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Social Security warning: Time to go electronic

The U.S. Department of the Treasury today reported that 5 million checks continue to be mailed to federal beneficiaries each month. With just two months remaining until the March 1, 2013, electronic payment law goes into effect, the Treasury Department is urging Social Security and other federal benefit recipients to not delay and switch now to either direct deposit or the Direct Express Debit MasterCard card.

"Choosing direct deposit or the Direct Express card makes it easier, safer and more convenient for beneficiaries to receive their payments. Switching to an electronic payment is not optional – it's the law," said David Lebryk, commissioner of the Treasury Department's Financial Management Service. "If you or a loved one still receive paper checks for your benefit payments, now is the time to switch. It's free and easy – just call 1-800-333-1795 or visit www.GoDirect.org."

Currently, approximately 93 percent of Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments are being made electronically. Converting the remaining paper check recipients to electronic payments will save American taxpayers $1 billion over the next 10 years.

The Treasury Department published a final rule in December 2010 to gradually phase out paper checks for federal benefit payments. Since May 1, 2011, all people newly applying for federal benefits, including Social Security, SSI, Veterans Affairs, Railroad Retirement Board, Office of Personnel Management benefits and other non-tax payments, have had to choose direct deposit or the Direct Express card at the time they sign up for their benefits. March 1, 2013, is the final deadline by which all re-

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Vigil *for a little* victim

Ocala came together on the Downtown Square Jan. 10 to remember 6-month-old Jonah Mendoza of the Fountains in northwest Ocala, who was killed on Jan. 4 by his mother.

PHOTOS BY JIM CLARK

A collage of pictures from Jonah's short life were on display on a table in front of the stage at the square.

Jordan Mendoza, Jonah's father, speaks to the crowd at the conclusion of the memorial.

Juliauna Christensen, 3, writes a message of condolence, helped by a friend, Roxanne Garcia.

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Albright blasts state agency over auto tags

BY JIM CLARK
Editor

Marion County Tax Collector George Albright has done what the state asked him to. In addition to his dispensing of auto tags and titles, he took on the driver license production for the state, and has gotten thing running smoothly.

In fact, things run so smoothly that now some forces in the state want to remove the auto tag purchasing from his office.

Albright was one of the county officials appearing before the Marion County Legislative Delegation on Jan. 8, and didn't mince words: "This is a power play by the 3M company and the Department of Highway Safety."

The 3M company is involved in the making of the tags.

"It doesn't make sense," Albright told the seven-member delegation, chaired by State Sen. Charlie Dean. "If they thought enough of us to give us driver licenses, why do they want to take away tag and title?"

He also added, "Why is there even a Department of Highway Safety?"

One of the things that was emphasized during the presentations was the protection of water. County Chair Kathy Bryant told the legislators, "Protection of the aquifer will always be on our legislative agenda." She asked "in the strongest possible terms" for the county to "have a seat at the table" during discussions of Silver Springs.

Ocala City Council member Daniel Owen asked the officials to clarify the

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Homeowners get little relief from legislators

BY JIM CLARK
Editor

Area residents armed with statements against homeowner associations and developers who they say charge excessive fees and fail to file required reports came to Tuesday's Marion County Legislative Delegation ready to do battle, but a state senator's comments at the opening of the meeting quickly let them know they would get little satisfaction.

The delegation gathered at the Klein Center at Central Florida Community College for the five-hour meeting as a crowd composed mostly of representatives of local agencies filled the room.

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Sheriff sworn in

Sheriff Chris Blair sits with his daughter Alesa and wife Sangi as Judge Hale Stancil speaks during Blair's swearing-in ceremony. Behind Stancil is County Commission Chair Kathy Bryant. Additional photo, Page 12.

PHOTO BY RON RATNER

Florida's Christmas tree is the big winner in D.C.

Fairfield Village

Priscilla Geissal

Florida's Christmas tree is the big winner in D.C. This year I was able to spend several weeks in the Washington, D.C., area (specifically Springfield, Virginia) with my daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren, Emily and Dominic. One evening, the family went "downtown" to see the National Christmas Tree on the Ellipse.

The display, which includes the National Christmas Tree and the 56 smaller trees representing the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and all the territories, makes up the Pathway of Peace which is absolutely spectacular. All of the smaller trees are decorated by sponsoring organizations from the local areas and usually represent something unique about the region.

