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• Countryside Presbyterian Church provides Christian Ministry to residents of TimberRidge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at 9848 SW 110th Street, and holds bimonthly worship services on Saturday, May 26 at 10:15 a.m. Please call the church at 352-237-4633 for information.

• The office of the County Engineer's Stormwater Management section reminds residents of the 15th annual Stormwater calendar photo contest. The calendar's theme is "The Color of Water" and will showcase Marion County's beautiful water resources using photos with water as a dominant feature.

All photos must have been taken in Marion County and must depict images associated with this year's theme. Images must be submitted via email or CD. Submissions should include the photographer's name, contact information, location of photo, and a brief description of each photo submitted (for example "shoreline at Lake Weir"). A maximum of two entries allowed per person.

Entries are due by 5 p.m. Friday, May 25, and may be emailed to stormwater@marioncountyfl.org or delivered to Zach Rountree at the Office of the County Engineer, 412 SE 25th Ave., Ocala, FL 34471. W

## Ready or not, here I am

Hello.

My name is David Davis, your new editor. "New" is not the correct word, because I'm getting up in years. Maybe current is a better adjective, but that's not right either, because there are many, many topics on which I am not current. How about if I say, "ready or not, here I am."

I am transitioning from my post as editor of the Chiefland Citizen and Cedar Key Beacon. I expect the move will be complete by the end of May. In the meantime, I hope to get as many mistakes out of the way as possible. And, as much as possible, I hope you all will grant me peace. Also, I hope all correspondents stay.

The Citizen and Messenger will not be the same under my editorship, if for no other reason because I am different. But for right now, I'm just trying to

hang on for dear life. So, for the time being, let's get to know each other.

I grew up in a small town in Southeastern Oklahoma that, compared to the Walmart parking lot, is very small. At one time, Achille was the first entry in map indexes. Now, it's in the top 10 returns from an internet search. It's the first return that is not about Greece or Greek Mythology.

Per highway signage, my hometown is 12 miles South of the county seat State Highway 78, but many a stranger usually found themselves making a U-turn at a farmhouse about 1

1/2 miles beyond main street, [State Highway 75A], which dead ends at Highway 78.

Achille was a farm town in a part of the state once known as "Little Dixie" when cotton was still king. Like many other rural towns, it began dying after World War II. I'm 66, and it has been on life support my whole life.

In the 1960s, when I was a teenager, old men sat in benches and chairs in front of the pool hall. Red Man or Beechnut chewing tobacco juice stained their gray whiskers and rivulets of brown spitte discolored the sidewalk.

When he wasn't busy, Harvey Rochelle sometimes stood behind the large plate glass window of his barbershop to look at the spit and whittlers, swap pocketknives or play dominoes. Sometimes he waved at the old men, and occasionally they

waved back and often, one of them gazed admiringly across the street at Harvey and declared that Harvey was the "best thumbless barber in the State of Oklahoma." Harvey lost the thumb on his right hand when his car was hit by a train.

I enrolled in college after high school. I wanted to write, but about what, I didn't know because it was a big world beyond my parking lot-size hometown. I joined the Navy two years later with the idea of making it a career if I liked it at all. I did like it and retired 20 years later. At some point in those 20 years, I discovered community newspapers.

My newspaper career began in 1994 in Balch Springs, Texas; then Tallulah, Louisiana; Ponca City, Oklahoma; Cleveland, Tennessee; Chiefland, and now I am here.



David

PHOTOS BY MICHAEL ROPPEL

Ocala West United Methodist Church held its last car show and chicken barbecue of the season Friday, March 4, and the Boy Scout troop held a hot dog cookout at the same time. Beautiful weather brought out many people to admire some of the unusual cars that included a 1953 MG TD, a Plymouth Prowler, bottom left photo, and a member of the National Tin Bucket Alliance. In the top right photo is a Tin Lizzy. Over in the food area, bottom right photo, people gathered around tables enjoying the chicken barbecue.



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# Dealing with Tuesday, the worst day of the week

The worst day of the week for me is Monday. That means that I'm starting a new week and usually I have to start from scratch. All the things around me that annoy me, make me itchy and I have to scratch.

I cannot wait until the weekend gets here. It is the weekend where I can enjoy myself the most.

I know on Sunday, the best day of the week for me, I enjoy fellowship with other believers and preaching the word of God. I do not claim to be the best preacher in the world, I just love preaching. When Sunday comes around, I have an opportunity to preach.

The rest of the week, however, is really a drag.

It was Tuesday morning and I was a little down, drinking my coffee rather slowly and the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage looked at me and said quite sternly, "What's wrong with you?"

It is a simple question and deserves a simple answer. From my point of view, it's not really that simple.

Tuesday is not really Monday, which is a little better. However, Tuesday is not Wednesday either. Tuesday is a very slow day in my week and, do not quote me here, but I think there are at least 30 hours on Tuesday. At least 30. Probably more.

No matter what I do on Tuesday, it has nothing whatsoever to do with getting me to the weekend. Not only is this the slowest day of the week,

but it is the least productive.

If I do not do very much on Monday, I can always blame the fact that it's Monday and I am just getting started. Tuesday I can't say that. Monday should prepare me for Tuesday and Tuesday should be the most productive day of my week. Either, I'm not using Monday as I should or, Tuesday is just a bad day for me.

I still did not know how to answer my wife. I was so gloomy that I really did not have any way to explain why I was so gloomy.

"Why," my wife said, "Tuesday is my favorite day of the week."

I just looked at her in my gloomy attire, grunted and couldn't say anything to her.

"I can get more done on Tuesday than any day of the week," she boasted.

I do admit she gets a lot done on Tuesday, but that has nothing whatsoever to do with me. She is the most talented multitasker I have ever known. She can handle up to a dozen projects simultaneously. Get her going, and she does not know how to stop.

If I had her talent, I could conquer the world. However, after all, it's only Tuesday and I was a little gloomy.

On Monday, I can say I worked hard over the weekend and deserve to take a little bit of a rest. Nobody would worry about that not even my wife.

But Tuesday? There is no excuse I

have ever made that justifies not doing something on a Tuesday, I know because I have tried everyone on my wife.

Tuesday is the dead point in my week. On Monday, for example, I can relax and just think about what I did over the weekend and how my sermon went.

I cannot do that on a Tuesday. The weekend is already over and the next weekend is far down the road. I can sit in my chair, sigh deeply and think about how soon the weekend will get here.

It could be that as you get older your brain does not function as much as it did when you were younger. I wonder if that is a good excuse?

"Oh," I could say to my wife, "I'm getting older now and my brain doesn't function as it once did. I got to slow down a little bit."

She could look at me and say, "Your brain never functioned as good as I've known you. It has nothing whatsoever to do with how old you are. It has everything to do with a nonfunctioning brain."

So, I'm not going to give her an opportunity to opinionize on the functionality of my brain. My brain works enough to know that I better let that one alone.

I have a lot of guilt on a Tuesday. I should be doing things, but I just cannot get the focus on what I should be doing. I'm looking down the week and I vaguely see Saturday



**Out to Pastor**  
Rev. James Snyder

approaching. It is so far down the road I am not sure I am going to get it in time. In time for what? I don't know.

At least on Wednesday the week is half over. Monday means a new week has started, but Tuesday does not mean anything.

