater favorite.

"Wow, that's what we hear most often," said Jami Wray. "Wow, this stuff is awesome" and "Who would've thought of putting chocolate on popcorn?"

Huffman was just one of the many that devoured a sample of the stuff.

Kids enjoyed much more than free samples at the festival. Avia Dow, 9, was one of the four who competed in the kids' cookie stacking competition.



Cookie-stacking aroused a competitive spirit in four youngsters at the Orlando Science Center's Festival of Chocolate. PHOTO BY ISAAC BABCOCK — THE OBSERVER

Dow said she was confident and, although she didn't win, she wouldn't shy away from the other competitions going on that day.

Aaron and Michele Banks, owners of the Young Chef's Academy (YCA) in Winter Park, also brought kid-friendly activities. Michele demonstrated how to make candy sushi and Aaron manned the cake-pop station.

"We definitely got a lot of potential here," said Aaron Banks, who hopes he met some future YCA members at the festival.

Someone who doesn't need cooking lessons is Pam

Kent, owner of Pam's Confections, who won an award for her red velvet cupcakes. Pam typically sells her sweets at the Winter Park Farmer's Market.

Sprinkles Custom Cakes, located off West Fairbanks Avenue, also received recognition at the festival, taking second place in the "best chocolate cake" competition with their famous "Oh My God" chocolate cake.

Darryl Tate may not have won anything, but he certainly received a lot of inquiries about his product. What Tate brought may not have been edible, but the dessert-inspired art looked

sweet enough to eat.

Lauren Elkins, 20, said she couldn't wait to purchase one of his cupcake paintings.

"They were just really bright and colorful and I thought they were just adorable," said Elkins.

Marley Kunzler, 35, came to the festival with his family where he found plenty of activities for the kids and an enjoyable atmosphere overall.

"It was lots of fun," said Kunzler. "There was lots of chocolate and lots of good smells in the air."

Creative funding

Orange County schools will sell ads on district's Web sites

ROBYN SIDERSKY
GUEST REPORTER

Orange County Public Schools is getting creative with ways to bring more money into the school system.

They've launched a sales and marketing department that will sell limited advertisements on the district's highly visited Web sites.

"The point is, we're trying to be creative, think outside the box to generate revenue," said Rick Collins, OCPS chief financial officer.

He told parents and teachers at a district community engagement meeting on March 2 about the county's partnership with CFE Federal Credit Union to launch an affinity debit card that pays a nickel to the school district for every signature transaction by cardholders.

In addition to the Web

advertising, the department will sell sponsorships in sports venues and tournaments across the district to put toward an athletics preservation fund.

The schools will also begin earning a licensing fee for the use of the schools' logos. Goods with school logos emblazoned on them, such as hats and T-shirts, sold at major retailers such as Walgreens, Wal-Mart and Albertsons will bring money into the district. Collins said licensing contracts with manufacturers have already been secured.

April Bird, a teacher at Cypress Springs Elementary School, is in favor of the effort.

"I think that it's important that we tap into whatever resources we can at this point," Bird said. "It's a positive win-win. I'm very excited they're doing this."

Daryl Flynn, vice chairwoman of the Orange County School Board, pointed out that the district has \$43 million less than last year to work with.

The potential funding per student has decreased significantly in the last two and a half years. With the federal budget stabilization funds, there was a \$510 reduction per student from July 2007 to January 2010.

Compared to the rest of the country, Florida received a C- grade in school finance and an F grade in spending. Florida is ranked 31st in the country.

"We need your continued advocacy," she told the attendees of the meeting, adding that the new session in Tallahassee began this week.

"Everybody is fighting for the buck. It's my job to fight for education."

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Knights win season finale over Rice

After four-game Conference USA slide, the UCF men's basketball team beat the Owls in a nail-biter

ISAAC BABCOCK
OBSERVER STAFF

After dropping four straight conference losses heading into the final game of the season, the Knights were looking for a boost heading into the Conference USA tournament. They found it Saturday against Rice, whom the Knights dropped 66-59 on a dramatic play by A.J. Rompza.

Rompza would hammer home the deciding 3-pointer to split the scoring gap open going into the final minute of the game. But it was Taylor Young who led the Knights in scoring, with 14 points in the contest. Marcus Jordan, who has rapidly improved his scoring ability in the second half of the season, picked up 12 points, 4 rebounds and 3 assists in the game.

The Knights shot 56.8 percent overall, one of their most accurate games all season.

The Knights had been in free fall in their final two weeks of the season, losing crucial games to C-USA opponents that could have

righted their season. Had the Knights won their final five games, they would be 10-6 and tied for 5th in the conference. Instead, they dropped to 9th in that same period.

Their nail-biter win over the worst team in the conference didn't improve their standing on the C-USA ladder, as they remain 9th of 12 teams with a 14-16 overall record and 6-10 in conference play.

Their ninth seeding in the Conference USA championship put them in an uncomfortable position going into the first round against SMU at press time on Wednesday. Despite slotting just below the Mustangs in the conference rankings, the Knights were badly outmatched in the two teams' previous meeting. The Knights lost 65-43 to the Mustangs on Jan. 27.

If they make it through to the second round, the Knights could be playing again at 10 p.m. Thursday against UTEP — the conference's best team at 24-5 overall and 15-1 in the conference.



PHOTO BY ISAAC BABCOCK — THE OBSERVER
Taylor Young led the Knights to victory Saturday with a 14-point performance, as UCF righted its losing ways with a narrow win over Rice to help the team build momentum for the postseason. With a win against SMU, the Knights will face UTEP Thursday.

Wildcats win it all

After suffering playoff disappointment three of the past four years, Winter Park wins the state title

ISAAC BABCOCK
OBSERVER STAFF

The Winter Park Wildcats had already been to the Final four for three of the last four years. And every time they had lost, just shy of the championship. But not this time. On Saturday night the scoreboard lit up with the numbers 76-57 burned into history. The Wildcats had finally won it all.

A massive surge of points from the Wildcats opened the second half gap that would lead them all the way to the closing buzzer. By the time the final point had fallen, the Cats had dominated the scoreboard for nearly the entire game.

"I've been dreaming about this ever since I was a little kid," Junior Austin Rivers said.

Rivers, again the electric star of the court, led the way

for his team, picking up 23 points on the strength of four from outside the big arc. Right behind him senior Robert Lovaglio hammered home 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Brett Comer dropped 14 points into the bucket. Isaac Turner was the fourth to go double digits, with 11 points.

Adam Jones kept the ball in his team's hands, picking up 9 rebounds, 4 blocks and 3 assists.

And as the team left the court for the final time this season, they carried with them a combined accomplishment that Florida hadn't seen in high school basketball for nearly 100 years. Two Orange County teams won the championship title the same weekend, which hadn't been done since 1922. But the traditional South Florida powerhouses that had routinely



PHOTO BY ISAAC BABCOCK — THE OBSERVER
Winter Park dominated Doctor Phillips to redeem itself at the state championship, pulling away in the second half and sealing a 76-57 win. If chosen, they may return to the court for the ESPN Rise National High School Invitational on April 1.

shut Central Florida out of the championship finally felt the sting of defeat, as Class 1A's Orlando Christian Prep also won a state title.

The Wildcats could have one more stop in the postseason, if they're lucky enough to be selected for the ESPN Rise National High

School Invitational. Only eight boys teams will be on the invite list this year. That tournament tips off April 1 in Baltimore.

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UNDERGROUND | Some professionals are banking on this 'underground' market

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in. If we tried to pull it down the road, it probably would have collapsed because everything's rusted."

Moreira, the former president of the Orlando Realtors' Association, says these are just some of the problems he and his investors encounter on a regular day. Two years ago, Moreira was buying commercial real estate properties low and selling them high, places such as corner gas stations.

Business was booming — until the bust. Now, sitting in the wake of the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression, Moreira again finds himself playing a vital role in the largest part of Orlando's real estate market.

He works for investors, who pool millions of dollars together and buy distressed homes in large chunks from banks. Then Moreira and his crews work their magic — cutting up boats, pulling out sheds, turning green pools blue again — so that the property can again be sold.

It's a business that's growing — and misunderstood. Moreira calls it the "underground realty market."

"That's a profit center," Moreira said. "If you can get a hold of 100 non-performing loans, and you're paying 20, 25 cents on the dollar, and you've got access to all the tools you need ... that's the type of thing that somebody can still make a profit on."

In January, the Orlando real estate market set a record, with three out of four homes being sold by the bank or through a short sale, dropping the median price of existing homes to \$103,000, a 14 percent drop from the month before.



PHOTO BY ABRAHAM ABORAYA — THE OBSERVER
Mike Allen and Robert Baskins tear apart a boat marked for removal at a foreclosed property. The team fixes up foreclosed properties and puts them back on the market.

Randy Anderson, a Howard Phillips Eminent Scholar Chair and real estate professor at the University of Central Florida, said that, in the most simplistic terms, investors are buying low and selling high. He said that, while buying distressed bank properties has always been an industry, it's growing, with some hedge funds and institutional investors getting into the mix.

"It's not new that people try to buy distressed assets from banks and try to do interesting things," Anderson said. "It's actually becoming more of an industry and a little more organized right now."

"A lot of this is happening because most people believe that on the residential side ... we're at or near the bottom," Anderson said. "Especially for homes at or below median price range."

Moreira currently has

12 homes he's working on, with 20 more homes coming down the pipeline to be repaired. On average, it takes a four-man crew no more than three weeks to get a home ready for the market, usually costing about \$1,500 (cutting up a boat costs extra, though).

When a buyer takes a look at the home, they can sometimes qualify for a 203K program, which will allow them to borrow an additional \$35,000 on top of the cost of the home to put in repairs.

But, Moreira said, the guy getting the best deal can do the repairs on his own.

"You have to factor in that extra money for things you're not anticipating," Moreira said. "So maybe buying a home that's properly priced on the market makes sense unless you're extremely handy yourself and have access to discount

products."

Or, as Anderson said, this may not be the time for your first foray into real estate investment.

"It's not amateur hour," Anderson said. "You need to know what you're doing. You can still make a mistake, even in a down market."

Talking to Moreira about the heyday of real estate in Florida, he sounds a little like he's talking about a lost love, or the 80-pound Marlin that got away. He's been in the business in Florida since the 1970s, and he made just one mistake. He put all the money he made back into real estate.

"All of this is at a loss," Moreira said. "It was all underwritten at double the price of what you can sell for now. When you say, how was the heyday, the heyday was double the price, for even substandard products."

"And yeah, I'm very com-

fortable saying that's gone and not gonna return," Moreira said.

Does he wish it would?

"Every day," Moreira said. "But not if it's gonna ruin the country. And it seems like it's ruined at least Florida. Florida — it's ruined for a long time."

Homes sales statistics

A record 73.42 percent of January real estate closings were either bank-owned or short sales, according to the Orlando Regional Realtor Association data. That dropped the median price of a home by more than 14 percent, from \$120,000 to \$103,000.

Correction

The March 4 article "Closure for city and fireman" misstated the fire union's role in Winter Park fire marshal Randall Mells' termination appeal. Although the union sided with Mells, it was not involved in his appeal. The union only served as a messenger between the fire department and Mells.

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Business Briefs



PHOTO COURTESY OF **JOAN DESCOMBES**

This kitchen designed by Joan DesCombes of Winter Park-based Architectural Artworks is one of 50 finalists in the Sub-Zero/Wolf Kitchen Design Contest.

Joan DesCombes of Architectural Artworks from Winter Park was selected as a finalist in the Sub-Zero/Wolf Kitchen Design Contest. Of the nearly 1,400 entries, 50 finalists were selected.

The **Bill Segal** for Orange County Mayor Campaign announced Monday that Josh Wilson will join the campaign as communications director.

The **Orlando-based Florida Division** of Clancy & Theys Construction Company has earned the coveted

Sunshine State Safety Recognition Award.

David M. Beasley is the recipient of the 2009 Thomas A. Edison Award given annually by the Florida Association of Electrical Contractors Central Florida Chapter.

