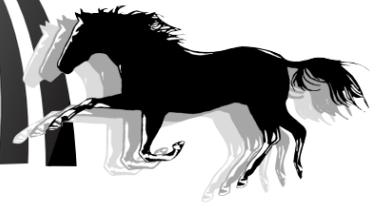


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To register call Mark Croft (352-861-8788) who facilitates the workshop and is a Florida Certified Long Term Care Ombudsman, leads Support Groups and is a direct caregiver.

Sheriff's Foundation spaghetti dinner

Marion County Sheriff's Office Foundation spaghetti dinner includes salad, spaghetti with meat sauce, bread sticks, dessert and drink.

It will be Friday April 13, from 4-7 p.m. at the Sheriff's Office complex, main entrance, first building on the right after the gate in the multi purpose room, 700 NW 30th Ave., Ocala.

Tickets are available for an \$8 donation.

Contact Caitlin Rath at 352-369-6849.

Marion County Public Schools seeks to hire more teachers.

To help with the search, this school district will hold a Job Fair Saturday, May 5, at the District East Office of Marion County Public Schools in Ocala. The Job Fair runs 7:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. and requires pre-registration for all participants.

Teachers and others, including school counselors, looking for public education jobs can learn more about the Job Fair by visiting www.marionschools.net/JobFair.

To attend the Job Fair, teachers must be certified or eligible for certification by Florida's Department of Education. Interested teachers must complete an online application, pre-register by April 27, and

bring copies of their resumes.

In addition, attendees should bring a copy of their Florida Department of Education certifications and proof they passed the subject area exam if their certification is in Social Sciences, Elementary Education, Pre-K/Primary, Art or Music. If attendees do not hold Florida Certification or a valid statement of eligibility, copies of college transcripts, exam scores and any valid out-of-state certificates are required. Attendees may also bring additional employment materials including teaching experience, letters of reference, etc. Certification advisors will be available at the Job Fair to assist.

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Marion County Public Schools can earn a starting salary of \$38,200 - \$42,700. This is in addition to health and life insurance benefits, sick days, and other employee incentives. Additional salary is awarded based on teaching experience.

At the Job Fair, applicants will speak face-to-face with those making the hiring decisions for teachers - school principals. Dozens of principals will be hiring on-the-spot so long as candidates have all their materials in order.

The MCPS District Office is at 1614 E. Fort King Street, Ocala.

For more information, contact Kyra Schafte at 352-236-0500 or Kyra.Schafte@marion.k12.fl.us.



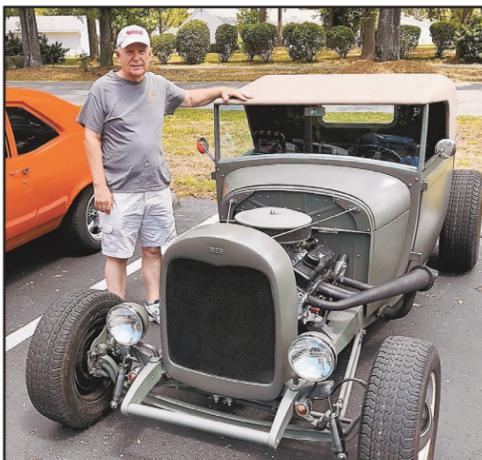
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Oak Run car show

The first Oak Run car show was last weekend. Above, a general view of the cars before the rains swept in. Column, Page A14.



Jon Macht standing by his 1972 Chevy Nova.



Hal Taylor standing with his 1929 Ford Roadster Pickup.



Roland Evans with his 1906 Stanley Model EX.

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Holocaust remembrance event is Sunday at West Port High School

Marion County Public Schools and Ocala Mayor Kent Guinn join efforts to present an event designed to remember the 11 million lives lost in the Holocaust and Nazi persecution.

This "Day of Remembrance" events coincide with the coun-

try's annual commemoration established by Congress and held in Washington, DC.

This year's local event:
 • 5-7 p.m., Sunday, April 15, West Port High School Performing Arts Center, Ocala featuring MCPS Superintendent Dr. Heidi

Maier; Ocala Mayor Kent Guinn; Father Mike O'Keefe, Blessed Trinity Catholic Church; Father Patrick O'Dougherty, Queen of Peace Catholic Church; Rabbi Yossi Hecht, Chabad Lubavitch Jewish Center of Ocala, The Vil-

lages and Tri County; Rabbi Ze'ev Harari, Temple Beth Shalom; Mr. Harry Heuman, Key-note Speaker; and musical selections provided by WPHS Acapella Ensemble.

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A healthy dose of medicine for the soul

A large segment of the human population takes things way too seriously for their own good. The strange anomaly is that most people laugh at the wrong thing and fail to laugh at the right thing. This serious incongruity has robbed people of a healthy attitude towards life in general.

Those who take life too seriously are in danger of missing the great joys of living in a crazy world like ours. I am not sure about the scientific research but I would guess that for every sad moment it takes one hundred laughs to balance the books. Some people are about ninety-nine laughs short of a real sane moment.

I like the old English proverb that says, "Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and you cry alone."

From my perspective, if you cannot laugh with someone you will not be able to cry with him or her and have it mean anything.

According to some medical advice, it takes more facial muscles and energy to frown than it does to smile. Of course, the only exercise some people have is frowning and who am I to take that away from them.

I am determined, no matter what, to exercise my right to smile and laugh and enjoy the world around me. I must confess that I get this attitude quite honestly.

My paternal grandfather was a Past Master in the area of practical jokes. No amount of time was too much to spend preparing for one of his famous practical jokes. His favorite holiday was April 1 and began preparing for

this holiday right after Christmas.

The fact that his practical jokes at times got him into trouble did not seem to affect him at all.

Once while in the hospital for an extended period he had somebody smuggle in to him a can of snuff. For some reason he liked chewing snuff. It is the most disgusting habit I know of on earth.

He no sooner received his smuggled goods then he began chewing it. If you know anything about chewing snuff, you know it is accompanied by a lot of spitting. As usual, his timing was impeccable. Just as the head nurse passed his door and looked in, he leaned over and spit in to the garbage can he had next to his bed. The nurse, not knowing about the chewing snuff, thought he was spitting blood and immediately went into emergency mode. Immediately my grandfather was rushed into the operating room and the surgeon and medical team were assembled.

My grandfather was very sick at the time. Some did not think he would get out of the hospital.

Just as they got him situated in the operating room he pulled from under his sheet his can of chewing snuff and smiled at them. The only person in the room that thought this was in any way amusing was my grandfather. The doctors were so angry with him that they refused to see him for three days and confiscated his can of chewing snuff.

My aunt and uncle lived right next to my grandfather. My aunt was hyper clean when it came to her house. Dirt in any form was not welcome under her roof. She had a broom that was always within reach because she never knew when a piece of dirt would try to invade her domicile.

That year my grandfather found something new. I am not sure where he found it but he probably spent a lot of time looking for something like this. It was a rubber facsimile of a very nasty looking piece of vomit. To him it was a prized possession.

Most of his practical jokes were executed on April 1. Whenever we saw



Out to Pastor
Rev. James Snyder

grandfather coming on this particular day we usually ran for cover.

He went over to visit my aunt and was sitting on the couch in the living room. They chatted for a little while and then my grandfather began to cough a little bit. He said to my aunt, "I haven't been feeling good lately. I really don't know what it is." Then he started to cough a little more seriously, to which, my aunt got up and went to the kitchen to get him a glass of water thinking that might help him.

When she got back, she was shocked to see on her new coffee table a very horrible sight. My grandfather was bent over the coffee table hacking and coughing as though he was in the process of dying. On the coffee table was a very nasty looking piece of vomit.

My aunt went into hysterics. She whirled around and within a moment had grabbed her broom and started towards my grandfather. My grandfather was laughing but not for long.

Suddenly he realized that the flailing broom in my aunt's hand was aimed at him. She chased him out of the house, down the driveway and for at least three blocks yelling obscenities at him that I dare not repeat in public society.

Laughter is the fresh air of the soul. Even the Bible thinks so.

"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken" (Proverbs 15:13). And, my favorite, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones" (Proverbs 17:22).

I recommend a healthy dose of medicine for your soul.

The Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, 1471 Pine Road, Ocala, FL 34472. He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores. Call him at 352-687-4240 or e-mail jamesnyder2@att.net. The church web site is www.whatafellowship.com.

Religion

Christ's Church of Marion County

If you are looking for a church home where Christ is first, you won't want to miss the services at Christ's Church of Marion County this week. On Sunday, April 15, our worship service will open with special music by our Worship Choir and a message of inspiration by Pastor David Bellows.

On Monday evening men the community will come together at 6:30 p.m. for a Bible Study in the book of Acts. Women who are interested in crafts meet on Tuesday morning at 9:30 to work on group and individual projects.

Pastor Ray Westman leads a Small Group on Wednesday afternoon at 4. The group meets in the Chapel of our main building and takes an in-depth look at the Sunday morning message with a video message from Pastor David Bellows.

Our Women's Ministry will host a "Ladies' Spring Tea" on Saturday, April 14 beginning at 11 a.m. Lunch will be provided; however, reservations are requested. Reservations may

be made by contacting the church office. Ladies are also asked to bring their own tea cup and saucer.

Christ's Church of Marion County is at 6768 SW 80th St. - just off State Road 200. For more information on all our events or for directions visit our website at www.ccomc.org or contact the church office at (352) 861-6182.

Southwest Christian

Come on in and see what God has to offer you through Southwest Christian Church.

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday school classes for children and adults. 10:30 a.m. morning worship service. 6 p.m. evening worship service.

We have a staffed nursery available during the worship service.

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Monday-Women's Bible study at 10:30 a.m. Thursday-Girl Scouts 6 p.m. Tuesday AA from 5 to 7 p.m.

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SPCA's next meeting will be April 19

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, April 19, at 1 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Bank of the Ozarks. We look forward to seeing all our members there as well as any guests. You can come as a guest and then join us later if our organization interests you. For people new to our local communities, the SPCA is a great way to make new friends and get involved in community service in a meaningful way. If you're no longer a newbie, grab a friend and volunteer together. You can also learn more about us and the animals up for adoption on our Facebook page (Marion County FL SPCA) and website (SPCAofMarionCounty.weebly.com). If you need to get in touch with us for any reason, please call our hotline number at (352) 362-0985.

Don't forget to look for us at the Farmers Market on most Thursday mornings at the Town Square in the On Top of the World Communities. It is open to the general public. The SPCA will bring any dogs and cats that we have available to the Farmers Market each week (except for the third Thursday of the month which is our meeting day) so that you can meet them. There's nothing like meeting these sweet animals in person. We want to thank everyone who has generously given us donations there. In addition to cash donations, we have received dog crates, dog and cat food, dog toys, collars and dog beds. What wonderful friends and neighbors we have! What we especially need now is gently used dog leashes and collars, which you can drop off at the Farmers Market or anywhere you see us. We will also have a table at the Car Show in front of Big Lots on SR 200. This event is held on the second Friday of each month at 6:00 p.m. This month it will fall on April 13th. As it gets lighter out since we sprang ahead, this will be a nice way to spend a warm evening.