In most cases, the decorations are enclosed in plastic globes to be protected from the weather; however, in some cases, the sponsors decided to literally decorate the globe itself. This was the case with the Florida tree which was exceptionally popular with those who came to admire the beauty and enjoy the celebration.

I hate to admit my lack of knowledge about the National Christmas Tree's impressive history, but I found out some interesting facts by reading the signs posted all around the display. Later, I looked up more by using my trusty new IPad and using all the resources that we now are beginning to take for granted. It still amazes this educator from the 60s through the 90s, however; and I am amazed at the enormous wealth of information when I use my favorite Google.

Going back to November of 1923, First Lady Grace Coolidge gave permission for the District of Columbia Public Schools to erect a Christmas tree on the Ellipse south of the White House. The organizers called it the "National Christmas Tree" and thus began the tradition.

On Christmas Eve, President Calvin Coolidge, walked from the White House to the Ellipse to push the button to light the 48-foot cut tree with more than 3,000 enthusiastic spectators looking on. Cut trees continued to be used until 1973 when the National Park Service transplanted live trees.

The trees from the states and territories are in alphabetical order, and this year's consensus favorite was Florida's tree. The decorations represent warm sun "..shining on our ripening oranges here in Florida while these iconic ornaments dance in the chilly Washington D.C. weather."

The artist, Janeen Mason and the Jensen Beach High School AP art students, created the balls of polymer clay finished with a double waterproof clear coat.

The bright orange blossoms have a purple ribbon reading "Viva Florida 500" commemorating the 500th anniversary of Ponce de Leon's landing in St. Augustine.

Sponsoring the project was the Arts Council, Inc. serving Stuart and Martin County along with SubseaSpearguns.com.

Seeing the Florida tree and noting the reactions of others who were seeing the tree for the first time was really special. Obviously, it was the crowd's favorite for the 2012 celebration.

On a personal note, being able to spend Christmas and New Year's with my family was extra special since they are a military family, and this was my first holiday season with them in 13 years. Many of us, now Floridians, travel to other parts of our beautiful country on a regular basis. The really important thing to me is that I, along with many of my neighbors, really look forward to our return to our homes in Fairfield Village, which still remains "..a lively place filled with lovely people."

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maining federal benefit check recipients must receive their money electronically.

The Treasury Department's Go Direct public education campaign is working with more than 1,800 partner organizations throughout the country to spread the message about the electronic payment rule and educate federal benefit recipients about their options. The campaign has developed and shared a variety of public service announcements, educational videos, check inserts and other materials to explain how electronic payments work and how to make the switch from paper checks. The videos and materials are available on the Go Direct campaign website at www.GoDirect.org.

"The Treasury Department has taken great strides to support and guide check recipients through the change to electronic payments, and we're increasing our efforts significantly in the final two months before the deadline," Lebryk said. "We have a team of friendly, helpful agents standing by at our call center, and many financial institutions, caregivers, senior services providers and advocates for people who are homeless or have disabilities have the necessary information and resources to help federal benefit recipients make the switch."

Check recipients can sign up for direct deposit or the Direct Express card by calling toll-free 1-800-333-1795, visiting www.GoDirect.org, or talking to their local federal paying agency office. The process is fast, easy and free.

By taking a few minutes to gather the necessary information ahead of time, most federal benefit recipients can sign up for electronic payments with one phone call. Individuals will need their Social Security number or claim number, their 12-digital federal benefit check number and the amount of their most recent federal benefit check.

If choosing direct deposit, recipients also will need their financial institution's routing transit number, (often found on a personal check) account number and account type (checking or saving).

There are no sign-up fees or monthly fees to receive benefits electronically.

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State Sen. Alan Hays, who represents Southeastern Marion, obviously had seen the several people on the agenda and their topic, and immediately let them know the facts.

Hays said he was "astounded" at the last delegation meeting when he heard the vocal complaints. "We took it on," he said of the people in Tallahassee, "but we have yet to solve the problem," which he called "gargantuan."

"It cannot be retroactive, you can't roll the calendar back and say 'you can't do that'," Hays told the audience. "We ran into brick walls, and some of them were reinforced."

Hays added, "We're still striving to solve the problem."

It was about three hours later before the list of homeowners who had signed up to speak got to the podium.

By then, State Sen. Charlie Dean, who at the start of the meeting had been elected chairman, was cracking down on the four-minute limit.