Anthony F. Sos, an attorney with the law firm Dellecker, Wilson, King, McKenna & Ruffier, has recently been selected to serve as a member of the Board of Directors for United Cerebral Palsy of Central Florida.

Winter Park-based Anson-Stoner celebrated another great year of hard work and creativity during the Orlando Advertising Federation's 2010 ADDY Award ceremony. The agency received a total of 22 ADDYs — 11 Gold, 10 Silver, and one "Best of Category."

Colleen Gallagher, President and Chief Executive Officer of Community Coordinated Care for Children is pleased to announce the addition of Darren Crampton to the organization's Board of Directors.

Kyle Sleeth, the former starting pitcher for the Detroit Tigers, teamed up with his wife, Sarah, to open Orlando's first-ever rock n' roll barbershop on March 11. Floyd's 99 Barbershop for Men and Women is located on 3150 S. Orange Ave., Orlando. For more information, call 407-601-5960.

The **Ying Expo** welcomed Debbie Komanski as the Chairperson Elect for the fiscal year of 2010 to 2011.

Winter Park-based Palmer Electric Company was selected by general contractor Walker & Company to handle electrical contracting for the renovation of the 940 Building at Lake Highland Preparatory School in Orlando.

Community Bulletin



PHOTO COURTESY OF **THE MAYFLOWER RETIREMENT COMMUNITY**

NASA astronaut Dr. Anna Lee Fisher, center, spoke to Mayflower residents recently about being the first mother in space.

Dr. Anna Lee Fisher, NASA astronaut and mission specialist on STS-51A, recently visited The Mayflower Retirement Community in Winter Park. Fisher spoke about her experience as the first mother in space and the future of the program. She is pictured here with her sister-in-law, Julie Fisher, and mother-in-law and Mayflower resident, Eleanor Fisher.

Concordia University's Mark Waldron and Trinity Lutheran School's Mike Davis gave students the opportunity to play together during the Chicago-based Symphony's tour. Elementary and middle students from

Trinity played next to the college students.

About 400 people from James Madison University in Virginia are heading to destinations throughout the U.S. and seven other countries to spend Spring Break, March 6-13, volunteering as tutors, shelter and maintenance workers, builders, and nutrition and health advisers to help people in need and to clean beaches and forest trails. One team's destination is the Community Service Center in Winter Park, where students will work with children. Another Winter Park-bound team will work with the InterFaith

Hospitality Network. For more information, visit www.jmu.edu/service/.

More than 100 University of Central Florida students will spend their Spring Break volunteering through Alternative Spring Break, coordinated by Volunteer UCF. Groups of students will be traveling to Puerto Rico, Panama, Jamaica and New Orleans to work with communities on social issues.

The **Orlando Summer Tennis League**, one of the state's largest summer women's tennis programs with more than 600 players from Orange and Seminole counties, will serve up its fourth season of women's doubles play on May 13 during Tennis Appreciation Month. Registration for the 16-week league is now under way, according to League Coordinator Jenny R. Jolinski of the Orlando Tennis Club, which is sponsoring the program. Rosters must be submitted by April 19 with a minimum of six players per team. The cost is \$60 per team and \$10 for each additional player. Teams can have no more than 16 players. The league will be comprised of four different play levels. Meets are Thursday nights at 7 p.m. Register online at Osummer.tenniscores.com or contact Jolinski jjolinski@yahoo.com.



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Trinity Lutheran School students got a chance to play with Concordia students.

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Residential burglaries

An unknown person at the 500 block of Fairfax Avenue on Feb. 26 broke the glass window pane on a rear door and rummaged through the house without taking anything.

An unknown dark-skinned male wearing a dark gray hooded sweatshirt at the 1900 block of Galen Avenue on March 3 threw a rock through a bedroom window and then fled upon being

confronted by the victim.

Vehicle burglaries and theft

An unknown person at the 2000 block of South Lakemont Avenue on March 1 used a center punch to break a driver's window and stole a purse. An unknown person in a white four-door Audi was possibly involved.

An unknown person at the 1800 block of Via

Contessa on March 2 entered two unlocked vehicles and stole cash from each vehicle.

Criminal mischief

An unknown person at the 400 block of South Park Avenue on Feb. 26 scratched multiple sides of a vehicle.

Winter Park Police registered various noise complaints from around the city between Feb. 26 and March 4, including loud music, loud par-

ties and a loud car stereo.

Arrests were made in Winter Park between Feb. 26 and March 4 for crimes including possession of marijuana, retail theft, soliciting without a permit, warrant, battery, armed robbery and aggravated assault, and breach of peace and disrupting the education process.

MEETING | Quiet zones could be in store

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Bradley goes to Tallahassee

The mayor also reported on his recent trip to Tallahassee where he lobbied for funding for city projects.

One of his biggest requests was for a dedicated funding source for SunRail and for quiet zones in the city. Quiet zones are areas where trains are not allowed to sound

their horns, which decreases noise pollution in cities that enact them. In order to allow for quiet zones in Winter Park, the city would need to install special large reinforced gates at crossings, which make it impossible for cars to cross while they're down.

"With redistricting coming up, that should be an important item on our agenda," Bradley said.

ELECTION | Only one amendment fell

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tra of preserving Winter Park and staving off undesired development — had won.

"We've worked very hard," Cooper said a few minutes later. "What you see is truly grass roots. It truly is community."

Cooper beat Lamm 51 percent to 49 percent, and Tom McMacken beat Peter Gottfried 52 percent to 47. More than 6,100 Winter Park residents voted in the election.

"We're very excited," McMacken said. "It was a close race... We're just very happy. We're going to spend the night with family and friends."

In nearby Maitland, incumbent Bev Reponen won a commanding 68 percent of the vote to beat challenger Bill Randolph. Howard Schieferdecker was unopposed to replace term-limited Councilman Jeff Flowers.

Orange County Supervisor of Elections Bill Cowles predicted that Winter Park and Maitland would have the highest turnout in Orange County.

"We knew going in, as we do with any election, that ballots and candidates and issues are what drive turnout," Cowles said. "It's very clear, particularly with Winter Park and Maitland, that the candidates and the issues are driving the turnout."

Winter Park also tweaked its constitution during Tuesday's election.

The one drawing the biggest contention, though, was Amendment 10, which, had it passed, would require a 4-1 vote to change the language of the Comprehensive Plan on land-use changes.

Amendment 10 was the only ballot initiative to be voted down in the election — all 11 others were voted in. Cooper, a supporter of Amendment 10, said it was "disappointing" that it lost.

Winter Park financial planner Scott Peelen voted for Gottfried and Lamm this election cycle. In his mind, the economy, jobs and economic development were the foremost issues.

"I think anyone that wants to hamstring all development, which I feel very strongly that the others want to do, really will eventually hurt the job situation, the economy and the tax base of Winter Park," Peelen said. "While they say they don't want to stop all business, business has too many places to go in Central Florida rather than settling in a place that doesn't embrace them with open arms."

In Winter Park, Margie Bridges left Seat 4 because she made a campaign promise to only serve one term. Sitting Commissioner Karen Diebel didn't run because she's vying for the Republican nomination to run against Suzanne Kosmas for the U.S. House of Representatives.

Drinking to Your Health

By Kar-Yee Ng, MD
Oviedo Family Medicine Specialists

Losing weight is a beast that haunts most of America. More than two-thirds of Americans are overweight or obese, and the numbers (and waist lines) are growing, according to an article by Elizabeth Dennis in the journal *Obesity*. Most people who are overweight know the recipe for losing those extra pounds: diet and exercise. Even though we've all heard it before, it's difficult to put into practice. After a long day of work or school, we're exhausted, and the last thing on our minds is taking a jog around the neighborhood or hitting the weights at the gym.



There's no magic pill that can replace good old diet and exercise, but studies suggest that drinking more water significantly increases loss of body weight and fat in overweight people, independent of diet and activity, says Jodi Stookey in *Obesity*. Water makes up 60 to 70 percent of adults and is crucial to the essential functions that occur in the human body. Human beings can only survive days without water. Staying hydrated is necessary in energy production, toxin removal, repair of cells and many other functions. It's not surprising then that water is needed to burn calories and fat.

That's great news! Drinking water is something so simple that everyone can add it to their daily routine (in addition to the dieting and exercise). We can all carry a bottle of water to work or school and drink to our hearts' content. So, let's have a toast then—here's to a more hydrated and healthier you!

At Oviedo Family Medicine Specialists, we're committed to helping you maximize your health and take control of the weight loss beast. If you want more information, please call 407-366-8856. We're located right off of Highway 417 in the Oviedo Marketplace at 8000 Red Bug Lake Road, Suite 100, Oviedo, FL 32765. See you soon!

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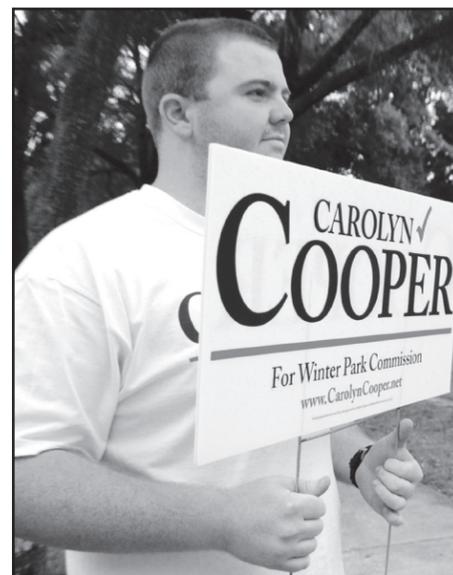


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Ryan Potts, 21, campaigns for Seat 3 candidate Carolyn Cooper on election day, Tuesday, in Winter Park.

Election results

(Unofficial results
as of 9 p.m. Tuesday)

Winter Park

Seat 3: Carolyn Cooper with 51 percent (3,204 of 6,253 votes)

Seat 4: McMacken with 52 percent (3,219 of 6,125 votes)

Amendment 10 doesn't pass with 47 percent (2,828 of 6,039 votes)

Maitland

Seat 3: Reponen with 68 percent (1,273 of 1,868 votes)

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Maitland City Talk
BY DOUGLAS T. KINSON
 MAYOR

Maitland's upcoming events!

The city of Maitland will be rockin' all year with exciting events and programs. Just around the corner are a few of our most popular put on by our incredibly talented Leisure Services Department.

Movie in the Park

I hope you have a chance this year to take in one of our Movies in the Park, located at Quinn Strong Park behind the Maitland Senior Center. Let me just try to describe this experience — a 40-foot-by-40-foot movie screen is brought in to enhance your outdoor movie experience. Just like those old drive-in theaters used to be, but this time you're not climbing into the trunk to save a few dollars with your high

school friends. This is a very laid back experience and fun for the whole family. Not only is there a movie to watch, but we bring in a great food vendor to sell popcorn, hot dogs and other treats for your evening snacks.

There is nothing sweeter than sitting back under the stars with your family and great friends in a clean environment, with great food and a great movie! You bring your family, and we'll bring the stars!

The city of Maitland's Leisure Services presents "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs!" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 13. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy Maitland's Movie in the Park!

Don't miss our second

feature film at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 17, "Night at the Museum Part 2."

Movie in the Park 8 p.m. May 8 - Movie TDB

Men's basketball

Maitland Leisure Services is gearing up for its busy season, and we're proud to announce that Men's Basketball is back! We're using Maitland Middle School's gym, and we're kicking off our 3-man and 5-man teams. Registration is coming to an end, so I encourage you to call Darrell Jessee, our Athletic Sports coordinator, at 407-539-2830 to get information and register today!

Farmers' Market

Since moving to Lake Lily last year, our Farmers' Market has become one of the area's most recognizable markets! With such a gorgeous backdrop, it's a perfect Sunday family activity. If you haven't had the chance to come out, join us every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and visit the plethora of vendors selling everything from fresh bread to fresh seafood to fresh veggies! If you have

come down to see us, make sure you keep coming back because we're adding new vendors every week!

Performing Arts of Maitland offers a unique experience as you stroll around the lake and make your purchases. Each week, they provide exceptional musicians and talented artists to make your market trip an unforgettable experience.

Party in the Park — celebrating 125 years!