As if all this isn't enough, we will staff a table outside of super Walmart on SR 200 every other month on a weekend from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You can see us there next on April 21st and 22nd, then on June 9th and 10th. We'll let you know the future dates as we get closer.



SPCA Paws and Claws

Maria Devine

Adoption News

We are happy to report that Tina the young cat and Tillie the Yorkie mix have been adopted into their forever homes. Congratulations to Tina, Tillie and their families.

We still have that little kitty named Eddie that fell out of an oak tree in On Top of the World available for adoption. He's quadrupled in weight since we first took him in, though he's still small at about five lbs. He has now been neutered and has had all his shots so he's now ready to go to his new forever home. He's playful and feisty around the house, chewing toys and chasing balls. He will help you get your computer work done and at the end of the day he will curl up on your lap to be cuddled and sleep in your bed if you let him. Please find some room in your heart and home for this loveable survivor if you can. He will be most grateful.

Please call our hotline number at (352) 362-0985 to meet Eddie.

We are trying to help the Hospice of Marion County Pet Peace of Mind program find a home for a handsome nine year old cat named Casper. Casper lived with his owner in assisted living until she recently passed away. A neighbor is kind enough to temporarily care for him, but cannot keep him. Casper is neutered, has been an indoor cat all his life and was the center of his owner's world his whole life. He's a friendly, well-mannered fellow who needs your help, now that his world has been turned upside down. Hospice will make sure he's up to date on all shots and has a wellness check up before he is adopted. If you can offer Casper a new start, please call Pet Peace of Mind at (352) 873-7441.



Casper the Cat.

SPCA Bunco Fundraiser Save the Date Nov. 3

Here's a save the date announcement for our annual Bunco fundraiser. It will be at the Arbor Conference Center in On Top of the World Communities on Saturday, November 3rd. Details, including ticket information, will be provided as we get closer.

Collecting Bed and Bath Linens

We are collecting bedroom and bathroom linens to share with local animal welfare groups to use for their animals. As you start your spring cleaning, please set aside linens such as sheets, pillowcases, towels and throw rugs you no longer need. You can call Pat at 236-6334 and she will be happy to collect these items for you. Thank you for your caring and generosity - you always come through for us!

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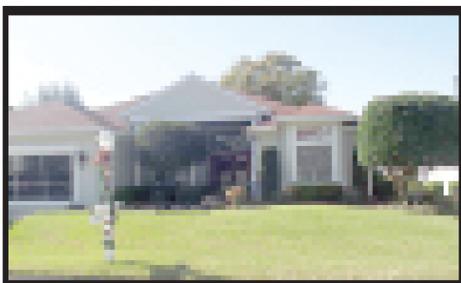
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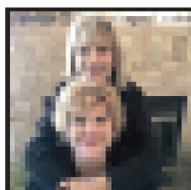
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Upcoming dates create taxing situation



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Federal income tax returns for 2016 taxes are due April 17, 2018, two days after the usual tax due date of April 15. April 15 is a Sunday, so taxes are typically due on Monday, the next business day. But Monday, April 16, is Emancipation Day in Washington, D.C. It certainly wouldn't be proper to have to have to pay taxes on Emancipation Day; so Tuesday is the big due date for taxes.

In the meantime, take a break from your IRS forms and enjoy some taxing stories on this "unlucky" Friday the thirteenth.

Million-dollar smile

A nervous taxpayer was unhappily conversing with the IRS auditor who exclaimed, "We feel it is a great privilege to be allowed to live and work in the USA. As a citizen you have an obligation to pay taxes, and we expect you to eagerly pay them with a smile."

"Thank God," returned the taxpayer, "I thought you were going to want cash."

By the letters

On day three of the corporate tax fraud trial, the star witness began to recant his story. "Were you aware that both the FBI and the IRS intended to investigate this CPA, starting ASAP?" the attorney asked.

"Not initially."

Literary genius

When the stockbroker was being audited he showed up with all his financial records. He then sat for what seemed like hours as the IRS accountant pored over them and finally commented, "You must have been a tremendous fan of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle."

"Why would you say that?" questioned the broker.

"Because you've made more brilliant deductions on your last three returns than Sherlock Holmes made in his entire career."

Short forms

Our Washington politicians think that U.S. stands for "Unlimited Spending."

Just thinking about income taxes often taxes the mind, which is something people once said the IRS couldn't do.

The first "touch" of spring is the IRS. With a trillion dollar budget, it ought to be possible to set aside enough money to teach the IRS the basic English necessary to write a readable income-tax form.

Patrick Henry ought to come back and see what taxation with representation is like.

Business is tough these days. If a man does something wrong he gets fined; if he does something right he gets taxed.

There's a "tax cocktail" on the market; two drinks and you reveal everything.

We've had the New Deal and the Fair Deal. Some taxpayers are calling what we have now the Ordeal.

The new Ocala IRS office is fully equipped. It even has a recovery room.

A returning traveler described the Eiffel Tower as "sort of like the Empire State Building after taxes."

Income tax is capital punishment.

I found out that it's the Ways and Means Committee that takes care of your taxes. If you have Means they'll find Ways to get it.

If the Lord had meant us to pay income taxes, he'd have made us smart enough to prepare the return.

A lot of people still have the first dollar they ever made. Uncle Sam has all the others.

Flogged

Worried about an IRS audit? Avoid what's called a red flag. That's something the IRS always looks for. For example, say you have some money left in your bank account after paying taxes. That's a red flag.

Justice?

A tax attorney took on a very complex case of tax evasion. He familiarized himself with every loophole and angle of current legislation, and made a brilliant argument before the court.

His client was called out of town when the jury returned with its verdict, a sweeping victory for his client.

Flushed with victory, the lawyer exuberantly texted his client, "Justice has triumphed!"

The client immediately texted back, "Appeal at once."

Weight

Pound for pound the American taxpayer is the strongest creature on earth. For many years he has been carrying Washington and a considerable portion of the world on his shoulders.

Only In Florida

A man walked into a Gainesville restaurant with his pet alligator on a leash, not an unusual thing to do in Gator country. "Do you serve tax collectors?" he asked the barman.

"Of course," the barman said.

"Well," replied the man, "I'll have a beer, and my alligator will have a tax collector."

Tax-free

Just about every human activity is tax licensed, regulated, or restricted. But the IRS has not yet decided to put a tax on Pun Alley. Doing that would certainly be a joke.

Is osteoarthritis an inevitable part of aging?

There are more than 100 types of arthritis with osteoarthritis being the most common and age a significant factor. It rarely occurs in young adults and affects more than one-third of Americans over age 65.

Osteoarthritis develops when cartilage, the cushioning material between two bones at a joint, begins to deteriorate. One explanation is the everyday wear and tear on the joints over the

years. But not everyone develops osteoarthritis, so there must be other factors at work as well. Scientists do not have the answers to what causes the cartilage to deteriorate but certain factors are known to increase the likelihood of the process.

There is clearly a hereditary component to some forms of osteoarthritis. Female relatives of women with osteoarthritis in the joint nearest the finger-

tip were found to have a 50% chance of also having arthritis in this location. Studies have shown that 60% of osteoarthritis in the hand and hip, and about 40% of osteoarthritis in the knee is genetically determined. According to Dr. Chad Deal, MD, at the Cleveland Clinic there is a striking genetic link but it is still not known which gene or combination of genes is responsible.

Other factors like certain injuries



Health Corner
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on Nov. 6 at 8 a.m., spend the night, and will not depart until Nov. 7 at 5 p.m. Instead of having a port of call in Key West, the port has been changed to Great Stirrup Cay, Bahamas on Nov. 8. Inside cabins start at \$931 per person which includes the government fees and the visa to enter Cuba. If you are interested in this cruise or have questions, contact Inge at 352-237-7428 weekdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Our Father's Day trip down the St. Johns River in Sanford will be on June 17. Enjoy a three hour cruise for \$67

HEALTH

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damage the tendons, ligaments and menisci that are important for stability. That extra tension on the cartilage can eventually lead to arthritis. The good news is that arthritis is minimal in the absence of an injury.

Studies have found that repetitive high-intensity stress on a joint can predispose people to osteoarthritis. Such jobs that require squatting or kneeling prolonged standing and lifting can lead to osteoarthritis.

If you are hoping to prevent arthritis or keep it from becoming worse here is something you can do, which is to maintain a normal weight. People who are overweight (BMI 25 to 29.9) or obese (BMI of 30 or more) are about three times more likely than people of

normal weight to have knee osteoarthritis. The stress of excess weight impacts weight-bearing joints. Every one pound of weight puts three to four pound of pressure on the knee. There may also be a link between obesity and osteoarthritis in non-weight bearing joints, like in the hand. Fat cells in people who are obese contain substances that promote inflammation. This chronic, low-grade inflammation damages cartilage over time.

Heredity partly determines the inevitability and the risk for osteoarthritis but maintaining a normal weight and staying fit can help. Consider an exercise program that increases muscle strength that can help support the joint and take the stress off the weight-bearing joints.

Source: Cleveland Clinic, Arthritis Advisor, April 2016.

per person which includes transportation, driver tip, and a prepared fresh on board meal served at your table with a choice of prime rib, chicken cordon bleu, salmon filet, roasted vegetable lasagna, chef salad or pasta primavera served hot or iced tea, coffee and dessert. Call Inge to book 352-237-7428 weekdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

On Sunday, July 8, we will travel to the Show Palace to see "Ain't Retirement Great." The cost is \$80 per person and includes transportation, driver tip and lunch. This is a funny and delightful look at our retirement years with a cast of four singing 20 original songs. Call Linda to book 352-861-9880 weekdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

On August 9, we will again visit the Show Place to see "Honky Tonk Laundry." The cost is \$80 and includes transportation, driver tip and lunch. When Lana Mae Hopkins, owner and proprietress of the Wishy Washy Washateria, hires Katie to help out in the laundromat, they soon find themselves up to their elbows in soap, suds, and cheatin' hearts. Watch these two country angels join forces to turn their good ol' laundromat into a bootscootin' honky-tonk, exacting a touch of revenge against those that done 'em wrong, all while guaranteeing every customer a good, clean time! Call

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New England Club

Our next social is Thursday, April 19 at 1 p.m. in the Recreation Ballroom.

Our speaker will be Betty Gray of Stirrups and Strides a therapeutic riding center located in Citra. Their vision is to Empower, Enrich and Inspire. Their Mission is to provide therapeutic horseback riding to anyone with physical, mental, and emotional challenges, and to improve the quality of life for these individuals with the opportunity for emotional, educational, and physical growth through horsemanship and competition.

Our donations this month will be for the Ocala Domestic Violence Center. They are in need of cleaning items such as hand soap, disinfectant floor cleaner, disinfectant wipes, toilet bowl cleaner and laundry detergent. Their food needs are vinegar, soups and cup of soup, tuna, crackers and kid's cereals. Anything you can provide to assist them will be greatly appreciated.

