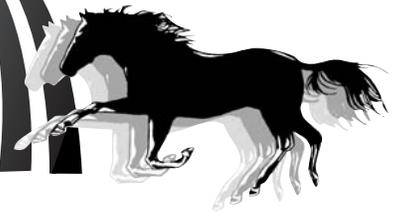


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## BRIEFS

### One more time, sales tax effort dies

A last-minute proposal put forth by County Commissioner Earl Arnett to put a half-percent sales tax on the November ballot ran afoul of election deadlines, and the two-year proposal died without a vote on Wednesday at the County Commission meeting.

Supervisor of Elections Wesley Wilcox spoke and reiterated that the proposed ordinance had to be submitted by 9 a.m. on Aug. 27, the day after the primary. The proposed ordinance called for a public hearing on Sept. 2.

It appears the one mill property tax for schools will be the only levy on the ballot.

### September voter forums scheduled

League of Women Voters of Marion County has announced the schedule of forums for voters in September.

Thursday, Sept. 4, 2 p.m., Circle Square Cultural Center at OTOW, 8395 SW 80th St., Ocala, discussion on ballot initiatives.

Monday, Sept. 15, 6:30 p.m., Ocala Police Dept. Community Room, 402 S. Pine Ave., Ocala, discussion on ballot initiatives.

Monday, Sept. 22, 6:30 p.m., Circle Square Cultural Center at OTOW, 8395 SW 80th St., Ocala, School Board candidates, also county commissioner, although there will only be write-in opposition for the winner of the Aug. 26 primary.

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 6:30 p.m., Circle Square Cultural Center at OTOW, 8395 SW 80th St., Ocala, discussion on ballot initiatives.

Thursday, Oct. 2, 6:30 p.m., Ocala Police Dept. Community Room, 402 S. Pine Ave., Ocala, School Board candidates, also county commissioner, although there will only be write-in opposition for the winner of the Aug. 26 primary.



## Time to vote

PHOTO BY RON RATNER

Early voting will end Saturday, Aug. 23, at 6 p.m. Shown above is the Freedom Public Library site.

All precincts will be open Tuesday, Aug. 26, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

BY JIM CLARK  
Editor

Next Tuesday, Aug. 26, is your time to choose some of your elected officials.

Tuesday is primary voting day in Florida, including Marion County, where ballots will be cast from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

There are several candidates on the ballot in non-partisan races. All voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote in these races.

For Circuit Judge, 5th Judicial Circuit, Group 3, the candidates are (as listed on the ballot) Denise A. Dymond Lyn, Mary Hatcher, Sandy K. Kautz (incumbent) and Bo Samargya.

For School Board District 3, the candidates are Bobby James (in-

cumbent), Jane Moerlie, Jim Touchton and Ed Wilson.

For School Board District 4, the candidates are Chase Basinger, Jamie Bevan, Angie Boynton (incumbent) and Diane L. Schrier.

For School Board District 5, the candidates are Ron Crawford (incumbent) and Kelly King.

Democrats only may vote in the following:

Governor, Charlie Crist and Nan H. Rich (winner to face Republican winner in November).

Attorney General, George Sheldon and Perry E. Thurston (winner to face Republican incumbent Pam Bondi in November).

Republicans only may vote in the following:

Representative in Congress, District 3, Jake Rush and Ted Yoho (in-

cumbent), only those who live in District 3.

Representative in Congress, District 5, Thuy (Twee) Lowe and Glo Smith, only those who live in District 5.

Governor, Yinka Abosede Adeshina, Elizabeth Cuevas-Neunder and Rick Scott (incumbent). Winner to face Democratic winner in November).

County Commission District 4, Glen C. Fiorello and Carl Zalak (incumbent). (Winner to face write-in candidate in November).

If runoffs are needed in any race, they will be held on the November ballot. There will also be three ballot initiatives in November.

A sample ballot can be found on the Supervisor of Elections website.

## Lightning in area? Here are some safety tips

Electrical strikes and surges from lightning can destroy your home, cause severe injury and even death. With the recent lightning strikes affecting residents across the nation, the nonprofit Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH) offers the following tips to help families reduce their risk of lightning injuries and protect their home.

### Protect Your Family

Stay alert and listen carefully for the first signs of lightning or thun-

der. Remember, "If Thunder Roars, Go Indoors."

Seek shelter. Lightning often hits before the rain begins, so don't wait for the rain to start before leaving.

### If outdoors

Avoid water, high ground and open spaces.

Stay away from metal objects including wires, fences and motors.

Find shelter in a sizable building or in a fully enclosed metal vehicle. Completely close the windows and don't lean on the doors.

Do not get under a small canopy, small picnic shelter, or stand near trees.

If you cannot take shelter indoors, crouch down with your feet together and place your hands over your ears to minimize hearing damage from the thunder.

Stay at least 15 feet away from other people.

### If indoors

Avoid water and stay away from

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## SCN Quilters

The Spruce Creek North Quilters work year-round at their craft and are featured in this week's column. For story and additional photo see Page 5.

## PRIMARY ELECTION

DATE: Aug. 26  
HOURS: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Glen C. Fiorello  
Carl Zalak

WHO CAN VOTE:  
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WHO CAN VOTE: Only  
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CIRCUIT JUDGE  
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Mary Hatcher  
Sandy K. Kautz  
Bo Samargya

WHO CAN VOTE:  
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SCHOOL BOARD 3  
Bobby James  
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WHO CAN VOTE:  
All registered voters

SCHOOL BOARD 4  
Chase Basinger  
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Diane L. Schrier

WHO CAN VOTE:  
All registered voters

SCHOOL BOARD 5  
Ron Crawford  
Kelly King

WHO CAN VOTE:  
All registered voters

GOVERNOR  
Yinka Adeshina  
Elizabeth Cuevas-Neunder  
Rick Scott

WHO CAN VOTE:  
Republicans only

GOVERNOR  
Charlie Crist  
Nan H. Rich

WHO CAN VOTE:  
Democrats only

ATTORNEY GENERAL  
George Sheldon  
Perry E. Thurston

WHO CAN VOTE:  
Democrats only

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# Game, set and match in Pun Alley next week

Monday marks the start of the U.S. Open Tennis Champion in Flushing Meadows, NY. Today we're serving some stories down Pun Alley to you to see whether they get over the net to you.

## Mind over matter?

A retiree had to get more exercise, by

his doctor's orders, so he decided to play tennis. After a couple of weeks his wife asked him how he's doing. "It's going fine," the husband said. "When I'm on the court and I see the ball speeding towards me, my brain immediately says, 'To the corner! Back hand! To the net! Smash! Go back!'" "Really? What happens then?" the

wife asked.

"Then my body says, 'Who? Me? You must be kidding!'"

## Professional

The tennis pro was a curious one. Every time he missed a shot, he stopped and shouted, "Fanity! Fanity!"

Lester and Albert were playing on the next court.

"What is he doing?" Lester asked.

"Don't you recognize pro-fanity when you hear it?"

## Sounds familiar

"Heard about the new tennis racket?" one pro asked another.

"No. What about it?"

"If there's a bad call, it flies off the handle."

## Faults

Tennis is a game in which "love" often comes up. But try telling that to your opponent.

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He played tennis in the daytime and was a waiter in the evening. He was great at serving.

When the first indoor tennis court was finished, the builder made a good



## Pun Alley

Dick Frank

net profit.

I spilled spot remover on my dog. Now he's gone.

Then there was the tennis player who went to the doctor because he heard music whenever he played. The physician cured him by removing his headband.

The first tennis game was when Moses served in Pharaoh's court.

Tom's wife always hits the ball into the net on her first serve. She doesn't want to get cheated out of a second shot.

A professional tennis player's income is his net earnings.

## Dental awareness

Mrs. Jones was one of those women with a natural curiosity. "How is it," she asked the dentist one day, "that the little hole in my tooth feels so big to my tongue?"

"Well," said the dentist, "you know how a woman's tongue exaggerates."

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# LIGHTNING

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doors and windows.

Do not use landline telephone or headsets. Cell phones are safe.

Turn off, unplug and stay away from appliances, computers, power tools, and televisions sets as lightning may strike exterior electric and phone lines inducing shocks to equipment inside.

## After the storm

Do not resume outdoor activities until at least 30 minutes after the last lightning strike or thunderclap.

Call 911 immediately if anyone is injured and use first aid procedures. Lightning victims do not carry an electrical charge, so it is safe to administer medical treatment.

## Protect your home

Surge protective devices: These systems protect electronic and electrical appliances from all but the most severe electrical surges or direct strikes.

They should be installed at all items to be protected. A good electrical grounding system is essential.

Whole house surge protection: A whole house surge protection system can be installed on the electric meter or the electrical panel to help protect the appliances and electronic equipment in your house such as computers, TVs and DVD players.

Contact your local electric company for installation information. If your utility company doesn't offer the service, a qualified electrician can install this device at your electrical panel.

## Lightning protection systems

These systems provide a direct path for lightning to follow to the ground rather than through the home structure and its wiring.

Consult a qualified contractor (UL-listed/LPI-certified or qualified electrician) for installation.

For information on protecting your family and home from severe weather, visit FLASH. To learn more about protecting your home from lightning visit the FLASH YouTube Channel.

## About FLASH

Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH), a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, is the country's leading consumer advocate for strengthening homes and safeguarding families from natural and manmade disasters. FLASH collaborates with more than 120 innovative

and diverse partners that share its vision of making America a more disaster resilient nation including: BASF, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Florida Division of Emergency Management, The Home Depot, International Code Council, Kohler Generators, National Weather Service, Portland Cement Association, RenaissanceRe, Simpson Strong-Tie, State Farm, USAA and WeatherPredict Consulting Inc. In

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# Line dance classes free for OTOW residents

Retired people are lucky that they can choose how they want to spend their their days. Some volunteer their time to others less fortunate. Others prefer playing golf, bingo, going to MTP classes, or travelling.

The main thing is to be happy regardless of what happens. We need to enjoy and learn from our experiences. By this age, we should have learned how to be present to life's events in a state of peace.

Regardless of what happens, we need to accept the situation. Resisting what is not to our liking only adds stress to the event. Let's just enjoy the experience of life.

## Line Dance

Janice here. I hope you all had a lovely summer. It is hard to believe that it is start-up time again.

Everyone is welcome to join my free line dance class. Yes, it is free (for OTOW residents). This is the sixth year.

First I would like to thank my previous class attendees for their continued support. Below is my dance class schedule for this year. If you have any questions, please phone me, Janice, at 352-861-9345.

We dance for fun and friendship and more fun and friendship.

If you are interested in improving your social skills and giving your body a workout, not to mention your brain, then please come and join us.

The class will be held every Monday starting Sept. 8 from 12:45 until 2:45 p.m. in the Arbor Club - rooms E-F. I teach beginners, improvers, and some interme-



## OTOW Happenings

June Roberta

diate dances.

## Bowling league

Just a reminder, the Monday Afternoon Bowling League will begin on Monday, Sept. 8, at AMF Galaxy West Lanes on Easy Street. A meeting will be held at 2 p.m. and bowling will commence right after the

meeting. We are looking forward to another exciting year of bowling. Last year was great. If anyone should have any questions they can contact George DiFrancesco at 342-1667 or Bob Lingis at 873-0286.

## Master the Possibilities

Master the Possibilities will finish their best summer season ever next week. With more than 5,000 enrollments June through August, this Center for Lifelong Learning is a wonderful part of living in Ocala.

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### Doctor's advice

One doctor phoned another. "Forget the game we had planned for today."

"Why?" asked the other. "Mr. Jones just left here, and from the shape his joints are in, it's going

to rain for sure."

### More doctor's advice

"The best advice I can give you for your elbow," said the doctor, "is to give up tennis."

"Aw, doc," said the tennis fanatic; I just don't de-

serve the best. What's second best?"

### Still more doctor's advice

When Benson started losing every game in his weekly match, he went to see a psychiatrist.

After listening to him,

the analyst said, "Your problem, my friend, is that you worry too much about the game. A few weeks ago, a man came in complaining about the same thing. I told him to relax, and as soon as he did his game improved." "I know," said Benson. "He's my opponent."

### Doctor's excuse

It was Saturday morning, and Dr. Klein had reluctantly agreed to spend it with his wife. The phone rang just as they were about to go shopping. It was Klein's colleague, Dr. Herman.

"Listen," said Herman, "I'm with Dr. Xavier and Dr. Lao. We need a fourth for doubles. Can you make it?"

"Hmm," said Klein. "Uh-huh, yes, I see. I'll be right over." He hung up and grabbed his medical kit. "Sorry, dear," he said, "but I've got to go."

"Is it serious?" "I'll say it is. Why, there are three doctors there already."

### A night at the bar

At 3 a.m. a desk clerk at a hotel got a call from a drunk guy asking what time the bar opens. "It opens at noon," answered the clerk. About an hour later he got a call from the same guy, sounding even drunker.

"What time does the bar open?" he asked.

"Same time as before, noon," replied the clerk.

Another hour passed and he called again, plastered, "Whatjoo shay the bar opins at?"

The clerk then answered, "It opens at noon, but if you can't wait, I can have room service send something up to you."

"No, I don't wanna git in. Ah wanna git out!"

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# Quilters work on project as they continue their work

Well here it is August already. It's been a pleasant but hot summer so far, just what we expect in Florida. The grass sure has to be cut more often with the summer rains. Enjoy it for now. The holidays will be here before we know it.

## Feature of the month

I have chosen the Spruce Creek Quilters as feature of the month. They have been active since 2005 and are still going strong. The project they are working on are Friendship quilts. Each member creates a special square of their own and this square is put in a quilt for the other members until everyone has their own Friendship quilt. They meet every Friday (all summer long too) from noon to 2 p.m. These ladies work very hard on all their projects plus they get a chance to socialize. Come join this group and learn to quilt.