First up was Don Kronen, who said he had appeared before the delegation 16 months ago. "I'm very disappointed to be here again."

Kronen said that "lives have been devastated, finances decimated" of many residents of developments. The Hardwood Trails resident blamed state attorney Brad King for not enforcing the law. He said the residents were "locked into a dictatorship."

Janis Lentz of Cherrywood said many bills had been proposed, but action hadn't been taken on any of them. She, too, was concerned about the lack of enforcement of a state statute. "I ask you to do your sworn duty," she told the seven legislators, and asked for "relief" for the homeowners.

Attorney Dr. Will Harker of Hardwood Trails offered legal help.

Jan Bergemann of "Cyber Citizens for Justice" said that this was the "second generation of frustrated homeowners." He added, "We can just hope that something is being done."

Hugh Haggerty called the situation "homeowner trafficking" and said the people were in "bondage."

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law that is now the subject of a conflict between the city and the Marion County School Board. At issue is whether the schools have to pay stormwater fees to the city.

Newly elected Supervisor of Elections Wesley Wilcox drew praise from State Rep. Dennis Baxley for the way the county election, under Dee Brown, was conducted, as opposed to long counts in other parts of the state. "By 10 or 11 (p.m.) everybody knew (the election results in the county)," Baxley said.

There were young people who appeared, too, including representatives from Pace Center for Girls and some students who were part of a battle against the use of tobacco.

One man spoke of the need for tougher penalties for those who collide with motorcycle, bicycles and pedestrians, and also called for tough texting-while-driving legislation.

One woman spoke against the way her child was treated, saying he was denied water in a hot classroom. She criticized the school system for the way it handled the affair.

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Happenings

Friday, Jan. 18

Ocala High 12 Club to meet

The Greater Ocala High 12 Club 665 will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, Jan. 18 at 11 a.m. at the Elks Club, 702 N.E. 25th Ave., Ocala.

The speaker will be Capt. Jim Burton of the Marion County Sheriff's Office. It is always exciting to hear what is going on with Marion County's finest. As we have become accustomed to, we will once again enjoy one of the Elks Club's fine buffet lunches. Friends are always welcome. The cost is only $12 a person.

All Master Masons and guests are invited to attend. Reservations are required. Call Bob Brady at 352-854-9612 for reservations or further information.

Saturday, Jan. 19

Circle Square Health, Wellness Expo

The 11th annual Health and Wellness Expo will be held on Saturday, Jan. 19, at the Circle Square Cultural Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come and see what Ocala has to offer in the field of health care and learn the latest in medical advances. This is a free event and open to the public.

The Expo is sponsored by On Top of the World Communities and Munroe Regional Medical Center (MRMC) and will feature various services offered by the hospital, including information on heart health, diabetes, stroke, nutrition and more. Representatives from area health-care related agencies will also be on hand to provide information and answer questions regarding your health.

Additionally, The Ranch Fitness Center and Spa and On Top of the World certified fitness instructors will offer a variety of exercise demonstrations throughout the day.

Participate in the ZUMBA Fitness Jam on The Town Square at Circle Square Commons from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.; a donation of $5 per person will go toward the March of Dimes, or with a $25 donation you will receive a tie-dyed ZUMBA t-shirt.

The Circle Square Cultural Center is at 8395 S.W. 80th St.. For more information, visit the website at www.CSCulturalCenter.com or call 352-854-3670.

Magician at First Congregational

Brian LaPalme, the award-winning, world renowned magician, is bringing his magic show to First Congregational United Church of Christ, for a fundraiser, on Saturday, Jan. 19 at 2 p.m.

Ticket prices are $3 for children 12 and under; adults $5. To purchase tickets, please call 352-598-6272. If available, tickets may be purchased at the door — 7171 S.W. State Road 200.

Lions to host yard sale

The Ocala 200 Lions Club is having a yard sale Saturday, Jan 19, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The sale will be in the parking lot of the Bank of the Ozarks, Friendship Plaza on State Road 200.

All proceeds from the sale will go to community projects. For information contact Bob, 352-861-2730.

Ocala Lions Club Helps Families of Veterans

On Saturday, Jan. 19, the Ocala Lions Club will collect donations and personal care items to be given to the Fisher House Foundation in Tampa, Florida for families of veterans or military personnel who are being treated at a nearby military or VA medical facility. The event will be at the Big Lots store, 8600 S.W. State Road 200 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

For further information about Fisher House, call 813-910-3000 or contact Bill Thomas at 352-291-2600 about the event.