Come join us on July 17 at the annual "Party in the Park," celebrating 125 years of Maitland's past and future. The fun begins at 3 p.m. down Maitland Avenue with the wildest parade any town could put together. Parade highlights will be the Model A Club, jugglers, clowns and The Outdoors Marching Band — and that's just a bit of the many surprises we have in store. Just as the parade ends, more fun begins at Lake Lily Park...

Party in the Park festival will be showcasing many of our partners such as the Maitland Historical Society, Maitland Art

Center, Performing Arts of Maitland, Maitland Public Library and many local businesses.

In addition to all other festivities, PJ the Clown will once again bring his balloon artistry to life, creating wonders and delights for youngsters. Our face painters can turn any frown upside down, all with the deft brush of their magical face paints.

Carnival games will challenge your skills with games of luck — for prizes! Summer eats and treats such as hotdogs, popcorn, cotton candy and more will be available for purchase.

Capping off this festive event, we are proud to present Maitland's fireworks show.

If you wish to become a sponsor for a Movie in the Park or Party in the Park please contact Mari Smith at 407-539-6268 or e-mail msmith@itsmymaitland.com

Keep moving forward Maitland!

—Special thanks to Kristine Neal and Mari Smith with Maitland's Leisure Services Department for their contributions to this week's City Talk.

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Winter Park City Talk
BY RANDY KNIGHT
 CITY MANAGER

MARCH 8 CITY COMMISSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The City Commission met on March 8 at 3:30 p.m. in City Hall Commission Chambers. Below are a few highlights of the major decisions that were made:

CITY BOARD UPDATES:

A presentation was made by the Environmental Review Board.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

-The Winter Park High School Varsity Cheerleaders were recognized for their recent State and Regional Championships.

-The Winter Park Chamber of Commerce presented checks from the Pancake Breakfast to local schools.

-A proclamation declaring "Fix a Leak Week" was presented.

-A proclamation declaring "Bicycle Month" was presented.

-An update was given regarding his visit at the Florida League of Mayor's

meeting.

-Reminders regarding pedestrian safety were also given.

CONSENT AGENDA:

-The minutes of the Feb. 22 City Commission meeting were approved with modifications.

-CH2M HILL was approved for providing the 5-Year Consumptive Use Permit Compliance Report for CUP No. 7624.

-Amendment VII to the interlocal agreement for the operation of the Iron Bridge Water Reclamation Facility was approved.

-The demolition of the Winter Park Community Center building, including hazardous material remediation, demolition, recycling of selected materials and disposal of all other materials was approved to be awarded to the BG Group of Boca Raton for the lump sum of \$53,880 and accept their unit pricing to excavate earth with debris and disposal of unsuitable earth

from the site, if required and directed by the city.

-The award of RFP-6-2010, to Melrose Retention Ponds Stormwater Project was approved to JCB Construction.

ACTION ITEMS REQUIRING DISCUSSION:

-The city manager was approved to procure architectural services from Helman Hurley Charvat Peacock for the preparation of preliminary architectural drawings to aid in the future request for proposal process to select a design/build team for the project.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

-The first reading of the ordinance adopting new zoning regulations Section 58-89 and Section 58-90, changing the process and procedures, standards and criteria for approval of changes to the zoning regulations text and official zoning map, and for conditional uses was approved with modifications.

-The resolution regarding newly elected officials training was approved.

A full copy of the March 8 City Commission minutes will be available on the city's official Web site at www.cityofwinterpark.org.

org the week of March 22 pending approval by the City Commission.

SIGN UP NOW FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL BIKE FROM PARK TO PARK

Winter Park Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Board will celebrate Florida Bicycle Month by hosting the 2nd annual Bike from Park to Park at 8 a.m. Friday, March 26.

Bicyclists will begin their ride through scenic Winter Park at Mead Garden, located at 1300 S. Denning Drive, and will conclude in Central Park's West Meadow with refreshments courtesy of Panera Bread.

R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, March 23, via e-mail at trafficguy@cityofwinterpark.org or by calling 407-599-3233.

ORLANDO PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA SPRING POPS "MUSICAL POSTCARDS"

The Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra will present Spring Pops "Musical Postcards" at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 14, in Central Park in downtown Winter Park. The event is free and open to the public.

For further information on this special performance, please

contact the Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra at 407-896-6700.

QUICK CENSUS 2010 FACTS

The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States, and is required by the Constitution to take place every 10 years.

In March, census forms will be delivered to every residence in the United States and Puerto Rico. You must answer 10 questions and mail the form back in the postage-paid envelope provided.

A census taker may visit you if you do not return your form. If this happens, ask him/her for their official government badges marked with just their name. Call 407-473-6108 if you need to confirm.

Any personal data you provide is protected under federal law. Visit www.2010census.gov or call 407-473-6108 for more information. The Winter Park Question & Answer Center, 151 W. Lyman Ave., is open Tuesday, March 16 through Tuesday, April 22 (open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.).

Visit the city's official Web site at www.cityofwinterpark.org, find us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Hula-Hooping for health



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Kids and adults learned how to live healthy lifestyles at the Fit and Fun Fest in Central Park on Saturday.

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Calendar

At 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 11, the Central Florida Anthropological Society will present a free program by member Charles Motley and Dr. Philip Whitman on their work in the Peruvian Andes. Call 321-948-3994 for more information.

Tickets are on sale for this year's Bash for Books benefit that will be held from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, March 13, at the Winter Park Public Library. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$75 or \$100 at the door. Visit the Winter Park Public Library or www.wpppl.org/bash.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 13, there will be an Art Class Open House at the Maitland Art Center. Contact Ann Colvin at 407-539-2181 ext. 264 or e-mail acolvin@itsmymaitland.com or visit www.maitlandart-center.org.

From 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 13, the Family History Center, 45 E. Par Street, presents the free workshop "Getting Started in Genealogical Research." Call 407-461-2831.

At 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 14, the Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra and the city of Winter Park will host their annual Spring Pops concert in Winter Park's Central Park. Call the Orlando Philharmonic at 407-896-6700 for more information.

Free movies return to downtown Orlando at 7:45 p.m. on Sunday, March 14, with a showing of "Ghostbusters" at the Lake Eola Bandshell. Visit Enzian.org for more information.

At 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 13, the Maitland Art Center will host Randall Quirk as he lectures about flora and fauna. This free lecture will be held at the Germaine Marvel Building, 231 W. Packwood Ave. For more information call 407-539-2181.

NYPD Pizza owners Jim and Anna DeRusha will host a grand opening event for the public from noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 14. The pizzeria is located at 400 S. Orlando Ave.

The Orlando Garden Club will host their Spring Flower Show from noon to 2 p.m. on Friday March 19, for club members and exhibitors and

from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 20 for the public for free. The club is located at Lock Haven Park, 710 E. Rollins Street, Orlando. For a show schedule and entry guidelines, call 407-426-8759 or visit www.gardencentral.org/florida/-orlandogardens/.

The Family History Center will have two free workshops on Saturday, March 20. From 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. will be "Using Free Personal Ancestral File (PAF) Genealogy Software," and from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. "Using U.S. Census Records." The Center is located at 45 E. Par Street, Orlando. For more information, call 407-461-2831.

Events this week at the Maitland Public Library, 501 S. Maitland Ave. For more details, contact 407-647-7700:

-March 1-31 is Youth Poetry Contest sponsored by the Friends of the Maitland Public Library. Contest is open to ages 8 to 18 with a Maitland Public Library card. Gift cards will be awarded to winners and honorable mentions at the Poetry Award Reception in April. For details and an entry form, visit www.maitlandpubliclibrary.org.

-Saturday, March 13
From 1 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. is Reading Paws. Spend time reading to specially trained dogs. Registration is required.
At 4 p.m. is Second Saturday – Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday!

-Sunday, March 14
At 2 p.m. is the "Winter Chiller's Reading Program" Reception - The Library's Winter Reading Program draws to an end with a reception and grand prize drawing.

-Wednesday, March 17
At 2:30 p.m. is Wii Gaming for Adults, hosted by the Brain Health Club.

-Friday, March 19
From 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. the Maitland Fire & Rescue will conduct blood pressure checks. No registration required.

-Saturday, March 20
At 1:30 p.m. local author Julie Compton will discuss her new book, "Rescuing Olivia," and sign books.

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Q. I have heard there is an extra-conversion tax you have to pay up front?
A. Contrary to what you've heard, it is **NOT EXTRA**. This money will be taxed someday. You can convert and pay the taxes due today or don't convert and pay the taxes in the future.

Q. But I don't have that extra money lying around right now...
A. Because of the special advantages for converting to 2010, you can skip payments for up to *2 1/2 years. And only pay 1/2 the amount in two payments.

Q. What happens if income tax rates go up?
A. If you think your personal tax rates are going to go up (and there may be good reason for that) it is best to convert now while taxes are at their lowest in years.

Q. But I still have to pay taxes on Social Security benefits. I really hate that.
A. Changing to a Roth-IRA can actually reduce or eliminate paying taxes on Social Security Benefits altogether!

Q. What about the required minimum distributions. Do I still have to take those?
A. When you convert to a Roth-IRA you no longer have to take forced withdrawals. And can leave them to accumulate for interest that can be income tax-free.

Q. Fact is, I really don't need additional income from those withdrawals.
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Thursday, March 18, 2010, 2:00 – 4:00PM

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Lifestyles

Winter Parker's play heads to the stage

Winning original play 'Doors' to be performed at Valencia theater

BRITTNI JOHNSON
GUEST REPORTER

Though the Winter Park playwright is the first to admit, "This isn't my first rodeo," it sort of is.

Stephen DeWoody has been involved in local theater for decades. He graduated from Rollins College with a degree in theater arts, teaches drama at Memorial Middle School, and wrote and produced shows for Sea World for 17 years. He just finished his first novel. One thing he hasn't done — write a play that's been produced for the stage. That's scheduled for March 30.

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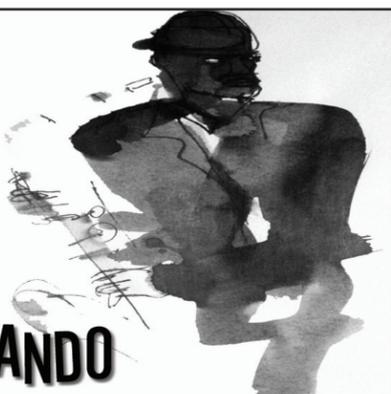
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Stephen DeWoody, an actor and Winter Park resident, will finally see his performance from the other side of the stage, at the production of his play "Doors," the winner of Valencia's Original Play Competition.

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Family Calendar

Events at the Maitland Art Center, 231 W. Packwood Ave. Call 407-539-2181 or visit www.maitlandartcenter.org for more information.

-From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., starting Monday, March 22, children ages 6 to 8 can join the Little Artist Series for the six-week program. Mondays will be drawing, ink and pen. Tuesdays will be watercolors. Wednesdays will be acrylic painting. Cost is \$90 for non-members and \$80 for members. There is a \$25 material fee for each course.

-From 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., starting Thursday, March 25, K-4, K-5 and first grade can join the Young Masters program. K-4 through second grade meet Friday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Cost is \$90 for non-members and \$80 for members. There is a \$25 material fee for each course.

The following events will be held at the JCC Maitland Campus, 851 N. Maitland Ave. Visit OrlandoJCC.org for more information.

-From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 14, enjoy free fun with Kidzart: Art by kids, for kids with kids. Purchase tickets at the door or save by purchasing a Very Important Artist Pass.

-On select dates April 8-25, come see the JCC Center Players adaptation of "Father of the Bride." General admission tickets are \$15, JCC members pay \$12 and seniors and students pay \$10. Reserved seating is available for \$25.

At 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24, the Orange County Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT), in conjunction with the Orange County Tobacco Free Partnership and the Orange County Health Department, are celebrating the "2010 Kick Butts Day" by hosting a community park cleanup. The cleanup will be held at George Barker Park, 2000 Monte Carlo Trail, Orlando. For more information, contact SWAT at 407-340-3415.

Events this month at the Maitland Public Library, 501 S. Maitland Ave.:

-At 7 p.m. on Mondays is Bedtime Stories.