## New England Pot Luck

I am sure by now you know SCN's first event will be the New England Pot Luck on Labor Day, Sept. 1. Sign up sheets will be at the clubhouse. Like I said before, if you don't know what a New Eng-



**Jan Liberio**  
Spruce Creek North

land Pot Luck is just ask your friends from Maine, they will tell you.

It's too bad no one wants to organize the monthly pancake breakfasts. It is truly missed by a lot of people.

## Arkansas

I happened to meet a man who said he just came back from Arkansas and had a wonderful time. He also said it was warm there but not humid. Well I never said anything to him but we spent 13 years in Arkansas and the summers are brutal with heat and humidity, temperatures staying at 100 for over 10 days straight. Also the winters are very cold and icy. It's a beautiful state but we decided Florida had the best of everything plus we don't have to shovel the heat!



Pictured from left to right are Zona Doane, Peg Gallagher, Delores Pecor, Sandy Barsky, Harriet, and Stella Kerosetz.

## Rules

We all hope everyone including the real estates realize that in Spruce Creek North (like most of the communities) we have restrictions. This is a 55

plus community which means that one person in the home has to be the age of 55 in order to buy or rent in SCN. Also no children under the age of 18 are to

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# Deputy superintendent of school system to retire

Deputy Superintendent Rick Lankford, who oversees curriculum and instruction for Marion County Public Schools, will retire next month after 38 years of service with the district.

Superintendent George Tomy has appointed Lisa Krysalika to replace Lankford.

Krysalika, herself a 31-year veteran of the district, is the executive director of Human Resources. In her new role, she will oversee all student curriculum and instructional practices for teachers. The position is considered second to the superintendent and often involves budgeting, negotiations, staffing plans, student assignments, and other key academic responsibilities.

Krysalika started with MCPS as a teacher at Stanton-Weirsdale Elementary in 1983.

She also taught at South Ocala Elementary and Lake Weir Middle. In 1994, she became assistant principal at Belleview Middle.

Eleven years later, she became principal at that same school and then moved to the district office in 2012 to her current position.

Krysalika's degrees include a bachelor of science in elementary education

from Southern Illinois University and a master's in educational leadership from the University of Florida.

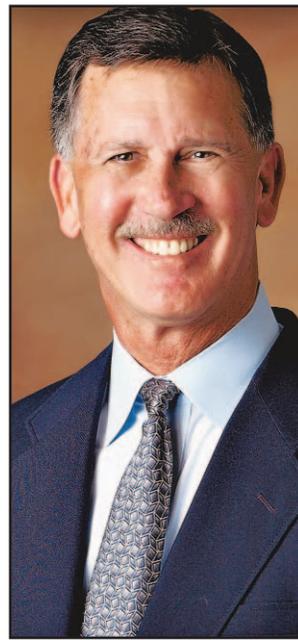
Jaycee Oliver, a 22-year district employee, replaces Krysalika. Oliver supervises the Employment Services division and will maintain these responsibilities while moving into the executive director of Human Resources position.

Oliver's background includes teaching at Dr. NH Jones, serving as assistant principal at Dr. NH Jones and Belleview-Santos Elementary schools, and serving as principal at Emerald Shores Elementary and Madison Street Academy.

Lankford started with the district in 1975 as a teacher at Lake Weir High. He left the district briefly but came back in 1978 as a math and science teacher at the same school.

In 1994, Lankford became assistant principal at Shady Hill Elementary. Later that same year, he was appointed assistant principal at Forest High. Eleven years later in 2005, Lankford became principal at Forest and moved in 2007 to become principal at Vanguard High.

Two years ago, he moved to the dis-



Rick Lankford



Lisa Krysalika



Jaycee Oliver

trict office to his current position. Lankford's academic background includes an associate's degree from Valencia Community College, a bachelor's degree in physical education from the

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## OUR VIEW

### School buses on the road again

Once again those big yellow buses are wandering the highways and byways of Marion County, taking children to and from school.

Classes for public school students began on Monday. Some private schools, including big ones such as Trinity Catholic High School and Blessed Trinity Elementary School, started earlier.

Therefore, it's time to review some of the most misunderstood traffic rules on the books in Florida.

1. If you are going in the same direction as a school bus, no matter how many lanes the road has, you must stop if the arm is extended and the red lights are on. It is prudent to not pass the bus when the yellow lights come on as the bus slows down, because they could change to red at any moment, and if they're red and you're passing, watch out for the blue lights.

2. If you are going in the opposite direction as a school bus on a two-lane road, and the arm is extended and the red lights come on, you must stop. No exceptions.

3. If you are going in the opposite direction as a school bus on a four-lane road, well, here's where it gets tricky. If the four-lane road has a median more than five feet wide, or a barrier to prevent normal crossing of foot traffic, you do not have to stop. It must, however, be a median (around here most are grass and/or plants).

4. However, if the four-lane road has no median or barrier, you must stop if you are going into the opposite direction. Around here, we have a number of "five-lane" roads, roads which have a turn lane in the middle. Those paved turn lanes are not medians, and you must stop.

We see violations all the time on such streets as 27th Avenue West, 14th Street Northeast and roads like that. There are even small portions of U.S. 27 that have no divider or median, just a turn lane.

So please, know the law and keep the children who are using the school buses safe. You can also save yourself some time and money in the process.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### No respect?

The basic question is why doesn't the president get any respect.

To begin with he (and his backers) refuse to see any view other than their own. Second – they change the rhetoric to fit the mood of the day. On the latter – three years ago Mr. Obama took a victory lap on how he, as promised, extricated us from Iraq. Now that that country has imploded he says not to blame him for leaving as he had no choice because the Iraq government would not grant our troops immunity. Which is it?

Then there is the anti-Obama, do nothing Republicans.

From what I understand the House has sent upward of 300 bills to the Senate. They sit on Harry Reid's desk.

I assume they must be valid bills or else they would make it to the Senate floor where the Democrats would vote them down.

Why else would they not reach the floor? Of course it could be the president's forum, if you pass a bill I don't like, I will veto it!!!

So why waste time. For five years over 300 Democrats in the House and Senate agreed with everything the president said and did. Not a single individual idea came from those bodies. Unity? Obedience? Fear?

To be successful in life you have to see the other point of view – it is based on life's realities as that other person sees it, and it is real.

As I told a self professed anti-war Democrat recently. If 99 percent of the world were against war, that leaves 70 million who favor it. (His expression was priceless) Republicans know this reality. Democrats wish it weren't so. Hope for the best, plan for the worst.

I consider myself to be so-

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## COMMENTARY

### Logic shows number of UF fans falling

What I'm about to say will anger some longtime Florida Gator fans. But then, where's the fun in life if you can't upset Gator fans?

I am sick and tired of reading about, viewing, hearing about the Florida Gators football team, which is what has happened around here all summer. How many days until the first game? What's the offensive line going to look like? What do the recruits for the 2015 season look like (we haven't played 2014 yet)? Let's interview the coach and see if he thinks he's on the hot seat, etc., etc., etc.

It's enough to drive a baseball fan mad.

Heck, we were even getting football stories when the Gator softball team was winning a national championship.

I'd like to throw some numbers your way. Consider these.

In 1970, the population of Marion County was about 70,000. As you can see, in the past 44 years we've had quite a boom around here.

Let's say for the sake of argument that all 70,000 of those people were Gator football fans. That's highly unlikely, but I'll give you the benefit of the doubt.

Today, the population of Marion



**Jim Clark**

Editor

County is estimated at 337,000. It's safe to say that of those 267,000 people who grew this county since 1970, most of them came from somewhere else.

Now, if those original 70,000 people are still around, and all of them are still Gator fans, they make up only about 20 percent of the population.

To give you the benefit of the doubt again, we'll say that 100,000 people in Marion County (I doubt it's that high) are Gator fans today. That's just under 30 percent.

So even with the most generous of estimates, 70 percent of the people who live in Marion County do not cheer for the Gators. That's about 237,000 people in Marion County who really root for somebody else, if they care about college football at all.

Remember, at least 267,000 of those people probably came from someplace else. They bring their sports allegiances with them. I

was brought up in the New York area as part of the "Subway Alumni" and cheering for Notre Dame, something that continues to this day. Last week on a local road, I was behind a car with an Iowa State decal in the back window. There are Michigan fans, Ohio State fans, Penn State fans, Tennessee fans and, perish the thought, Alabama fans all throughout our fair county.

So when I turn on the TV news, I'll probably turn it off when they come to what they generously call "sports." I'll start following college football the day after the baseball season ends.

Do you think the Tampa Bay Rays have enough left in the tank to make a run at an American League wild card spot despite trading David Price? It's coming down to crunch time between now and Oct. 1, and while college football teams are playing "cupcake" opponents (such as Florida vs. Rice), baseball will be deciding postseason lineups.

Guess which one I'm paying attention to?

*Jim Clark is the editor of the West Marion Messenger and the South Marion Citizen.*

### Bogie and Bacall, and Hollywood's Communists

BY DR. PAUL KENGOR  
*Special to the Citizen*

Lauren Bacall died last week at age 89. Her obituaries are paying tribute to a glamorous actress, a famed star from Hollywood's Golden Age, the wife of Humphrey Bogart, and a lifetime liberal. She's also being celebrated by liberals as a fighter for freedom in the arts, one who bravely confronted McCarthyism and ruthless anti-communist "witch hunters" in Washington.

Sorry, but reality is more complicated.

The facts are that Lauren Bacall herself learned the truth about communism in Hollywood. She admitted to being badly duped by bad guys. She learned her lesson, even as her fellow Hollywood liberals to this day have not, opting instead for a false narrative that feeds a handy caricature. Here's what really happened:

In October 1947, Lauren Bacall joined a group of high-profile Hollywood actors, writers, and producers for a major public-relations trip to Washington. Their goal was to defend the First Amendment freedoms of their accused friends and colleagues—accused, that is, of being communists dedicated to infiltrating the motion-picture industry as a means to peddle propaganda. The accused were summoned before the House Committee on Un-American Activities as "unfriendly" witnesses. (For the

record, Senator Joe McCarthy had absolutely nothing to do with this.)

Unbeknownst to Lauren Bacall and friends, nearly every single one of the accused was a closet communist formally pledged to Stalin's Soviet Union. When these individuals joined Communist Party USA (CPUSA), they swore a loyalty oath to strive to "ensure the triumph of Soviet power in the United States." They were committed to what CPUSA general secretary William Z. Foster openly called a "Soviet America," or what other hope-filled comrades called a "United Soviet States of America" (USSA).

Of course, these communists didn't dare tell any of this to their liberal/progressive friends. They assured their pals that they were good liberals/progressives just like them. They would never support a totalitarian dictatorship. They insisted that they were being unjustly hounded and persecuted and silenced. This was an outrage, they said, a violation of their First Amendment/Constitutional freedoms (none of which existed in the Soviet Union).

And thus, they needed the help of their friends. Would these fellow Hollywood liberals/progressives lend a hand? Would they come to Washington to support them?

The liberals were more than game. After consulting with the "unfriendlylies," they created a group called the "Committee for the First Amendment." It was a classic name for a communist

front, one that made communists smile at their cleverness, especially when they were easily duping fellow leftists.

The liberal stars they enlisted ran into the hundreds, with big names like Katherine Hepburn, Henry Fonda, Gregory Peck, Myrna Loy, Paulette Goddard. A group of roughly two dozen lent more than their signatures; they actually set sail for Washington: Danny Kaye, Ira Gershwin, Judy Garland, John Garfield, Sterling Hayden, Gene Kelly, Burt Lancaster, John Huston, Philip Dunne, Billy Wilder, and Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall.

Bogart and Bacall topped the list, as they would any blockbuster movie.

"Before we left Hollywood," said Bogart later, "we carefully screened every performer so that no red or pink could infiltrate and sabotage our purpose." The street-wise Bogie prided himself in his ability not to be tricked. As one "First Amendment" crusader put it, Bogart "feels that he's the most politically sophisticated guy in our business."

The tough-talking Bogie seemed a most unlikely character to be duped. Neither he nor his girl, Lauren Bacall, would be anyone's sucker.

The crew from the Committee for the First Amendment boarded a plane bearing the name (no kidding) Red Star, which immediately

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# BACALL

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raised suspicions among the liberals, including Bacall, though apparently not enough to stop the voyage. "Coincidence or design?" Lauren Bacall wrote later.

What happened on the road from California to Washington is fascinating political theater. It would make a terrific movie, if someone in modern Hollywood dared to portray it accurately. In my 2010 book, *Dupes*, I lay it out at length, including the breathtakingly naive statements along the way from the likes of Judy Garland, Danny Kaye, Gene Kelly, John Garfield, and so many other Hollywood Golden Agers whose movies I love. Their statements were seized by the likes of the *Daily Worker*, which turned them into giant headlines.

The liberals/progressives, mouthing the talking points of the closet communists, were vicious toward the House committee. They literally compared the congressmen to Nazis, stormtroopers, Goebbels, Hitler, the Spanish Inquisition, and on and on. The four major Hollywood writers called to testify—Dalton Trumbo, Albert Maltz, Alvah Bessie, and John Howard Lawson (a.k.a., "Hollywood's Commissar")—were especially belligerent.

Alas, to make a long story short, the liberals/progressives were stunned, dumbfounded, shocked beyond belief, and deeply betrayed when they got to Wash-

ington and found that the accused communists were undeniably and unmistakably just that: communists. Congress, both Republicans and Democrats alike, openly presented mountains of evidence: registration rolls, news clips, *Daily Worker* articles, *New Masses'* bylines, front-group memberships, party applications, forms, cards, checks, cash, and even numbers. The world quickly learned some crucial facts. To wit:

Dalton Trumbo, Communist Party registration card, no. 47187, code no. "Dalt T." A total of 39 citations with communist or communist-front affiliations.

Albert Maltz, Communist Party registration card, no. 47196. A total of 58 citations with communist or communist-front affiliations.

Alvah Bessie, Communist Party registration card, no. 46836. A total of 32 citations with communist or communist-front affiliations.

John Howard Lawson, Communist Party registration card, no. 47275.