I was sitting in my chair drinking some coffee when my wife comes up and saw me and asked me, "Do you have anything to do?"

Since my brain functioning was limited because of my age, I quickly responded, "No."

Before I realized what I had said, I was in deep trouble. My wife said, "Good, you can help me with some chores today."

As she led me to the garage, I thought of the Scripture, "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest" (Ecclesiastes 9:10).

The weekend cannot come soon enough for me!

The Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship,

# 'Avengers: Infinity War'

As long as there have been The Avengers, there has been the threat of Thanos (Josh Brolin). The villain's visage first appeared midway through the credits of the super-team's first adventure back in 2012. Once 99% of the audience looked up who he was, they got excited to see him in an upcoming sequel. The most we've seen of him since then was in 2014's "Guardians of the Galaxy", which ironically was not an Avengers movie, though still an important part of the Marvel Cinematic Universe. We know that he's after six Infinity Stones, which he can plug into his handy gauntlet to give him power over... the universe, basically. The six-year wait is finally over and Thanos is ready to make his move.

Standing in Thanos's way is almost the entirety of the MCU. The roster includes, but is not limited to: Iron Man (Robert Downey Jr.), Captain America (Chris Evans), Thor (Chris Hemsworth), Hulk (Mark Ruffalo), Black Widow (Scarlett Johansson), Winter Soldier (Sebastian Stan), War Machine (Don Cheadle), Falcon (Anthony Mackie), Vision (Paul Bettany),

Scarlet Witch (Elizabeth Olsen), Spider-Man (Tom Holland), Doctor Strange (Benedict Cumberbatch), Star-Lord (Chris Pratt), Gamora (Zoe Saldana), Drax (Dave Bautista), Mantis (Pom Klementieff), Rocket Raccoon (voice of Bradley Cooper), Groot (voice of Vin Diesel), and Black Panther (Chadwick Boseman) whose eponymous film is still in the top ten at the box office after beating out the 2012 "Avengers" to become the biggest superhero movie of all time. Some of these characters are allies, some are enemies, and some have never met, but they all recognize that they've never come up against a threat like Thanos.

The heroes splinter off to go on various missions. The Infinity Stones are widely spread out on multiple planets, and of course Thanos and his minions need to be dealt with. Thanos, for his part, wants the Infinity Stones so he can kill exactly half the universe, leaving the other half to live off its finite resources. He fancies himself a misunderstood savior who's not as heartless as he seems. This "sensitivity" is on display in a

scene where he must make a sacrifice to retrieve a stone. He does what everybody knows he's going to do (and what people at my screening were yelling at him to hurry up and do to move the movie along), but he feels bad about it. Funny that he cares so much about population control in the most overcrowded superhero movie in history.

The humor and action are exactly on par with what you'd expect from one of these movies. Egos clash over whose powers and plans are superior to others, and there's much teasing among the new teammates. As with most Marvel villains, Thanos has an army of indistinguishable creeps at his disposal so the heroes can take turns showing off their powers fighting them, though he himself can fight them all off rather easily. This movie really hopes you like the gag where a stooge is seconds away from a kill only to be suddenly stabbed from behind and then fall away to reveal an unlikely rescuer, because it's done multiple times here.

"Avengers: Infinity War" moves along a predictable path until it gets



**Movie Review**  
Bob Carver

to an ending I didn't predict. I knew the franchise had been sauntering toward a showdown with Thanos, I just didn't know how many movies that showdown would encompass. Turns out it's more than one, which means the conclusion to this installment is unsatisfying. I don't necessarily disapprove of the unsatisfying conclusion, not every superhero movie needs to end with things wrapped up in a neat little package with just a hint of an upcoming conflict. There's another Avengers movie scheduled for 2019, so I'll have to wait until then to see if the MCU is willing to let things be right in the world again.

Grade: B-  
"Avengers: Infinity War" is rated PG-13 for intense sequences of sci-fi violence and action throughout, language and some crude references. Its running time is 149 minutes.  
Contact Bob Garver at rrg251@nyu.edu.

## Super Crossword

**Answers**

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# Equanimity: having composure in any circumstance

In Yoga, we practice balance poses daily to strengthen our hips and legs; to sharpen our memory; to allow for greater concentration and focus.

In yogic philosophy we bring this practice to the mind, to cultivate a state of equilibrium or equanimity – having composure in any circumstance and having a complete acceptance of life in all its forms. By simply creating space in our lives so that we are at all times conscious of the breath that moves through us, we can focus on the breath to bring us to a state of balance.

When unexpected events occur: the in-laws decide they are visiting this weekend !! or you get a call that someone very close has passed on, or the animal that has been your constant

and dearest companion for 15 years has no more life left - the typical reactions are shock, pain, tremendous anxiety and tension - all of which have a debilitating effect on our immune systems. This is the time to PAUSE. Learning to pause is a great gift. Take time to be with your SELF, without stuffing the void. To feel ! To feel deeply what is going on... and to let it all settle. To allow the feelings to flow through you and then to pass out of you.

If you are willing to let go of the dictates of the ego and a lifetime of conditioning -- "I've always done it this way !" -- "That's how I am !" -- and realize that each moment presents a new opportunity for us to respond and act

with clarity, with dignity and grace, then, whenever "Life" throws us a curve-ball in whatever form, we come to balance and know that we have a choice as to the course of action we take. We can move life in the direction we want, taking control, no longer as victims of circumstance.

Attachment is the cause of our suffering. We cling to our desire for the positive in life while being filled with aversion to the negative events that occur.

We are attached to pleasure, happiness and gain and we shun the opposite side of the coins which are pain, unhappiness and loss. These worldly concerns are referred to as the "terrible twins": each arrives with its oppo-

site and you can't have one without the other.

In a state of balance, we recognize that this life is but a short journey. Everything and everyone that touches our lives is for our growth and learning. Life is ebb and flow. Nothing is permanent. There is one spirit, the only unchanging essence. Everything else is ephemeral, fleeting. The body is like a pillowcase - it slips off at the end of this journey.

So, while in our bodies we must work daily to bring nourishment, healing and joy to ourselves and to those we meet along the path.

Ingrid Crane leads yoga classes at the Freedom Library and Sholom Park. FMI 854 - 7950.



## Cranes Corner Ingrid Crane



## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

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## Breaking the silence on domestic violence; 10 deaths recorded in Marion County

How do we break the silence about domestic violence which, with 10 deaths recorded in Marion County in the first four months of 2018, is reaching epidemic proportions locally and nationally?

Dr. Judy Wilson, CEO of the Ocala Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Center, will lead a panel discussing a crime which affects everyone regardless of age, race, education or financial status when the May 11 Friday Forum meets at 11:30 a.m. at the Golden Corral, 2111 SW State Road 200. The luncheon discussions are always open to the public.

In addition to Elizabeth Long, Victim Advocate in the Sheriff's Department, Wilson will be joined by members of her staff which include Diana Ayers, Domestic Violence Victim Advocate; Maureen Quinlan, Sexual Abuse Victim Advocate; and Amira James, Child Welfare Advocate. The moderator will be Gerry Brent, executive director, Marion County

chapter, National Alliance on Mental Illness.