-At 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays is story time for ages 36 months to preschoolers.

-At 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays is story time for babies up to 36 months old.

-At 4 p.m. on Thursdays is Reading Buddies. For more details, contact 407-647-7700.

The Friends of Casa Feliz invite all local families to attend "Kids at the Casa," a Spanish-themed children's festival celebrating music, dance, art, song and storytelling, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 20. Admission is free, but donations will be gladly accepted to help pay costs. For more information, contact Angela Roark at 407-484-1246 or e-mail aroark@mac.com.

Follow the Irish brick road

PHOTOS BY ISAAC BABCOCK — THE OBSERVER

Park avenue turned kelly green for Sunday's St. Patrick's Day parade, featuring thousands of participants in more than 75 groups of floats and walkers. Below, even dogs got into the spirit, sporting their own emerald hue as part of some local politicians' final campaign swing before Tuesday's elections. Bottom, Rosie O'Grady's Highlanders piped, drummed and marched their way south on Park Avenue, celebrating Celtic culture through music and dance, bottom left.



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PLAYWRIGHT | 'Doors' will run from March 30 to April 3 at the Black Box Theater

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DeWoody's script "Doors" was chosen out of 40 to win Valencia Character Company's 19th Annual Original Play Competition among Florida playwrights. His was selected from full-length, never before produced manuscripts that writers sent from all over the state.

"It's very exciting. The chance to see your work, your words coming out of actors mouths onstage, it's a wonderful opportunity," DeWoody said.

In the play, 10 characters are tossed into a "limbo land of doors," said Julia Gagne, who chose the winner and will direct the play. The play then centers on the characters trying to figure out how they got there and their interactions with each other. Each character plays on the theme of doors. There's a door-to-door salesman, a carpenter and a

Jim Morrison-like rock star. The fact that they're from different times and walks of life make their interactions more unique, Gagne said.

“THE CHANCE TO SEE YOUR WORK, YOUR WORDS COMING OUT OF ACTORS MOUTHS ONSTAGE, IT'S A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY.”
 — STEPHEN DEWOODY

Gagne liked that there were 10 role opportunities for her students, that it could be easily staged and "it just felt like the right play" when she read it.

"There are multi-layers; there's humor," Gagne said. "You have to care what happens, and it does hook you, and you want to find out

what happens next."

Martha Gibbons who plays Alice from "Alice in Wonderland" in the play, agreed with Gagne.

"I find something new in this play every time I read it," Gibbons said. "You can tell he put a lot of thought into almost every line."

The funny part is DeWoody said he actually didn't spend too much time writing the play. He usually does outlines for his plays, but this one he let come naturally. When he sat down to write he just "let the characters start talking." He'd think of someone he wanted to come through the door, have them stumble into his world and see what happened next.

"Once you get into the rhythm, it's fun," he said.

Now that rhythm will continue on the Black Box Theater stage. And while he said he's no "starry-eyed kid," considering his long

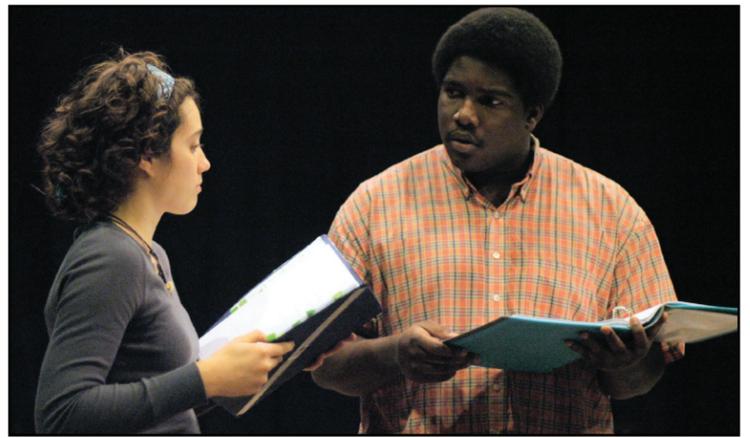


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 Valencia Community College students rehearse DeWoody's play, "Doors."

resume, he admits it's pretty cool to see actors bring his characters to life.

Gibbons is happy to make that happen, and as it's her first rodeo in a Valencia produced play and working with a writer, she's got plenty of stars in her eyes for the both of them.

"It's something I've always wanted to do," she said. "The idea of being able to work with the writer is

so exciting — it's a once in a lifetime opportunity."

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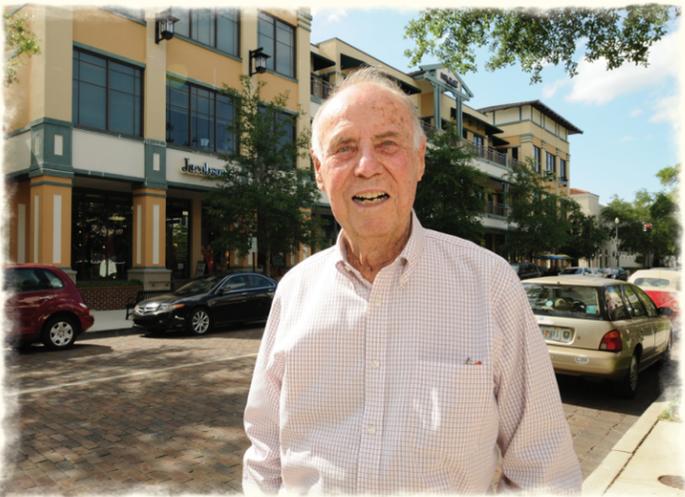
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cheek look at Shakespeare with humor, footnotes, spontaneous conversations and references to pop culture are an integral part of the fun. As a result, each performance varies ... keeping the actors (and audience) on their toes. For tickets call 407-877-4736 or visit gardentheatre.org. Tickets may also be purchased at the Theatre Box Office at 160 W. Plant St. in downtown Winter Garden.

Richard Marx at the Plaza Theater

He has sold more than 30 million albums and has written 13 No. 1 hit songs. His self-titled debut album kicked off his career in 1987 selling three million copies; his 1989 follow-up CD, "Repeat Offender", became even more successful, selling more than 7 million copies worldwide. From 1987 to 1990, Richard Marx became the first male solo artist in history to have his first seven singles reach the Top 5 on Billboard's singles charts, including the hits "Hold On to the Nights", "Satisfied", and "Right Here Waiting", an achievement that remains unchallenged

today. Through all of this — and a host of awards — Richard Marx has remained a fixture on pop and contemporary radio. From his earliest success, Marx has been involved with charitable organizations, donating royalties and building hospital rooms for pediatric cancer patients. He wrote and recorded the song "Children of the Night" about homeless children, donating the song's royalties to a foundation that houses and reforms street kids. Now we have the chance to hear him sing those hits live as he brings his memories and his tuneful honesty to the Plaza Theater in Downtown Orlando at 8 p.m. Friday, March 19. The Plaza is located at 425 N. Bumby Ave. Call 407-228-1220 for tickets.

TALK TO GARRICK

Josh Garrick is a writer, photographer, educator, and fine art curator. He is a member of the Curatorial Council for the Museum of Florida Art. Garrick can be reached at joshgarrick9@gmail.com or 407-522-3906.



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The revenge of the empire

I do not particularly blame either Congress or the presidency for where America has arrived in 2010. It would be disingenuous to do so. How in a representative democracy can you hold harmless the brain-dead electorate who elect these numb chucks in the first place? The American electorate is ignorant, infantile and just out and out goofy.

I am somewhat sympathetic with Tea Party folks, right up to the point where they place the blame exclusively on Washington, as if that somehow exonerates them (us) from our civic duty to 1. thoroughly understand the issues and 2. vote intelligently. That a majority of Americans do neither is the crux of the problem for our nation.

The Greeks, the Athenians specifically, came up with the word "idiotis." It meant any man who was blandly indifferent to public affairs. An idiot in other words. Indifferent, ignorant, infantile. And idiotic. That is your fellow American.

The current "vogue" on the right is to preach or make the claim of American exceptionalism. As a student of history I can and do appreciate how and under what circumstances the U.S. came into being and the values that our "Founding Fathers" prized as outlined in our Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. The talk of

being exceptional, however, strikes me as comically juvenile, something the genuinely insecure require to validate themselves. If America can "truly" make the claim to exceptionalism, it is an exceptionalism that today is tarnished and compromised. We have become like every other imperial power historically. How exceptional is that?

As a liberal, a progressive if you will, I am astounded by my fellow baby boomers. Folks, the only way that our nation can do anything from a social perspective is to have our financial house in order. We need taxes in line with expenditures. To clean up the environment, to educate our children, to have efficient and effective transportation, to have art (in all forms) that inspires, requires a vibrant economy capable of producing wealth sufficient to fund these priorities.

First, let's put Social Security on the table. Two things need to occur — in combination with one another. All income needs to be taxed for Social Security purposes. Retirement ages need to be extended. We're going to have to work longer, people. Determine the formula of revenue vs. benefits and do the deal that puts this program on a long-term sustainable mode. All will pay more and all will work longer. That is realistic. That is mature. That is what is required.

Second. If we are incapa-

ble of having a single-payer health care system because we are so myopically tied to the illusion that capitalism is the only answer to providing "quality" health care, well, that simply won't cut it from a financial solvency prospect will it? Either we actually control health care costs or we cut benefits? Like Social Security, our health care system must be sustainable. Expensive end-of-life care has to be brought under control.

It is asserted that a minimum of 25 percent of all Medicare expenditures are for end-of-life services for dying folks during the last year of their lives. That is an obscenity. The old, and I count myself among them, need to man-up and learn to die with dignity. If you are 80 years old and require a new heart or kidney, well, get in line. If you're fat and diabetic and your kidneys are giving out because you refused over your life (It's really hard to diet!) to responsibly eat, that's tough. Life's tough. If you've smoked for the past 30 years and you're a wheezing asthmatic with circulatory problems, please don't expect scarce public dollars to underwrite your poor health care choices.

I'd much rather that money provide services to our children or for public health. We've only so much revenue available for so many people. If the two are out of sync (which they are), it is unsustainable. Again, a mature, realistic electorate would understand this and demand responsible behavior from ourselves and our elected officials in order to achieve it. But we aren't mature. We aren't realistic.

Our congressional goofs are the biggest hypocrites going. Ask any of them if they want to "fix" Social Security and they'll cue immediately in the line for reform. Ask them for specifics on how to fix it and they'll become a bunch of mumbling monkeys. Know

why? Because all they want is to get re-elected and we the electorate don't have the brains or cojones to demand that decisions need to be made now that will require more taxes and longer individual work lives. Same goes for health care. Either we raise more money and/or provide fewer services in order for our current health care model to continue or we inexorably bankrupt ourselves. And the specific alternatives offered by Republicans are no more than simplistic, idiotic slogans about letting capitalism be unchained to do its magic (Magic? See current recession). Yeah, right.

We are at a crossroads folks requiring that we bring our budget in line with our resources. Everything has to be on the table for revision and recalibration. Social Security, Medicare and national defense are the only three areas where we can realistically get our budget in line with revenues. Ask your congressman to speak honestly about all three. Ask them specifically if they want to cut Social Security benefits? And then laugh in their face.

We are an imperialistic, jingoistic nation and have been since the 1840s. We are constantly preparing for war or are at war. We do not mind our own business. We are meddling and aggressive. And we've allowed our military industries to corrupt our nation and our democracy. We have more than 700 military bases abroad! And we spend 45 percent of the entire world's expenditures on war or preparing for war. Our nearest rival spends 8 percent. Presidents Washington and Eisenhower, generals both, presciently warned us exactly what would happen to America. And we the citizens have allowed it to happen because we are indifferent, uninterested or too stupid to care. (Google: Chalmers

Johnson).

We spend nearly a trillion a year on war or preparing for war (or for the euphemism of "homeland security"). It is killing us, literally. It is killing us financially. It is killing us democratically. It will destroy us as a people and as a nation. We are, America is, imperialistic. Imperial Rome is gone. Imperial Spain is gone. Imperial Britain is gone. Imperial America is inevitably gone, too. And should be.