As for Lawson, he was a one-man communist-front. Congressional investigators presented the May 18, 1934 *Daily Worker* identifying Lawson as no less than one of its own correspondents; a November 1946 issue of *Masses & Mainstream* listing Lawson as a member of its editorial board (along with Alvah Bessie and Dalton Tumbo); and the awful fact that Lawson (who was Jewish) was a sponsor of the odious American Peace Mobilization, which from 1940-41 had accommodated Hitler

because of Hitler's alliance with Stalin. It was one of the most insidious communist fronts. Joining Lawson in the front were Albert Maltz, Budd Schulberg, Herbert Biberman, Dashiell Hammett, Lillian Hellman, Artie Shaw, and Will Geer.

The evidence was undeniable—and only made the likes of Lawson, Trumbo, Maltz, and Bessie even angrier. Lawson was fuming. He had to be escorted out of the hearing room as he screamed at the House committee: "Hitler's Germany!... Hitler tactics!"

All of which brings me back to Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall.

Bogart, much like his Hollywood persona, was a mercurial fellow. You didn't backstab Bogie. Already a loose fuse, he grew redder and redder as the facts on Hollywood's communists rolled in, and then he detonated. "You [expletive, plural] sold me out!" he yelled at Danny Kaye.

Unbelievable as it may seem, Lauren Bacall later said that as she and Bogie and the others flew to Washington, they did not know that most of the unfriendlies called to testify were secretly members of the Communist Party. "We didn't realize until much later," she admitted, "that we were being used to some degree by the Unfriendly Ten." She conceded that they had been foolishly naive, headstrong, emotional, and that they had hastily strolled into something "we knew nothing about."

Most members of the Committee for the First Amendment felt that way. The group

fell silent, withered, and died.

That's the history. The villains were the communists who lied to and exploited their liberal friends. The communists had hung the liberals out to dry, tarnishing their reputations with the movie-going public. Liberals like the wonderful lyricist Ira Gershwin now appeared before the California legislature to explain how he could be so oblivious as to host meetings for a communist front at his home. All the liberals endeavored to explain themselves.

Bogart, too, looked to repair the damage. He went public with a strong statement explaining why "I am not a communist," nor, for that matter, "a communist sympathizer." "I detest communism just as any decent American does," wrote Bogie. "I'm about as much in favor of communism as J. Edgar Hoover." He pledged that his name would never again "be found on any communist front organization as a sponsor for anything communistic."

(For the record, in *Dupes*, I include a lengthy analysis on whether Bogart had attended a Communist Party training school in New York in 1934, when he was much further to the left than where he was by the end of his life. I found a "Bogart" on the registration list held in the Soviet Comintern archives on CPUSA. It was a question that I had wanted to ask Lauren Bacall, but never had the chance. Frankly, I doubt she would have been agreeable.)

Bogart conceded that the trip to Wash-

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# BACALL

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ington had been "ill-advised, even foolish," "foolish and impetuous." He told Newsweek, "We went green and they beat our brains out." He said that liberals like himself could no longer "permit ourselves to be used as dupes by commie organizations."

All over the world, the press took potshots at Bogie: "Was Bogart's Face Red?" chuckled the headline in London's News Chronicle. "Don't try to fox me again," columnist George Sokolsky warned Bogart in an open letter in the New York Sun.

By 1952, Bogart even considered voting Republican.

He almost cast a ballot for Eisenhower in the presidential election, but his unre-

lently liberal wife vehemently objected. Lauren Bacall would remain well to the left of her husband—and to the nation, for that matter.

But at least in 1947, Bacall and her fellow liberals learned a hard lesson. Yes, she would remain a liberal, but she was chastened by this experience. May she rest in peace.

*Dr. Paul Kengor is professor of political science and executive director of The Center for Vision & Values at Grove City College. His latest book is 11 Principles of a Reagan Conservative. His other books include The Communist: Frank Marshall Davis, The Untold Story of Barack Obama's Mentor and Dupes: How America's Adversaries Have Manipulated Progressives for a Century.*

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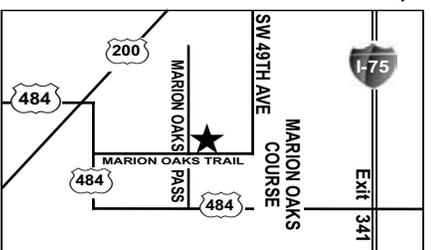
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# It was music, food and cars at Citizens' Circle last Friday



There was music, food and vintage cars at Citizens' Circle last Friday night. At left is Sophie Noelle, singer from Crystal River, entertaining with the Beatles' tune "Let It Be," while below is a 1933 white Ford owned by Randy Hudson. More photos on Page 13.



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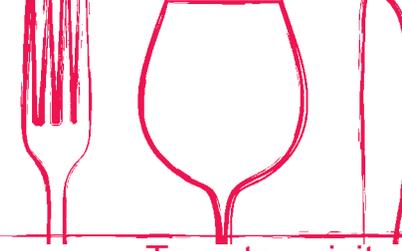


### Citizens' Circle

Visitors line up at one of the food trucks that were available at the event last Friday night at Citizens' Circle in downtown Ocala. At bottom left, a 1958 Studebaker, and below, right, three Mustangs are lined up.



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During this public service commitment Molly discovers Vivian's past as she sorts through keepsakes in the attic, a past that meant as a young Irish immigrant she was orphaned, put on a train with hundreds of other abandoned children, and sent westward out of New York.

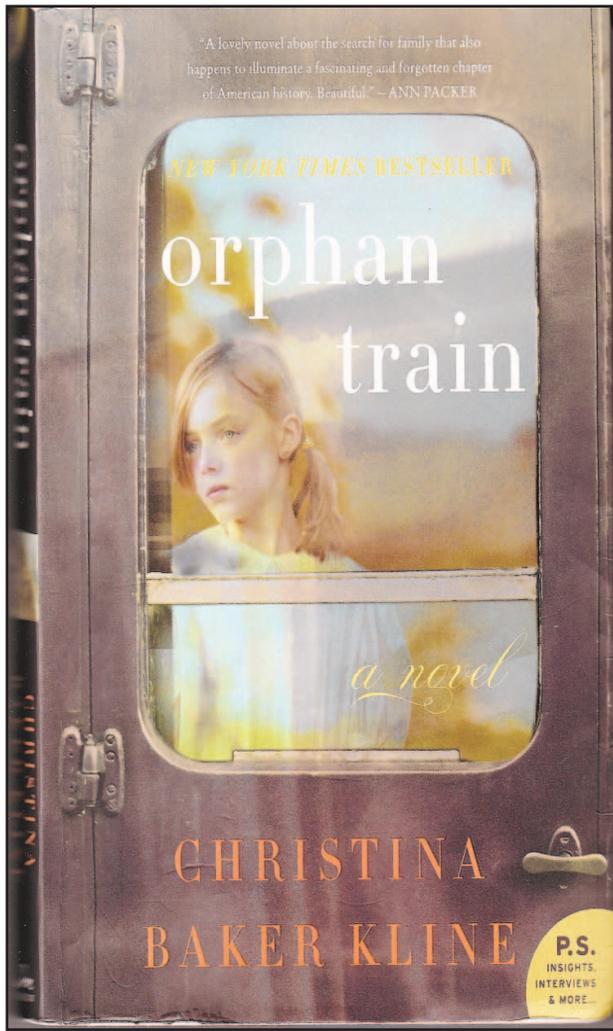
Did the religious leaders behind the orphan train that operated between 1854 and 1929 ever consider that poor Midwestern farmers might exploit these homeless children as cheap labor and even abuse them?

We'll never know. But that's exactly what happened to Vivian in a succession of cruel families before landing in the arms of caring, nurturing people who came to love her genuinely.

When Molly meets Vivian, she is living with ghosts: "I believe in ghosts. Many times in my life I have felt them around me. I am ninety-one years old, and almost everyone who was once in my life is now a ghost."

Gradually, Molly and Vivian discover the parallels in their lives, and a special bond develops between them.

Although Molly's story adds a welcome dimension, the fleshed-out, rich history of Vivian's life overshadows it. And some of the similarities between the two seem exaggerated a bit.



The author does take a few liberties with the facts. In reality, the phrase "orphan train" did not exist until 1979 when a made-for-TV documentary coined it. Nor did all the children travel by train.

Many were driven to neighboring states like New Jersey and Pennsylvania. And, finally, they were not all orphans; many had two parents who either could not or would not care for them.

Still, this is a haunting, near flawless novel, with a little-known piece of history—a story that will stay with you long after you read the last page.



**Crane's Corner**  
Andrew Crane

## Educate the public about disease prevention

Lately I am hearing about bringing awareness to various diseases, i.e. the ice bucket challenge for ALS. I would like to know what is being done with the money that is collected. I know that money goes to research for finding a cure.

In the last 60 years, we have collected trillions of dollars for research to cure these diseases. We hear about ALS, breast cancer, heart disease, Alzheimer's etc. What progress has been made? The answer is very little. I am of the belief that 90 percent of disease is caused by lifestyle: stress, bad food and lack of exercise.

Is there any of this money spent to educate the public about prevention? Prevention is the answer. If you don't get the disease, you don't need a cure.

Let us rather do some studies about people's lifestyle, the foods they eat, exercise or lack of and their stress levels, whether job related or family concerns.

I myself am a yogi. I eat no meat and no dairy, since dairy causes inflammation, which is a cause of most disease, since the body is generally very inflamed! I also do breathing practices daily, for I feel that the best RX is oxygen. Diseased cells cannot live in an oxygenated environment.

The reason nobody provides education on prevention is because no money can be made on healthy people. The society wants sick, miserable people; this way they can sell them RX's and perform surgery.

This is food for thought. To me, this is just common sense. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Yogi Andrew

## Ask and you shall receive

There are benefits to growing old. For example, many restaurants, including both franchise and local stand-alone eateries, offer discounts to seniors, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens. But, too often, they don't advertise the fact, so ask your waiter or waitress when placing your order. Even those establishments with no specific policies regarding senior discounts are apt to make an on the spot decision to reduce your final bill by five to ten percent if you ask. It's the same at supermarkets and other chain stores, says AMAC. Some even have special days when seniors get discounts. Meantime, you can go online and search the Web for "senior discounts" before you go out.

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# Paying a visit to the Genealogy Club

Dear Readers, I had a great week. I decided to stop in at the Genealogy Club and I was absolutely fascinated. It is very educational as they discussed all the resources they are familiar with and are used to look up family lineage. At this meeting they were discussing "brick walls" - no, not real brick made walls but when they can't go any further in their search. Several members spoke of their "brick wall" and the others gave them very helpful advice for their search. Would you believe some of the members have gone as far back to year 1400 or believe it or not year 1050! What a great club and they will welcome any resident who would like to visit and perhaps begin their lineage search. I also dropped in at rehearsals for "Hello Dolly." Oak Run has so many talented and interesting people. It is awesome to see so many seniors staying active. They just "keep on keeping on" in their retirement.

Let me tell you I had trouble sitting still as they sang and danced. Garth, one of the actors, sang "Isn't our world a wonderful place" and I thought "Isn't Oak Run a wonderful place?" Read on for what is happening with other groups. Don't forget pancakes tomorrow 8 to 10 a.m.; bingo Tuesdays at 6 p.m. with take-out 4 to 5:30. Laura.



**Oak Run**  
Laura Smith

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### Big Red Bus

Calling all Oak Run heroes! The Big Red Bus will be parked in the Palm Grove parking lot on Thursday, Sept. 4 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please be sure to drink plenty of fluids prior to arrival and bring a photo ID. All blood types are desperately needed. All donors will be eligible for thank you gifts as well as knowing that you helped save a life. You never know when you may be on the receiving end of this very precious gift! See you there!

### Oak Run Travel

We had a great time at the Show Palace Dinner Theatre on Aug. 10. The buffet was really good with baked chicken, carved pork loin and excellent lightly breaded fish.

The show was "Forever Plaid," a long running and favorite show here in Florida. The four young men who performed had great voices and interjected humor and top-of-the-line showmanship. The segment on the Ed Sullivan Show was especially appreciated by everyone and brought back many memories. We all agreed that anyone who missed this show should take advantage of the next time it is offered.

Take a look at the remaining trips we have available for the remainder of 2014 and call the appropriate hosts to see if seats are still available.

Don't forget that our Winter/Spring 2015 Travel Brochure is due for delivery in about four weeks. Over the next 2-3 weeks we will be listing the trips we have planned and you can read the details in the new brochure.

### Singles Club

Our next meeting will be on Aug. 28 at 6 p.m. at the Orchid Club. This is our annual pot luck dinner, members are asked to bring a dish to share. If you do not cook you can purchase some nice salads or desserts in the deli section of the grocery stores.

At this meeting we will have the "sign up" for our September picnic, which will be at Liberty Park on 103rd Street Road. The date is Sept. 25 at 11. The club will furnish hot dogs and hamburgers, which will be cooked by our committee, we ask members to bring a side dish. There is ample parking and walkways suitable for handicapped members. The restroom facilities are up-to-date and we will have our gathering in a pavilion in the event of inclement weather. We are asking members to pay \$2 per person to offset the cost of the meats and the use of the pavilion.

If you have questions about this event please call Lynn at 352-854-8399.

If you are a resident of Oak Run and single, come join us!

### Performing Arts Company of Oak Run

Tomorrow, Saturday, Aug. 23 is your chance for some serious breakfast action at Oak Run's Pancake Breakfast. The Performing Arts Company of Oak Run will have a table set up to sell tickets to this fall's performances of "Hello Dolly!" Our representatives will be in the Orchid Club lobby from 8 until 11 a.m. with tails a-waggin and a cheerful hello. So, this event is having your pancake(s), eating it and getting in on ticket sales too.

Now is the time to secure best seats at seven dollars per seat. Performances will be October 10th, 11th and 12th.

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### Computer Club special presentation

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The meeting is sponsored by the Oak Run Computer Club, and will be held at the club's regular meeting time and place. You need not be a member of the club to attend this special meeting.