The shelter began as a volunteer effort in 1975 but continues to expand as the need explodes. Its professional and volunteer staff works with many other community agencies to provide the best possible services to women and children who need a safe place to stay where they will find the emotional and practical support needed to rebuild a safer, happier life.

Counseling is also available for battered husbands. All services are free.

If you are in immediate danger, call 911 or the shelter's hotline at 352-622-5919.

For more information about the Friday Forum please telephone Delphine Herbert at 352-873-9970 or email [FridayForumofMarionCounty@gmail.com](mailto:FridayForumofMarionCounty@gmail.com).

## Events at VFW Post 4781

Non-smoking post.

• Bingo is played on Monday and the doors open at 9 a.m. Games begin at 11 a.m.

• Monday, Wednesday and Friday lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Wednesday dinner prices and menu varies. See bartender for Wednesday pre-sale dinner tickets. Dinner is open to the public.

• Second & fourth Friday's dinners are fried fish or chicken and served from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Dinner is open to the public.

• Friday and Saturday enjoy entertainment in the canteen from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

• Saturday breakfast is served from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Breakfast is open to the public.

• Saturday, May 26 is the Auxiliary's taco buffet from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. for \$6.00 donation. Tickets are available in the canteen or at the door. Buffet is open to the public.

• Hall rental and catering is available, call 352-873-4781 for further information.

The VFW Post 4781 Honor Guard is available to provide military honors to a fallen veteran. For further information contact the Post at 352-873-4781.

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**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Just when you thought you had everything planned to the smallest detail, you get some news that could unsettle things. But a timely explanation helps put it all back on track.  
**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Home and work continue to compete for your attention. But you handle it well by giving each its proper due. Someone you trust offers valuable advice. Listen to it.  
**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Unsettling news creates a difficult but not impossible situation. Continue to follow your planned routine, but keep your mind open to a possible change down the line.  
**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) Lick your wounded pride if you like, but it's a better idea to find out why your suggestions were rejected. What you learn could help you deal with an upcoming situation.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Feeling a bit listless? No wonder. You might be pushing too hard to finish everything on your to-do list. Cutting it down could help get your energy levels up.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Taking time out of your busy schedule might be the best way to handle that sensitive private matter. It will help reassure everyone involved about your priorities.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Insist on full disclosure by all parties before agreeing to be part of a "great deal." What you learn should help you decide whether to go with it or not.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Your decision to protect the secret that was entrusted to you might irk some people. But it also wins you the admiration of those who value trust and loyalty.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Creative activities take on a practical approach as you realize you might be able to market your work. Ask for advice from someone experienced in this area.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) If you're suddenly a bit unsure about your decision, ask trusted colleagues and/or friends or family members for suggestions that could help resolve your doubts.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to March 20) A workplace situation could get torny. But stay on course until there's a solution that meets with everyone's approval, and things can finally calm down.

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42 Dawn deity  
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44 Alternative to jogging  
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51 Often-stubbed digit  
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54 Color-mixing board  
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61 Ladderlike in organization  
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member and would like to attend on Thursday the cost will be \$10 per person as you arrive and you will have to let me know ASAP so we can update our count of pizza needed. Our 2018-2019 schedule will be available at the social. For more information about our club please contact Donnamarie Castellano, President. E-mail donnamarie22452@yahoo.com or 207-212-6529.

Supervisor of Elections Veterans Wall of Honor unveiling scheduled for May 30

Marion County has a legacy of military service and is considered home to over 35,000 veterans. These brave men and women fought and died to protect our freedoms that are often taken for granted, including the right to vote. Although we can never fully repay the debt we owe, we can express our gratitude and honor the sacrifice of all heroes that bravely served our country. Marion County veterans, citizens, and community leaders are invited to join us for the official unveiling of our Veterans Wall of Honor on May 30, 2018 at 12 p.m. at the Marion County Supervisor of Elections Office, 981 NE 16th Street, Ocala. Light refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP by May 23, 2018 at Outreach@VoteMarion.com or 352.620.3290. A wall in the Early Voting room at the Marion County Supervisor of Elections office has been dedicated as our Veterans Wall of Honor to remind citizens about the countless sacrifices Marion County veterans have made to protect our freedoms and allow voters the privilege to cast a ballot. The wall features a mural accompanied by digital photos and biographies of veterans and active duty service members connected to Marion County that have ever served our country, whether in peacetime or wartime, past or present. Submit a veteran to be featured on our Wall of Honor and help us spread the word. The veteran biography form can be downloaded and submitted at VoteMarion.com/Veterans.

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Happenings

Friday, May 11

Tribute to John Denver

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What lives in Sholom Park

What lives at Sholom Park? Join us for an overview of animal life, Florida-friendly plants of special interest and time to discuss items such as Spanish moss and other popular items. Enjoy Q&A with Maxine Hunter from the University of Florida/Institute of Food and Animal Sciences May 11 from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the pavilion. The park is located at 7110 SW 80th Ave., 34481. For more information, please call 352-873-0848, ext. 7650, or email info@sholompark.org. Visit the park on the internet at www.sholompark.org

Saturday, May 12

Ocala 200 Lions Club Flea Market and Diabetic Screening

The Ocala 200 Lions Club will be holding a Flea Market May 12 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Bank of the Ozarks - 8375 SW Highway 200, Ocala. There will be a variety of vendors on hand as well as food available for sale by the Dunnellon Lions Club. The Ocala 200 Club will also be holding a diabetic screening during those hours. You are invited to join us for our fundraising event and flea market sales as well as the diabetic screening. As always, all proceeds generated by the Lions Clubs will be used for community projects throughout the year. Rain Date: May 19. For more information call: 352-861-2730.

Countryside Annual Picnic

Countryside Presbyterian Church will hold its Annual Picnic Saturday, May 12, at noon at Silver Springs State Park. Lunch will consist of hamburgers hot dogs, potato salad, coleslaw, rolls, bottled water, ice tea and dessert. Admission to the park is \$8 per vehicle. For information, please call the church office at 352-237-4633.

Letter carriers food drive

On Saturday, May 12 letter carriers throughout Marion County will participate in the 26th annual National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) National Food Drive to "Stamp Out Hunger." This annual effort has become the largest one-day food drive in the nation's history, resulting in more than a half billion pounds of food to local food banks, pantries and shelters in all 50 states. Last year in Marion County, 113,243 pounds of nonperishable food was collected and donated to Interfaith Emergency Services for distribution to the Salvation Army, Brothers Keeper, St. Theresa's Catholic Church, the Help Agency of the Forest and other local food banks. The Ocala Post Office was ranked first in the nation in their union member category for the ninth year for the community's outstanding effort in supporting this program. In Marion County alone, more than 1.9 million pounds of food has been collected. Postal customers are asked to hang a food donation on their mailbox before their letter carrier delivers the mail on Saturday, May 12, and the carrier will do the rest. Collection barrels will also be set up at all Post Office branches to accommodate those with Post Office Boxes. For individuals interested in volunteering for the collection and unloading/loading, please call Tina Reid at 629-8868 ext.210. Service hours for high school students are available.

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United Way of Marion County, Interfaith Emergency Services, USPS, the National Rural Letter Carriers Association, United Food and Commercial Workers Union and AFL-CIO have partnered with the NALC to help stamp out hunger.

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, May 12 and is 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.