This month we will also have a Derby Hat competition. So please dec-

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OUR VIEW

Get ready for Senate election

Florida will again be in the spotlight this November when Election Day rolls around.

Gov. Rick Scott is term-limited out of the Statehouse, but his fans needn't worry. He'll likely be on the ballot, facing what will probably be the toughest fight of his political career, when he tries to unseat longtime Sen. Bill Nelson, the incumbent Democrat.

This could turn out to be the key battleground as the Republicans seek to retain control of the U.S. Senate. The Republicans have been looking to this race for a long time, but the emergence of anti-Trump forces across the country could make it one of the most vital to the makeup of Congress.

In the past, this seat has been considered safe for the Democrats as Nelson, the only Democrat elected statewide, dominated previous elections. However, the entrance of the popular Scott as a challenger has put this race in the spotlight.

There are drawbacks for the governor as he tries to unseat the three-term senator. Scott's ties with President Trump, once considered a plus, now could be a negative. He has broken with the administration on offshore drilling and gun control.

His two victories as governor were close, over Alex Sink in 2010 and Charlie Crist in 2014.

His approval rating is listed as 58 percent, while Nelson's is 51 percent, figures that are closer than they seem, considering the margin for error in the polls.

You can expect a barrage of ads, particularly on television, from both parties. And they won't be pretty. The negative ads will probably dominate for months.

The Trump role in the campaign will be an unknown. It's impossible to predict where Trump will stand between now and November.

Then there's money. This will be an expensive campaign, and the self-made millionaire Scott will have the luxury of spending a lot of his own money, as he did in both his gubernatorial campaigns, giving the Republicans a likely advantage in the fund-raising category.

We hope that three candidates will remember Marion County and its growing population. We hosted a presidential campaign visit from President Trump in 2016 ... with only one state to worry about, we hope we will see a lot more of the candidates this summer and fall, and that events will be open to the general public, not just the fat-cat fund-raisers.

So get ready for a seven-month battle. It should be fun.

COMMENTARY

I didn't know Al Gore was that old

For every story that says that we in Florida are doomed because the seas are rising, there are other stories to counter this argument.

Consider this story:

"The Arctic Ocean is warming up, icebergs are growing scarcer and in some places the seals are finding the water too hot, according to a report to the Commerce Department yesterday from Consulaff, at Bergen, Norway.

"Reports from fishermen, seal hunters and explorers all point to a radical change in climate conditions and hitherto unheard-of temperatures in the Arctic zone. Exploration expeditions report that scarcely any ice has been met as far north as 81 degrees 29 minutes. Soundings to a depth of 3,100 meters showed the gulf stream still very warm. Great masses of ice have been replaced by moraines of earth and stones, the report continued, while at many points well known glaciers have entirely disappeared.

"Very few seals and no white fish are found in the eastern Arctic, while vast shoals of herring and smelts which have never before ventured so far north, are being encountered in the old seal fishing grounds."

Cause for alarm? Are we all going to drown after being swept out to sea? Oh wait!



Jim Clark
Editor

That story was published in the Washington Post and picked up by the Associated Press in ... drum roll please ... 1922.

I didn't know Al Gore was that old.

There's more. A search of the Internet turns up an old map that shows what Florida used to look like. But there was a sudden change, particularly in the Gulf, that drastically shrank the land mass of Florida and changed the look of the peninsula.

But don't start building a dock in your landlocked lot in Marion County. That geological change took place about 20,000 years ago.

Somehow I don't think I'll make it to the next one.

There are two sides, at least, to every story. The problem is that the rabble-rousers are louder, and everyone thinks they are always right.

Are humans the problem, though? Could be. Consider this.

About 20 years ago, I was living and working in Ponte Vedra Beach. It was an unincorporated area governed by

the St. Johns County Commission. But it had its own quasi-governmental body called a Municipal Service District.

I remember covering one meeting where the MSD was being berated by residents because of flooding caused by a heavy storm.

Sorry, folks, but you're the problem. Call it a creation by God or just forces of nature, whatever you wish, barrier islands, which include Jacksonville Beach, Ponte Vedra Beach, St. Augustine Beach among others, were created to provide a barrier to protect the mainland from the ocean.

Nature never intended to live there. But living there is what people do. They paved over the swamps that absorbed the ocean water.

And now they wonder why it floods in places like Miami Beach, and the Volusia Beachside communities, among others.

So the next time you drive on one of the Beachside communities in the rain, and the road floods, don't yell at the government, yell at yourself for being there.

And make sure that you pack up enough supplies for the next big change in Florida's coastline. It could happen. It could be a once in a 20,000-year cycle event.

Jim Clark is the editor of the South Marion Citizen.

Want to help the world? Resolve conflicts

BY LEE H. HAMILTON
Special to the Citizen

In a world riven by tension, there's one skill that stands above all others: the ability to resolve conflict. It is the paramount challenge of our time. There are so many divisions that fracture our communities, states, and nations, that the ability to create common ground — to bring people together, rather than drive them apart — has become an indispensable political need.

I've seen first-hand its importance: in Congress as part of a legislative process that, at least at the time, was mostly focused on resolving differences, and as co-chair of two key national committees that were constituted along partisan lines — the 9/11 Commission and the Iraq Study Group. Here's what I've learned.

First, to resolve conflict, you have to be committed to doing just that. When the 9/11 Commission met — at a time when many people just wanted to assign blame for the attacks on our country — we were often encouraged to take a confrontational approach by issuing hundreds of subpoenas that would force officials to testify and to turn over documents. We rejected that approach, in favor of cooperation and dialogue. This enabled us over time to get the access we needed to the people and documents we wanted — and, I'm convinced, made our findings more acceptable to everyone involved.

In other words, in order to resolve the conflicts dividing the country, we had to take a non-judgmental posture, search for common ground, and try to develop trust based on how we pursued our work. We succeeded. There's

an old saying, "If you want to go fast, you go alone. If you want to go far, you go together." That was our experience.

There's another key to resolving conflict: you start with facts. "Facts are stubborn things," John Adams said, and that's what makes them so important. They force us to set aside opinions, delay judgment, and start with a mind that is, if not open, at least willing to be persuaded. Focusing on them helps the various parties — which are sometimes very far apart ideologically — find some common ground and develop a relationship that permits them to go forward.

Building on that start, it's crucial to develop collegiality. The social amenities become very important. You don't want to label people too quickly. You want to get to know them as individuals — if for no other reason than that it's hard to get mad at somebody you know well.

And if you're serious about resolving conflicts, you'll be spending a lot of time with the people you're dealing with, because good communication is crucial. This does not just involve talking. It means listening, asking questions, weighing arguments and options, and probing together whether disagreements can be resolved.

This is not easy. I remember, when I was in Congress, driving home at 2 or 3 in the morning thinking, "We'll never agree." But coming back the next day, and the next, and talking issues over, I almost always saw movement.

Compromise is a dirty word for many people, but it's very hard to resolve conflicts without it.

See CONFLICT on Page A24

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

OneBlood

I bet your readers are not aware of the life saving blood center we have in Ocala- known as OneBlood. They collect whole blood and platelets from willing donors to save many lives at our local hospital. For example, platelets are needed for burn victims and cancer patients. They are the clotting factors in the blood. Our bodies replace them quickly, but those patients are not so fortunate. That is where we come in. We can donate them every 7 days, if you want. I donate platelets because they are easy for me to do- I don't get dizzy and woozy from the procedure, I feel great! All blood types can donate them.

Donating blood can be done every 8 weeks, and that is also needed for the local hospitals. The only problem? OneBlood needs more donors so they can save more lives! OneBlood is a non-profit organization located at 1051 SW First Ave., just north of the hospitals. Telephone number is 352-732-0175. Give them a call- you won't regret it!

Linda Hall
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Community calendar

Friday, April 13

Sheriff's Foundation spaghetti dinner

Marion County Sheriff's Office Foundation spaghetti dinner includes salad, spaghetti with meat sauce, bread sticks and dessert and drink. It will be Friday April 13, from 4-7 p.m. at the Sheriff's Office complex, main entrance, first building on the right after the gate in the multi purpose room, 700 NW 30th Ave., Ocala. Tickets are available for an \$8 donation. Contact Caitlin Rath at 352-369-6849.

Civic Theatre golf tournament

The 27th annual golf tournament to benefit Ocala Civic Theatre returns on Friday, April 13. The tournament will be held at the beautiful Candler Hills Golf Club at 8137 SW 90th Terrace Road. Registration begins at 11 a.m. The tournament begins with a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start. The cost is \$85 per player, which includes a deli box lunch, on-course water and sodas, free range balls, greens fees, a cart, goodie bags, and more than 50 on-course and door prizes, with awards immediately following the tournament. (A discount is available for Candler Hills Golf Club members.) Men and women are both welcome to play. No professionals will be allowed. Players may create their own foursome, or the Theatre will be happy to assist. There are opportunities to contribute as a corporate, scorecard, hole, raffle, or door prize sponsor. Sponsors will be recognized at the tournament, and a sponsor listing also will be displayed in the Theatre lobby during the run of Mamma Mia! from May 17 through June 17. Ford/Lincoln of Ocala will sponsor the Hole-In-One prizes. Sponsors who donate \$100 or more will receive a certificate for future play at Candler Hills Golf Club. For more information or to become a sponsor, please contact Ocala Civic Theatre Executive Director Mary Britt at (352) 236-2851, ext. 104.

Recycle Trashy Fashion Show

The Ocala On Top of the World Lions will be presenting its 5th RecycleTrashy Fashion Show on Friday April 13, at the Circle Square Cultural Center. Door will open at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6 and the show starts at 7. Dinner will be catered again this year by Southern Pig and Cattle Co.11, with entertainment provided by Ron Hackling. Lots of beautiful baskets for the silent auction as well as 50/50. Come and enjoy a fun filled night and help the Lions help our local entities, such as Interfaith, the Children's Backpack program, Arnette House, and Florida Center for the Blind just to name a few. Residents can purchase tickets at the Recreation Building Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 8 to 10 a.m. Non residents can contact Lions Charlene Czopek at 352-857-8765 or Estelle Michelson at 352-861-7358. Tickets are \$25.

103rd Street car cruise anniversary

On Friday, April 13 from 6 to 8 p.m., the 103rd Street car cruise will celebrates its 10th year. We will also be celebrating us reaching twenty thousand pounds of food donated to the Salvation Army Pantry. It will be a special evening for our generous cruisers, sponsors and all who attend the event at the

Big Lots parking lot. For more info call Sid at 489-7379.

Saturday, April 14

Palm Cay yard sale

On April 14, Palm Cay will hold a community yard sale starting at 8 a.m. Hot dog and asusage lunch available at 10.