IHMC is a not-for-profit research institute of the Florida University System and is affiliated with several Florida universities. If you would like to know more about IHMC, visit the organization's web site: <http://www.ihmc.us>.

Prior to joining IHMC, Dr. Rogacki served from 2004-2010 as director of the University of Florida's Research and Engineering Education Facility (REEF). Among his past experiences, Dr. Rogacki has served as NASA's Deputy Associate Administrator for Space Transportation Technology (in charge of the Space Launch Initiative) and Program Director for the Orbital Space Plane and Next Generation

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"Each of these retailers offer fantastic customer service and an exceptional

product," said Brenda Cleary, director of marketing and business development for the mall. "We are confident Francesca's, Italian Shoemakers and The Runner's Pace will enhance the shopping experiences of all of our visitors."

Francesca's specializes in fashionable women's clothing, accessories and

gifts. The new 1,500 square-foot boutique will feature styles that are always one step ahead of the latest trend. Look for the new store, which will offer an eclectic mix of fashionable clothing, bright baubles, bold accessories and playful gifts, in its new space at the top of Sears corridor, across from Zumiez.

Now open, Italian Shoemakers, one

of the largest exporters of footwear from Italy to the United States, can be found in its new space next door to Regis Hair Salon. The innovative Italian women's footwear retailer places a great emphasis on value, while controlling every aspect of their shoes, ranging

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### Oak Run Women's Golf

Although we are lucky to have early morning tee times our attendance for the past three Thursdays has been severely lessened.

The winners of the Low Net Tournament on July 31 were: Flight 1: Marge Rymarsuk, Jennie Buccella. Flight 2: June Dickbernd, Marlene Puglisi. Flight 3: Ginny Millington, Phyllis Robinson. Flight 4: Linda Noel, Bev

Schasel. Closest to the Pin: Marlene Puglisi.

Chip In: Bev Schasel. The winners of the Aug. 7 Low Net Tournament were: Flight 1: Ruth Morgan, Marlene Puglisi, Connie Bingham. Flight 2: Ginny Millington, June Dickbernd, Joan Klier. Flight 3: Linda Noel, Nancy Reichenbacher, Marlene Smith, Flight 4: Pat Clark, Mary Hart, Bebe Hahne. Closest to the Pin: Jennie Buccella. Chip In: Marge Rymar-

suk and Joan Klier.

The winners of the Aug. 14th Low Net Tournament were: Flight 1: Marti Babb, Marge Rymarsuk, Jennie Buccella. Flight 2: June Dickbernd, Ginny Millington, Marlene Puglisi. Flight 3: Pat Apeland, Phyllis Robinson, Sue Marentette. Flight 4: Mary Hart, Nancy Reichenbacher, Linda Noel. Closest to the Pin: Marge Rymarsuk. Chip In: Ginny Millington.

### Do you remember?

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turing the Jan. 10, 2009 Donna Bolton's "Showcase of Stars" following F Y I daily from Aug. 22nd to Aug. 29 on channel 12.

### Irish American Club

The Irish American Club is having a Doo Wop Party at Palm Grove on Thursday, Sept. 25 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Ticket Sales are Wednesday, Sept. 3 at the Orchid Club from 9 to 11 a.m.

Mojo Grill will be serving chicken parmesan, penne pasta, Tuscan Caesar salad, garlic rolls and fresh baked dessert. Coffee and soft drinks provided. BYOB. Music by Golden Age

Entertainment. Door Prizes and 50/50. Members \$16, Guests \$18.

A contest for the "Best Meatball" in Oak Run will be held. The first 25 entrants who sign up at the ticket sales will be eligible for the contest. Cash prizes will be awarded. Contest procedures available at the ticket sales. Judging by Rondo Fernandez owner of Mojo Grill and Frank Bartosik retired Master Chef.

For tickets after Sept. 3, call Ann 873-4766.

### Oak Run Republican Club

The Oak Run Republican Club will meet on Wednesday, Aug. 27, at 3

p.m. in the Orchid Club.

This meeting will happen on the day after the primary election, so we will be announcing the results.

Since we should all be able to understand the three constitutional amendments that will appear on the November ballot, we will discuss the amendments: (1) Water and Land Conservation

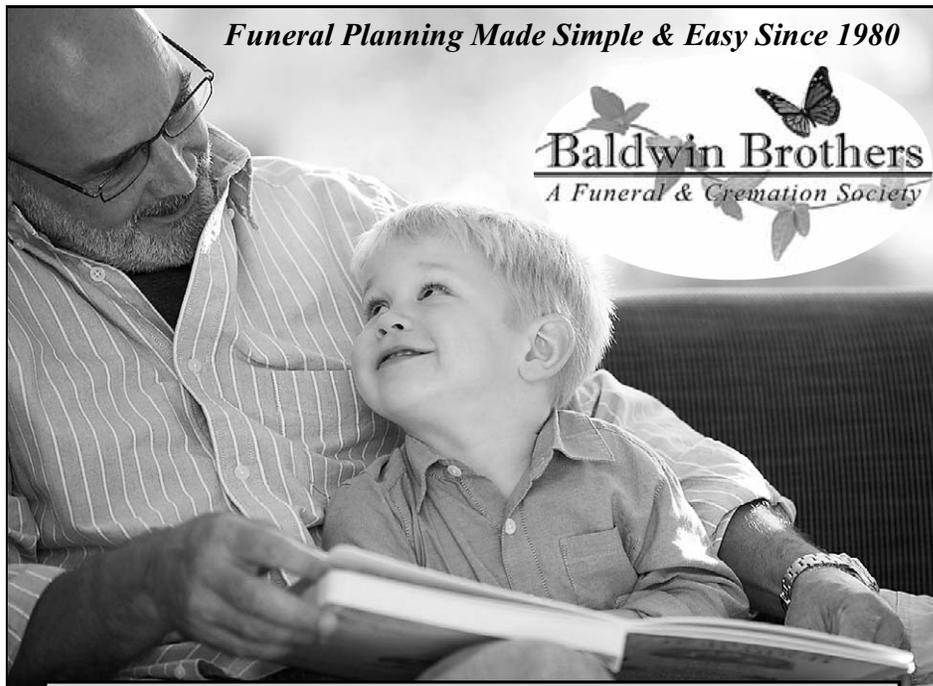
Dedicates funds to acquire and restore Florida conservation and recreation lands; (2) Use of Marijuana for Certain Medical Conditions; (3) Prospective Appointment of Certain Judicial Vacancies. As of this writing, the Florida Division of Elections does not have any constitutional amendment booklets prepared to mail to us; however, we can print current information from what is available on the state Web site. We will have a few copies available at the meeting. Additional photocopies can be made at the Oak Run Library.

The following is a link to the (16-age) proposed constitutional amendments.

<http://election.dos.state.fl.us/constitutional-amendments/pdf/2014-Constitutional-Amendments-English-7.21.2014-booklet.pdf> All Oak Runners are welcome.

For further information, Denise Leigh 861-0559 or e-mail her at [deniseleigh@aol.com](mailto:deniseleigh@aol.com).

Well readers, that is it again for another week. My new saying (which I love) is "Build up or hush up." Remember be kind to one another and smile! Laura Smith - [csjtpq@deccacable.com](mailto:csjtpq@deccacable.com).



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# Cherrywood Summer Fest to continue on Aug. 27

Our next Summer Fest will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 27, beginning at 5 p.m. in the clubhouse. This promises to be a special night with delicious food; excellent entertainment and great fellowship. You will need a ticket to gain entry but thanks to Mario and Chris Zacco; the tickets are free.

On the menu for this occasion is Bratwurst with all the fixings; lemonade and iced tea to drink and ice cream for dessert. If you've ever had a meal like this before you know how tender the meat is and how tasty the trimmings are. Feel free to bring your own beverages if you wish to enhance the flavor of the evening.

We have a special treat in the entertainment department for this event. We have booked the award winning Gator Bone Band. This group of what they describe as "a family of friends" performs folk; bluegrass; traditional tunes and popular songs. The vocals are clear and crisp and the instrumentals are beautiful when played by these professionals. Add to these qualities their own original recordings and songs and you have a real treat in listening pleasure.

Our Summer Fest celebrations are always well attended but fear not; our entertainment committee usually gets



## Cherrywood

John Everlove

everyone through the line in a half hour or less. Because of their efficiency you can enjoy a hot meal and then sit back and listen to the music or get up and dance to the tunes.

The Gator Bone Band will be playing before and immediately after the meal so you won't miss a note while you're enjoying your dinner. Naturally there will be a door prize and 50/50 drawing at the end of the evening so you have a chance of winning big but you'll be a winner just by attending this gala event.

Be sure to get your tickets from the office so your place will be reserved.

### Pellerin Nine Ball Tourney

Our men and women are getting ready for the big day when they will square off to see who is the best 9 Ball player in Cherrywood. Mick James is



Explaining the rules for the nine-ball tournament.

the coordinator of this annual event that's held in memory of Norm Perlerin.

More than 30 players have signed up to participate and we are looking for some stiff competition and exciting games this year. Last year's winner, Larry Murray will be defending his position against some tough contenders.

This match should not only be a lot of

fun to play in but also a blast to watch. Spectators were encouraged to come and root for their favorite players. Mick will be officiating along with some other referees to make sure everyone understands the rules and enjoys the match.

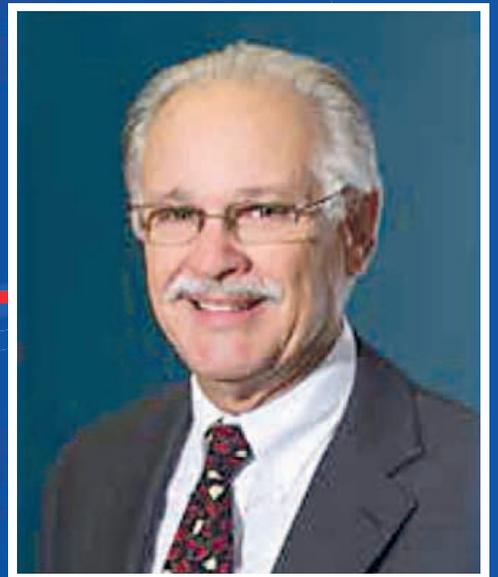
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## Pizza Party

Pizza and salad will be in abundance at our Cherrywood Pizza Party and dance on Friday, Sept. 5. Doors will open at 6 p.m. when you will step inside the clubhouse and enjoy a smorgasbord of delicious pizza from Little Joey's restaurant. There will be something for everyone including vegetarian pizza; and a wide variety of meat choices.

All of those wonderful pizzas will be complimented by crisp and tasty salad topped with our choice of dressings. There will be iced tea and lemonade to drink but you can always bring your own libations to enjoy with the meal.

We will have two special entertainers that evening. The first is a duet called Wound Tight. Andy Cohen and Scott Jackson are two very talented musicians who have the sound and quality that make them sound like a full band. You'll delight in their musical renditions as you listen and dance to the great music.

Also on the bill board for that night is our own Rich Becotte. Rich will fire up the music during the breaks of Wound Tight so that everyone can dance off those calories. Rich has a repertoire of



Cherrywood folks entered in the nine-ball tournament.

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music that just doesn't end so you can hear your requests; enjoy the dances and laugh at the novelty tunes that get thrown in.

Tickets are only \$6 each for this event and can be gotten at the office. It's important that we know how many people will be coming out to the party so get your tickets early. This is going to be a great night of food; fun and entertainment so don't miss it.

### Bowling League

An organizational meeting was held on Aug. 11 for the Cherrywood Bowling League. Sandee Spencer was elected President and Rich Hurley will continue as Secretary and Treasurer.

The season will last for 28 weeks with two weeks off between Christmas and New Years. The League will begin on Monday Sept. 15 at 11:45 a.m. Beautiful and recently remodeled Galaxy West Lanes is the venue for our bowlers.

On Aug. 25 from 11:30 there will be a free bowling period for all Cherrywood residents. You don't have to be a league member to take part in this event; just like to bowl. Please contact Rich Hurley at 873-7208 if you would like to take part.

Our league is non-sanctioned so we bowl just for the fun of it but then it is nice to win of course. There are still openings for anyone who would like to join the league and be a part of the good exercise; good times and good friends that make up our Cherrywood bowlers.

### Veterans Club

After a few months off, your Veterans Club meetings will begin again on Thursday, Sept. 4 at 2 p.m. We meet in the clubhouse and everyone who is a resident of Cherrywood is invited to come and out and share in our activities.

This month our guest speaker will be Nancy LeSelva from Marion County Hospice. She will provide information about the services and programs that Hospice has to offer families and patients.

In addition to our guest speaker we will be discussing the upcoming events for the Veterans Club including Veterans Day on Nov. 11. This promises to be one of the biggest events of the year for our veterans. A service dog will be donated on that day with dignitaries from Central Florida College and Patriot Dog Project on hand to share in the celebration.

Included in the agenda for the meeting is an update of the financial status of the club; projects and aid that has been provided to veterans over the summer months and other miscellaneous business matters.

While this sounds like a lot of things to be discussed, the meetings typically only last a half hour to 40 minutes. Immediately following the adjournment everyone retires to the patio for free liquid refreshments. The camaraderie and good times flow as everyone chats and shares fellowship.

### Election Day

Just a reminder that Tuesday, Aug. 26 is Election

Day. There will be no activities in the clubhouse that day as we are a designated polling place in our community. This includes Aerobics and Line Dancing. Since the Needle Club meets in the library they will still hold their session.

Be sure to get out and vote; it is your right and your duty. See you at the polls.

### Flu shots

Check with our health care professional and if they say you should get a flu shot this year plan to get it here at Cherrywood. On Sept. 5 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. we will be offering these all important inoculations in the clubhouse for a small fee. You can make an appointment by calling the office or just stop in.

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The flu is a serious and sometimes deadly illness that is especially hard on senior citizens so why take any chances? We want you around for all the great events we have here at Cherrywood; get your shots and stay healthy.