Discovery Center exhibit

The Discovery Center's newest exhibit, Tropical Odyssey, will open to the public Saturday, May 12 and will be on display through Saturday, July 28 at the Discovery Center, 701 NE Sanchez Ave. Tropical Odyssey is an interactive maze and exhibit, educating guests on butterfly farming and conservation efforts in the rainforest. This exhibit will also feature a butterfly zipline, a life-size spider web for children to play on, a giant walk-through caterpillar, interactive cocoons and more. A special grand opening event will be held Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature a live butterfly release, face painting, refreshments and more. Guided tours of the exhibit will take place at 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. Admission to this event is \$6 per person or \$20 for a family of four.

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The exhibit is open Tuesdays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is \$6 per person or \$20 for a family of four.

For more information, please call 352-401-3900 or visit [www.mydiscoverycenter.org](http://www.mydiscoverycenter.org).

## Sunday, May 13

### Concert at Countryside

Award-winning students from the Capitano Music Studio, Leigh Pagnano and Johnny Couch, will present a concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 13, at the Countryside Presbyterian Church, 7768 SW Highway 200, Ocala. Classics will include piano and cello compositions from Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Faure, Chopin, Copland, as well as an original arrangement from "The Firebird" by Johnny Couch that will be performed by The Ocala SDA Church Wind and String Ensemble. GayLyn Capitano will accompany on several selections. Free concert. 352-237-4633.

### Congregation Beth Israel of Ocala

Come celebrate Mother's Day with Congregation Beth Israel of Ocala as we honor that very important woman in our lives. Bring your mother, grandmother or friends on Sunday, May 13 at 12:30 p.m. to the Candler Community Center at OTOW. We will be serving a delicious lunch buffet of bagels, cream cheese, whitefish, egg and tuna salad, veggies, beverages and desserts. In addition there will be musical entertainment provided by our talented trio of Judys as well as stories, comedy and a special Mother's Day bingo! The public is invited to attend. The cost is \$18 per person and part of the proceeds will be donated to Kimberly Center. For reservations contact Briana @ 352.854-2747 or Lois @ 353.291-1308. Congregation Beth Israel of Ocala is a progressive, liberal and inclusive Jewish community serving Ocala for almost a decade.

### Christ's Church

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, May 13, our worship service will open with special music by our Worship Choir and a message of inspiration by Pastor David Bellows. During the service we will honor all women present as we celebrate Mother's Day. Pastor

Ray Westman leads a Small Group on Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 p.m.. 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. Christ's Church of Marion County is located at 6768 SW 80th Street - just off State Road 200. For more information on all our events or for directions visit our website at [www.ccomc.org](http://www.ccomc.org) or contact the church office at (352) 861-6182.

## Monday, May 14

### Ocala town hall meeting

The City of Ocala will host the first of several Town Hall meetings Monday, May 14, at 6 p.m., at the Lillian Bryant Community Center located at 2200 NW 17th Pl.

At this meeting, residents will have an opportunity to ask questions and engage with Ocala Mayor Kent Guinn and City Council President Matt Wardell on a variety of topics including current projects, public safety and the vision for Ocala's future. Residents are encouraged to attend and participate in the conversation. This meeting is free and open to the public. Information regarding upcoming Town Hall meetings will be announced in the coming weeks. For more information,

please contact the City Manager's Office at 352-401-3977.

## Tuesday, May 15

### Dementia Workshop

Learn the legal, financial and medical "ins and outs" caregivers need to know. Identify up to fifty essential documents, find helpers, discover financial resources, and learn the steps to take now to meet the coming challenges of a dementia patient and their family. The workshop and materials are FREE but space is limited so be sure to register ASAP by email to [markcroftocala@gmail.com](mailto:markcroftocala@gmail.com) or call 352-861-8788 Mark Croft. The Workshop is May 15, 6 Pm. to 7:30 Pm. at Freedom Library 5870 SW 95th St, Ocala, FL 34476. The workshop seeks to educate and link caregivers to resources thereby reducing the stress and enhancing the skills of caregivers. All questions are welcome. No personal information is solicited.

## Thursday, May 17

### Honor Marion County's fallen officers

On May 17, Marion County residents See OFFICERS on Page A7

# TRAVEL

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transfers to and from Orlando airport out of Oak Run. This tour is likely to be sold out quickly, so plan to attend our Sale Date of May 26, 2018 starting at 9:30 AM in the Island Club. Bring your checkbook to make your deposits along with a copy of your passport information page. You will not be booked without these. Call Bob or Cindy Kocher for details and look for our trip flyer in the Orchid Club and on the Palm Grove Travel bulletin board.

**Renaissance Women**  
Monthly Brunch: Sunday May 20 at 10:30 a.m. at Stone Creek Grille, 9676 SW 62nd Loop, Ocala 34481. Call Gloria, 570-606-7107.

Lunch at ROGC: Thursday, May 24, 11:30 a.m. Call Ann Marie 237-9838

Movies: Call Peg 274-9640 for details.

Ethnic Luncheon: Call Martha 237-9333 or 239-321-4077 for details.

Dinner at ROGC: First Wednesday of every

month at 5 p.m. Call Pat G. 854-7549 or Gerry 873-6868.

Membership: Call Patricia 445-7428.

Meeting: Sunday, May 27 at 2 p.m. Island Club.  
Revised Renaissance Women Membership Lists for 2018 will be available at the May meeting for purchase. Please bring along 50 cents to cover the cost for a hard copy. A printable PDF file has been sent to those members who provided an email address. If anyone needs a printed copy before the May Meeting, please contact Patricia (445-7428) or Carol (547-5241).

There are never any dues! We are open to all ladies of Oak Run!

Performing Arts Company of Oak Run (PACOR)

On Monday, May 14, the name of the fall musical will finally be announced. But until then, we've been very busy planning our picnic. The picnic will be held inside the Palm Grove on June 2 from

11:30-4. Although admission is free, the box lunch is \$7. Tickets for the lunches will be on May 12 (8-10) in the Orchid Club card room, May 19 (10-12 @ Orchid Club) and May 26 (8-10 @ Orchid Club). Among the festivities will be a silent auction, cake walk and a kissing booth! Everyone in Oak Run is welcome! Our next meeting is Monday, May 14 @ 7 p.m. If you're thinking about singing, dancing, directing, sewing, building, painting, have computer skills or like to sell...stop by, have some refreshments and see what we're all about. You'd be surprised to hear that it takes more behind the scenes people to produce a show than on stage.

Genealogy Club

On Friday, May 18 club members are taking a field trip to Fort King and the Marion County Museum of History and Archaeology? Both are located off of Ft King Street in Ocala.

Fort King is in a multiple building phase with the stock-

ade completed. The next phase will be the construction of buildings known to have been inside the stockade. We will view a short film followed by the brief tour.

The museum has a lot of interesting objects, drawings, pictures and local historical accounts about the development of Marion County. It has received an approval rating of 73% very good or excellent by those placing a review on the web site.

Members are to meet between 11:00 & 11:15 a.m. at the Overflow Parking Lot across the street from the Orchid Club. Leaving for Fort King at 11:20 sharp via car caravan. There will be no regular monthly meeting.

Oak Run Library  
The monthly book sale will be held on Saturday, May 12, from 8-9:30 a.m. at the Orchid Club. Hardback books and DVD's are priced at 2/\$1. As usual, Paperbacks are 10 cents each. Stop by the Donut Drop-In while there and enjoy

coffee and a donut.