100 years of Leonard Bernstein

The Ocala Symphony Orchestra closes the 2017-2018 season with Subscription Concert 5: 100 Years of Leonard Bernstein on Saturday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 15 at 3 p.m. Lobby doors and the Reilly's full bar open one hour and a half before each performance, and guests are invited to join us for a Chat with Matt one hour prior to each show. Tickets start at \$15. Student tickets are available for \$10. The Reilly Arts Center is at 500 NE 9th St., Ocala. Tickets can be purchased at www.ReillyArtsCenter.com, or by calling the box office at (352) 351-1606 during box office hours. Tickets can also be purchased in person at the Reilly Arts Center box office. Box office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Group rates are available for this show. One of the first world-class conductors to have been born and educated in America, Leonard Bernstein left a lasting impact on the world of orchestral music. Join Maestro Wardell, guest soprano Anna Feucht, and the OSO in celebrating his legacy with some of his greatest works: Candide Overture, the powerful Jeremiah Symphony, and his incredible movie score, On the Waterfront. Ryan Kirk (Anthony in Sweeney Todd) returns to the Reilly to join Anna Feucht as they perform your favorite duets from West Side Story! Sponsored by the Convention & Visitors Bureau of Marion County. Supported by the Ocala Municipal Arts Commission.

Breakfast at Ocala West

Ocala West UMC's community wide breakfast prepared by the men's fellowship will be held from 7:30-9:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 14 and is still only \$6 for all you care to eat. A varied selection awaits everyone ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, French toast, waffles, pancakes, corned beef hash, biscuits and gravy, fruit cup, juice and coffee. Breakfast proceeds benefit the many charities supported by the OWUMC men's fellowship. Ocala West United Methodist Church, 9330 SW 105th St., Ocala (352) 854-9550.

Sunday, April 15

Jazz Society to play

The Ocala Jazz Society invites you to join them on Sunday, April 15, from 2 to 5 p.m. for their monthly performance of Swing, Big Band, Dixieland, 50's and all your favorites. We look forward to seeing you at the smoke free VFW Post 4781, 9401 SW 110th St., across from Oak Run. The band performs on the third Sunday of each month. \$3 donation for Hospice is appreciated. info: 352-237-0234, ocalajazzsociety@yahoo.com.

Dialogue Series

Sunday, April 15 & 22 at noon at First Congregational United Church of Christ. During this series on philosophy, retired surgeon Dr. Frank Griswold will discuss medical ethics. For information call 368-9927.

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The Ocala Youth Symphony will be presenting a concert Sunday April 15, 3 p.m. at The Appleton Museum of Art, 4333 E. Silver Springs Blvd. Ocala. Musical selections include classical, pop, & Broadway hits. Admission is free and open to the public. The Ocala Youth Symphony was founded in 1999 by director Cindy Warringer, and is committed to the education and professional development of young musicians ranging in age from 8 to 18. We serve the education and professional development of young musicians from the Ocala/Marion County and surrounding areas. Our purpose is to provide solo and ensemble performance opportunities, and to encourage excellence in young musicians. Concerts are always free to the public and can be scheduled in advance at any church, school, or Musical venue by calling Cindy Warringer at 352-208-8734.

Thursday, April 19

Genealogical Society meeting

The Marion County Genealogical Society will meet Thursday April 19, at 2 p.m. at the Marion County Public Library, 2720 E. Silver Springs Blvd. in Ocala. A brief business meeting will be followed by the March program "German Genealogy" by Kathy Stickney. For further information, contact Joel Swanson at (352)897-0840 or president@mcgsocala.org.

Monday, April 23

40/8 group to meet

The 40/8 veterans group will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, April 23 at 1 p.m. on the second floor of the Bank of The Ozarks building at the entrance of On Top of The World on State Road 200. Come early to enjoy light refreshments with fellow veterans. Please remember to bring household supplies for the Fisher House in Gainesville. For further information, telephone Jerry 352-322-5966.

Tuesday, April 24

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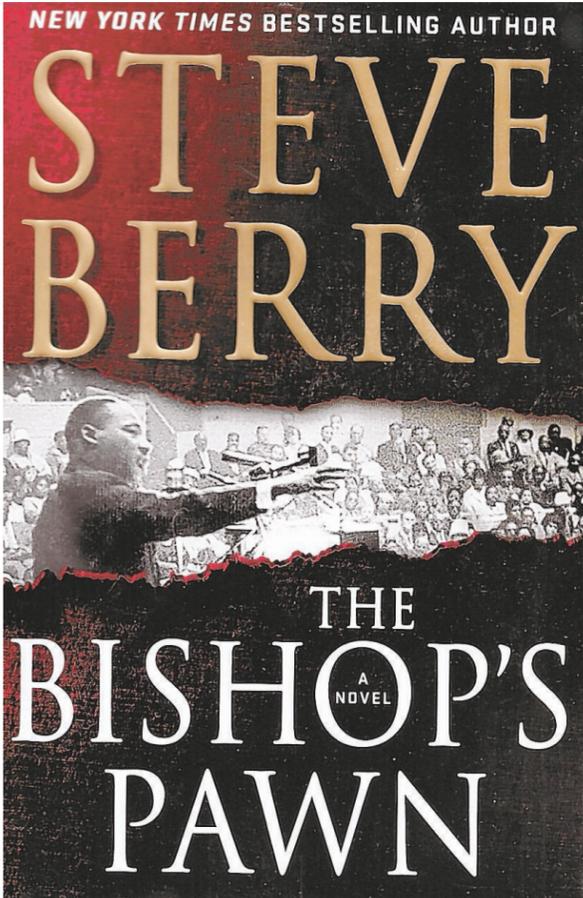
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Book review: THE BISHOP'S PAWN By Steve Berry

What begins for protagonist Cotton Malone, a rookie justice operative and skilled diver, as an assignment to salvage a rare 1933 Double Eagle coin from an underwater wreck off the coast of South Florida, quickly leads to possible governmental conspiracy in the 1968 assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. in Memphis, Tennessee.

Retrieving the waterproof case from the sunken vessel, Malone is pursued by armed men he got ahead of and realizes that he's been lied to. The assignment is more about confidential documents related to the FBI than about a rare coin. He discovers that the case holds documents bearing the title BISHOP'S PAWN. Though repeatedly cautioned not to read the files, Malone does.

Berry blends his fictional scenario with well-researched facts that add a veneer of plausibility to the action. The novel is also something of a travelogue of Florida in that it takes readers from Dry Tortugas to Loggerhead Key to Starke, Gainesville



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and Disney World.

We also get Malone's backstory of a troubled marriage, an underwhelmed career, and a complex alliance with this handler Stephanie Nelle.

Action sequences come thick and fast stretching credulity at times. How many lives does Cotton Malone have in this one book alone? And despite the real facts that J. Edgar Hoover hated King and amassed damaging files against him, does this actually prove anything close to a more sinister involvement like conspiracy?

Unfortunately, Cotton Malone is not the well-rounded protagonist here of earlier Berry novels. He seems prone to justify his questionable acts with statements like this one: "Eventually I would come to know that the mission was all that mattered. Sure, never hurt an innocent, but also never let a few laws get in the way."

Finally, the anticlimactic conclusion is sure to disappoint many readers.

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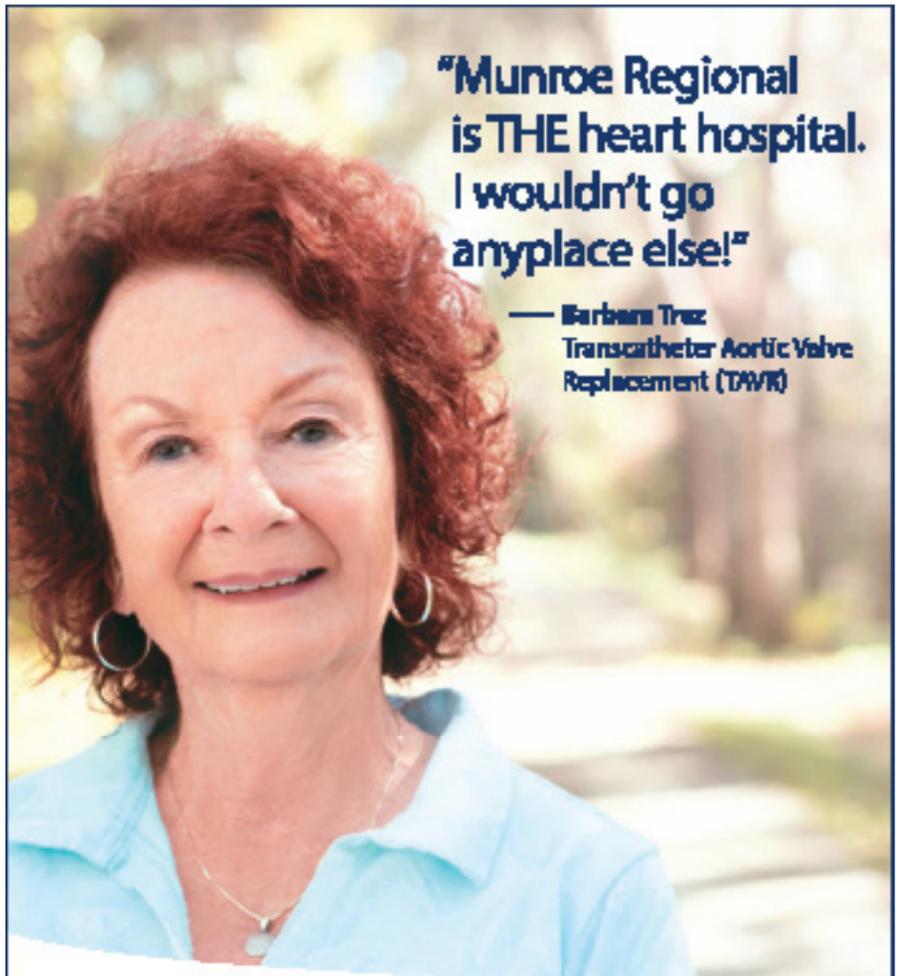
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COMMENTARY

Amazon's company isn't a villain

BY RICH LOWRY
Special to the Citizen

President Donald Trump gets results. His attacks on Amazon have tanked the company's stock. It's hard to think of a more pointlessly destructive act of presidential jawboning in our history. The online retailer is a jewel of our market economy that has delivered more choice and convenience at a lower cost. The backdrop for Trump's animosity is that Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos owns The Washington Post, which, like much of the major media, is unrelentingly hostile to the president. The bias of the Post is nothing new, nor should it be taken out on the underlying business of its owner. Trump's anti-Amazon jag can be put in the same bucket as his tariffs against China -- Trump being Trump, unleashing in accord with his gut instincts and animosities.