We will not get our economic house in order unless we redefine who we are as people and what kind of a people we are among the family of nations. We have for so long been such a belligerent, imperialistic nation that we either reconnect to what our Founding Fathers envisioned for America internationally or we succumb to what we have become — an arrogant, militaristic tyrant that will inevitably stumble and fall. A failed state.

Either we get smart as an electorate and fix our economic mess (Social security, Medicare and our Imperialism appropriations) and redefine as well our role internationally or it is just a matter of time until we join the rather long list of "has-beens" in the dustbin of history. "My name is Ozymandias, king of kings: Look upon my works, ye Mighty, and despair!"

Either we get rid of our imperialistic ways or our empire shall have its revenge. It will, literally, consume us all.

Raise your hand now if you think any meaningful change is going to happen. And where, my fellow citizen, will the fault lie? For the failure of America?

TALK TO JEPSON

Chris Jepson's opinions are made independently of the newspaper. Write him at jepson@MEDIAMerica.us.

Letters to the Editor

Stop Niagara's water pumping

Some experts believe our supply of drinking water will dry up within a decade. You, as a homeowner, with your own well, are restricted from pumping more than a few hundred gallons per week as a means of preserving the aquifer. Yet a for-profit company, Niagara Bottling, was given a permit to pump 484,000 gallons per day. If our citizens are so weak and naive to let this stand, then they deserve to be made slaves to a bureaucratic government. When our water sup-

ply dries up, you have only yourself to blame. It is time to protect your rights and your future. *Stop this now.*

—Don Thompson
Winter Park

No access to spirituality

Older people do not have access to religion when they need it the most. Whereas Christian residents of nursing and assisted living facilities can attend weekly chapel services, Jewish residents are unlikely to receive any religious opportunities. When they want to pray or discuss religious issues who can

they turn to? They may be facing life and death issues or grappling with relationships gone awry, personal secrets and other issues related to the latter stages of life.

In the Jewish community, few people who have been members of a congregation throughout their lives continue their membership payments while living in long-term care facilities. As a result, they are unlikely to receive visits from the rabbi or the Social Action Committee. In many cases, they feel totally abandoned by the Jewish com-

munity.

The Jewish Pavilion offers a unique service to our elders living in nursing facilities. Pavilion staff and volunteers visit 300 Jewish seniors in the Orlando area who reside in 44 long-term care facilities. The agency also provides intergenerational musical celebrations, holiday and Sabbath festivities for residents of all faiths.

What is so exciting about the Jewish Pavilion's outreach efforts is that seniors are served no matter where they reside. Other faith communities could easily

adopt this model of care. Because volunteers provide the bulk of the service, it is a very inexpensive way to enhance the lives of thousands of our elders. Visit www.jewishpavilion.org for more information.

—Nancy Ludin,
Jewish Pavilion
executive director

Cold snap threatens Florida's manatees

The cold winter of 2010 has resulted in unprecedented numbers of cold-related manatee deaths in Florida.

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"You are entitled to your own opinions—
you are not entitled to your own facts"
— Daniel Patrick Moynihan

Victor's voodoo — original short story —

La Scala, on 54th Street, between 6th and 7th, was a New York restaurant I hardly ever went into without seeing someone to speak to, or to wave at. Of course, Joe DiMaggio was there at his table almost every night.

At lunch, Luciano Pavarotti was often at a round table in a corner, sometimes with Sophia Loren. Luciano, Sophia and I lived close to each other on Central Park South, five blocks away.

One day a few years ago I was looking down at a newly-arrived plate of La Scala's sinfully delicious *saltimbocca a la Romana*, when I heard a resonant bass voice say my name.

I looked up quickly, and there stood Victor Mackie, a singer I had known well in Germany. Victor, who was 10 years my senior, was born in Glasgow, and, from age 10, raised in South Af-

rica.

He was singing Wagner operas in Germany when World War II broke out. He had been married a long time to a German soprano. They had a couple of daughters whom I got to know when their father and I sang together in Hamburg, where they lived.

How Victor was able to remain in Germany and sing opera in the important theaters during the World War II era was a mystery. He was a citizen of a British Empire nation that was at war with Germany. Most foreigners who tried such a stunt would probably have ended up in a concentration camp.

Of course, Victor had spoken Afrikaans all his life, and his fluent German sounded like German with some kind of bucolic dialect. The fact that he had been married to a German for many years probably shielded him from harm. He once intimated to me that he *had* spied for England all during the War. I was never sure if it was true.

It's the kind of story any American, Frenchman or Englishman might have made up after the war as an excuse for having been singing on Der Führer's stages all through the Nazi years.

When Victor sat down at my table in La Scala that day, we had a lot of catching up to do about the years since we last sang together, which was in the Hamburg Staatsoper. Victor had read that I was still singing actively in North America, France and Italy. When I asked him about his career, he said he was looking for jobs in North American opera companies.

It was tough going, he

said.

You see, Victor had always sung everything in German, and had confined his career to Germany, Austria and Switzerland. He had never sung in France or Italy as I had, and therefore knew nothing in Italian or French, which are the languages most sung in big American opera companies. I finally got around to asking him why he wasn't still singing in Germany.

"That's a weird little story, my friend," he said, taking a swallow of San Pietro Chianti.

"How's that?" I asked.

"You remember a conductor, named Horst Radzo?"

"Yeah," I said.

"I always thought he was a third-rate little Nazi runt. Unpleasant to be around. Even worse to sing with."

"You said it!"

"Well, I'm a very tall guy, and he always seemed to have it in for me. Unluckily, I often had to do the big Wagner operas with the little bastard: 'Meistersinger,' 'Lohengrin,' 'Parsifal,' 'Hollender,' 'Tristan,' 'Tannhäuser,' 'the Ring,' the whole kit and caboodle."

"And?" I asked.

"Well, Radzo had a suspicion I had spied for England during the war. You know he was in the S.S., don't you?"

"I heard that," I said.

"I was ready to call it quits and go somewhere I could buy a little land and become a gentleman farmer."

"Where?"

"South Africa, or perhaps out west here in the States."

"What stopped you, Victor?"

"It was Radzo. The little bastard finagled a way to get the Deutsche Büh-

nengenossenschaft to tie up my retirement money. Everything I had put away in my account all through the years. I can't lay my hands on a Pfennig."

"How'd he do it?" I asked.

"The singers union is run by a board, a Verwaltung, as you know," he said. "The people on it are fairly powerful bureaucrats who may or may not have been Nazis. The fact is, they balk when it comes to paying out pension money to any foreigner they think was against the Vaterland during the war."

"Victor, were you a spy?" I asked.

"It doesn't really matter anymore," was all he wanted to say.

"Where's your wife now?"

"Hannah — she's in Germany. In the Schwarzwald ... Freiburg. She's still a German citizen."

"That Radzo was some Schwein!" I said.

"Well, I must say, I hated the little Kraut. The way he'd slink into the Kantine, wearing his greasy little black toupee, and take his coffee all the way back to his studio, away from us all. Rehearsals with him used to disgust me. He was prone to towering rages. I've heard that comes from insecurity. Anyway, he always *had* to be right about everything. One thing: He could never ever look me in the eye. Anyone who knows *men* knows what that means. He knew that the whole Frankfurt Opera was on to him, and hated his guts."

Victor sucked in another Schluck of Chianti.

"There's more to the tale ..."

"Oh?"

"Last year I had to go back to Cape Town ... my

mother died."

"Oh! I'm sorry."

"Yes. Well, she was damn near 90. In Africa I stayed with the very dear old family retainer who raised me from a lad — an ancient and spooky black lady who does fortunes and magic and that sort of thing."

We called the waiter and ordered espressos.

"What about her?"

"Well, she told me that she had once killed a white man who raped her daughter."

"Did she get caught?"

"No. According to her, she killed him simply by saying some voodoo words and aiming them his way. The guy up and died the next day."

"Coincidence maybe," I said.

"We'll find out soon enough."

"How?"

"Simple. I aimed those words of hers at Radzo last night. I'll write them down on this slip of paper for you. Keep it. You never know ..."

Next morning, The New York Times reported that conductor Horst Radzo had collapsed and died while rehearsing "Walküre" in the Berlin Städtische Oper.

Did that fact make Victor a murderer?

How could it?

He had only repeated meaningless syllables of gibberish.

Yesterday I found Victor's slip of paper in my wallet.

On it, nine strange sounds are printed out phonetically.

Now I'm in a quandary ...

You see, there *is* a crook I detest — and with more than good reason.

Up to now I've never been able to do anything about it. Legally, that is ...

LETTERS | Florida lost 6 percent of its population of manatees in just the first six weeks of 2010

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Through Feb. 12, there have been more than 300 confirmed deaths from all causes. Of these, 167 have been attributed to cold stress. Another 116 deaths have been labeled as undetermined/unrecovered, and many of these were also likely caused by cold stress because of their location and timing. Based on a synoptic survey of 5,076 manatees counted in January, this year's deaths represent a loss of 6 percent of the entire state's population in just the first six weeks of the year. These tragic numbers come on the heels of last year's record mortality. Incredibly, in the last 14 months, at least 729 manatees are known to have died in state waters. We can only hope that 2010 does not bring red tide to our coasts or another record year for manatee boat strike deaths like we saw in 2009, as these events could result in hundreds more manatee deaths. Although cold-re-

lated deaths are considered a natural cause, the events of this winter highlight the vulnerability of our state's manatee population, and reinforce the importance of safeguarding winter habitat and minimizing human-related threats to this species.

When we hear countless news reports of hundreds of manatees dying from cold, we can feel powerless to help. However, there are a number of actions that everyone can take to help safeguard our state's iconic manatees.

If you live in Florida, contact your legislators and ask them not to cut funding for the manatee critical care treatment program, which is a part of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's (FWC) budget. This money helps Florida's three critical care facilities provide vitally needed emergency treatment for manatees injured by boats, entangled, orphaned or suffering from cold stress or red tide toxicity. Without this funding,

injured manatees would needlessly suffer and die. The staff at these critical care facilities, along with staff of the FWC and other groups, have been working tirelessly and selflessly to care for manatees during this winter's prolonged cold weather.

Florida's springs provide natural winter habitat for Florida's manatees. Reduced spring flows caused by increased human demand for water have decreased available habitat at some of our springs, while access to other springs has been reduced or eliminated by weirs or dams. One such spring is Silver Spring in Marion County, which is the largest of Florida's springs. Manatees have completely lost access to this spring due to the Kirpatrick (Rodman) dam. Restoration of the Ocklawaha River and removal of the dam would restore manatee access to Silver Spring. Unfortunately, this restoration would be delayed at least another 50

years if the Jim King State Reserve bill passes during the spring session of the Florida Legislature. If we are going to safeguard manatees in the long-term, we need to protect and enhance their natural warm-water habitat. Floridians, ask your legislators to support the Florida Springs Protection Act this session (SB568) and vote against the Jim King State Reserve bill (SB466/HB695).

If you live in Florida, or plan to visit the state, look for ways to decrease water use to protect water resources. Every drop of groundwater or surface water we use is a drop we take away from the manatees' home. The area hardest hit by this winter's cold weather was the Everglades. Historically, warm groundwater would exit the aquifer through seeps and small springs and provide a refuge to manatees in the Everglades during winter months. However, extensive development and canal dredging have altered

the flow of water over the last 100 years, decreasing the availability of these seeps and springs and leaving manatees at risk.

If you boat on Florida's waterways, either as a resident or a visitor, always be on the lookout for manatees. Careful boaters can prevent manatee injuries and deaths caused by watercraft. If you see an injured or dead manatee, please immediately contact FWC's 24-hour hotline at 1-888-404-3922. Manatees simply cannot afford another year of record watercraft deaths.

Manatees and Florida's environment need your support and your voice. These simple actions can make a life-saving difference for Florida's endangered manatees.

—Dr. Katie Tripp
Director of Science &
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 48-2008-CP-002512-0

IN RE: ESTATE OF EULA PEARL JENKINS Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Eula Pearl Jenkins, deceased, whose date of death was October 28, 2008, and whose social security number is XXX-XX-7749, file number 48-2008-CP-002512-0, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 North Orange Avenue, Room 310, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent 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 WITHIN 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.