Well folks, another good week. Hope we have both rain and sun this week. Peace, Laura Smith [csjtpq2@gmail.com](mailto:csjtpq2@gmail.com).

## All eclectic R/C fly-in is June 2

The 9th Annual Radio Control Airplane All Electric Fly-In sponsored by the Tri-County R/C Club sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics open to all electric planes and helicopters. Landing fee is \$5. Spectators are welcome with a \$2 parking donation per car load is requested. The event is at Rainbow R/C Park, 12175 S. Bridges Rd, Dunnellon.

The fly-in is June 2. Pilot registration opens at 8:30 a.m. followed by the pilot meeting at 9 a.m.

For more information, please call Bruce Richardson, contest director at 352-425-9976 or email [brucerpda@earthlink.net](mailto:brucerpda@earthlink.net)

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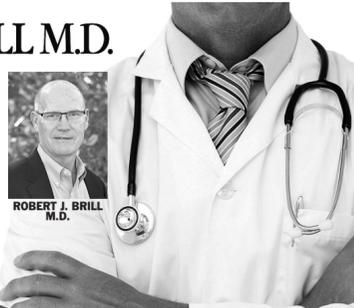
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County leaders and staff will join representatives from various local agencies and residents for the annual Fallen Officer Memorial ceremony at 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 17, at the McPherson Governmental Complex, 601 SE 25th Ave., Ocala. The ceremony will include remarks from local law enforcement leaders, a flyover by air units representing multiple agencies, and a 21-gun salute. Representatives from all local law enforcement agencies will have various roles at the event. All residents are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Marion County Sheriff's Office Public Information Director Paul Bloom, at 352-368-3527.

**Saturday, May 19**

Use of drones discussion

Saturday, May 19 at 2 p.m., "Drones, the good, the bad and the ugly" an event about the use of drones around

the world. First Congregational United Church of Christ, 7171 SW State Road 200, Ocala. For more information call (352)368-9927.

**Crossroads Church cookout**

Our Senior's ministry will be hosting a cookout Saturday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m. Meat will be provided. Please bring a desert to share.

**Christ's Church**

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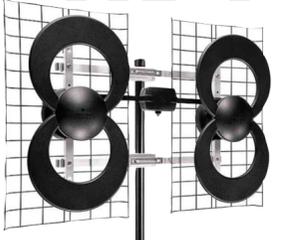
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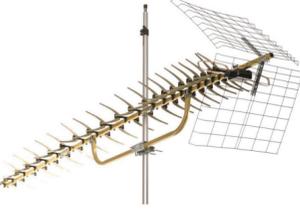
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## OUR VIEW

### Constitutional revisions mishandled

THE ISSUE: Glut of ballot proposals from the Constitution Revision Commission.

OUR OPINION: Just say no to all of them.

Florida is unusual in lots of ways, but one way that's particularly relevant right now is our openness to amending the state's Constitution. Proposals to alter the Constitution — Florida's basic governing document — can be placed on the ballot by legislative action, citizen initiative, or the Constitution Revision Commission (CRC), among other alternatives.

The CRC was established with the 1968 revision of the Florida Constitution. Meeting every 20 years, the CRC is charged with reviewing the Constitution and proposing changes for voter consideration.

The current CRC's 37 members have been trooping around the state, holding hearings and gathering input. The commission has now put forth eight proposals to be placed on the November ballot. To pass, an amendment must be approved by at least 60 percent of the vote.

That's the civics lesson. Here's the reality of what's happening.

Those eight proposals being offered by the CRC would make nearly two dozen changes to state law. The CRC has done what's called "bundling" — combining multiple items into one proposal. The CRC is allowed to do that, although citizen initiatives must be certified as single-subject by the state Supreme Court before being allowed on the ballot.

Voters should view this bundling as a devious effort to hide political agendas. For something as serious as amending the state's basic governing document, voters should be given the opportunity to evaluate each proposal on its own.

Some CRC members have actually defended the practice of bundling, saying each proposal has a common theme. They've done it with straight faces, too. They should be ashamed.

For example, the proposal P6004 would amend the Constitution to prohibit oil and gas drilling in coastal waters, AND it would prohibit vaping in enclosed indoor workplaces. Offshore drilling and indoor vaping share a theme? Really?

And then there's P6002, which deals with university boards of trustees, the state college system, and the rights of certain first responders' survivors to death benefits. We don't see a lot of overlap there, and we wager you don't either.

However, one of the sections of proposal P6003 is interesting — it would require the Legislature to provide for the promotion of civic literacy in public education. Actually, we think civic literacy should be required of everyone, and particularly those in state-level positions. But we don't think the Constitution should be amended to provide for it.

Here are the takeaways: First, if a proposal does not speak to the basic governing of the state, the structure and function of Florida's government, and the basic law of the state, it should not be considered for inclusion in the Constitution. Second, any proposal to amend the Florida Constitution — even those offered by the CRC — should be considered on its own and not bundled.

When you vote in November, anticipate a lengthy and confusing ballot. Just say no.



## COMMENTARY

### I know nothing about horse racing

NOTE: I normally would not write this for an introduction, but as I wrote on the front page, I am trying to put together four newspapers until the end of this month.

Justify won the 144th Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs in Louisville Saturday on the muddiest track in the history of the race. I watched on TV as the 3-year-old bested the field of 20 horses. When it was over, the winner did not have a speck of mud on him.

My stated goal today is to prove I know nothing about horse racing, and I will show it if you continue reading. In fact, my knowledge of horses is small; my daddy raised Shetlands. In the 1950s, he owned 100 of them. His prize was a stud named, Ivan something, something, something.

I remember writing his full name on sheets of paper torn from my Big Chief notebook, taping them together end to end. His registered name was longer than the little stallion was high. Of course, I was in the first grade then and printed in huge letters, but Ivan had a long name (that is a lie.) Out of all those little ponies, the only ones I remember are Penny, Molly, her foal

club" where membership is bestowed at birth. If such a club exists, I haven't found it. Virtually every client I've ever worked with has a story about overcoming adversity while building a decent nest egg. Success still requires enormous drive and energy. The suggestion that wealth is simply handed to our most successful entrepreneurs and business people is laughable.

Then there are those without wealth who are fighting to escape their economic circumstances. Yes, some could try harder, but most are working multiple jobs, scrambling to pay for an education, and generally applying what skills they do have to move up. Many matriculate at less effective public schools than do their wealthier counterparts. Those who strive to lift themselves see few legitimate financial success stories nearby that can serve as role models.

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Justify's win was historic for another reason: he was the first 3-year-old to win the Derby without running a race as a 2-year-old. His maiden race was Feb. 18, which makes him the first horse since Apollo did it in 1882. They talked about Justify breaking a 136-year-old curse. Lifting an evil boils down to the jockey and horse having talent, desire, skill and good fortune.

I hope Justify does not turn out like Johnny Manziel. He too, enjoyed success at an early age, then let it all go to his head and has done nothing since leaving Texas A&M for the National Football League. That is not likely to happen to Justify because he has more "horse sense" than Johnny Football. That is not likely of because the horse has a better support system to keep him focused on the other two legs of the Triple Crown.

In conclusion, I have proven that I know nothing about horse racing.