## Movie Night

Ben Stiller will be starring in "Night at the Museum Battle of the Smithsonian" when we enjoy Movie Night at Cherrywood on Tuesday, Sept. 2. Movie nights are special because it gives everyone a chance to see top quality feature films on the big screen in our comfortable clubhouse.

Lounge chairs are brought in from pool side to provide comfortable seating and add to the relaxed atmosphere. You'll no doubt smell the wonderful aroma of popcorn when you enter and it, like the movie; is free to everyone. Also enjoy complimentary lemonade and iced tea or if you prefer; bring our own drinks and snacks. The movie begins promptly at 7 p.m. so plan to arrive a little early.

The plot to this feature reads like a novel so all I can recommend is that you go to your computer and look it up. Night at the Museum sounds hilarious with some really wild and weird characters from the past played by the likes of Robin Williams; Amy Adams; and Owen Wilson among others. With a cast like that how could it not be funny?

Just a reminder that volunteers are needed to assist with Movie Night. Up until now; Fred and Jay O'Hern have carried the full burden of making pop-

corn; bringing in chairs and making the drinks. If you have a few minutes before or after the film presentation; let Fred or Jay know and offer to help them out. The more people we have helping; the less work for everyone.

## A chance meeting

Patriot Dog volunteer Bill Spangenberg was out walking his new four legged charge and friend "Smitty" when he met up with a friendly couple; Trude and Skip Smith. It was Trude and Skip who donated the money through our Veterans Club to purchase "Smitty."

Both of the donors and puppy seemed quite pleased that they bumped into each other. Amidst a wildly wagging tail and some vigorous pets all concerned were smiling and enjoying each others company.

"Smitty" was named in honor of two family members of Trude and Skip. They had served in the military and the Patriot Dog was purchased in their memory. Bill is the Vice President of our Veterans Club and works with the SPCA and Patriot Dog Project to socialize these wonderful service dogs on weekends.

## Celebrate 20 Years of Cherrywood

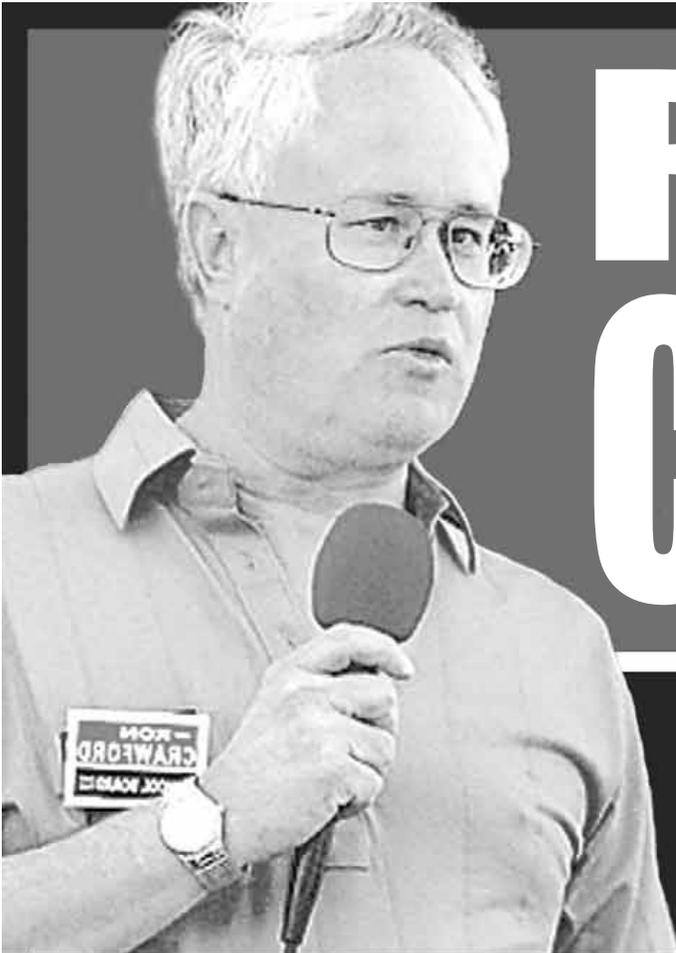
Cherrywood Property Management is delighted to celebrate Cherrywood's 20th anniversary on Sept. 26 by providing a special performance featuring Dean Marin impersonator Felix J. Deneau Jr.

Felix enlisted in the U.S. Navy after high school where he continued to act, impersonating people while off duty. When he was on pass he would go to



Photo shows Trude and Skip Smith with "Smitty."

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# RON CRAWFORD

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These of some of the issues that I have worked on. Our school district still faces many new challenges. I believe my experience of getting problems solved will be helpful in the future.

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Las Vegas for the shows. On one occasion he was able to accompany Dean Martin; Dino, on stage at the MGM Grand and impersonate Dino. Dino was amazed at his talent and said, "That's pretty d— good kid."

Felix is employed at Universal Studio Florida as an impersonator and performer. Along with two other talented performers he formed the Central Florida Rat Pack; a group that performs in the Central Florida area. See their website at <http://thecentralfloridaratpack/>.

We hope you enjoy this special show. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the show lasts from 6 until 8. Tickets are limited so get yours from the office early. Tickets will be on a first come first served basis. If after you get a ticket you are unable to attend; please return your ticket to the office so we can fill the clubhouse. Thank you. CWPM

### From Your Reporter

A few nights ago I was talking with my bride Suzi about all the activities we have available here at Cherrywood. For those of you who are regular readers of this column you know my reports include not only upcoming events but also various functions that have already taken place. I humbly try to be as accurate as possible in my reporting.

During that conversation, we noted that until I became active with the Citizen Newspaper; we didn't attend very many happenings at the clubhouse. Out of ignorance; disinterest or just plain laziness; we were content to stay home in front of the TV or working on our varied hobbies. Because one of my hobbies was writing, when the position became available to write for the newspaper I offered my services. Wow, what an eye opener.

Because of my new "job"; I was required to start going to the various events and writing about them. A whole new world opened to me and to my wife because of that. Not only did we start attending club meetings; dances; exercise and sports activities; etc. we found which ones we enjoyed. It was as if a new and exciting chapter had opened in our lives.

Recently I've spoken with several people that I haven't seen at our various functions. When I asked them why they didn't take part the reasons boiled down to attitudes

of complacency and discomfort; those who didn't care and those who didn't feel comfortable in large groups of people. A very few said they didn't feel welcome when they had gone to one function or another.

For those who were made to feel unwelcome at one point or another, let me just say that times are changing. Not one group; club or organization is not warmly welcoming all persons who join them. Once you attend a couple of times, you will fit right in. Choose a function that you would like to find out more about; put on your smile and then go to it.

As for the complacency situation, there's not much I can say except that you are missing out on not only some very fun times; you are also missing out on some very fun people. Friendly people make friends so give yourself a push and try a few different events.

Now we address those who don't feel comfortable going alone into a large group. Pick a friend or neighbor and go with you. Try out Trivia; Movie Night; Cribbage Club;

Line Dancing or any one of the dozens of activities we have here at Cherrywood. You'll have a buddy to share with and you'll make new friends as well.

That brings us to the very best reason to get involved; that is the people. We have an abundance of good people here at Cherrywood. Each has their own personality; interests; sense of humor; and quirks but they are just good people. If you don't give them the opportunity to share your personality with them; you lose.

There is not greater gift in life than friendship. In good times and bad; real friends will be there for you. I strongly encourage you to step up; step out and become a part of this wonderful community. Between the Citizen and the Chirp, you will find something of interest so don't be shy; lazy or worried about your reception; just put yourself out there. Trust me.

If you have any comments or suggestions for the Cherrywood Column of the Citizen Newspaper please contact me at [urperssec@yahoo.com](mailto:urperssec@yahoo.com). Thank you for reading.

### Team up for weekly shopping trips

It's not an Olympic sport, but team shopping is an excellent way for retirees to cut their grocery bills. The Association of Mature American Citizens recommends getting together with a good neighbor or friend to make a list of items that can be purchased in bulk on weekly grocery outings and then shared.

Another way to save money is to prepare meals in advance, on paper, before going to the supermarket, listing the ingredients and the quantities you'll need. This way you'll avoid the costly mistakes of over stocking and impulse buying.

Two-in-one meals will also reduce your grocery bill. For example, the leftovers from Monday night's roast chicken dinner can provide the makings for a tasty chicken salad lunch on Wednesday.

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### After School Peanut Butter Apple Pie

Recipe contributed by winner Alisa L., Midwest region

Servings: 8 pieces

**Prepared pie crust**  
**Chopped peanuts (optional)**

**Filling:**  
7 apples, peeled cored and sliced  
2/3 cup sugar  
3 tablespoons flour  
1 teaspoon lemon juice

**Crumble:**  
3/4 cup rolled oats  
1/4 cup butter  
1/4 cup peanut butter  
1/3 cup brown sugar  
1/2 cup flour

Place crust in 9-inch pie pan and crimp edges. Use dried beans to weigh down bottom. Bake crust for 10–15 minutes, or until crust is lightly browned.

Mix all filling ingredients together and put in crust. Using hands, mix crumble ingredients until in pea-sized pieces. Top apples with crumble. Don't worry if sky high, apples will cook down and pie will be perfectly proportioned.

Bake at 350°F for 40–50 minutes. Keep edges covered with foil until last 15 minutes. Garnish with chopped peanuts.



### Easy PB & J Breakfast Tarts

Recipe contributed by winner Susan M., West region

Servings: 8 tarts

2 cups all-purpose flour, plus more for rolling  
1/2 cup whole wheat pastry flour  
6 tablespoons sugar  
1 teaspoon sea salt  
2/3 cup shortening  
6 tablespoons peanut butter plus 4 heaping teaspoons for filling (1/2 teaspoon per tart)  
1/2 cup cold water  
5 tablespoons jam (strawberry works well)

**Drizzle option 1:**  
1/2 cup powdered sugar  
1 tablespoon jam  
1 tablespoon milk

**Drizzle option 2:**  
1/2 cup powdered sugar  
1/4 teaspoon strawberry extract, optional  
1 tablespoon milk

Preheat oven to 350°F. In medium bowl mix together flours, sugar and sea salt.

Using pastry cutter, cut-in shortening and peanut butter, until mixture resembles

small peas. Drizzle mixture with cold water until mixture is moist and holds together. Roll out on floured surface to at least 1/16th of an inch thickness.

Using 3-by-5-inch index (recipe) card for template, cut into sixteen 3-by-5-inch shapes. Re-rolling works fine. In middle of eight shapes, smear 1/2 heaping teaspoon peanut butter and heaping teaspoon of jam on top. Be careful not to go to edges. Using fingers, wet edges with water and place another piece of pastry on top. Press all sides well, and using fork press all edges to secure. Using fork, gently poke tops in four places so steam can escape.

Place inch apart on parchment lined baking sheet. Bake for 13–14 minutes until starting to brown around edges. Cool on rack.

Whisk together drizzle of choice in small bowl. Drizzle over cooled tarts.

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### Carolina Dreaming Appetizer Meatballs

Recipe contributed by winner Janice E., Southeast region

Servings: 24 meatballs

1/2 cup peanut butter  
1/4 cup fig preserves  
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce  
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice  
1 tablespoon minced or grated fresh ginger  
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper  
1 1/4 pounds ground turkey  
4 green onions, finely chopped (including green tops)  
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley  
1 large egg  
1 teaspoon salt  
Diced green onion tops or chopped parsley (optional)

Preheat oven to 425°F. Whisk together peanut butter, preserves, Worcestershire sauce and lemon juice until well blended. Add ginger, black and red pepper, mixing well. Reserve.

Place approximately half peanut butter mixture into mixing bowl (reserve remainder for later). Add turkey, green onions, parsley, egg and salt to mixing bowl and mix lightly but thoroughly.

Roll mixture into 1-inch balls and place 1 inch apart on lightly greased, rimmed baking sheet.

Place into oven and bake for 15 minutes. Remove pan from oven and brush tops of meatballs with remaining peanut butter mixture.

Return pan to oven and bake for about 5–8 minutes more, or until nicely browned.

Remove from oven. Arrange on serving plate and sprinkle with diced green onion tops or parsley, if desired.

**Note:** Use with decorative toothpicks placed in each meatball for easy consumption.



### Nutty Jalapeno-Chicken Stuffed Peppers

Recipe contributed by winner Lori M., Southwest region

Servings: 12 peppers

12 large jalapeno peppers, split open (not all the way through) and seeded  
1/2 cup peanut butter  
1 cup shredded cooked chicken  
1 3-ounce package cooked bacon pieces  
1/2 cup shredded cheddar cheese  
1/4 cup mayonnaise  
1 cup crushed cornflakes

Preheat oven to 350°F. Place peppers in medium bowl and cover with boiling water 2 minutes. Drain and pat dry.

In medium bowl, mix together peanut butter, chicken, bacon and cheese. Fill each jalapeno with mixture. Smear each pepper with a little mayonnaise and roll in cornflakes in shallow dish to cover.

Place jalapeno on non-stick baking sheet. Bake in preheated oven until golden, about 15–20 minutes.



### Pennsylvania PB & C Bars

Recipe contributed by winner Victoria Z., Northeast region

Servings: 12 bars

**Crust:**  
1 cup melted butter  
2 cups peanut butter  
3/4 cup brown sugar  
2 1/4 cups granulated sugar  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
5 eggs  
2 teaspoons vanilla extract  
3 cups flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/2 cup chopped peanuts

**Topping:**  
1 1/2 tubs chocolate frosting  
1 cup peanut butter, melted  
1 cup salted peanuts, chopped

Preheat oven to 350°F. In large bowl, mix butter, peanut butter, sugars, salt, eggs and vanilla until well mixed. Add flour and baking powder and mix thoroughly. Spread on a 10-by-15-by-2-inch ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake 12–15 minutes or until golden brown. Let cool.