Scandinavian Club

The Scandinavian Club of Marion County invites people of Danish, Finish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish decent to join us at our next meeting on Jan. 19 at 11:30 a.m. at the Ocala Hilton, 3600 S.W. 36th Ave. in Ocala. The menu will be choice of salmon or herbed chicken breast with roasted potatoes, salad, coffee and dessert. Entertainment provided by Glenn Lewis on the keyboard."

The cost is $16 per person. Reservations and payment must be made in advance. Payment and meal choice must be received by Wednesday, Jan. 17, checks to be made out to Don Clauson and mailed to Don Clauson, 5901 S.W. 86th Place. Ocala, FL 34476.

For further details call Jim Neate 352-687-1580, Don Clauson 352-861-1235 or Terry Rasmussen 352-347-8362.

Sunday, Jan 20

Dancing encouraged at Jazz function

The Ocala Jazz Society will host an afternoon of music at the VFW hall on Sunday, Jan. 20 from 2 to 5 p.m.

Open to everyone, organizers say the, event offers "incomparable musicians featuring great tunes for everyone and dancing is encouraged."

A $3 donation is requested and benefits Hospice in memory of Bea Wilson, the founder of the Ocala Jazz Society.

For more info call Diana, 352-237-0234.

Monday, Jan. 21

Inauguration dance in Ocala

Culminating week-long events honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Marion County residents are invited to join in the national celebration of the 57th inauguration of the president and vice president of the United States of America at a semi-formal dinner/dance to take place at the Ocala Hilton Hotel on Monday, Jan. 21.

The cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m. with dinner to be served at 7. Events in our nation's Capital will be simulcast and a cash bar will be available.

Tickets are $50 per person with a maximum of 300 to be sold. They may be purchased by telephoning the Marion County DEC at 352-402-9494, Joyce Blake at 352-690-1740 or Sally Smith at 941-704-3494. Cash or checks should be made out to the Marion County DEC. You may also get them through Act Blue at www.MarionDems.org.

Thursday, Jan. 24

Magnet school expo planned

What is a magnet school? What's a magnet program? Can your child attend one in Marion County? What are the qualifications? Why do they even exist?

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No advance registration is required, and anyone from the public is invited to attend.

For more information, call Expo Coordinator Julie Shealy at 352-671-7720.

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The challenge is on

Stone Creek

Patricia Gizzi

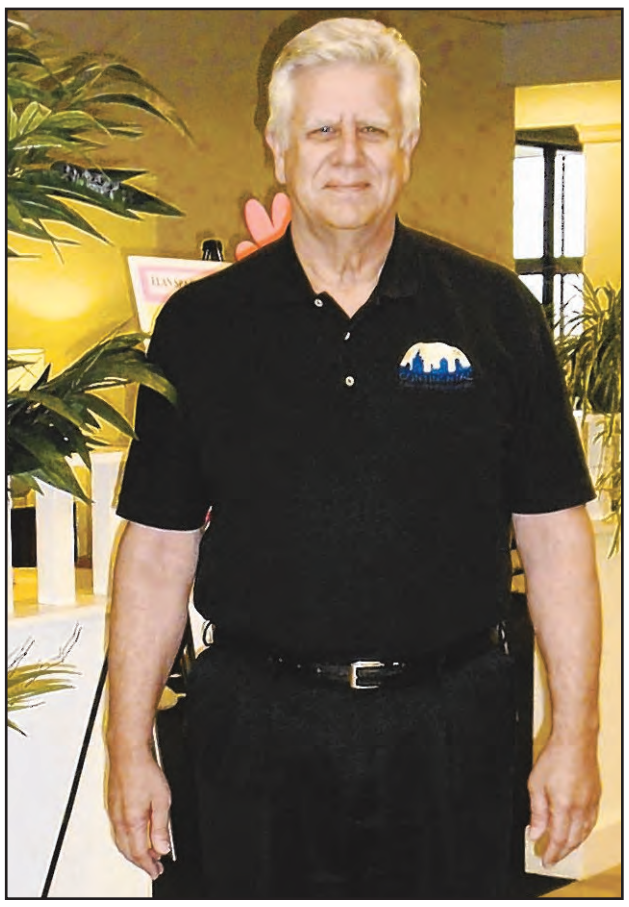
Some people make New Year Resolutions but most never get past the first month. Most resolutions have to do with weight loss but Judy Helfin, fitness director for Stone Creek, had a better idea - a "weight-loss challenge."