Next week, I hope to demonstrate again next week about how little I know.

David Davis  
Editor



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Polly, sired by Ivan (That is the truth.)

The \$500 paid for Ivan pales compared to the million-dollar thoroughbreds in the Kentucky Derby. However, daddy loved his little ponies, and it nearly broke his heart when the bottom fell out of the market, and he was forced to sell them at auction for a little bit of nothing, a far-cry from the estimated \$2 million payouts for the top five Derby winners. Justify won an estimated \$1.24 million as the winner. Good Magic earned \$400,000 for second-place and Audible, who came in third, won \$200,000. Instilled Regard took home \$100,000 for fourth place and My Boy Jack came in fifth and took away \$60,000.

Of the 20 horses in the field Saturday, I understand that 12 of them had connections to Marion County. I would have thought the odds would

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### Economic Classes, Stereotypes and Sly Stone

"I am no better...and neither are you; We are the same...whatever we do."

"I Like Everyday People" as performed by Sly and the Family Stone

One of the worst byproducts of two emerging economic classes (the very rich and those living near the poverty line) is the recent trend of each blaming and resenting the other. Those in the one percent dislike being labeled as entitled, selfish money hoarders. Those without many economic resources resent being labeled as unmotivated and under-serving.

An economic system that features only the truly wealthy and those without any wealth, without much of a middle class in between, is bound to foster disillusionment and anger at the top and the bottom of the food chain. This kind of system can be sad, dispiriting, and dangerous, and pit us against ourselves.

Most wealthy Americans have labored incredibly hard to attain their financial station. Nothing is more irritating to folks who have clawed their way to the top than the inference that they are only successful because they were born into some "rich person's



Margaret McDowell  
Arbor Outlook

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## Be courteous to others when driving on Pun Alley

Today marks the end of National Police Week. We usually see police as we travel along Highway 200, the backbone of the corridor that plays a large part in our daily activities. Many travel between home and stores while others use the highway as a way between home and work.

We should always be courteous to other drivers, even if they are wrong; it's better than to be dead right. Traveling down Pun Alley gets us to some arresting stories.

**Cover up**  
Jen was speeding along Highway 200 on her way home from shopping when the police car pulled up next to her. "Hey you! Pull over!"

shouted the traffic cop. Jen complied, and the judge later fined her 65 dollars. She went home in great anxiety lest her husband, who always examined her checkbook, should learn of the incident. The inspiration struck and she marked the check stub, "One pullover; \$65."

I'll drink to that!

At the police station the indignant drunk demanded, "What I want to know is what I was brought in for?" "You were brought in for drinking," the sergeant replied.

"Well, that's different," the drunk continued, "When do we get started?"

Uniform reply  
A tourist asked a man in uniform, "Are you a policeman?" "No, I am an undercover detective."

"So why are you in uniform?" "Today is my day off."

Experienced witness  
The officer reported to the sergeant about having no luck with the witness. "Did you browbeat him, yell at him, and ask him every question you could come up with?" asked the sergeant.

"I certainly did."

"And?" "And he said, 'Yes dear you're right,' and dozed off!"

Police Briefs  
When he only stole cough drops the cops said the perp

must have been a hoarse thief. My uncle is with the FBI. They caught him in Cleveland.

When the kid ran away with the circus the police made him bring it back.

The police found the missing hairdresser by combing the city.

A policeman in each subway station has been of big help. Up until today not one train has been stolen.

The police chief in a nudist colony liked the job, but putting on the badge was murder. Detective: "You're looking for one of your tellers? Is she tall or short?"

Banker: "Both."

The cops are really going after the bookies now. The bookies claim race prejudice.

A former salesman became a police officer. After his first day on the job he told his wife, "This is a much better job. The pay may not be as big, but the customer is always wrong."

The bridge party was going along fine until the cops looked under the bridge.

Nothing will improve your



## PUN ALLEY

Dick Frank

driving like having a police car following you.

The guy at the police station who draws pictures of suspects is a con artist.

Two men escaped from prison. One is 7 feet 3 inches tall, and the other is 3 feet 4 inches tall. Police are looking high and low for them.

A police captain was shown two sets of fingerprints of a suspected robber. "These can't belong to the same man," the captain stated. "They're whorls apart."

**Light headed**  
A policeman pulled a blonde over after he had been driving the wrong way on a one-way street. The cop asked, "Do you know where you're going?"

"I don't know for sure," answered the driver, "but wherever it is, I must be late. Everybody's coming back already!"

With great tact  
Driving down 200 a man had to swerve to avoid a box that had fallen from a truck. Sec-

onds later, a policeman pulled him over and recovered the box. When he opened the box, it contained large upholstery tacks. "I'm sorry sir," the policeman told the driver, "but I'm going to have to write you a ticket."

Amazed, the driver asked, "For what?" The policeman replied, "Tacks evasion." Prisoner help  
Social Worker: "And what is your name, my good man?"

Convict: "9994." Social Worker: "But that's not your real name." Convict: "Now, that's only my pen name."

**Down and out**  
After a car crash the driver was lying injured at the side of the road. "Don't worry," said a policeman, "A Red Cross nurse is coming to attend to you."

"Oh no," groaned the victim, "couldn't I have a blonde, cheerful one?"

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sharp wit and joyful outlook on life was an inspiration and source of great admiration on the lives of many of us. I managed to keep it a secret, even from her; but I was her Beau. The person of whom I speak is Margaret Kinder. At the age of 109, Margaret left us on April 29, 2018.

Wilbur Wright once asked her out, but she rebuffed him. She never smoked, but she did work in a cigar factory. Her secret for longevity was

eating chocolate every day and staying away from doctors and to say she had an interesting life would be a gross understatement. Just think, in her life time, the Titanic sank; there were two world wars; Korea, Viet Nam, and the War on Terror. She saw man go from his first awkward attempts at flight to landing on the moon. She survived plagues like polio, whooping cough, TB, and hundreds of diseases that took thou-

sands before their time. She survived without antibiotics, vaccinations and seat belts. She was indeed strong and resilient.

Margaret had a permanent smile when she greeted people, either in the home that she shared with daughter Shirley, or in public when she met people at the restaurant for the singles dinners on Sunday's. In short, this marvelous lady was a joy to be with; keeping those around her in awe of her

bright and sharp mind.

Much of Margaret's success at a long life can be attributed to Shirley, the loving and tender-hearted daughter who was her caregiver. In spite of some personal issues that Shirley has had to deal with, her care for her Mom was unflinching. Shirley always had the time and energy to make sure her Mom was taken care of, even before she herself was fit.

Now Margaret has gone on to a new life and

we here at Cherrywood are a little poorer because of her passing. We offer our heartfelt condolences to Shirley at her loss and may she know that we, her Cherrywood family, feel the loss of Margaret with deep sorrow as well. Rest in peace Margaret and thank you for being a blessing to so many of us. If you have suggestions or ideas on how to improve this column please contact me at [ssg6jae@gmail.com](mailto:ssg6jae@gmail.com).

## Celebrate Ascension Sunday

The Rev. Gary Marshall will celebrate the Ascension of the Lord Sunday.

May 13, at the 8:30 a.m. Contemporary and the 10:30 a.m. traditional service at Countryside Presbyterian Church, 7768 SW Highway 200.