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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 March 4, 2010.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2009-CA 030614-0

FIRSTBANK PUERTO RICO d/b/a FIRSTBANK FLORIDA Plaintiff, vs.

AP/GRUPO ARCEÑO PENA, INC., FRANCISCO ARCEÑO PENA, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 1, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 2, and CHATHAM PLACE AT ARBOR MEADOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO

§45.031, F.L.A. STAT.

To Defendants AP/GRUPO Arcenio Pena, Inc., Francisco Arcenio Pena and Chatham Place at Arbor Meadows Homeowners Association, Inc., and all others whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on March 1, 2010, in Case No. 2009-CA-030614-0 in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and For Orange County, Florida, in which FirstBank Puerto Rico d/b/a FirstBank Florida is the Plaintiff, and AP/GRUPO Arcenio Pena, Inc., et al., are Defendants, I, the Orange County Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property located in Orange County:

Lot 70, Chatham Place at Arbor Meadows, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 63, Page 39, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

The sale will be held on April 15, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Room 350, Orlando, Florida 32801. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2010

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/s/Michael C. Caborn
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Florida Bar No. 162477

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case Number: 2009-CA-22059-0; Division 40

PEOPLES FIRST COMMUNITY BANK, Plaintiff, vs. GEORGE MORNING a/k/a GEORGE I. MORNING, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of May, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 350 of the Courthouse of Orange County, Florida, 425 S. Orange Avenue, Orlando FL 32801, the undersigned Clerk will offer for sale the following described real property:

Lot 21, CAMINO RE'AL, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 6, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

Lot 247, SULLIVAN RANCH, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 58, Pages 46 through 76, of the Public Records of Lake County, Florida.

The aforesaid sale will be made pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-22059-0, Division 40, now pending in the Circuit Court in Orange County, Florida.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration at 37 North Orange Avenue, Suite 1130, Orlando, Florida 32801, telephone number 407/836-2050, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8777, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Dated this 16 day of February, 2010.

(SEAL)
By: ERIC B. JONTZ, Attorney

JEFFERY R. JONTZ

ERIC B. JONTZ
SWANIN & HADLEY, P.A.
Post Office Box 1961
Winter Park, Florida 32790
Telephone: (407) 647-2777
Facsimile No.: (407) 647-2157

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION
File Number: 2010-CP-0132

IN RE: ESTATE OF Taylor Alyson Meng, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Taylor Alyson Meng, deceased, whose date of death was May 16, 2008, is pending in the Circuit Court for Seminole County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 8099, Sanford, FL 32772-8099. The names and addresses of the Co-Personal Representatives and the Co-Personal Representatives attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent 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 WITHIN 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 SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE 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 March 4, 2010.

Co-Personal Representatives:

Patrick Kenneth Meng

Summer Meng
329 Park Avenue North, 2nd Floor
P.O. Box 880
Winter Park, FL 32790

W. Graham White
Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives
Florida Bar No. 0777544

Winderweeile, Haines, Ward & Woodman, P.A.
329 Park Avenue North, 2nd Floor, P.O. Box 880,
Winter Park, FL 32790

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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 Winter Park Mitsubishi located at 1011 N. Wymore Road, in the County of Orange in the City of Winter Park, Florida 32789, intends to register the above said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Winter Park, Florida, this 5th day of March, 2010.

HW&F, Inc.
Frank A. Hamner, Registered Agent

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO.: 2010-CP-0335

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GARY MICHAEL GRAY Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of Gary Michael Gray, deceased, whose date of death was November 12, 2009, and whose social security number is XXX-XX-8283, is pending in the Circuit Court for Seminole County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 301 North Park Avenue, Sanford, Florida 32771. 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 on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 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 SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD 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 February 25, 2010.

Attorney for Personal Representative:

Sidney H. Shams, Esquire
Florida Bar No.: 864153
Shams Law Firm
1015 Maitland Center Commons Blvd.
Suite 110
Maitland, FL 32751
(407)671-3131

Personal Representative:

Patricia Burford
4009 South 132nd East Avenue
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74134

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IN THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION
File Number 48-2010-CP-112-0

IN RE: ESTATE OF JUDY G. ROSIER Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of JUDY G. ROSIER, deceased, whose date of death was June 3, 2009, File Number 48-2010-CP-112-0, 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 name and address 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 on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 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 SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOT WITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

Date of first publication of this notice of administration: March 4, 2010.

W E Winderweeile, JR.
Attorney

219 W Comstock Avenue
Winter Park, FL 32790-2997
Telephone: (407) 628-4040
Florida Bar No. 0116626

MICHELLE Y. WILLIAMS
Personal Representative

3/4, 3/11

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 9th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 08-CA-8743

WATERFORD LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff, vs. MARTHA VELEZ, and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, as unknown tenants, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 23 day of March, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., at room 350 of the Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801, the Clerk of Court will offer for sale the real estate described as follows:

Lot 131, Waterford Lakes Tract N-19, Phase II, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 39, Pages 113 and 114, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

together with all structures, improvements, fixtures, and appurtenances on said land or used in conjunction therewith.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

The aforesaid sale will be made pursuant to a Final Judgment entered in this cause on December 17, 2009.

DATED this 17 day of December, 2009

Alex C. Costopoulos, Esq.
Florida Bar No.: 0112429

Pohl & Short, P.A.
280 W. Canton Avenue, Suite 410
Post Office Box 3208
Winter Park, Florida 32789
Telephone (407) 647-7645
Facsimile (407) 647-2314
Attorneys for Plaintiff

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 2130, Orlando, Florida 32801, telephone (407)836-2303, within 2 working days of your receipt of this Summons; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771; if you are voice impaired, call: 1-800-955-8770.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF VESSEL

Pursuant to FL. Stat. 328.17(7) the following described vessel(s) will be sold in a public sale to the highest bidder to satisfy a claim lien by lienor for labor and/or storage: 1979 MURRAY CHRIS - CRAFTY HIN#: CCH09790M79D251. Owner/ TROMATH J UNGER & JOHN R TILLMAN ORLANDO, FL. L/H. Lienor/ BOAT TREE MARINA 4370 CARRAWAY PLACE SANFORD, FL 407-322-1160. SALE DATE: April 08, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at 4370 CARRAWAY PLACE SANFORD, FL 32771. For additional information call 407-657-7995.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2010-CP-000424-0

Division PROBATE
IN RE: ESTATE OF JEFFERSON L. FLOWERS Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of JEFFERSON L. FLOWERS, deceased, File Number 2010-CP-000424-0 is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 North Orange Avenue, Probate Division, 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 on whom a copy of this notice has been served must file their claims with this Court, WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE TIME 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 SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is March 11, 2010.

Attorney for Personal Representative:

Michael L. Marlowe, Esq.
Florida Bar No. 157000
Marlowe & Weatherford, P.A.
1150 Louisiana Avenue, Ste. 4
Winter Park, Florida 32789
Telephone: (407) 629-5008

Personal Representative:

Jefferson S. Flowers
117 Whitecaps Circle
Maitland, Florida 32751

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 48-2009-CA-010047-0

FIRSTBANK FLORIDA, Plaintiff, vs. MARY LILIANA GOMEZ, VICTOR M. ORTEGA, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 1, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 2, and SERENATA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO §45.031, F.L.A. STAT.

To Defendants Mary Liliana Gomez, Victor M. Ortega, Unknown Tenant in Possession No. 1, Unknown Tenant in Possession No. 2 and Serenata Condominium Association, Inc. and all others whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 23, 2010, in Case No. 48-2009-CA-010047-0 in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and For Orange County, Florida, in which FirstBank Florida is the Plaintiff, and Mary Liliana Gomez, et al., are Defendants, I, the Orange County Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property located in Orange County:

Unit No. 105, Building 22, Serenata Condominium, a condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 8176, Page 1877, as thereafter amended, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

The sale will be held on April 6, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Room 350, Orlando, Florida 32801. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2010.

Winderweeile, Haines, Ward & Woodman, P.A.

Post Office Box 1391
Orlando, FL 32802-1391
Telephone: (407) 423-4246
Facsimile: (407) 423-7014
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/Michael C. Caborn
Michael C. Caborn
Florida Bar No. 162477

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2009-CA-17445-0

FIRSTBANK FLORIDA, Plaintiff, vs. LISAA GUERRA, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 1, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 2, and WALDEN PALMS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO §45.031, F.L.A. STAT.

To Defendants Lisa A. Guerra and Walden Palms Condominium Association, Inc. and all others whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 11, 2010, in Case No. 2009-CA-17445-0 in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and For Orange County, Florida, in which FirstBank Florida is the Plaintiff, and Lisa A. Guerra, et al., are Defendants, I, the Orange County Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property located in Orange County:

Unit 1423, Building 14, Walden Palms, a condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 8444, at Page 2553, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

The sale will be held on March 26, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Room 350, Orlando, Florida 32801. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 2010.

Winderweeile, Haines, Ward & Woodman, P.A.

Post Office Box 1391
Orlando, FL 32802-1391
Telephone: (407) 423-4246
Facsimile: (407) 423-7014
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/Michael C. Caborn
Michael C. Caborn
Florida Bar No. 162477

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Notice of Public Auction

Pursuant to Ch 715.109 FS and/or 83.801 and/or 677.210 FS et al United American Lien & Recovery as agent with power of attorney will sell at public auction the following property(s) to the highest bidder subject to any liens for the purpose of satisfying claim of lien and/or disposition of abandoned property(s); owner/lienholder may redeem property(s) for cash sum of lien; all auctions held in reserve
Inspect 1 week prior @ lien facility; cash or cashier check; 15% buyer prem; any persons interested ph (954) 563-1999

Sale date March 19 2010 @ 10:00 am 3411 NW 9th Ave #707 Fl Lauderdale FL 33309
1958 1983 Maria hs vin#: 06388357813 tenant: steve tuhy
1959 1974 Twnh hs vin#: 112652614 tenant: victor montenegro maria ferro
1960 1978 Brig hs vin: 3R40RL38618A tenant: joshua adam ayers
1961 1978 Brig hs vin#: 3R40RL38618B tenant: joshua adam ayers

Licensed & bonded auctioneers flab422 flau 765 & 1911

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2009-CA-009826-0

FIRSTBANK FLORIDA, Plaintiff, vs. MARY LILIANA GOMEZ, VICTOR M. ORTEGA, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 1, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 2, and SERENATA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO §45.031, F.L.A. STAT.

To Defendants Mary Liliana Gomez, Victor M. Ortega, Unknown Tenant in Possession No. 1, Unknown Tenant in Possession No. 2 and Serenata Condominium Association, Inc. and all others whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 23, 2010, in Case No. 2009-CA-009826-0 in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and For Orange County, Florida, in which FirstBank Florida is the Plaintiff, and Mary Liliana Gomez, et al., are Defendants, I, the Orange County Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property located in Orange County:

Unit No. 208, Building 2, Serenata Condominium, a condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 8176, Page 1877, as thereafter amended, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

The sale will be held on April 6, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Room 350, Orlando, Florida 32801. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2010.

Winderweeile, Haines, Ward & Woodman, P.A.

Post Office Box 1391
Orlando, FL 32802-1391
Telephone: (407) 423-4246
Facsimile: (407) 423-7014
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/Michael C. Caborn
Michael C. Caborn
Florida Bar No. 162477

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
You are hereby informed that the City Council of the City of Maitland, Florida, will hold a Public Hearing on the following proposed ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MAITLAND, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, A PART OF CHAPTER 21 OF THE MAITLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM PD, PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO PD, PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO OBTAIN APPROVAL OF A FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO INCLUDE A MEDICAL LABORATORY AS A PERMITTED USE AND PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVALS FOR THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND AMENDING REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVALS WITHIN A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Public Hearing will be held at 5:30 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Wednesday, March 24, 2010 in the Maitland City Hall Council Chambers, 1776 Independence Lane, Maitland, Florida, 32751.

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available in the office of the City Clerk for inspection. Interested parties may appear at the hearing and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.