The similarities end there. The difference is between targeting the Chinese regime and a great American company, between lashing out against mercantilism and against a capitalist success story, between berating an adversary of the United States and an adversary of his own. If there wasn't Amazon, someone would have invented it, or at least the basic model of leveraging new technologies to transform retail. Beginning in the late 1980s, the advent of big-box retailers brought a productivity revolution to the industry. Now, e-commerce is challenging the big-box retailers in their turn. This is how the American economy works. Trump has two specific complaints about Amazon. One is that it is ripping off the U.S. Postal Service, costing the U.S. government billions of dollars. Perhaps a better deal can be extracted -- a recent study by Citigroup concluded as much -- but the Postal

Service says its arrangement with Amazon is profitable. The second is that Amazon doesn't pay sales taxes. This once was true, but Amazon now collects sales taxes in all states that levy them. The larger case against Amazon is that it is killing off traditional retailing, while accruing too much power for itself. While brick-and-mortar retail is in decline, less than 9 percent of retail sales are done through e-commerce, with Amazon accounting for less than half of that. No one is forced to buy from Amazon. Customers go there because they find it easy to use and cheaper than the alternatives. Amazon isn't pocketing huge profits. Instead, it is doing what companies should do: innovating, then plowing the proceeds into more investments (Amazon is much more than an e-commerce company).

Its fulfillment centers are wonders of productivity and hold the promise of as-yet-unforeseen transformations in other businesses. Michael Mandel of the Progressive Policy Institute points out that online shopping saves consumers the time involved in driving to a store and looking for a product -- and shifts all that (unpaid) labor to (paid) workers in its fulfillment centers and drivers. These jobs provide, he writes, "decent pay for a high school graduate, in a fast-growing tech-related industry, which requires a mixture of physical and cognitive skills. Many of them are full-time jobs with full benefits. They aren't easy jobs, for sure -- but neither are manufacturing jobs." In short, there are many scourges in American life. Amazon isn't one of them.

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Shredding service coming to Oak Run on April 20

Dear readers, I was sorry that I got to the car show this past Saturday just as it was starting to rain. Of course, these classical cars, many are convertibles that they need to get out of the rain. I was pleased to get an e-mail from, Frank Stultz of the Car Club, that they had 28 cars and approximately 200 folks stopped by before they had to close it. Not bad for first year, despite the weather.

Speaking of 200 folks that is how many showed up for the Hubbard's Anniversary party. It was fun to see their grandchildren and children having a good time on the dance floor. My friend and neighbor, Flo Feltman celebrated a birthday with a fun party. Once again grandchildren and children enjoyed the music and dancing. If you wonder her age I am not telling, you will have to ask her. We met some neighbors at a local restaurant while waiting for our tables. Ken and Judy Raguse, who also had family with them. Perhaps we will run into you again. Donut Drop-In is this weekend. Yes, Joe you can have more than one. Don't forget to gather the materials you need to shred. Damian has them coming on 20th. See article, in fact be sure to read all the articles and be sure to sign up for the Kentucky Derby on May 5. Ladies' start looking for a derby hat! April 13 is Blame someone else day." I think that might be considered every day of the year.

New residents, please consider becoming involved by volunteering. In our Oak Run Directory, you will find all the clubs, organizations, etc. with contact numbers. To find out more about them, call and ask them about their group. Hope to see you at the Donut Drop-In. I leave you with these words: "If you seek peace, be still. If you seek wisdom, be silent and if you seek love, be yourself." Becca Lee. Peace and hope, Laura.

Ambassadors

Remember the song "Rain keeps falling on my head?" The April Showers Dance is Saturday, April 21 at 6:30 p.m. at Palm Grove and I think I can promise you that rain will not fall on you while dancing. Tickets sales are tomorrow, the 14th in the Orchid Club Lobby 8-10 a.m. Then on May 11 at the Palm Grove, Kevin King will bring his fascinating show of magic and comedy. Tickets for this show will be sold on Saturday, April 28 from 8-10 a.m. See Newsletter for further ticket sales. If you are like me magic and comedy are so much fun. Hope to see you there. Laura, reporter.

Irish American Club

Come and join us for a Patriotic Dinner Dance on Thursday, May 3, from



Oak Run
Laura Smith

5:30-9:30 at the Palm Grove. A catered menu by Royal Oaks will feature meat-loaf, potatoes, vegetable and dessert. Coffee will be provided. We will hold a "Pick-A-Prize" Chance Auction. Please bring a new or gently used item for the auction. Tickets will be sold in sheets of 25 for \$5. This will allow you to use your tickets to take chances on the displayed items.

Ben Simmons will provide music. There will be 50/50; door prizes. BYOB.

Ticket sales will be held on April 18 from 9-11 at the Orchid Club Card Room. Members will pay \$16pp, guests \$20 pp.

After this date, please contact Ann at 352-873-4755 or Val at 352-861-1223.

Fabricholics

The Fabricholics Club of Oak Run is welcoming new members and former members who have an interest in making crafts out of all types of fabrics. Some projects may require sewing but not exclusively. Projects are suggested by the membership who also provide the instructions and assist in the completion of the monthly project.

We meet once a month on the Second Monday at the Island Club from 12 noon to 3 pm. Please note that the meeting time has changed from previous years. Light snacks are provided at the meetings.

If you feel you may be interested in joining the club but not sure, you are always welcome to stop into one of the meetings and check us out. All our members are very friendly.

For more information or clarification, you may contact one of the coordinators: Diane Church at 352 873 3471 or Loretta Nimmo at 352 854-2490.

Kentucky Derby Party

We have finalized The Kentucky Derby party which is set for Saturday, May 5 at Palm Grove.

Doors will open at 4 p.m., introductions will occur around 4:15, and we will eat shortly thereafter. The menu will consist of large sandwiches, pasta salad, chips and cookies. The race is expected to go off around 6:30 p.m. We will have the usual BYOB, a 50/50, Parade of Hats contest with lovely prizes, a Derby Quiz with prizes and of course the race itself. Ticket sales will be on Monday April 23 at the Orchid Club Lobby from 9 to 11 a.m. The cost is \$9. (this is one heck of a deal) per person



Ann and Hub Hubbard with original wedding party who traveled to be with them.

with checks made out to Damian Romano. We are expecting a large crowd this year, so put your tables together and let's party at Oak Run version of the Run for The Roses. For more information contact Damian at 854-4840.

Royal Oaks Women's 18 Hole Golf

On April 3 ROWGO hosted the Fun Golf for Women Event. There were 34 two-woman teams from seven courses. The format was two-person best ball match.

The ladies enjoyed a nice breakfast before golf, then lunch. Winners from Royal Oaks were Elaine Bush and Kim Hessel, Chris Orndorff and Jan Tennant, Judy Klein and Barb Scozzafava, Nancy Lefebvre and Linda McCracken. Carol Clark won Closest to Pin on Hole #3. Royal Oaks won the Traveling Trophy, their top three scores beating Stone Creek by one point.

Shredding Service

Shredding service will again be provided on Friday April 20 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Orchid Club Overflow Parking Lot. The cost is \$5 per box which is approximately the size that printer paper comes in. Paper clips and staples are acceptable but please no rubber bands. For more information, please contact Damian Romano at 854-4840.

Genealogy

The club meets the third Friday of each month in the Card Room at 9:30 a.m. We invite any Oak Run Resident to attend a meeting to decide if they would like to join. Note that non-residents may not join the club but may attend with a resident as their over-night guest.

The program for our April 20 meeting is a presentation by our club President, Bob Buckius, on "How to Build Your Family Tree". Bob has extensive experience building his own family tree plus helping many other people to get started or overcome hurdles.

This should be very informative for anyone who wants guidance or who has been reluctant due to feeling overwhelmed.

Travel

A note concerning two trips for which we do not yet have the exact date or price. First, The Play That Goes Wrong being performed at the Straz in Tampa will be between Oct 16-21 but group sales like ours must wait for word from the Straz for a specific date and ticket price. Your hosts are Kathy & Jim Fountain. Second, we are also waiting for word from The First Baptist Church in Orlando as to the cost of our tickets and the specific date during the week of Dec 2nd. The host is Linda Skowronski. Tickets are still available for both trips, but no

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payment is needed until we receive word on the date & price. Get on the lists; you will be notified. We expect dates and prices by June.

On Oct. 18 join us for a visit to The Old Spanish Sugar Mill & Barberville Pioneer Settlement east of Ocala. Breakfast will be at 9:15 a.m. when you make your own pancakes on a grill at your table at the Sugar Mill and add to them one egg, one meat and coffee or tea. Then it is on to Barberville to visit the Pioneer Settlement. This historic village is nestled within a charming moss-draped oak hammock in western Volusia County. Note: this hammock is not the kind you stretch between 2 trees! There will be a guided tour of the structures within an expansive campus illustrating life in rural Florida of the late 1880 to early 1900's. Call Joan Berring & Ed Schlosser, your hosts for this trip back in time. For a cost of \$54.00 it is a real deal!

On Nov. 11 go with us to see the musical 1776 which is based on events surrounding the drafting and signing of the Declaration of Independence. John Adams, Ben Franklin and Thomas Jefferson are all there to battle those in Congress opposed to separating from England. It is a funny,

insightful and compelling musical journey to pass the resolution that frees America. This is a dinner theater event at the Alhambra Theater near Jacksonville. Call Bob & Cindy Kocher to get your tickets. Price is \$71 per person including dinner & ticket, transportation and bus driver tip.

St Augustine's famous Christmas Lights Tour aboard the Holly Jolly Trolley awaits as we send 2 buses during the week of Dec. 9th. One bus is full and there are only a few seats available on the second bus. We will have dinner at Barnacle Bills (included in your ticket price) with time to walk around a bit before boarding the trolley. Call your hosts, Fred and Joann Veale to get your place on the second bus. Tickets are going very quickly on this one despite not having a specific date or cost yet and requiring a \$25 deposit.

The Chinese Mah Jongg Club

We meet in the Orchid Club Card Room Saturdays Noon to 4 p.m. & Thursdays 2 to 5 p.m. Newcomers welcome. No experience necessary - free lessons available. Our goal is to enjoy the game and each other's company. There are no hassles, no dues, no card, no fees, no "Charlestons", no wagering and no commitment; come to the sessions you want with a smile. Bring your

Mah Jongg set, if you own one. Starting April 14, a new version of the game will be taught, bringing to 3 the number of versions of this fun game you can choose from!

Open to all Oak Run residents and their overnight guests. FMI call Susan at 237-3686.

Renaissance Women

Monthly Luncheon: Wednesday, April 18, noon at Miller's Ale House, 305 SE 17th St, Ocala. Call Gloria, 570-606-7107.

Indoor Picnic on Sunday, April 29 with Meeting to follow: 2 p.m. Island Club

Call Jessica at 873-4551 before 4/24; she will need \$11 cash in advance for picnic.

Lunch at ROGC: Thursday, April 26 at 11:30 a.m. Call Ann Marie 237-9838.

Movies: Call Peg 274-9640 for details. Ethnic Dinner: Call Martha 237-9333 or 239-321-4077 for details.

Dinner at ROGC: First Wednesday of every month, 5 p.m. Call Pat G. 854-7549 or Gerry 873-6868. Membership: Call Patricia 445-7428.

Oak Run Library

The monthly book sale will be held on Saturday, April 14, from 8-9:30 a.m. at the Orchid Club. Hardback books and DVD's are priced at 2 for \$1 and

Paperbacks are 10 cents each. Stop by the donut drop-in while there and enjoy coffee and a donut.