For further information, please call the church office at 352-237-4633.

## Help offered for Hurricane Maria victims

United Way of Marion County, in partnership with CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion,

Marion County Public Schools the Early Learning Coalition of Marion County, Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, and Rural Women's Health Project will be hosting a Community Help, Hope & Resource Fair Saturday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to 2

p.m. at CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion, located at 2703 NE 14th Street.

The event is free to those in the community displaced due to Hurricane Maria and will feature over 20 agencies offering information and assistance.

Topics will include; housing, education, child care, legal issues, health care information, English

classes, employment and more. For more information on this event, please call 2-1-1, 877-215-4495 or 352-671-6870.

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## Let's honor Mother's Day and Mother Nature – our earth!

Dear readers, Jim Clark, Editor for Citizen retired this past week. I was happy knowing he had worked hard and was ready for retirement, but sad because through email I felt he became a friend. He was always patient with me as I learned the ropes. I wish you and Pat wonderful years forward. On May 13 we celebrate Mother's Day. The greatest joy of my life is being a mother. As we honor Mother's let's become concerned for Mother Nature. In Native American culture, the earth and nature is symbolic of the Mother. The phrase "you can't fool Mother Nature" reminds me, one could never get away with fooling your mother. Tomorrow is Donut Drop-In at the Orchid Club. New residents good time to sign up/purchase your ID tags. Veterans, you do not want to miss the Oak Run Veteran's Meeting at 7 p.m. on May 16. The son, of one of our residents, is going to be the

guest speaker with an important message of his 24-years in the service. Saturday is the Golf Cart Rodeo in parking lot at Palm Grove Fitness at 9 a.m. At the Irish American Party, Jeff Kines announced he and Carol were celebrating their 30th Anniversary. Carol is one of our new ORHA Directors. We wish you a Happy Anniversary!

Our Computer Club has some different and interesting speakers. This month their speaker will talk about car technology. I never heard if the Photographer got some interest in starting a club. I did receive an email from a new resident, asking if I had more information. Please don't miss reading the PACOR article and noting the picnic they are sponsoring in June. All residents are invited. We haven't had a picnic in Oak Run for several years. If you check the Newsletter you will find a listing of Pools schedule, Fitness

Center classes and Ceramics Classes. Please remember to be patient with the children who are using the pool, especially if they are obeying the schedule. They are visiting grandparents and we want to be a good example. I wish all a Happy Mother's Day! I leave you with these words unknown: "When the world says "Give up" Hope whispers "Try it one more time." Peace and Joy, Laura.

### Summer Water Exercise 2018

Sign up for summer water exercise will be on Wednesday May 16, in the Orchid Club Card Room from 9-11a.m. You may register for a friend who is unable to attend that day; however, a contact phone number is required. Remember you come to class twice a week in the summer program. Your choices are:

Tuesday/Thursday 9 a.m. or 10 a.m. at the Palm Grove Pool

Tuesday/Thursday 4:30 p.m. at the Aquatic Pool  
Wednesday/Friday 9 a.m. or 10:15 at the Aquatic Pool  
Wednesday/Friday 9 a.m. or 10:15 at the Orchid Club Pool  
Classes will begin the week of May 22.

Classes will be filled by random drawing. Good Luck and we look forward to seeing you in May.

For more information call Sharon 854-5590 or Jean 861-8589

### Oak Run Computer Club

The Computer club will meet May 16 at 9 a.m. in the Orchid Club. A representative from Deluca Toyota will speak on "New Car Technology." The Club meets the 3rd Wed of every month with any changes posted on the club's website [orcomputerclub.blogspot.com](http://orcomputerclub.blogspot.com) where you will also find many items of interest concerning computers and technology. Guests are always welcome to attend a meeting.

Dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per household. Members with paid 2018 badges are eligible for monthly door prizes and 50/50 is available for all attendees. For further information on the club please call Alan Marcus, Pres 861-6977.

### Oak Run Women's Golf Association (ORWGA)

One of our members, Sylvia Fiorello, is writing the Star Banner column Menu 4 Change which is quite interesting and very informative. Go to Ocala.com and you'll obtain a wealth of good, healthy ideas that will enhance your current lifestyle. She intends to be submitting articles throughout the summer months. We are just so proud to have her among us.

The Low Net Tournament winners for May 2 are:

Flight A JoAnn Cohen & Kathy O'Connell  
Flight B Gail Barclay &

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New England Club to meet May 17

BY DONNAMARIE CASTELLANO President To all our New England Club members, please be sure to attend our next social on Thursday May 17 at 1 pm in the Recreation Ballroom for our annual Pizza party and last social of this season.

All tours are handicap-accessible. We will have brochures with all the information and a cruise sign up sheet for those interested. Our donations this month will be to Stirrups 'n Strides Therapeutic Riding Center.

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Pasta with Spinach Pesto



Southern Style Succotash with Sweet Corn Sauce



Curried Pumpkin Soup



Easy Weeknight Seafood Paella

# OAK

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Sandy Bloom  
Flight C Marlene Puglisi & Marge Rymarczuk  
Flight D Ginny Simons & Marlana Yaich  
Our Closest to the Pin winner on hole #6 was

Gail Barclay and our Chip In winner on hole #6 was Sara Baynton. Everyone played a good round of golf!!!  
**Singles Club**  
The singles club will be going to dinner at Cody's on May 24 at 4 p.m. Must call Lynn Rozinsky or Diane

Sistrunk by May 22 if you plan to attend so that reservations can be made.  
Our next meeting will be on Thursday June 28 at 6 p.m. in the Orchid Club. This will be our annual Wine and Cheese Party and Auction. This is our big fund raiser of the year. The cost is \$5 per person and everyone is asked to bring a wrapped item to be auctioned. This event is always fun for all! There will also be a 50/50 drawing. There will be a sign-up sheet for our July trip to Orange Blossom Opry and, with the unexpected cancellation of the April meeting, several people still owe dues for 2018. We are reminded to continue bringing items to support "Interfaith Services" to the meetings. The club is open to all single folks in Oak Run. Come check us

out! You may be alone - you don't have to be lonely.  
**It's A Pajama Party at Omi**  
Let's roll back time, climb into those favorite pajamas of ours and join the OMI gang at the Orchid Club on Thursday, June 7, at 5:30 p.m. for a good old fashion PJ Party with music by DJ Fred Campbell, the usual 50/50 and BOYOB. Our friends at Royal Oaks are fixing up some great beef tacos with all the condiments and ice cream sandwiches for dessert. Dollar prizes will be given for three categories - best coordinated PJ, craziest looking PJ, and most colorful.  
Tickets will be sold in the Orchid Club lobby from 8 to 9:30 a.m., on Saturday, May 12 (during Donut Drop-In) and again