Any person who decides to appeal any decision made at this meeting or hearing, will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's office (407-539-6219) 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

CITY OF MAITLAND
Maria T. Waldrop, CMC
City Clerk
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
Family Division 29
Case Number 2010-DR-002005-0
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF MARGARITA ARENTINA GOMEZ, Petitioner/Wife and JOSE A. VASQUEZ COLORADO, Respondent/Husband
NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE
To: Mr. Jose A. Vasquez Colorado
Current Residence is Unknown
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition for Dissolution of your Marriage has been filed and commenced in this Court and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to it on

Roshani M. Gunewardene, Esquire, Attorney for Petitioner, Margarita Arentina Gomez, at P.O. Box 162032, Altamonte Springs, FL 32716-2032
and file the original with the Clerk of Court in the above-styled case at 425 North Orange Avenue, Room 320, Orlando, FL 32801 on or before March 25, 2010; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. This notice shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks in The Winter Park-Maitland Observer, P.O. Box 2426, Winter Park, FL 32790.

Margarita A. Gomez
2243 Lake Weston Drive, Apt. 1522
Orlando, FL 32810
Circuit Court Seal: LYDIA GARDNER, Clerk of Court, Orange County
By: YADIRA AGUILAR
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
Deputy Clerk
425 North Orange Avenue, Room 320
Orlando, FL 32801
Dated 2/10/10 2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11

Notice Under Fictitious Name Act
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, pursuant to the "Fictitious Name Statute", Chapter 865.09, Florida Statutes, will register with the Division of Corporations, Department of State, State of Florida, upon receipt of proof of the publication of this notice, the fictitious name, to wit:

LAKE JESSUP ENGINEERING
under which the undersigned expects to engage in business at
609 W. 27TH ST. SANFORD, FL 32773
and that the party interested in said business enterprise is as follows:
CASEY HOLLOWAY
Dated at SEMINOLE COUNTY, Florida this 11th day of March, 2010 3/11

Notice Under Fictitious Name Act
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, pursuant to the "Fictitious Name Statute", Chapter 865.09, Florida Statutes, will register with the Division of Corporations, Department of State, State of Florida, upon receipt of proof of the publication of this notice, the fictitious name, to wit:

THE WILLIAMS REAL ESTATE COMPANY
under which the undersigned expects to engage in business at
114 Seville Chase Drive
Winter Springs, FL 32708
and that the party interested in said business enterprise is as follows:
THE WILLIAMS REAL ESTATE COMPANY & CONSULTING, LLC
Dated at Seminole County, Florida this 11th day of March, 2010 3/11

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2009-CA-17431-0
FIRSTBANK FLORIDA, Plaintiff, vs. LISAA GUERRA, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 1, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION NO. 2, and WALDEN PALMS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., Defendants.
NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO §45.031, FLA. STAT.

To Defendants Lisa A. Guerra and Walden Palms Condominium Association, Inc. and all others whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 11, 2010, in Case No. 2009-CA-17431-0 in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and For Orange County, Florida, in which FirstBank Florida is the Plaintiff, and Lisa A. Guerra, et al., are Defendants, I, the Orange County Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property located in Orange County:

Unit No. 626, Building 6, Walden Palms, a Condominium, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 8444, Page 2553, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.
The sale will be held on March 26, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Room 350, Orlando, Florida 32801. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2010.
Winderweede, Haines, Ward & Woodman, P.A.
Post Office Box 1391
Orlando, FL 32802-1391
Telephone: (407) 423-4246
Facsimile: (407) 423-7014
Attorneys for Plaintiff
/s/Michael C. Caborn
Michael C. Caborn
Florida Bar No. 162477 3/4, 3/11

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
FARM CREDIT OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, ACA, Plaintiff, v. THOMAS G. LEINDECKER; PAGE A. LEINDECKER; WEDGEFIELD HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation; UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY; together with any GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, HEIRS, DEVISEES OR TRUSTEES OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST DEFENDANT(S); ANY UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION, Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment entered in the cause pending in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, in and for Orange County, Florida, Case No. 2009-CA-017287-0, in which FARM CREDIT OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, ACA, is the Plaintiff, and THOMAS G. LEINDECKER; PAGE A. LEINDECKER; WEDGEFIELD HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., and UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, are Defendants, the undersigned Clerk will sell the property situated in said County, described as:

Lot 14, Block 3, CAPE ORLANDO ESTATES UNIT 7A, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 103-106, inclusive, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.
at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash at 11:00 a.m. on the 23rd day of March, 2010, in Room 350 of the Orange County Courthouse, located at 425 North Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801.

DATED this 23 day of February, 2010.
SHERRY LAMBSON-EISELE
Florida Bar No: 00020516
Miller, Hester & Eisele, P.L.L.C.
429 S. Keller Road, Suite 310
Orlando, Florida 32810
Telephone: (407) 478-7950
Facsimile: (407) 478-7989
Attorneys for Plaintiffs 3/4, 3/11

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No. 2009-CA-14231-0
TRUSTCO BANK, Plaintiff, vs. CESAR AVILA; and CLAUDIA S. AVILA, Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of June, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 350 of the Courthouse of Orange County, Florida, 425 S. Orange Avenue, Orlando FL 32801, the undersigned Clerk will offer for sale the following described real property:

LOT 8, HUNTERS CREEK, TRACT 520, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47 PAGES 109-114, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA.
The aforesaid sale will be made pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-14231-0 now pending in the Circuit Court in Orange County, Florida.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration at 37 North Orange Avenue, Suite 1130, Orlando, Florida 32801, telephone number 407/836-2050, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.
Dated this 17 day of February, 2010.
By: ERIC B. JONTZ, Attorney
Florida Bar No. 64905 3/4, 3/11

JEFFRY R. JONTZ
ERIC B. JONTZ
SWANN & HADLEY, P.A.
Post Office Box 1961
Winter Park, Florida 32790
Telephone: (407) 647-2777
Facsimile No.: (407) 647-2157 3/4, 3/11

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2009CA001754
NATTY MAC CAPITAL, PLAINTIFF, vs. PABLO CHOEZ, ET AL. DEFENDANT(S).
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 3, 2010 in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Seminole, Florida, on May 6, 2010, at 11:00 AM, at Room S201 of Courthouse - 301 N. Park Ave., Sanford, FL 32771 for the following described property:

Lot 115, Bentley Woods; according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 41, Pages 79 through 82, inclusive, Public Records of Seminole County, Florida.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.
Dated MAR 04 2010
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By TINA SMITH
Deputy Clerk of the Court

Prepared by:
Gladstone Law Group, P.A.
101 Plaza Real South, Suite 217
Boca Raton, FL 33432
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Winter Park, Florida 32789
PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held by the City Commission of the City of Winter Park, Florida, on Monday, March 22, 2010, at 3:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers of City Hall, 401 Park Avenue, South, to consider the following:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 58 "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE" ARTICLE III, "ZONING" SO AS TO ADOPT NEW ZONING REGULATIONS SECTION 58-89 AND SECTION 58-90 AMENDING THE PROCESS AND PROCEDURES, STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO THE ZONING REGULATIONS TEXT AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND FOR CONDITIONAL USES, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard. Additional information is available in the City Clerk's office so that citizens may acquaint themselves with each issue and receive answers to any questions they may have prior to the meeting. "If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based." (F.S. 286.0105) Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's office (407-599-3277) at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.
/s/ Cynthia S. Bonham, CMC, City Clerk 3/11

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[Two panels of a cartoon showing a woman watching a man on TV. Differences include: 1. Lampshade is different, 2. Woman's expression has changed, 3. Plant is moved, 4. Picture is different, 5. Apron bow is missing, 6. TV has no legs.]

Answers on this page
Differences: 1. Lampshade is different, 2. Woman's expression has changed, 3. Plant is moved, 4. Picture is different, 5. Apron bow is missing, 6. TV has no legs.

EDITORIAL CARTOON
A teapot labeled 'Tea Party Voices' is overflowing with steam and smoke, symbolizing the political movement.

King Crossword
ACROSS
33 Actress
1 Hammer-head part
5 Piña colada ingredient
8 Mosque variety bigwig
12 Dalai —
13 401(k) alternative
14 Unaltered
15 Elliptical
16 Showbiz job
17 Mothers and daughters
18 Mexico's national flower
20 Big lizard
22 Young newt
23 Apiece
24 Bit of banter
27 Marching along
32 Khan title
DOWN
28 Diarist Anais
29 "24 Caprices for Solo Violin" composer
30 Fix the soundtrack
31 Recede
36 Tonic
37 Allow
38 Cap with a propeller
41 Lindbergh book
42 Morays
43 Location
44 O.K. Corral hero
46 Phone call?
47 Online journal
48 Longings
51 West of Hollywood
21 Nitwit
2 Stromboli spillage
3 Asian nursemaid
4 Billfold
5 Tubular pasta
6 Swiss canton
7 Creche trio
8 Dispenser
9 Hindu royal
10 Congregational call
11 Small plateau
19 Kipling poem
21 Univ. transcript no.
24 Mandible
25 "I" trouble?
26 Gabriela of tennis fame

11x11 crossword grid with numbers 1-58.

Weekly SUDOKU by Linda Thistle
8 9 4
6 5 3
7 6 9
9 4 3 8
5 1
2 6 7
5 8 1
4 2 9
3 7 5
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★
★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!
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Receptionist

Job Description: Responsible for providing telephone assistance and performing data entry, secretarial duties and customer service. Work Monday-Friday, 10:00am-5:30pm. Pay Rate: \$7.50-\$9.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9459705

Client Sales and Support Agent

Job Description: Responsible for taking incoming calls from customers wishing to arrange travel. Prepares quotes, develops itineraries using persuasive selling techniques and knowledge of destinations, products, and features to satisfy customer

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requirements, and presents information to the customer to secure the sale. Work Monday-Friday, 9:00am-6:00pm. Pay Rate: \$8.00-\$10.00 per hour plus commission Job Order Number: 9461637

Landscape Gardener

Job Description: Responsible for landscaping or maintaining grounds of property using hand or power tools or equipment. Lays sod, mows, trims, plants, waters, fertilizes, digs, raking, and installs sprinklers and mortarless segmental concrete masonry wall units. Work Monday-Thursday, 4:00am-2:00pm. Pay Rate: \$8.55-\$11.25 per hour Job Order Number: 9462728

General Cleaner/Carpet Cleaner

Job Description: Responsible for keeping buildings in clean and orderly condition. Performs heavy cleaning duties including cleaning floors, shampooing rugs, washing walls and glass, and removing rubbish and tends furnace and boiler. Performs routine maintenance activities, notifies management of need for repairs, and cleans debris from sidewalk. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$7.65 per hour Job Order Number: 9464060

Biomedical Equipment Technician

Job Description: Responsible for operating, maintaining, calibrating, and repairing the component level on a variety of medical equipment. Work Monday-Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm. Pay Rate: \$10.00-\$14.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9454175

Compulsory Gymnastic/Recreational Gymnastic Coach

Job Description: Responsible for training the compulsory team on bars and vault and teaching the children how to tumble. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9457155

Reservations Agent

Job Description: Responsible for taking reservations via the telephone, mailing correspondence, rooming lists and in-house requests, and entering the information into the system. Work 2:00pm-11:30pm, days may vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9455164

Restaurant Server - 3rd Shift

Job Description: Responsible for taking orders, serving food and beverages to guests, and maintaining table, dining room, and side stations. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9456255

Director of Nursing

Job Description: Responsible for supporting the delivery of all of the company services in a designated market by ensuring compliance to regulatory standards, outcomes, and enhancing care through performance improvement measures, achieved and sustained (residents, residents families, facility owners and operators, facility staff and company's staff). Work Monday-Sunday, hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$35,000.00-\$45,000.00 per year Job Order Number: 9454927

Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator

Job Description: Responsible for making outbound calls to businesses to secure fundraising volunteers for a non-profit organization. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$9.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9458619

Distribution Technician II

Job Description: Responsible for performing manual labor as needed for the Water Business Unit as related to pipe laying, water service, fire hydrant installation, and water meter sets and exchanges. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$11.65-\$13.50 per hour Job Order Number: 9464774