Several new books are available in the library. Regular print are as follows: "Accidental Heroes" by Danielle Steele, "Duel to the Death" by J.A. Jance, "The Bishop's Pawn" by Steve Berry, "As You Wish" by Cary Elwes/Joe Layden, "The Third Victim" by Phillip Margolin, "The Escape Artist" by Brad Meltzer, "A Serene Violence" by Robert Banacek, "The Flight Attendant" by Chris Bohjalian, and "The Rising Sea" by Clive Cussler/Graham Brown. Large print books as follows: "The Rising Sea" by Clive Cussler/Graham Brown, "As You Wish" by Jude Deveraux, and "The Flight Attendant" by Chri Bohjalian.

Performing Arts Company of Oak Run (PACOR)

It's almost time for the big announcement! Hopefully, we'll finally know the name of our spring musical at our monthly meeting on Monday night. Even though we're still waiting with bated breath, we do know what the dates for the auditions will be. So, mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 13 from 10-12; Thursday June 14 from 1-3; and Saturday June 16 from

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Cherrywood Veterans install new officers

Our Cherrywood Veterans elected their officers for the 2018-2019 term at the April 5 meeting. Marty Duesel was re-elected President as was Walter McLaughlin Vice President; and Rich Petrowski Treasurer. Rich Hurley was elected to the post of Sergeant at Arms and in lieu of the fact that there was no candidate for Secretary, President Duesel appointed Ruth Hurley to that position. We congratulate our new Board and thank them for their willingness to serve.

In other business, President Duesel thanked the community for the success of the food drive that netted over 600 lbs of food for the Veterans Helping Veterans pantry. A letter of appreciation was read from that organization. Volunteers for this worthwhile effort were, Skip and Trude Smith, Rich Petrowski, Walter and Jane, Dick Francis and of course our leader, Marty. Excellent work by all.

Shooting Day was discussed, and reservations will be closed effective April 16. We have almost 20 shooters who have signed up so far so we should have a good turnout.

Our Memorial Day observance will be discussed by the board on April

25 with the results being shared with the membership at our next meeting, May 3. We are hoping a large number of our Vet's will turn out for that meeting as there are some serious issues to be discussed.

Immediately following the meeting, everyone adjourned to the patio for liquid refreshments. Unfortunately, the attendance was small for this meeting. Apparently, some people thought they might be drafted for service. Nope, no more draft; we're all volunteers now. We just need more of us.

Shredding

On Monday, April 16, bring all your paper work that you would like shredded to the Clubhouse between 9 and 11 a.m. Enviro-shred will be here to help you protect your identity.

Everything that has your personal information on it from social security numbers to medical situations to wills and deeds and other forms that you no longer need should be shredded and not thrown out in the trash.

The cost is just \$5 per box of documents so take advantage of this great opportunity.

Community Yard Sale

It's that time of year when you can turn your unwanted items into fast and easy cash. This does not include spouses. I'm speaking about the Cherrywood Yard Sale that will take place on Saturday, April 21 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

We have always been very well supported by the Marion County community who have typically come to visit in high numbers. This is an opportunity for you to get rid of unwanted lawn care tools and machines; exercise equipment; clothing; jewelry; sports items and general household goods. If you no longer need it, why not display it for someone else to buy and use?

There will be many bargain hunters on that day so let's give them some treasures to shop for; a smile to welcome them and a firm handshake to do business with them.

Trivia Night

Anticipation is beginning to build as Trivia Night at Cherrywood approaches. On Wednesday, April 18 Fred O'Hern, will be our quizmaster with a full list of questions that will stump, challenge, cheer and confound. Fred is our longest serving emcee and he's got this thing down to a science; or maybe science fiction.



Cherrywood
John Everlove

We'll start promptly at 7 p.m. so come a few minutes early to register. It costs a dollar to sign up to play and then you'll either join your own team or be assigned one. Each team gets an answer sheet and the questions are put up on the big screen. The team member selects their best answer.

At the end of the questions, the answer sheets are exchanged, and the grading begins. Again, the answers are flashed on the big screen and the groans are audible, but so are the laughs.

Trivia Night is a fun way to sharpen your wits and socialize with some really cool people. It should be illegal to have this much fun for just a dollar.

Range Day

Our annual shooting day at the range is fast approaching so don't miss out. See Jennifer today and sign up for this exciting event and excellent opportunity to improve your skills with firearms.

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10-12. All auditions will be held at the Palm Grove. There's plenty of time to tune up your tonsils (if you still have them).

International Folk Dancing

Classes will resume on Thursday, April 19 in the Palm Grove Auditorium from 7-9 p.m.

Do You Remember?

A Weekly Program on Channel 12. Videos taped by Len Teitler and narrated by Anna Boodee features past Oak Run Activities. This week Len takes you back in time to the April 11, 2012 Night at the Races. The program follows FYI daily at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. from April 13 to April 20.

Biloxi

Biloxi Gambling Get-Away May 21 - May 24. This is a bus excursion and a 3-night stay at the beautiful IP Casino, with visits to both the Palace Casino and the Scarlet Pearl Casino. You will receive \$25. slot play from the IP + \$24. in food coupons. Also, for your visits to the other two casinos, you will receive \$15. free slot plays to each.

The cost for the trip is \$189 per person. We would love for you to join us. The trip is hosted by Greg and Billie Stevens, and you can get further information by calling them at 352-237-1104 or e-mail beegee1211@gmail.com

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The itinerary will take us from Miami to Roatan, Honduras; Puerto Costa Maya, Mexico; Cozumel, Mexico and Nassau, the Bahamas. So, come on have some fun and enjoy this truly one of a kind ship that simply has it all. For further information, call Bob Lammon at 237-8720.

Well folks, we need some April showers. Smile, rain or not! Laura Smith cs-jtpq2@gmail.com

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meet at the Clubhouse in the morning to car pool to the range. The cost is \$16 per person for both the ride and the range. Each individual will be responsible for their own eye and ear protection; ammunition and firearm. For those without a firearm, contact Fred O'Hern and make arrangements to have one to use.

Once on site, we will have our own range officers and firing points. In this controlled environment, you can practice your marksmanship skills, become familiar with new weapons or just enjoy putting holes in brand new targets.

After the shooting experience, we will all go to a local restaurant for a delicious luncheon and some socializing. This is a fun time enjoyed by all who attend and if you are new to the sport or just curious, it would be a great opportunity for you to increase your experience and knowledge about firearms.

Sign up today with Jennifer and if you have any questions, please call Fred O'Hern at 237-5391.

Victory Cruise

It's time to board the Victory for

another fun gaming cruise. You'll depart the Clubhouse at 7:30 a.m. and head for Port Canaveral via luxury coach. You'll board your cruise ship and enjoy cocktails (2 free per person); a delicious luncheon; be entertained and enjoy the fresh salt air.

Once out at sea, the gaming begins with everything from Bingo to slot play. Speaking of slots, you'll get \$20 in qualified slot tokens. There's poker, roulette, blackjack and more for your enjoyment and free drinks while you're playing.

The cost for all of this is just \$45 per person so contact Holly Bragdon and make your reservation. This is always a fun time that you don't want to miss out on.

Movie Night

You are invited to attend Movie Night at Cherrywood as they close out this season with the Musical Drama, "The Greatest Showman." This song filled epic tells the story of P T Barnum and many of his most famous acts.

The cast includes several actors including Hugh Jackson, Zac Efron, Michelle Williams and Zendaya and the movie received the Golden Globe award for Best Original Story. Several nominations were also made for the

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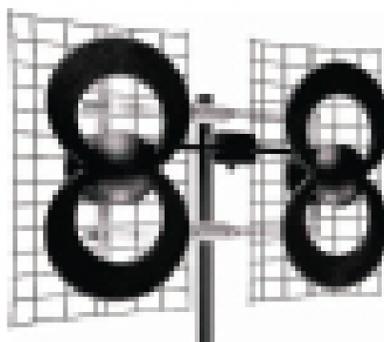


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Gas rises across U.S.

The national average price for regular unleaded gasoline hit their highest price point of 2018 on Saturday at \$2.663 per gallon. This average is a half cent more than last week, 13 cents more than a month ago, and 28 cents more than last year.

Gas prices have edged higher this week following the Energy Information Administration's (EIA) latest weekly report that showed gasoline stocks dropped by 1.1 million barrels last week. Additionally, demand for gasoline continues to remain robust at 9.2 million barrels a day as the spring driving season kicks off, which saw demand measured at 9.25 million barrels a day at the same time in 2017. Drivers are likely to continue seeing prices increase as stations across the country begin to switchover to the more expensive summer blend ahead of the busy driving season.

"Supply and demand are the biggest factors driving the price at the pump," said Josh Carrasco, spokesperson, AAA - The Auto Club Group. "More motorists on the roadways, tight supply, and record crude exports have the potential for higher prices as we head into the spring."

At the close of Friday's formal trading session on the NYMEX, West Texas Intermediate crude oil decreased \$1.48 to settle at \$62.06. WTI has taken a hit alongside the equities market in the U.S. According to EIA reports, crude exports hit a record high of 15.2 million barrels last week. Domestic crude production also hit a record high 10.5 million barrels a day last week, which contributed to the U.S. shipping more oil to other countries.

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Dentistry from the heart

Dr. Stephen Dunn hosted his 9th Dentistry from the Heart last week. Here he is shown working on one of the patients who came in for free dental work.



Sales tax helps buy fire engines

Marion County unveiled three new fire engines which were purchased with the one-cent sales tax enacted by voters less than two years ago.

According to a county news release, it's just one cent out of nearly every dollar spent in Marion County, but the funds collected through the county's penny sales tax have already purchased important equipment for first responders and improved roadways across the county.

"The addition of these new engines to our Marion County Fire Rescue fleet is a vital capital investment for the health, safety and welfare of county residents," said Kathy Bryant, chairman of the Marion County Commission. "Residents approved the penny sales tax to advance public safety and transportation infrastruc-

ture and this is Your Penny At Work!"

Some of the largest and most recent penny sales tax investments have arrived and will be ready to hit the streets to assist in public health, safety and welfare efforts in the next few weeks. The cost for the new engines was approximately \$429,000 each, fully covered by the penny sales tax.

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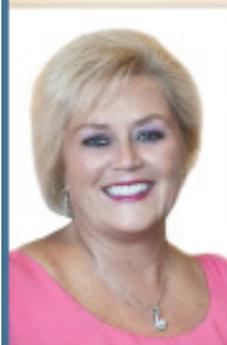
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CALENDAR

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Saturday, April 28

Walk for Parkinson

The Marion County Mind and Motion for Parkinson network is hosting a Walk for Parkinson event on Saturday, April 28 at Sholom Park.

Registration opens at 9:30 a.m., and the Walk starts at 10:30.