She met with Chris Johnson, Stone Creek's community manager, and Rick Morang, Stone Creek's maintenance man or the go to man when things need to be fixed, and made them a challenge. Each man wanted to lose weight so they took on the challenge — lose 30 pounds by June 3, 2013. That is 30 pounds for each man. To make the challenge more fun and to encourage Chris and Rick, Judy decided to make this a charity event. The money raised will go to Brothers' Keeper Soup Kitchen where many Stone Creek residents volunteer.

Rick and Chris took the challenge because they wanted to lose weight. They both believe that they can achieve their goal of loosing 30 pounds by June 3. Rick said, "Absolutely, with the resident support we are receiving we can't fail." When asked what would be the hardest part of the challenge, Chris commented, "Getting started is always the hardest for me... and I 'officially' got started this weekend." I know that both men personally like sweets and have tasted many that have been cooked in the SC kitchen. So now, all they can do is limit those sweets or just enjoy the delicious smells.

Since this challenge is for charity both were asked if they have a prediction on how much can be raised for the Soup Kitchen. Rick said, "My hope is for at least $1,000 but my prayer is for $3,000. Chris had no prediction but added, "It's all up to the community to make pledges, and our hope is that they are as generous as they are in all their support of similar causes." So, if you have not yet made your pledge, consider making one. The winner will be announced on June 5. At that time, there will be another article with the before and after pictures and the amount going to Brothers' Keeper Soup Kitchen.

Judy has started a walking group and both Chris and Rick will be a part of the group. The new program began on Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 7:30 a.m. and will also be offered on Fridays at 7:30 a.m. Judy also has small group training for weight loss. Remember to check the portal for the other interesting events that Judy has planned. Spa Day will be back on Jan. 30.



Chris Johnson

Rick Morang

SECO votes to continue scholarship program

The SECO Board of Trustees has voted to continue SECO's scholarship program for 2013. In fact, the board has authorized an increase in the scholarship amount taking it from $2,500 up to $3,000 per student in recognition of the ever increasing cost of higher education. Up to 12 high school seniors from the cooperative's service territory will receive assistance to go on to a college or technical school following their graduation.

SECO's scholarship program has proven very popular with SECO members and, over the years, has helped many deserving students attain higher learning when that might have been difficult otherwise.

SECO Director of Corporate Communications Barry Bowman said, "The selection of those students who will receive scholarships will be based on each individual's past and present activities in school and the community, financial need and scholastic record. All applicants will be evaluated by an independent panel of educators from around the SECO service territory."

He noted that to qualify, graduates must reside in a home being served by SECO and be enrolled in an accredited college, university or vocational/technical school by the end of 2013. Applications are available at area high school guidance offices and at any of SECO's customer service centers in Marion, Lake, Citrus, and Sumter counties. They must be returned no later than March 29.

"The SECO scholarship program reaffirms the Co-op's commitment to the future of our young people, and while the program has no impact on the cost of electricity, it is a significant benefit for those awardees struggling to fund their higher education," concluded Bowman.

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Everything old becomes new again as the new year starts

Out to Pastor

Dr. James Snyder

It was just before New Year's and the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I were relaxing after a busy week of toil and labor. Not paying much attention to my surroundings, I had immersed myself in a favorite book.

As far as I am concerned, nothing compares to a favorite book when you are trying to relax and unwind. I turned the page and happened to notice on the other side of the room my wife was all a twitchy. I have seen this behavior before and I knew she was anxious to say something. I pretended not to notice.

Finally, it was as if she exploded. "I can't wait for the New Year. Aren't you excited?" I answered in the affirmative to try to keep the conversation as minimal as possible.

"No, I mean aren't you really excited about the New Year?"

I knew if I was going to get back to my book I would have to let her say, what was on her mind. According to her, the approaching New Year was going to be spectacular. Everything old, she explained to me, would be new again.

We have been in this New Year for a couple of weeks now and, I will not contradict my wife, at least aloud, but this New Year looks suspiciously like the Old Year.

I am not quite sure what she thought would be different this year, but to me it is just the old year run through again. And, that is good with me. I am not one of these persons who needs the latest flash in the pan. I quite prefer the tried and true.