Spread frosting over crust. Drizzle melted peanut butter over chocolate. Sprinkle chopped peanuts on top of peanut butter and chocolate. Let set until topping is firm.

You can refrigerate cookie sheet to speed firming process, if desired. Cut into desired size bars.

# It was a shoofly pie celebration weekend

People ask me questions all the time. Some of those questions I can answer, some I cannot answer and some I will not answer. I wish people would ask me questions I could answer and look good about it. However, it never happens.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage asks me questions all the time. After 43 years, I have finally figured out her questions. Most usually require one word answers. For somebody like me who spends most of his time preaching and writing, boiling an answer down to one word is something that is quite difficult.

The one great thing about my wife is, when she asks me a question, she does not really want an answer, because she already has the answer. I do not know how wives have developed this kind of intellectual mystique. I have just never had the opportunity to ask her. This probably would be the main question I would ask. Sometimes, living in the dark is OK.

Some people ask questions to get information. Some people ask questions to show off how smart they think they are, which, merely proves how dumb they actually are. Do not let them know

that I said this, or they may have some questions for me. Then some people ask questions in order to trick you.

Questions are important. Sometimes my friends (both of them), will ask me a question. The primary question is simply, what is a shoofly pie? This is the kind of question I like and furthermore, I like to answer it.

The trouble with a question like this is, where do you begin? With something as marvelous and wonderful as a shoofly pie, where do you start to explain all of its delicacies?

To begin with, a shoofly pie is a slice of heaven. I am quite sure that in heaven at supper time there will be shoofly pies aplenty. I know quite a few Mennonite and Amish women who, I am quite sure, are in heaven, and if they are, they will insist on making shoofly pie. I do not know if it is in their genes, but I do know it is in their aprons.

If anybody has ever had the wonderful opportunity of eating a shoofly pie, they will know exactly what I am talking about. It is hard to explain the experience without your mouth watering so much you need a towel.

To start with, the bottom of a shoofly pie is sheer liquid pleasure. Depending

on the woman preparing the pie will depend on how thick that bottom layer is. Once that is laid down, the next layer is a delightful mix of flour and sugar and other secret ingredients. That layer seems to float on top of that liquid pleasure.

On the top is a crust of munchable delight that has absolutely no equal. Then, to set it off, there is a circular crust that holds all of this together in one magnificent pie.

I am not a baker so I do not know how they put all of this together and then put it in the oven and then bring out this awesome, classical dessert known as shoofly pie. Some things are so wonderful that they cannot be fully explained.

Personally, I would rather not spend much time trying to answer the question, What is a shoofly pie? I would preferably utilize that time delving into eating a shoofly pie. That is my greatest delight.

Recently I indulged this marvelous delight in the center of shoofly pie country. Everybody knows that to be Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

A conference was going to be there that I wanted to go to but I had many things that prohibited me from going



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there. All I could think about was the wonderful shoofly pies I could indulge in if I went to that conference. So, I worked hard to eliminate everything that would keep me from going there. Some things are, indeed, worth fighting for.

About a month before the conference was to start, I had dealt with the final obstruction and was able to make plans to go. All I could think about was, "Shoofly pie, here I come."

As soon as my flight landed, I hurried off to the nearest restaurant and indulged in my first slice of shoofly pie for the weekend. I am happy to say it was not my last piece.

At the conference, they had breakfast, lunch and dinner and for dessert, even at breakfast, was shoofly pie. I cannot tell you how many pieces of shoofly pie I ate, for the simple reason I cannot count that high without taking off my

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 <p><b>5510 SW 61st Place - Lot # 012</b></p> <p>This home is a 1986 Palm Harbor with 2 beds / 2 baths with 1,144sq ft. This home has custom wood working throughout the home. The kitchen has all new cabinets with pot and pan drawers and swivels for easy access. This home has been modified for partial handicap access. Open floor plan with indoor laundry and large screen room with vinyl windows and a large workshop with cabinets. Located on a quiet cul-de-sac</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$17,900</p>	 <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 2em; color: blue;">SOLD</p> <p><b>5651 SW 56th Place - Lot # 343</b></p> <p>This is a 1989 Nobility home with 2 beds / 2 baths with 768sq ft. This home has been completely remodeled. All new subfloors, carpet, vinyl floors. Updated kitchen. Bath rooms have been remodeled. New blinds and newer appliances. New landscaping and new irrigation. This home has a carport, shed, and screen room. Located on a large lot.</p>	 <p><b>5475 SW 56th Street - Lot # 263</b></p> <p>This home is a 2 bed / 2 bath with 1,056 sq ft. This home includes all the appliances. The windows were replaced in 2009 with double pane. The air conditioner with heat pump was replaced in 2011. This home has walk in closets. Indoor Laundry. "All Seasons Room" - Lanai with real windows located on the front of the home. Large Shed will fit motorcycle and storage. Located on quiet road.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$26,500</p>	 <p><b>6020 SW 57th Avenue - L # 044</b></p> <p>This home is a 1985 Nobility with 2 beds / 2 baths with 1,056sq ft. This home has a living room and family room. Kitchen has a pass through area with a wet bar. Large bedrooms with walk-in closets. Large "All Season Room" with a shed with work bench. This home has a large backyard that is private with white vinyl privacy fence. Located on a quiet street.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$23,500</p>
 <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 2em; color: blue;">SOLD</p> <p><b>5564 SW 58th Place - Lot#169</b></p> <p>This is a 1989 Homes of Merit with 2 beds / 2 baths with 1,344sq ft. This home has laminate floors and carpet in bedrooms. Features a large living room, open kitchen, dining room with built in hutch. Large master suite with walk in closet. Inside laundry. One car garage and carport. Metal Lifetime Roof. A/C less than 2yrs new. Double pane windows. Screen porch and backyard patio. Lots of upgrades, must see.</p>	 <p><b>6080 SW 57th Avenue - L # 038</b></p> <p>This is a 1987 Nobility with 3 beds / 2 baths with 1,248sq ft. This home has lots of upgrades, all newer awnings, and double pane windows. The kitchen has been updated and has an open floor plan to the living room and dining room. Master bedroom has a large walk in closet and the master bath has a tub and shower. Screen room with vinyl windows. Utility room is on the same level as screen room. Private yard.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$39,500</p>	 <p><b>5548 SW 58th Place - Lot # 167</b></p> <p>This is a 1988 Nobility with 2 beds / 2 baths with 1,352sq ft. This home is fully furnished with high end furniture and 55" flat screen TV's. Features a large living room with open kitchen plan with dining room. Bonus kitchen nook and office area. Large Bedrooms with walk-in closets. Large screen room with windows and lots of patio furniture. Bonus one car garage plus carport. Located on a large corner lot.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$40,000</p>	 <p><b>5503 SW 59th Street - Lot # 161</b></p> <p>This is a 1987 Palm Harbor with 2 beds / 2 baths with 1,248sq ft. This home has laminate floors except bedrooms. Large living room with wood burning fireplace. Open Kitchen with dining room that has a built in hutch. Lots of storage space. Large bedrooms with walk-in closets. Newer appliances. Bathrooms have been updated. Large indoor laundry with storage. Large screen room with vinyl windows. Shed. On cul-de-sac</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">\$27,500</p>

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# Religion

## Christ Church of Marion County

Friday, Aug. 22: Soup Kitchen, 11:30 a.m.  
 Sunday, Aug. 24: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Benevolence Fund Sunday.  
 Tuesday, Aug. 26: Women's Crafts and Fellowship, 9 a.m.  
 Thursday, Aug. 28: Prayer and Praise Group, 9 a.m.  
 Friday, Aug. 29: Soup Kitchen, 11:30 a.m.  
 Christ's Church of Marion County, 6768 SW 80th St. (off State Road 200), Ocala, 352-861-6182 or <http://www.ccomc.org/>.

## Crossroads Church

Sunday: Morning Services 9 and 11 a.m.; Kids Church 9 and 11 a.m.; Servicio en Español 1 p.m.; Bible Alive Bible Study 6 p.m.  
 Tuesday: Intercessory Prayer 9 a.m.  
 Wednesday: Family Training Hour 7 p.m.; Crossroads Student Ministries 7 p.m.; Boys and Girls Clubs 7 p.m.  
 Thursday: Estudio Biblico en Español 7 p.m.  
 Upcoming events:  
 Revival Services with Dr. Ron Webb,

Sunday, Sept. 14 and Monday, Sept. 15. Join us for an exciting time of revival services with Dr. Ron Webb, senior pastor of Mt. Calvary Powerhouse Church in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Dr. Webb is an international speaker in great demand. He will be speaking on Sunday, Sept. 14 at the 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. services, and again on Monday at 7 p.m. Nurseries are provided with every service, and Spanish translation is available during the 11 a.m. service. We look forward to seeing you there!

Common Ground Fellowship  
 Saturday, Aug. 23 at 2 p.m. at Ocean Buffet

Common Ground Fellowship will be meeting on Saturday, Aug. 23 at Ocean Buffet at 2 p.m. (3425 SW College Road, Ocala). There is a place for you, so come and share the excitement of this ministry time. Food prices are reasonable with plenty of selections. Please sign up in the foyer. We look forward to a relaxing opportunity to hear about God's goodness in each other's lives.

Crossroads Church, 8070 SW 60th Ave., Ocala, phone 352-291-2080.

## St. Jude Catholic

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thon's Attic, our venue for slightly used clothing, household goods and small appliances, is open every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Bereavement Group meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Meetings are open to anyone in the community with a need to share their feelings of grief. If you plan to attend, please call the church office at 347-0154 prior to the meetings.

## Maranatha Baptist Church

After the summer break, the AWANA (Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed) program is scheduled to start up the Sunday after school starts which will be Aug. 24. It is held each Sunday evening

from 6 to 7:30 for children ages 4 to 18. The program is under the direction of Commander Chris Bailey and Vanessa Bailey. They want to share the love of Christ. AWANA is an exciting program of Christian learning and games of competition with awards. AWANA is an ongoing program and registration is always open. Please call Commander Chris Bailey for confirmation of date and time at 352-347-5863 or the Church at 352-347-5683.

Come and worship with a friendly and welcoming family at Maranatha Baptist Church. All ages are most welcome at Maranatha. On Sunday morning at 9:45 to 10:30 Sunday School classes are held for all ages, nursery through senior adults. Morning worship

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## PASTOR

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shoes. A slice of shoofly pie highlighted every meal. I am happy to say that they had more shoofly pie at this conference than I could consume although I did my very best, I assure you.

I know that life sometimes has its hard paths and things can become very difficult. That is why we need to have something to really look forward to.

The writer to the Hebrews understood this when he wrote, "Looking

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Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, PO Box 831313, Ocala, FL 34483. He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores. Call him at 1-866-552-2543 or e-mail [jamesnyder2@att.net](mailto:jamesnyder2@att.net) or website [www.jamesnyderministries.com](http://www.jamesnyderministries.com).



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# RELIGION

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service begins at 10:45, and children's church is held at the same time. Sunday evening service is at 6. There is a nursery provided for all services.

Every Wednesday evening from 6:45 to 8 there is prayer meeting and Bible study for adults. There is a nursery is also provided at that time.

Maranatha Baptist Church is at 525 Marion Oaks Trail in Marion Oaks. Please call 352-347-5683 for further information and directions to the church.

## Friendship Baptist Church

Sunday services at Friendship Baptist Church on Aug. 24 begin with Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. The Ladies Class, taught by Linda Brown and the Auditorium Class, taught by Pastor Brown, are teaching "Practical Christian Living - How To Live for Christ Today - Believing Biblically - 2 Thessalonians 2," and our "Young Adults" class, taught by our Associate Pastor, Dan Rushing, is studying, "The Revolutionary Life, Teachings and Ministry of Jesus." In the 10:45 Morning Worship Service we have as our special guest Tina Mineo. The FBC choir will be singing, "He's the Only King." Pastor Brown will then bring us an inspiring and encouraging message from the Word of God. Pastor Dan will continue

his Sunday evening Bible study on the Gospel's beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening Bible Study begins at 7. All are invited to attend. Friendship Baptist Church is at 9510 SW 105th St., off Highway 200. The church phone is 352-237-2640. This Sunday, Friendship Baptist Church will be on WRNZ AM 720 at 7 a.m. If you are unable to attend Sunday services please join us through your radio.

## Peace Lutheran Church

Peace Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, is again offering several opportunities for adult Bible Study.

The Sunday morning Bible Study, prior to worship service, will resume at 9 a.m. on Sept. 8. The subject will be announced.

The community is invited. Peace Lutheran Church, the "Church on the Hill," is at 7201 South Hwy, 41, north of Dunnellon. For more information see PeaceLutheranOnline.com or Peace Lutheran Church - Dunnellon on Facebook.

## Congregation Beth Israel Ocala

Congregation Beth Israel Ocala is pleased to announce its schedule of services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The services are open to unaffiliated Jews and are free though donations are accepted. All services will be held at the First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, 7171

SW Highway 200, in Ocala.

The High Holiday season will be ushered in with the Selichot service of penitential prayers on Saturday, Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the choir room of the church. The service will be conducted by Rabbi Karen Allen followed by a social.

Erev Rosh Hashanah services and subsequent services will be held in the Enrichment Center of the Church (third building on the right heading southwest on 200) beginning on Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m. Hannah Spiro, a student at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, will lead this and all other High Holiday services. She has returned to us again this year and lends joy and spiritual beauty to our services with her beautiful voice. There will be a stoical following the service.

Rosh Hashanah day, Sept. 25 services are at 10 a.m. Lunch is available at Stone Creek Grille at Stone Creek C.C. in Ocala after the service followed by tashlich in Sholom Park. RSVP Steve by Sept. 20 (352 854-2747)

Kol Nidre services, Oct. 3, begin at 7:30 p.m. Judy Lankes, violinist, will add soulful inspiration to the haunting melody of Kol Nidre.