It is more than just a walk. April is National Parkinson's Awareness month, and the Walk highlights movement as a symbol of hope and progress towards finding a cure. The Walk is used to raise awareness and funds for research and education, and all proceeds from sponsors and walkers will be given to the Parkinson's Foundation via the Parkinson Association of Central Florida, a 501(c)3 Corporation.

You may donate via the website's Walk tab at MindAndMotion.org, or at the event. Whether you take part as a team or as an individual, you will have the opportunity to move with many others who share in the journey to help beat Parkinson's. For Companies or Corporations interested in sponsorship, contact pw444paw@gmail.com.

Kickoff Speakers are Annette Nieves, MD, Monroe Movement Disorder Clinic and Megan Willard, Regional Director, Parkinson's Foundation.

Tuesday-Friday, May 1-4

Bonsai Exhibit

The Marion Bonsai Society and OTOW Master

the Possibilities are hosting the annual bonsai exhibit at the Master the Possibilities lobby, 8415 SW 80th St., Ocala. The exhibit is free and runs from Tuesday afternoon, May 1 through noon Friday, May 4. Specific times are: 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, and 9 a.m. to noon Friday. Over 30 trees are on display by approximately 10 exhibitors. The age of trees vary from about 3 to over 30 years.

Two one-hour workshops are available for \$5 (free for OTOW residents). The first is "Basics of the Living Art of Bonsai" by Peter Wood at 1 PM on Wednesday, May 2. Peter will present basic horticulture and artistic principals of bonsai. The second is "The Living Art of Bonsai - Demonstration" by artist David VanBuskirk at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 3. David will create a bonsai tree from nursery stock material. To register for these classes go to www.masterthepossibilities.org or call (352) 854-3699.

Monday, May 7

Ocala Chapter of Hadassah

The monthly meeting of the Ocala Chapter of Hadassah will be held on Monday May 7 at 10 a.m. at the Bank of the Ozarks, 8375 SW Highway 200 in Ocala. The meeting will feature a representative from the Marion County Sheriff's Office, who will address the group on the topic of personal safety. Judi Siegal, president of the chapter will preside. All are invited to attend and refreshments will be served. For information please contact Judi. (morrobay03@embarqmail.com)

Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, is a volunteer organization that inspires a passion for and commitment to its partnership with

the land and people of Israel. It enhances the health of people worldwide through its support of medical care and research at the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem. Hadassah empowers its members and supporters, as well as youth in Israel and America through opportunities for personal growth, education, advocacy and Jewish continuity.

Death Cafe

Monday, May 7 at 10 a.m. 7171 SW State Road 200, Ocala. We'll meet in the Choir Room of First Congregational United Church of Christ for a group led discussion on anything having to do with death and dying. No experts, no lectures, just mere mortals coming together to share their thoughts. Awareness of our mortality creates a deeper appreciation for life.

For information call 368-9927

Friday, May 11

Tribute to John Denver

On Friday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m., Ted Vigil returns to the Reilly Arts Center for a special tribute to John Denver. Tickets start at \$10. The Reilly Arts Center is at 500 NE 9th St., Ocala.

Tickets can be purchased at www.ReillyArtsCenter.com, or by calling the box office at (352) 351-1606 during box office hours. Tickets can also be purchased in person at the Reilly Arts Center box office. Box office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Group rates are available for this show.

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CHERRYWOOD

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music and the acting.

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Movie nights are free, and all Cherrywood residents are welcome to come out and enjoy.

Cribbage

It's been awhile since we talked about the Cribbage Club but it's alive and well here at Cherrywood.

Every Monday at 12:30 the players gather to challenge each other and themselves to the fun game of Cribbage.

Everyone who plays the game or would like to learn is welcome to come out and the best part is, you get all the laughs and splendid personalities of the members for free.

Now another note, on Sundays, the Cribbage players used to get together for a less formal, fun time around noon or a little after.

That's fallen off a bit but we're trying to restart it. If you'd like to join us on Sunday afternoons, you're more than welcome to do that also. Again, it's free and worth every penny.

From the reporter

As a youngster, I remember playing a game called "Post Office".

I don't remember the rules, but I remember it was

a fun game. Around the same time in my life, I recall hiding under my desk in case of a nuclear attack. Is it any wonder our generation is a mess?

Anyway, I bring this up because of junk mail. I'll make the connection, trust me.

Every week and sometimes more, I receive mail from a Japanese auto dealership. For the past year, I have written to the company; spoken on the phone to someone who said they were in marketing and talked in person to someone who said they were an executive.

No, not just once but on more than one occasion for each.

Still, every week, the heavy cardboard filled envelope comes to my mailbox telling me I've won this or that or the next thing. My shredder and I sigh and go to work.

As a last resort, I have gone to the Post Office who told me there's nothing they can do about it. They advise me to just "...throw it out." Sure, throw out something with my name and address on it and the type of car I drive.

Not a good idea me thinks. Oh, to be young when Post Office was fun.

Well, I've given up.

I am convinced that if we ever do suffer a nuclear attack, the Post Office would find a way the next week to deliver, under my desk, a brochure from this dealer telling me know about the 'Grand Opening' of its new showroom.

If you have suggestions or ideas for this column, please contact me at ssg6jae@gmail.com I always enjoy hearing from you.

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COMMENTARY

Troops on the border

BY GLENN MOLLETTE
Special to the Citizen

Many years ago my two sons and I took a few days and traveled to Southern California. We enjoyed seeing some sights in Los Angeles and San Diego. It's was one of those fun things we did I'll always remember.

One thing not so fun was our decision to cross the border into Tijuana, Mexico. We had never been to Mexico and thought it would be interesting to visit and then we could say we had been there. We drove to a parking lot just on the border and left our car and took a designated walkway path that led us right into Mexico. We were greeted by lots of taxi drivers who of-

fered us a ride. We climbed into a cab and got our ears full on into the town of Tijuana. The taxi driver was full of expletives about what Tijuana was all about which was mostly drunkenness and prostitution. It felt like the taxi ride from hell. I was embarrassed for our family and was glad when we could get out of the car.

I felt like we had stepped into a scum hole. There was nothing really worth seeing in Tijuana and every other building was a loud bar with lots of men on the street begging us to come in to see the prostitutes. We probably survived our visit maybe an hour hoping to see something worth seeing before we finally found a taxi to take us back to the border. The driver

on the way back laughed and said, "We have nothing here worth seeing or losing. We are not like the United States. We have nothing to lose." When we got out of the taxi there was a long line of people waiting to get through customs back into the United States. What took only a minute to cross into Mexico took us almost two hours that day to get back into our country. We were so glad to cross back into California.

I don't have anything against Mexico. There are lots of beautiful vacation spots and lovely people in that country. I eat breakfast at a place in our town operated by wonderful people from Mexico. However, the taxi driver was right in one point of his comparison between Mexico and America. We are worth something and have plenty to lose in this country.

A friend of mine just moved from a Texas border community and was irri-

tated because someone from Mexico came across the border and stole his motorcycle. "I'll never see it again," He said. He also told about families he knew close to the border who would never let their children play outside alone. "Those families are terrified of their children being kidnapped and taken across the border. They know if that happens they will never see their children again."

Utilize our national guard on the border. Drugs are flowing into our nation from Mexico. People are still crossing illegally. We need to protect our people. Our borders should be crossed legally and people should abide in our country legally. America is worth protecting.

Dr. Glenn Mollette is the author of 12 books. His syndicated column is read in all 50 states.

Hillary denied! No globalist in the White House since Herbert Hoover

BY HAROLD PEASE PH.D
Special to the Citizen

The 2016 presidential election was the greatest political revolution in a century leaving no globalist-supported president occupying the White House since Herbert Hoover. But the mostly "secret combination" is poised to return.

Previously we identified the "real" establishment as those rooted in the international banking fraternity, powerful multinational corporations and media elites who support globalism. Those who have been bold enough to identify it publically fear to be more

specific preferring to use generic names globalists, the establishment, money trust, and the Washington cartel. Their most visible and largest organization is the 97-year old Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). These people have power.

Probably the most descriptive voice of this influence came from Hillary Clinton while Secretary of State under Barack Obama. Speaking to the Council on Foreign Relations, then dedicating a branch CFR sub-center in Washington D. C., she said. "Thank you very much Richard. I am delighted to be at these new headquarters. I have been often to the mother ship in New

York City but it is good to have an outpost of the Council right here down the street from the State Department. We get a lot of advice from the Council so this will mean that I won't have as far to go to be told what we should be doing and how we should think about the future."

Notice that she was on a first name basis with Richard Haass, president of the CFR, and admits having been guided by him over the years. While a presidential candidate she addressed the CFR in New York City on January 19, 2015, and November 19, 2015. Hillary is also a Bilderberger as is Bill Clinton but he adds the Trilateral

Commission to his list of globalist organizations. Indeed, there exists few persons more establishment than she, yet when asked as a candidate if she was a part of the establishment she answered; "I don't know what the establishment means." Her opponent, Bernie Sanders, was not part of the establishment.

Like Hillary, Jeb Bush was the designated CFR Republican candidate years before the election. As in every presidential election for most of 100 years we were to get only establishment approved presidential candidates. Typically we have at least

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OTOW

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orate those hats and wear them to the social; it will be fun! We will have voting on four categories; biggest, smallest, most creative and prettiest with a prize for the winners.

This month is also our Ice Cream Social, who doesn't love ice cream? The board will provide vanilla ice cream and all the toppings to make a sundae. If you signed up to bring refreshments, please remember to give it to Sandy at the social so she can set up the table.

If you are reading this and did not sign up to attend our April Ice Cream Social, please call or e-mail me right away so we have an accurate count. If you are bringing a guest they will need to pay the \$10 registration fee which will also cover them for the May Pizza Party.

We will supply coffee, tea and ice water. We will also have door prizes along with the 50/50 drawing, so come join in the fun.

Residents of Indigo East will have to be in posses-

sion of the gateway pass.

For more information about our club please contact Donnamarie Castellano, President. E-mail donnamarie22452@yahoo.com or 207-212-6529

Softball

With a little over as month to go, the Pavarotti team continues to be in the lead but not by much. The once dominant Pavarotti team has begun to falter as the rest of the league are continuing a push to dethrone Pavarotti. There is still the expectation that Pavarotti, with it's power house will be hard to beat and may eventually be the champs of the league, but the rest of the teams are making strides. Just one game behind the Pavarotti team are the Ceibert Wealth team which have been surprisingly getting much needed wins. The Dr Dunn team who once was the team that couldn't get a win and were settled in the basement for the longest time, but have come out of their doldrums and crept into a tie for second place. Then there is the Hilton Auto team that despite a loss of one of there better hitters has been squeaking those wins and setting themselves in a comfortable spot. Along with the other battling

teams is the Swinson Chiropractic team who a month ago just couldn't win a game, but now are in contention. The lone team sitting in the basement is Pearson Nissan who have had prime players out with injuries that em to last forever. So here we are with twelve games to go and four teams tied for second place just one game away from the leader. There are some tough games coming up and no one can really tell who will come up on top, but the Pavarotti team seems to have the edge. We will have to wait and see what transpires within the next few weeks. The highlight for this month is the Pavarotti's Paul Gatto hitting into three consecutive double plays in one game, Guess everyone gets red faced every once in a while. The excitement is in the air at the On Top of The World softball league.