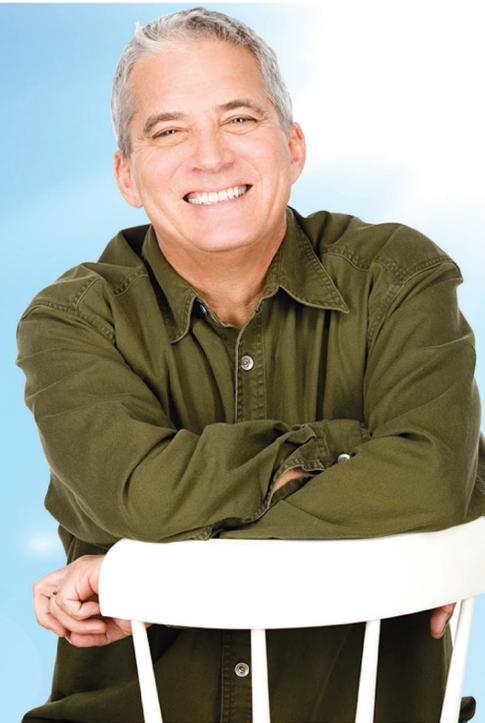
on Saturday, May 26, during pancake breakfast. Cost is \$20 or members and \$22 for guests.  
**Oak Run Veteran's Association**  
Calling all veterans to an interesting program on May 16, at 7 p.m. in the Orchid Club.  
Our guest speaker will be Troy Deland SMS USAF. SMS Deland is a trainer that travel has had duty in many countries for the USAF in his 24-year career. The Veteran's group in Oak Run has interesting programs and would like to see many of ex-military men/women join us. Questions, Jerry Cassatt

**Showcase of Stars**  
Songs for Everyone on Saturday, May 26.  
Palm Grove - 7 p.m. Door prizes, 50/50 and free admission  
**Royal Oaks Lady Niners**  
The Lady Niners club championship tournament was held on Monday, April 30, for the front nine holes, and on Thursday, May 3, for the back nine holes.  
There was a tie for the win between Marj Sibley and Elsa Berbig. A score card playoff was done which resulted in Marj Sibley becoming the Low Gross club champion with Elsa second. Ilene Simnowitz took the Low

Net Champion title.  
There was a tie for second between Debbie Bloss and Maureen Edwards. After a score card playoff was done, Debbie Bloss wins second Low Net.  
On May 24, the awards for these four ladies will be presented. Also, that day, the award for Most Improved Golfer will be presented - but the winner of that will be a secret until then.  
All Oak Run ladies are welcome to play with us on Mondays. There is a sign-up sheet in the Locker Room with tee time and contact information.  
**"Say Eng Look" The Chinese Mah Jongg Club**  
We meet in the Orchid Club Card Room Saturdays Noon to 4 & Thursdays 2 to 5. 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.  
A new version of the game is now being taught for those that are interested, 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.

# My Aha Moment

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# Cherrywood celebrates National Tai Chi Day

Over 200 people took part in celebrating National Tai Chi Day last Saturday in Shalom Park. Many of our Cherrywood residents joined in with their instructor Art enjoying the beautiful weather and the close bond between fellow students. The weather was perfect for the pupils as they demonstrated all of the moves that they had learned over the past year.

For those of you who are not familiar with Tai Chi it is a technique of improving health and tranquility in one's life. Shalom Park with all of its natural beauty was the perfect place for this totally natural discipline to take place and blend into the movements. Thank you to all of our residents who took the time to join in this calming and serene event.

### Veterans Club

Your Cherrywood Veterans Club held its monthly meeting on Thursday, May 3. Hank Whittier of Veterans Helping

Veterans presented a plaque expressing the deep appreciation of that organization to our Veterans. We donated over 800 pounds of food and several hundreds of dollars over the past year. President Marty Duesel accepted the plaque on behalf of all those who donated to this worthy project.

New membership was noted; Stanley Felton, a US Navy veteran. The next order of business was the Memorial Day observance that will be held on May 30 beginning at 11 am. The location for the service is the front of the clubhouse and it is open to all residents and guests at no charge. We need flag bearers for this service so please see one of the officers if you are able to carry a flag for about a half hour total.

Immediately following the service, at noon, the Veterans will hold their Memorial Day picnic. The tickets for that event are \$8.00 and include a menu of hot dogs; hamburgers;

corn; beans and fixings. Everyone is encouraged to bring a potluck dessert. There will be iced tea, lemonade and beer to drink but you are welcome to bring your own beverages if you wish.

Volunteers are needed for the picnic as well as for the service. We will need 3 cooks to make sure the meats don't get burned; 9 servers to make sure our people don't get rowdy waiting to be fed and 2 guards to stand over the dessert table to keep the roving calorie bandits away from the sweets. Well, maybe to help serve the desserts would be more like it. See any of the officers to sign up to take part.

See Jennifer for your tickets. This is one of the major fund raisers of the year for your Veterans Club so come out and support our veterans in their work.

### Trivia Night

Trivia Night is coming, and the anticipation is building. Yours truly is slated to be



the emcee on Wednesday, 16 May at 7:00 pm. There will be a few questions about this and then there could be questions about that as well, so if you know anything about this and that, be sure to show up and play. Naturally there will be the usual section of adult questions for your entertainment and laughter.

We start at 7 pm but you'll want to show up a little early to register. It costs \$1 per person to play and if you don't have a team that you play with on a regular basis that's okay, you'll be put with some of your friendly neighbors to make up a team. Once we are divided up, the answer sheets come out and the questions are put up on the big screen. Each team writes down the best answer.

At the end of the evening, See TRIVIA on Page A13

## Trivia

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the teams with the best scores receive small cash prizes and the winning team gets bragging rights for the entire month. If you want an evening of cheap entertainment; a way to keep your mind sharp and have some laughs, come join your friends and neighbors for Trivia Night. I'm hoping for a record turnout. Proceeds from Trivia go to support our SOS program for the troops overseas.

### Aquacize Classes

Aquacize classes have begun every Tuesday and Thursday in our beautiful pool. These low impact exercises will get you in shape for the summer without putting undue strain on your muscles and bones. Classes are free to all of our residents, men and women, and Stacy is a talented, knowledgeable and caring teacher who will patiently guide you through all the steps you need.

Aquacize classes start at 9 am and run until 9:45. Her other exercise class starts at

10 am. Please make note of this time because in the Chirp it is different. These are the real times and it allows our classes to have time to dry off and be ready for the next session of healthy exercise. Aquacize is a great way to get into and stay in shape, it's refreshing and cooling during these hot summer months. See you at the pool.

### CERT Training Class

Our Community Emergency Response Team is offering our residents a deal they can't refuse. On May 19 from 9 until 10:30 in the morning, our CERT team will provide free coffee and donuts and information which may save your life or the life of someone you love. This information might also save you thousands of dollars by protecting you for the hazards of mother nature.

We all know that Hurricane Season starts on June 1. The weather people are predicting another active year just like last. Thanks to Irma, we all know that even us in the middle of the state are vulnerable to a major hurricane. The time to prepare for an emergency is



not when the emergency is happening, but before so you can be prepared.

Look at it like this. Let's say you're a baseball player in the field and the other team is up to bat. No matter what position you play, you always have to be thinking, "what do I do if the ball is hit to me?" Of course, it depends on how many outs there are, who's on base and what position you're playing that will dictate what you do with the ball that's hit

to your glove. One sure thing you don't want to do is stand there with the ball while everything is taking place around you. You might feel pretty stupid or at least embarrassed.

The same is true about emergency management. How do you protect your home and family, your property and yourself from danger that can strike at a moment's notice? Severe storms, tornado's, gales and hail as well as hurricanes

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From the reporter She was our very own Wonder Woman. Her bright smile, See REPORTER, Page A16

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