Yom Kippur Day, Oct. 5, services begin at 10 a.m. There will be a mid-day

break with the resumption of services at 4 (study session), yiskor at 4:30, neilah and closing services at 5. At covered dish break the fast will be served after the services. Please contact Lois (352 291-1308) or Marge (352 237-7612)

Congregation Beth Israel of Ocala is a Jewish Reconstructionist Community in association with the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College. We are a progressive, liberal, inclusive community and welcome new members. For information contact Judi (352 237-8277).

## Joy Lutheran Church

The congregation at Joy Lutheran Church will be graced with a visit from the Rev. Robert Schaefer, Bishop of the Florida Bahama Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, on Sunday, Sept. 7. Bishop Schaefer will present the message for the 10 a.m. worship service that morning.

His wife, Pastor Jennifer Schaefer, will preside over the afternoon German Language Worship Service at 3 p.m. that day. All are welcome to attend these services.

Joy Evangelical Lutheran Church is on SW State Road 200 at 83rd Place, Ocala. For further information contact the church office at 352-854-4509 ext.221.

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# Community calendar

## Saturday, Aug. 23

### African Violet Club to meet

The African Violet Club of Ocala will meet on Saturday, Aug. 23, at 10:30 a.m. at the Marion County Sheriff's Office (Brian Litz Sheriff's Substation), 9048 SW Highway 200, Ocala.

Our program this month is "Creating Designs with Mary Lou Harden." We are very fortunate to have Mary Lou, an individual of such caliber, talent, credentials and teaching abilities to instruct us on design!

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Mary Lou was recently elected President of the African Violet Council of Florida. You are sure to learn a lot and enjoy this meeting immensely. We will have delectable light refreshments. Guests are always welcome! Check out our website at <http://www.africanvioletclubofocala.org/> and our page on [facebook.com/AfricanVioletClubofOcala](https://www.facebook.com/AfricanVioletClubofOcala) for more information.

### Hard Rock Casino trip

St. Jude Catholic Community in Marion Oaks is sponsoring another trip to the Hard Rock Casino in Tampa on Saturday, Aug. 23. Cost is \$35 per person. The bus will leave the St. Jude parking lot at 8 a.m. and return around 5 p.m. For information and reservations please contact Ghislaine at 245-9962.

## Monday, Aug. 25

### Retired nurses to meet

The RNR (Registered Nurses Retired) organization of Citrus/Marion Counties will have their summer planning meeting on Aug. 25 in Inverness. We invite all retired and semi-retired RNs who have an interest in informative medical topic speakers and also the company of fellow nurses to consider joining us on Sept. 28 for the beginning of our 2014-2015 year.

We meet monthly alternating between the Inverness Golf and Country Club in Inverness and in Ocala at the West Marion Medical Building. For more information concerning the meetings or the planning meeting please call Gladys (Marion County) at 325-854-2677 or Mary Jane (Citrus County) at 352-726-6882.

### Bowlers sought for Monday league

Senior bowlers are wanted for a Monday Senior Mixed League that plays Mondays at 1 p.m. at Galaxy East.

Potential bowlers are asked to attend a meeting Aug. 25 at 1 p.m. Bowling begins at the same time but on Sept. 8.

This is a senior mixed league with four bowlers on a team. The league is sanctioned.

Call Joan Steele, 352-595-4442 for more info.

## Tuesday, Aug. 26

### Sisterhood of survivors

The SOS (Sisterhood of Survivors) Breast Cancer Support Group meets the last Tuesday of each month at Ocala West United Methodist Church, 9330 SW 105th St. in the Chapel, Room 235.

Our meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 26 will be a presentation by Nancy J. Gall, University of Florida, Marion County Extension Agent, on nutrition. She will talk to us about making informed decisions regarding identifying organic versus conventional foods, as well as what does it mean to be "organic". Hope to see you all there.

## Thursday, Aug. 28

### Discussion on elder care

Shannon Mulkey, an attorney specializing in elder care, will be presenting "Estate Planning and Advance Directives As You Age" on Aug. 28 at 11 a.m. at Hawthorne Estates in the third floor media room. A complimentary lunch and tour will be provided.

Please RSVP to 352-237-7776 Ex. 255.

Hawthorne Village Retirement Community is at 4100 S.W. 33rd Ave.

### Bowlers wanted for senior mixed league

The Thursday Good Old Timers are looking for a few good people that like to bowl to join their league. A sanctioned league, there are four bowlers to a team.

The league has scheduled a meeting on Thursday, Aug. 28, at 12:30 p.m. with bowling to begin the following week, Sept. 4 at 12:30 p.m.

The league bowls at Galaxy West Lanes, 1818 SW 17th St., Ocala.

For more info call Wes Stanley, 352-553-5501.

## Wednesday, Sept. 3

### Free classes for learning English

For the 11th year, College Road Baptist Church will again offer ESL (English as Second Language) classes every Wednesday at 6 p.m., beginning Sept. 3. Nursery care, children's and teen activities, adult Bible study, and assistance for those who want to apply and study for the citizenship test are all offered at the same time. ESL is for adults, but families will find programs for all ages. Every class and activity is free and everyone is welcome.

For more information please call 854-6981 or 873-7507. The church is at 5110 SW State Road 200. A similar ministry is also offered at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church on Maricamp Road(phone 629-5683).

## Friday, Sept. 5

### First Friday Art Walk

The First Friday Art Walk returns to downtown Ocala on Friday, Sept. 5 for its fifth season. The public is invited to partake in the festivities from 6 to 9 p.m. Next month's event features over 30 artist displays, gallery receptions, one-of-a-kind restaurants and extended shopping hours.

Festivities will include:

Fencing, Tai Chi, and yoga demos, plus India ink art by Ali Graves at the Training Center of Ocala.

Exhibit opening and special reception for "Healing with a HeArt" at Brick City Center for the Arts.

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Exhibit opening and special reception for the Ocala Art Group competition: "Did You Hear That?" inside city hall's first floor lobby from 6 to 8 p.m.

Live entertainment on the downtown square presented by Pi on Broadway. This month featuring Shema Freeman from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

For additional details on the First Friday Art Walk, including how artists may participate, please visit [www.ocalafl.org/artwalk](http://www.ocalafl.org/artwalk) or call Melissa Townsend, Community Cultural Arts Manager, 352-629-8447.

## Saturday, Sept. 6

### Yoga in Sholom Park

Yoga in Sholom Park at 9 a.m. Classes are free of charge. Bring a mat or towel and come early to center yourself. For more information, call Ingrid Crane at 352-854-7950.

## Sunday, Sept. 7

### Bowen concert at Ocala West

A Free concert by the Bobby Bowen Family will be conducted at the Ocala West Church of the Nazarene (5884 SW 60th Ave., Ocala) on Sept. 7 at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. A love offering will be taken up for the family.

For more information about the family's ministry visit: <http://bobbybowen.com>.

## Tuesday, Sept. 9

### Macintosh User Group to meet

The Ocala Macintosh User Group will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 9, from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. George Anglican Cathedral Parish Hall, 5646 SE 28th St., Ocala.

The speaker for this month's meeting is Dr. John "Row" Rogacki, associate director of the Florida Institute of Human and Machine Cognition (IHMC). Dr. Rogacki will speak on "Inventing the Future at IHMC." His focus will be on research efforts in human-centered computing, humanoid robotics, and assistive technologies that either restore lost capabilities or give people super-human capabilities. To learn about Dr. Rogacki's extensive list of accom-

plishments prior to joining IHMC, visit <http://www.ihmc.us/groups/jrogacki/>.

Tech Tips, Q & A's, and the monthly raffle will follow Dr. Rogacki's talk. Visitors are always welcome. Check out our website at <http://ocalamug.org> to learn more about the group.

## Saturday, Sept. 13

### Model airplane show

The Ocala Flying Model Club will present an RC Model Airplane Show to benefit the Wounded Warriors Project on Saturday, Sept. 13, at the club's flying field on 110th St., across from the horse park entrance.

Admission is \$2 per person or \$5 per carload. There will be a plastic model airplane/model railroad display, live music by the Brion Kenyon Band and food available at the Cook Shack.

For more information, contact Tom Thacker at 404-625-9497 or [OcalaFlyingModelClub.com](http://OcalaFlyingModelClub.com)

## Sunday, Sept. 14

### Rowdy Boys to perform

Our first Sunday Afternoon Arts at Countryside of the season will take place on Sunday, Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary, 7768 SW Highway 200, Ocala.

We are having something different this year. The Rowdy Boys are a Barbershop quartet, singing four part a capella harmony in barbershop style. They are members of the Big Sun Chorus and the Barbershop Harmony Society.

They perform regularly to civic and social groups in the Ocala area. They are a unique group in that they are all former military officers with three retired pilots and one Navy entomologist.

The public is invited and admission is free but donations will be appreciated. For further information, please call the church office at 352-237-4633.

### Chamber Music Society free concert

Back by popular demand, the Marion Chamber Music Society will present vocal soloist Stephen Saxon on Sunday, Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. at Queen of Peace Church, 6455 SW State Road 200 in Ocala.

Stephen will be performing a variety of favorite arias and light classics to include Kern's audience favorite, "Old Man River."

All Marion Chamber Music concerts are "Always ex-

ceptional; always free" to the public; donations greatly appreciated. For more information, call 867-1340.

## Friday, Sept. 19

### St. Jude fish dinners

Beginning Friday, Sept. 19, St. Jude Catholic Community in Marion Oaks will be serving fish dinners from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Dinners will be served once a month. The menu includes fried or baked fish, cole slaw, French fries and dessert. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under the age of 12. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

## Sunday, Sept. 21

### Jazz Society to perform

The Ocala Jazz Society will be performing on Sunday, Sept. 21 from 2 to 5 p.m. at VFW Post 4781 across from Oak Run. The band performs on the third Sunday of each month playing Jazz, Big Band, Dixieland and songs from the past. \$3 donation for Hospice. For information, call 352-237-0234.

## Tuesday, Sept. 23

### Candidates invited to forum

The GFWC Woman's Club of Ocala will conduct a Candidates Forum for candidates in the November elections on Tuesday, Sept. 23, at the Marion County Public Library Headquarters, 2720 E. Silver Springs Blvd., in Meeting Room C from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Evelyn B. Kelly will serve as moderator.



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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Despite your Aries penchant for wanting to tackle a problem head-on, you might want to take a little more time to see how a current situation develops. It could surprise you.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Taking on the role of peacemaker in a disruptive environment is a challenge. But you can do it. Just continue to have the faith in yourself that many others have in you.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Although your work schedule keeps you busy, you should make time to start preparing for that important upcoming family event you'll want to celebrate in a special way.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Home is where the Moon Child wants to be early in the week. But by week's end, a chance to travel raises her or his excitement level, and that of the lucky person who gets to go along.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) Be careful not to be a copycat when dealing with someone who uses unfair or even unkind methods to reach a goal. As always, do the right thing the right way, and you'll win in the end.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) An offer could have many good things attached to it that are not apparent at first glance, including a chance to move into another career area. You might want to check out its possibilities.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) With responsibilities surging both in the workplace and in the home, it's important to prioritize how you deal with them. Be patient. Pressures will begin to ease next week.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A positive reaction to a suggestion could indicate that you're on track for getting your message to the right people. Devote the weekend to catching up with the special people in your life.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A new attitude from those in charge could make things difficult unless you can accept the changes without feeling as if you're being pressured into doing so.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Family matters once again dominate much of the week. But don't neglect your workplace duties while you deal with them. An offer to help could come from a surprising source.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) A difficult workplace situation begins to ease, but there still are matters that need to be dealt with before it's fully resolved. There's also a more positive turn in domestic relationships.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to March 20) Don't let yourself be rushed into making a decision about an intriguing financial arrangement. Asking questions and checking it out now could pay off in a big way later on.

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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.

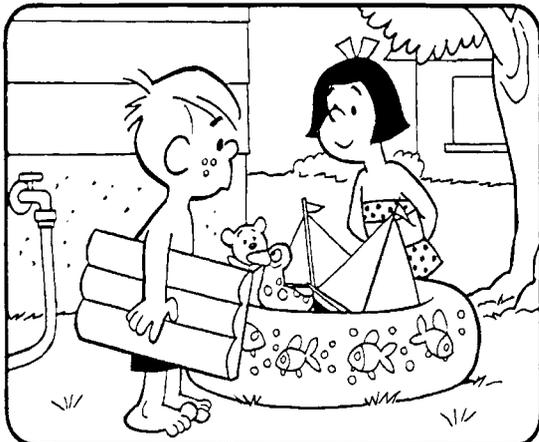
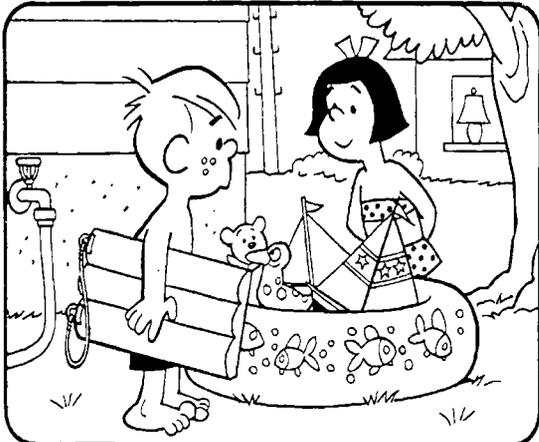
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★ Moderate    ★★ Challenging  
 ★★★ HOO BOY!

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below.