Bill Leon

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You easily handle your tasks this week, thanks to those high energy levels that never seem to run down. But pace yourself, Lamb, for the demanding week ahead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) With the arts dominant this week, you might want to pick up any of those creative projects you've neglected. A workplace situation benefits from some fresh insight.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Music helps replenish your energy levels. Stream your playlist if you must. But a live concert could prove more rewarding, especially if you go with that very special someone.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Close friends reach out to help perk up your lagging social life. That workplace situation also eases, leaving you time to do more fun things by week's end.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) A revelation clears up that perplexing job-related problem. Some changes will have to be made, which, no doubt, will meet with the Big Cat's roaring approval. Good luck.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Reaching out to someone in need is the noble thing to do. But try to restrain the temptation to add a lecture -- no matter how well-intended -- to your good deed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) There could be another tough challenge to face before the month is over. But all that hard work is winning you lots of important recognition from your peers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Keeping to your work schedule could prove difficult with all those personal distractions. Best advice: Stay with it. There'll be time later for socializing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Jumping hurdles this week might be vexing for most, but not for the sage Sagittarian, who recognizes that meeting a challenge can open up opportunities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) More obstacles might be thrown in your path as you try to finalize a new agreement. But the sure-footed Goat ignores the stumbling blocks and stays the course.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) We know the Water Bearer takes pleasure in giving to others. But why not let someone else enjoy the experience too by accepting that offer of help?

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) You might find that you need to ease up on your hectic schedule this week. Don't fret about it. It could be helpful to take a break and replenish your energy supply.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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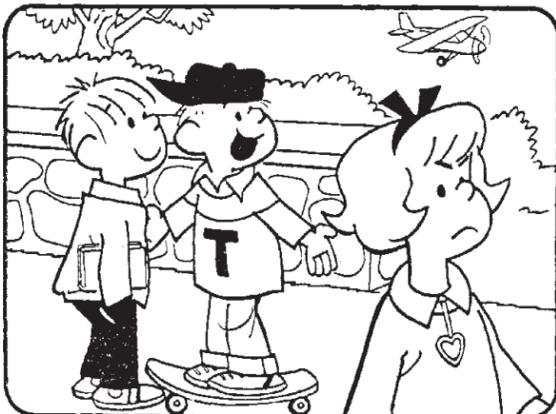
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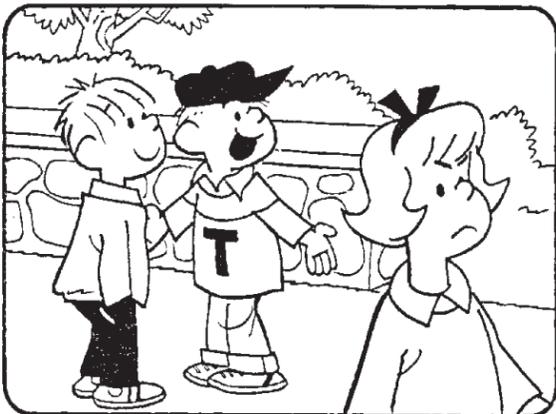
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Super Crossword

COLLECTION OF SHADES

- ACROSS**
- 1 In addition to
 - 9 Like racist or sexist jokes
 - 14 Small country in Europe
 - 20 Kellogg's cereal
 - 21 As thin as —
 - 22 Gotten up from bed
 - 23 Certain Burgundy fruit
 - 25 Small Regular: Abbr.
 - 27 Bulling yell
 - 28 W-2 expert
 - 29 Belfast's county
 - 30 Cheesy Italian dish
 - 36 First emperor of Brazil
 - 39 Pigeon's call
 - 40 Airline serving Oslo
 - 41 Honshu coin
 - 42 Annual Calgary or Rochester celebration
 - 47 Suffix with 119-Across
 - 50 Jackie's #2
 - 51 Texter's "Then again ..."
 - 52 "— penny, pick it up ..."
 - 54 Still-life fruit
 - 58 Sam of "The Piano"
 - 60 Very shy sort
 - 65 Ending for cyan
 - 67 British rocker Brian
 - 68 Most indigent
 - 69 Have too much of, for short
 - 72 The 1890s' nickname
 - 77 See 71-Down
 - 78 Any of 12 pontiffs
 - 80 Two-base hit: Abbr.
 - 81 That gal
 - 83 What playing kids "go round"
 - 88 Expand upon
 - 92 Not as daft
 - 93 Hairy twin in the Bible
 - 94 Garr of film
 - 96 "Ni-i-ice!"
 - 97 — -do-well (idle person)
 - 99 Suspect in Clue
 - 104 Charade
 - 107 — Fridays (restaurant)
 - 109 Wriggling fish
 - 110 Post-teens
 - 111 1951 Alec Guinness comedy
 - 118 Left fielder Minnie
 - 119 Tearful
 - 120 Tear's place
 - 121 Zero in
 - 124 Ink-squirting creatures
 - 125 Whoopi Goldberg film that's apt for this puzzle
 - 131 Israeli money
 - 132 "St. — Fire"
 - 133 Least quiet
 - 134 Albanian city
 - 135 Jr.-year exams
 - 136 Singers Frank and Nancy
 - 10 NHL's Bobby
 - 11 Civil rights org.
 - 12 Robert Browning's "— Passes"
 - 13 Unclogs
 - 14 Ill feeling
 - 15 Circular gasket fitting
 - 16 Old crime boss Frank
 - 17 In error
 - 18 Dion of song
 - 19 Like a single-person band
 - 24 Do a spit-take, say
 - 30 Noted period
 - 31 Peter out, as a trail
 - 32 Present
 - 33 "— will not!" (firm refusal)
 - 34 "Mazel —!"
 - 35 Made do
 - 36 Intend (to)
 - 37 Ireland, to the Irish
 - 38 Ovid's 552
 - 43 Dawn goddess
 - 44 "Be quiet!"
 - 45 Invite
 - 46 Maui garland
 - 48 Verbalized
 - 49 No longer edible
 - 53 City of central Sicily
 - 55 Appeal
 - 56 For fear that
 - 57 Kin of -kin
 - 59 Tackles, e.g. in odes
 - 61 Gun, as an engine
 - 62 Suffix with opal
 - 63 Tropical tern
 - 64 Signs made by winners
 - 66 Runner
 - 69 Chooses
 - 70 Qatari capital
 - 71 With 77-Across, not closing early, as a store
 - 73 Inn in France
 - 74 Employs
 - 75 Taper off
 - 76 Gulager of "The Killers"
 - 79 Unblemished
 - 82 Flattop, e.g.
 - 84 Sharp knock
 - 85 Karel Capek sci-fi play
 - 86 Aves.
 - 87 "For — a jolly ..."
 - 89 Voodoo —
 - 90 Hype up
 - 91 Measures of resistance
 - 95 Gallivant
 - 98 French "Presto!"
 - 100 Atop,
 - 101 Jewish cry of disgust
 - 102 Architect
 - 103 Alehouse
 - 104 Maximally
 - 105 Overly stylish
 - 106 Person camping out, often
 - 108 Foot part
 - 112 "Don't — gift horse in the mouth"
 - 113 Quaking tree
 - 114 Writer Roald and actress
 - 115 Stalk
 - 116 City south of Dijon
 - 117 "Vive —!" (French cry)
 - 121 Imitator
 - 122 Rick Blaine's love, in film
 - 123 Citi Field baseballers
 - 126 Folding bed
 - 127 Old spy org.
 - 128 Lapel insert
 - 129 D.C.'s land
 - 130 Slowing, in music: Abbr.

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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.

DIFFICULTY: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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twenty political parties offering presidential candidates but the establishment press covers only two of these. All other choices are gradually phased out. But in 2016 the Democrats preferred Sanders with three times the crowd size as Hillary and the Republicans did not want another Bush. Both major political parties appeared poised to reject the globalists.

With this rejection the establishment media was baffled. They had influenced/controlled presidential elections since Woodrow Wilson by how they covered candidates—even more so with the advent of television—first by limiting coverage to only their two political parties. Essentially, if not covered by them you were not a serious candidate. Second, the media demonstrated preference by time given, comments supporting or not, questions asked or not, and placement in debates (whomever gets coveted center stage automatically gets more spotlight coverage) and etc. The first election is always the medias as they alone define serious candidates. Globalist interests get attention no matter which political party is elected. Control of foreign policy is never out of

their hands.

Historically presidents got their advisers from the same Wall Street special interest group, the CFR. They all supported extensive foreign aid, policing the world with over 800 military bases in other lands, and continual wars without declaration or pre-established end. They all supported international trade agreements (NAFTA, GATT, and most recently the Trans-Pacific Partnership) that enhanced the power of the United Nations over the U.S. and exported jobs formerly held by Americans. They all supported the bank bailouts and their management of the money supply through the bankers private Federal Reserve Bank and opposed its being audited. They all preferred problem solving on the federal or international level rather than the state or county levels. Until now neither party supported a southern border wall enough to have one.

In these items the major political parties mirror the other as did Clinton and Bush. Either, once president, would have filled their administrations with Council of Foreign Relations members. In either case the next UN Ambassador, Secretary of State, Ambassadors to both Russia and China would come from this organization, as would a third of his/her cabinet, as has been the case for most of the last 97

years.

Such has been the case since the Council on Foreign Relations was founded by its international banker creators J.P. Morgan and et in 1921. It is the special interest group of Wall Street, supported by grants from the Rockefeller, Carnegie, and Ford foundations. Its journal, Foreign Affairs, is “considered throughout the world to be the unofficial mouthpiece of U.S. foreign policy. Few important initiatives in U.S. policy have not been first outlined in articles in this publication.” The CFR promotes sovereignty transfers from all nations to the United Nations; indeed its end goal is world government.

Donald Trump’s surfacing as the Republican nominee for president despite universal globalist hatred from his own party and Hillary’s rejection at the polls left the globalist without an approved president occupying the White House since Herbert Hoover. It was the most profound political revolution in the last 100 years.

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CONFLICT

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Deals are often necessary. Trying to understand other participants’ problems — and then trying to let everybody leave having gained something — can make the difference between success and failure. It’s tough to give adversaries credit for anything, but it can lead the way to agreement.

Finally, it’s important to make sure to include all the parties to a conflict and to address all the core issues — and when in doubt it’s better to include than exclude. People sometimes think they can solve a problem by refusing to talk to some person or group or to ignore a key issue. That’s a formula for failure.

Reaching agreement is not the end, but the beginning. I’ve experienced this: there’s the handshake, the smiling photo op...and then the whole thing falls apart. For a resolution to be sustainable, the key players have to be brought into the process and the core issues considered.

All of this takes skill, patience and understanding. And these attributes are not as common as they should be. But developing them is worth the effort. Because if you look around, the need for them does not appear to be going away.

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