Spray Technician

Job Description: Responsible for making liquid and granular pesticide applications for landscape. Work Monday-Thursday, 6:30am-2:30pm. Pay Rate: \$11.00-\$13.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9466241

Engineering Specialist

Job Description: Responsible for generating processes and solutions to engineering problems and contract requirements to support pre-contract marketing activity and post-contract design, test and production work. Prepares briefings and presents in support of all phases of program activities for internal and external customers including design reviews, product marketing, and risk identification. Work days and hours may

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vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9466298

Bus Driver

Job Description: Responsible for driving motor coaches and shuttles. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$9.20 per hour Job Order Number: 9466303

Retail Representative

Job Description: Responsible for resets or planograms (schematics/diagrams) and pulling products off the shelf and re-shelving. Checks inventory, meets with the store managers, provides customer service, checks expiration dates, and makes sure the proper products are on the shelves to increase sales. Work Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:30pm or 12:30pm-9:00pm. Pay Rate: \$10.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9466392

Maintenance Supervisor

Job Description: Responsible for working along with and directing a team of maintenance professionals to ensure the community is in excellent condition for residents. Attends to residents' needs, manages service requests and apartment turnovers to ensure the work is performed timely, while adhering to the company's standards and managing the budget. Identifies and diagnoses problems and performs a variety of service requests. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$20.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9466003

Impress Corporate Account Manager

Job Description: Responsible for executing market strategies, ensuring financial performance, implementing sales strategy, managing customer relationships, and financial performance/client satisfaction with integration of sales process and people. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$40,000.00 per year Job Order Number: 9466215

Financial Analyst - Advisory

Job Description: Responsible for performing complex financial analyses on budgets, operating results, and business plans to determine rates of return, and capital/cash flow requirements. Trains less experienced members of the team and provides work coordination for the department or in the absence of the manager. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$60,000.00 per year Job Order Number: 9465902

Outside Parts Sales

Job Description: Responsible for developing a strong customer base to kick start the air conditioning sales focus. Assists in the development of a strong back up team through focused training of designated individuals/general teaching sessions and works with the various parts managers to develop a parts stocking strategy. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$50,000.00-\$55,000.00 per year Job Order Number: 9465917

Office Manager

Job Description: Responsible for performing accounting functions for the company (balance, profits, expenses, and costs). Manages company documents and correspondence and controls the materials movement (pick-ups, receiving, process, reclassifications, shipping and inventories). Executes international trade operations (exports) and manages delivery of the services offered to customers. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9465956

Administrative Assistant

Job Description: Responsible for taking telephone orders, entering data, and maintaining computerized inventory. Work Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm. Pay Rate: \$600.00 per week Job Order Number: 9465995

Field Technician

Job Description: Responsible for performing field tests to monitor the environment and investigating sources of pollution, including those that affect health. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9466147

Technical Support Specialist I

Job Description: Responsible for assisting customers who call in for technical support related to the Mobile-Vision (MV) Flashback system. Acts as a resource for customers and MVI staff and provides on call coverage as scheduled. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$23.00-\$25.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9466094

Business Development Manager

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Housekeeping Supervisor

Job Description: Responsible for supervising, directing and assuring the completion of all housekeeping tasks assigned to room attendants and house persons and maintaining high standards of cleanliness. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9465592

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Street Maintenance Technician

Job Description: Responsible for operating equipment used for applying pavement markings (paint & thermoplastic), sign installation, asphalt (seal coating), or other materials to road beds, parking lots, hydro blasting of airport runways and taxiways, and pressure washing. Work Monday-Friday, 6:00am-4:00pm. Pay Rate: \$9.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9464489

Billing Support Representative

Job Description: Responsible for filing invoices, matching check stubs to invoices and filing, and providing customer service. Researches proof of deliveries (PODs) for customers. Work 8:00am-5:00pm, days may vary. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9457451

Limousine Chauffeur

Job Description: Responsible for dropping off and/or picking up clients from predetermined locations and completing/submitting necessary paperwork. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$15.00-\$20.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9466370

Provider Network/Account Manager

Job Description: Responsible for facilitating the access, contracting, management and evaluation process of the preferred provider network in a defined service area. Manages contract information, negotiations and relationships with providers and distributes contract information between departments. Facilitates financial models related to a particular task/provider used to determine or forecast financial impact and decision-making regarding a proposal, procedure or a provider. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$50,000.00 per year Job Order Number: 9465881

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Delivery Driver

Job Description: Responsible for delivering parts to local customers, pulling invoices for deliveries and shipments, and assisting warehouse person with other duties. Work Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:30pm. Pay Rate: \$9.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9465983

Batchmaker

Job Description: Responsible for manufacturing the production batches on time and following the working instructions/standard operation procedure for the area. Reports to the leadperson when the raw material is low and in need of reorder. Makes sure that the vessels, mixers, blades, valves, and related equipment are clean before a batch is made and ensures that the product is made on time. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$9.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9465994

Accounts Receivable Clerk

Job Description: Responsible for setting up and maintaining accounts receivable files and other financial records. Performs billing work, processes cash receipts, and handles credit balances. Reconciles and adjusts accounts, analyzes past due accounts, and initiates collection efforts verbally or in writing. Work Monday-Friday, 9:00am-6:00pm. Pay Rate: Salary based upon experience Job Order Number: 9465001

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Mental Health/Disabilities Specialist

Job Description: Responsible for planning, administering, and overseeing mental health and disabilities services. Develops and follows mental health/disabilities plan and coordinates the activities of the mental health/disabilities service area with the other area specialists in the early childhood development and health services team. Participates in the screening process to identify children who may have special needs. Work Monday-Friday, hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$29,957.00-\$34,835.00 per year Job Order Number: 9466027

Receptionist/Trainee Bookkeeper

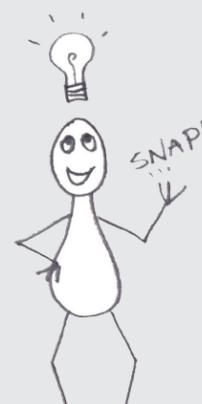
Job Description: Responsible for basic administrative tasks such as taking client calls, filing and performing other clerical duties as assigned. Work days and hours may vary. Pay Rate: \$7.50-\$8.15 per hour Job Order Number: 9465589

Warehouse Supervisor

Job Description: Responsible for supervising a shift of 20+ people, completes shift paperwork, checks orders, assists in inventory, pulls order, puts up material, operates forklift, supervises loading/unloading trucks, and makes decisions. Work Monday-Friday, 4:00pm-12:30am. Pay Rate: \$10.00 per hour Job Order Number: 9465188

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Answers

5	8	4	6	1	7	2	9	3
7	6	3	2	5	9	8	4	1
2	9	1	8	4	1	3	5	6
6	3	7	5	9	1	8	5	4
4	9	8	2	6	7	3	5	1
8	5	2	3	7	4	6	1	9
1	2	6	9	3	8	5	4	7
3	7	8	4	1	8	7	3	6
6	5	4	7	6	3	2	8	1

Weekly Sudoku

S	G	E	P	E	R	S	T	I	O	
N	O	N	I	N	A	N	O	L	O	
T	O	N	I	N	A	N	O	L	O	
L	E	A	M	A	P	I	C	A	T	E
E	S	T	A	T	E	A	R	E	S	
A	W	E	A	R	E	A	R	E	S	
B	B	I	N	G	N	L	T	A	W	
U	B	N	A	V	A	N	A	V	A	
D	D	E	A	V	A	N	O	J	S	E
P	E	R	E	F	T	A	R	E	S	
N	A	V	A	I	A	L	H	O		
S	H	S	A	G	I	A	V	A	O	
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S	M	E	S	A	R	T	A	M	V	A
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King Crossword

Cinema

A showcase of this week's releases, and a look ahead to upcoming movies.

Coming March 26



Photo courtesy Paramount Pictures

'How to Train Your Dragon'

Coming April 2



Photo courtesy Lionsgate

'Why Did I Get Married Too?'

Coming April 9



Photo courtesy Twentieth Century-Fox

'Date Night'

Coming April 16



Photo courtesy Lionsgate

'Kick-Ass'

'Remember Me' — Opens Friday



Photo courtesy Summit Entertainment

Tyler and Ally, two new lovers, face the trials of a rocky relationship together after Tyler's parents split up following a family tragedy and Ally is traumatized by a terrible memory.

PG-13 - 2 hours 8 minutes

Also opening: 'Green Zone'



Photo courtesy Universal Pictures

A U.S. Army officer goes rogue after he discovers unsettling secrets about weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East.

R - 1 hour 55 minutes

Coming next week



Photo courtesy Universal Pictures

'Repo Men'

R

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WEATHER

THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2010

SCATTERED T-STORMS | WIND: SE 8-15 MPH

Sunrise 6:40 a.m. | **Sunset** 6:32 p.m.



UV INDEX  **4** Moderate

TEMPERATURES: LOW-HIGH-LOW

66° 6 a.m. | **75°** 3 p.m. | **67°** 6 a.m.
Friday

TODAY: Scattered thunderstorms, with a high near 76. Southeast wind between 8 and 15 mph.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

On March 11, 1911, Tamarack, Calif., reported 451 inches of snow on the ground, a record for the U.S.
— David Ludlum

LOOK TO THE STARS **Headed back**
Mars halts its westward motion against the stars of Cancer and begins moving east again.



TODAY'S MOON PHASE Waning crescent
Moonrise 4:07 a.m.
Moonset 3:05 p.m.

FRIDAY **STORMY**



MORNING LOW 67°
DAYTIME HIGH 74°

Sunrise 6:38 a.m. | **Sunset** 6:32 p.m. | **Scattered t-storms** | **Wind** S 13 mph

SATURDAY **CLOUDY**



MORNING LOW 60°
DAYTIME HIGH 72°

Sunrise 6:37 a.m. | **Sunset** 6:33 p.m. | **Partly cloudy** | **Wind** W 16 mph

SUNDAY **CLOUDY**



MORNING LOW 53°
DAYTIME HIGH 69°

Sunrise 7:37 a.m. | **Sunset** 7:34 p.m. | **Partly cloudy** | **Wind** W 13 mph

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MARINE FORECAST

Cocoa Beach tide schedule

Time	Low	High
Saturday		6:00 a.m.
March 13	12:13 p.m.	6:17 p.m.
Sunday	12:31 a.m.	7:37 a.m.
March 14	1:49 p.m.	7:56 p.m.

FLORIDA FORECAST

City	Thursday	Friday
Jacksonville	61/72	62/73
Miami	68/81	69/81
Tampa	63/75	65/71
Pensacola	63/69	57/68

NATIONAL

City	Thursday	Friday
Seattle	40/52	47/51
Los Angeles	44/69	47/70
Houston	52/74	48/69

City	Thursday	Friday
Atlanta	52/65	52/68
Chicago	45/54	44/55
New York	41/57	44/52

INTERNATIONAL

City	Thursday	Friday
London	33/46	32/44
Paris	31/46	34/47
Tokyo	39/57	37/62

Movie In The Park

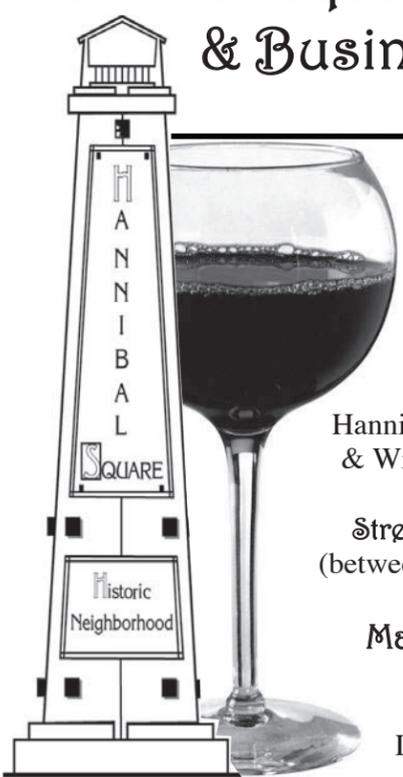


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March 13th
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