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## Super Crossword

ARRIVING AT THE POINT

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|-------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>ACROSS</b>                       | 42 How soup or soda is often sold       | 88 "From the beginning," in music                      | <b>DOWN</b>                           | 35 Armor- (some naval vessels) | 77 Figure on a \$1 coin        |
| 1 "Take a Chance on Me" band        | 45 Test ban topic                       | 89 Jonathan Swift, e.g.                                | 1 Evolves, say                        | 37 Org. that protects pets     | 78 Prop's place                |
| 5 Like the reading on a thermometer | 49 Behaving brainlessly                 | 91 Obituary info                                       | 2 Jazz singer                         | 40 Speechless                  | 80 Preoccupy                   |
| 11 "Ad — per aspera" (Kansas motto) | 53 "V.I.P." star Anderson               | 92 Actor — Zimbalist Jr.                               | 3 Changed into                        | 41 Have — (make merry)         | 81 Harper of "Ishtar"          |
| 16 Org. that aids start-ups         | 54 Everybody in the group, in the South | 95 — de plume (literary aliases)                       | 4 Paid the penalty (for)              | 5 Glimpse                      | 83 Unsolved crime              |
| 19 Cut calories                     | 56 Bic Clic —                           | 96 Parka, e.g.   | 6 Ex-Oriole Ripken                    | 6 Ex-Oriole Ripken             | 85 With 96- Down, rum cocktail |
| 20 Float event                      | 57 Record over                          | 100 Totally docile                                     | 7 — Antiqua                           | 8 Trial subject                | 43 Pal, in Nice                |
| 21 2007 horror film sequel          | 58 Painter Picasso                      | 104 Pyromaniac   | 9 John Quincy —                       | 9 John Quincy —                | 44 "The Voice" network         |
| 22 Abbr. ending a math proof        | 61 Bartók and Fleck                     | 105 Hot tub site                                       | 10 Chastising person                  | 45 Tarzan's pals               | 87 Tree "arm"                  |
| 23 Surgical cleaning pad            | 63 Kitchen plastic wrap                 | 106 Pop singer Belinda                                 | 11 Climb up                           | 46 Actress Reid                | 90 Blend                       |
| 25 Near                             | 64 Depressed, as the economy            | 107 Regal home   | 12 Tall, swift, slender dog           | 47 Actor Epps                  | 92 Jetson boy and others       |
| 26 Web site ID                      | 66 Perfect places                       | 108 She-pig  | 13 One of 10 that go down in a strike | 48 Small plateau               | 93 Mexico's Calderón           |
| 27 Uranus, e.g.                     | 71 Tortilla treats                      | 109 Flip — (decide by chance)                          | 14 Five-time Pro Bowl wide receiver   | 50 Of computers                | 94 Actress Ella                |
| 28 Meditate over                    | 73 Severe pang                          | 110 Write in any of this puzzle's eight theme answers? | 15 Vindicating                        | 51 1990s cardio fad            | 96 See 85- Down                |
| 30 Greek tycoon Onassis             | 74 Divulge                              | 114 Before, in verse                                   | 16 Like some diamonds and jaws        | 52 "— Home for Christmas"      | 97 Gifted talker               |
| 31 Track official                   | 75 Lake fish                            | 115 Online voice calling service                       | 17 Catcher Yogi                       | 55 Sacks in war                | 98 Approach and confront       |
| 32 Prized seafood catch             | 79 "— Place" (1990s show)               | 116 Region of Spain                                    | 18 Do improv                          | 58 "Dawson's Creek" role       | 99 City of ancient Egypt       |
| 36 Bird feed bit                    | 81 — alla Scala (Milan opera house)     | 117 Pill bottle specification                          | 24 The woman                          | 59 Ring-shaped island          | 100 "Plus" item                |
| 37 Tool storage building            | 82 Med student's hands-on workplace     | 118 Tetley drink                                       | 29 Flip-flop's kin                    | 60 Iraqi seaport               | 62 Single out                  |
| 38 "There's no — sight"             | 84 Kind of fruit pie                    | 119 Curvy letters                                      | 32 Pursuer of Moby Dick               | 65 Kind of flour               | 65 Kind of flour               |
| 39 Land in le Pacificque            |   | 120 "Man alive!"                                       | 33 Jay who jests                      | 67 Treasured                   | 68 "—, Brute!"                 |
| 40 Person from Madrid, say          |   | 121 Part of BFA  | 34 Take — view of                     | 69 Standard                    | 70 High-hatter                 |
|                                     |   |  |                                       | 72 Stuff in guns               | 72 Stuff in guns               |
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## GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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cially liberal, fiscally conservative and believe in a strong military. There was one Democrat that fit that mold. Joe Lieberman and he ended up an Independent. There are several Republicans that seem to be there. We'll see.

**Bill Riola  
Oak Run**

## Obstructionist?

Help! It seems I no longer know the meaning of common words.

What does the word "obstructionist" mean? I am watching the happenings in D.C. The house submits bills after bills (about 300) that are tabled by Harry Reid. Yet, I must listen to people tell me the house is the obstructionist. I thought the one who did the obstructing was the obstructionist. Where am I going wrong?

Why is the Congress the boogie man, when the president states on TV, for all to see, that he will veto bills that come to his desk. He has that famous pen. That sounds pretty ominous, negative, and obstructionist to me.

One side is offering the other is rejecting, who is the obstructionist?

I think, maybe, I need a new dictionary. Where does one buy a liberal dictionary? My comprehension seems to be woefully lacking.

**D.I. Larson  
Ocala**

## Back the president?

This responds to a letter-writer in the Aug. 15 South Marion Citizen. He doesn't like some of our elected officials and media criticizing President Obama, and calls for us to unite behind the president. He says he can't remember a president so vilified in recent history.

Ten years ago, when we were fighting two wars, President Bush was beaten and flayed daily

by the writer's pals in the media and Congress. Did he call for national unity then?

Further back, President Johnson was criticized from all fronts during the Vietnam War ("LBJ, LBJ, how many kids did you kill today?"). And President Truman got the same during the Korean War ("To err is Truman."). There was relatively little protest during WWI, because President Wilson got Congress to pass a "sedition act" making it a federal crime to publicly oppose our involvement in that war.

He says "we are at war in Iraq and Afghanistan." I thought President Obama pulled our troops out of Iraq a few years ago.

Obama created the current mess in Iraq by ignoring the lessons of history. He rejected his military advisors' recommendation that he keep a residual force in Iraq. When the Korean War ended, we kept (and still

keep) a residual force there, and South Korea is still free. After the Vietnam War, we didn't, and a few years later it went Communist.

**Patricia Shumard  
Oak Run**

## Media flames the fire

It is our American right to peacefully protest when we believe an injustice has been done. This right isn't reserved for any race or section of the country. What isn't anyone's right is to destroy and loot another's property! It certainly isn't right to make death threats against an individual, and it is idiotic to give out his name given these death threats.

Unfortunately, we have a segment of our society that uses tragedies as their excuse to participate in violent demonstrations, destroying and looting innocent people's property. They are so brazen in these acts that they could care less if their actions are being filmed, because they

know they won't have to pay for these crimes. This latest incident in St. Louis isn't the first and it surely won't be the last until this type behavior is no longer tolerated anywhere in America, certainly not excused.

Stopping these outrageous riots will be impossible until the media stops blaming the police force for reacting to the violence by using tear gas, etc. to break up the riots, despite the fact they are being targeted with violence by the demonstrators. They excuse the violent rioting while making the police officers the bad guys, although they know police wouldn't act that way to peaceful demonstrations. Hardly anything is said by the media about this violence and looting and how the offenders should be put behind bars.

The media can't resist making such incidents appear all about race in their attempt to justify

this behavior, as it first was with Zimmerman, even making a point as to the percent of white policemen vs. the black population. If we ever want to get rid of racism, the media must quit making reference to it every chance they get. If anything, they should question why the white population chooses to move out of these neighborhoods and try to correct the problem.

The saddest thing in this whole situation is that we don't even have the complete and verifiable facts as to what happened to cause this incident. It may be found that the officer was totally within his rights to protect himself from attack by taking the actions he did, which unfortunately led to the death of a teenager. This is a possibility.

Something has gone wrong when anyone, young or old, thinks it is ok to challenge/attack a

law enforcement officer. Things haven't changed that much. If the facts do determine that officer wasn't in the wrong, does that mean we will face more riots? Don't be surprised if we do. Too many are not interested in Justice, they simply want revenge.

**Wayne Rackley  
Ocala**

## Downtown living

I feel Mr. Clark is out of touch with the younger generations. These younger generations want to be close to the action and don't have the time or want the additional responsibilities that come with maintaining a house in the suburbs of Ocala. They want to be close to the action with quality entertainment and a good nightlife, and they want it within walking distance of where they live. The redevelopment of the old

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reside in the home. Violations of these rules can terminate your stay here.

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Let's hope we all pay attention to these rules and abide by them. Everyone else has to.

## Snakes

Black snakes are very active right now. They are not venomous but carry a nasty bite. If you are leaving your garage door open, don't! A neighbor found one in the corner of his garage, a surprise you don't want!

## Commercials

Are you as disgusted as we are with all the commercials? A half-hour program has 15 minutes of commercials! Ridiculous! How can you possibly enjoy a program or even a movie if you are bombarded with commercials every 8 to

10 minutes? Something should be done! We pay for cable TV and only one station is commercial free!

## Streets and roads

If you are new to the area..the streets and roads will drive you crazy!

A few examples: 475A is also 27th Avenue, Silver Springs Blvd. is also 40, 464 becomes 17th Street and then Maricamp Road., and last but not least 441-301-27 and Pine Avenue all run together at one point.

Oh yes and don't forget that College Road is also 200.

Who thought up this mess?

Hope you all have a great week! Regards, Jan.

*Jan Liberio resides in Spruce Creek North with her husband Jim and can be reached by dropping a note in the mail slot at the SCN clubhouse.*

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downtown Sprint building offers just that.

Living downtown would provide grocery stores and two world-class medical facilities only a short drive away. Much shorter than what most of the residents in Marion County already experience. As for parking, does Mr. Clark really think the city building department is going to approve a development plan that doesn't provide ample parking for their residents? I highly doubt it...

If you want to see a revitalized downtown, head up to Atlanta one weekend. Several areas in and around downtown have become the Mecca for both young professionals and young families alike. If you want a closer example, try Winter Garden or Dunedin. The City of Denver, Colorado and even Beaufort, South Carolina have had success revitalizing their downtown. These are a few examples of success stories that offer a great quality of life within walking distance from a resident's doorstep.

With the City of Ocala and Marion County quickly emerging as a technology hot spot, creating the type of atmosphere and quality of life to lure in these young professionals is key. The City of Ocala has done an excellent job at repositioning and revitalizing their downtown. The Ocala Theater, Tusawilla Park, recently renovated downtown square and Citizens' Circle, the soon to be renovated City Auditorium and the future linear park is helping attract those young professionals to live and work right here in Marion County.

**Andrew Jorgensen  
Southwest Ocala**

## No gun, no smoke

Guess who resolved the mystery of the "Benghazi Smoking Gun" yes, the Republicans, they found no gun and no smoke,

Last week the Republican-led House Intelligence Committee Report completely contradicts the false claims and criticisms by Fox News in conjunction with the Republican Party regarding the "Binghazi Coverup." (Read the Report).

The eight Benghazi investigations have cost the American taxpayers \$14 million and produced no

evidence of any wrongdoing by the Obama administration.

In addition to those eight investigations, the Republican controlled house just approved another \$3.5 million for an additional investigation by Republican Congressman Trey Gowdy.

This presents Speaker John Boehner with a tough decision to make, He can accept the findings of a responsible Republican committee, or allow the Trey Gowdy kangaroo court to proceed.

**John Toner  
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## Books that Shaped America Series

On Aug. 12 from 1-2:30, Lectures 19, 20, and 21 were shown at Live Oak Hall.

The first lecture The Catcher in the Rye by Jerome David Salinger was discussed. It was a 1951 Book of the Month Club book. Salinger was one of the leading writers of his generation. He was a nonconformist. "In J.D. Salinger's brilliant coming-of-age novel, Holden Caulfield, a 17-year-old prep school adolescent relates his lonely, life-changing 24-hour stay in New York City as he experiences the phoniness of the adult world while attempting to deal with the death of his younger brother, an overwhelming compulsion to lie and troubling sexual experiences."

To Kill a Mockingbird (1960) by Harper Lee is about racial injustice and southern discrimination. Gender roles in the Deep South were also addressed in the book. It won the Pulitzer Prize.

Catch-22 by Joseph Heller was published in 1961. The phrase catch-22 has entered the English language. It refers to an unsolvable logic puzzle.

Examples - You lose your glasses but you can't see to look for them. If you lock your keys in your car, you can't unlock the car to get them.

Great American Bestsellers: Books that Shaped America The last three lec-

tures of this series were shown at Live Oak Hall on Aug. 15.

Lecture 22, The Woman Warrior: Memoir of a Girlhood among Ghosts by Maxine Hong Kingston contains five essays. It discusses her struggles between the past and present. She blends autobiography with old Chinese folktales.

Lecture 23 was a discussion of the book, John Adams by David McCullough. It is considered the best biography of our second president. Adams was ahead of his time. He owned no slaves and was against slavery. Adams wrote the Massachusetts Constitution which is still in use today.

Lecture 24 - Recent Bestsellers - Danielle Steele wrote more than 75 books. She had three bestsellers in one year. All of Stephen King's books have been worldwide bestsellers. John Grisham's books are all page turners and very successful. One of his books, The Firm, spent 47 weeks on The New York Times bestseller list and became the bestselling novel of 1991.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida as governing body for the General Fund, that

1. The Fiscal Year 2011-12 Final Millage Rates be adopted as follows:

Fund	Millage Rate	Rollled Back Millage Rate	Percentage by which adopted millage rate exceeds the rolled back rate
General Fund	3.1900 MILLS	3.4736	-8.16%

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida as governing body for the General Fund, has a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 218.305, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida as governing body for the General Fund, that

1. The Fiscal Year 2012-13 Final Millage Rate be adopted.

Fund	Millage Rate	Rollled Back Millage Rate	Percentage by which adopted millage rate exceeds the rolled back rate
General Fund	3.1900 MILLS	3.4290	-5.97%

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida as governing body for the General Fund, that

1. The Fiscal Year 2013-14 Final Millage Rate be adopted.

Fund	Millage Rate	Rollled Back Millage Rate	Percentage by which adopted millage rate exceeds the rolled back rate
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