It was about two weeks after the New Year and my wife said, "I'll be back in an hour or two, I'm going shopping."

It did not dawn on me at the time but about 10 minutes later, it did. The reason my wife was so excited about the New Year was that she was going to go out and buy some new clothes.

After all, according to her calculations, the New Year deserves new clothing.

I smiled as I thought about her going to the store trying on dresses, seeking one that would fit her both in size and in fancy. As for me, I am quite comfortable in my old clothes. They fit me just fine, thank you.

Women have to look fine all the time. Men, on the other hand are not that particular about what they wear. I can wear the same shirt for days on end and feel just as comfortable as the first day I put it on.

My clothing does not make me feel any younger. I go along with the saying that says you are only as old as you feel. Of course, I do have some of those Methuselah moments.

Everything old was once new and if new last very long it ends up being old. Therefore, whatever is old was once new and whatever is new will one day be old. This is where most people make their mistake. They fail to see the relationship between old and new.

For example, as much as our culture pretends to be youth oriented, it does everything to get old while looking young. I often have this conversation with my wife. I am not old, I am just getting older and my plans are to get older and older and older.

The great object in life is to get as old as you possibly can while looking and feeling new. Nothing to me is sillier than a 40 year old trying to act 20. The mind may say 20, but the body really knows it is 40.

If people would put the money they spend to look young in a 401(k) their golden years would truly be golden. How much money is spent each year on plastic surgery? What I want to know is, who in the world do they think they are fooling? Their mirror?

Right after the New Year's celebration, I got up one morning feeling terrific. There was a bounce in my step, a giggle on my tongue; I was feeling like I was 20 something. I had not felt this good since I cannot remember how long. Then it happened.

No matter how good you might feel some day, there is always something or someone who can undermine that and put you in your proper place.

My mistake was going into the bathroom. There in the bathroom for all the world to see, especially me is this ghastly object called a mirror. When I looked into the mirror, I was shocked to see I was not alone. I thought I had come into the bathroom by myself but there in the mirror was this old guy I hardly recognized.

My first reaction was to ask him to leave the bathroom and then I noticed something. That person in the mirror was me! All of those exhilarating feelings dissipated as reality grabbed hold of my soul and soundly shook me.

In my Bible reading that morning, I read what the apostle Paul said. "And be renewed in the spirit of your minds; and that she put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness" (Ephesians 4:23-24 KJV).

Only God, in His wisdom, can create in me something that is truly new.

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Religion

Southwest Christian

The church's seniors ministry, the Golden Servants will meet on Friday, Jan 25 at 6 p.m.

The public is invited to the carry-in dinner and a showing of a video by humorist Jeanne Robertson.

Southwest Christian Church is at 9045 S.W. 60th Ave., Ocala. For more information call 352-236-6023.

Christ's Church of Marion County

Wednesday, Jan. 16: Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 17: Prayer and Praise Group, 9 a.m.

Saturday, Jan. 19: Men's Prayer Group, 8 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 20: Sunday School, 9:30 am. Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 22: Women's Crafts and Fellowship, 9 a.m.

Christ's Church of Marion County is at 6768 S.W. 80th St., off State Road 200, Ocala. Phone is 352-861-6182, website is www.ccomc.org.

Free English classes

College Road Baptist Church, 5010 S.W. College Road, continues teaching ESL

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Classes are free, as is child care, and youth programs. Assistance with applying for citizenship is also offered. Enroll any Wednesday evening.

Call 352-854-6981, or 352-237-5641 for more information.

Community Congregational

Community Congregational church will be having an Imposition of Ashes service to begin Lent. The service will be at noon on Feb. 13.

A new Bible study titled a Serendipity Study is being presented at our church. Come and enjoy our service and refreshments and then the bible study will be presented by Pastor David Wild. The study comes from the Gospel of Mark. Our church service begins at 10 a.m., followed by refreshments in our fellowship hall and then bible study at 11:30.

Our sermon series for January continues to be Vintage Christianity and is based on the Book of James. This sermon series is very interesting and informative. Pastor Dave brings the gospel to life for us. We are very fortunate to have such a leader and would gladly share him with you. Just join us on any Sunday.

We are "The Little church with a Big heart" and would love to see you. We wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous 2013.For more information or directions, contact Theresa Grenier at 352-307-0584.

Air Force group to meet

The Red Tail Memorial Chapter 136 of the Air Force Association will hold its first meeting of the new year on Thursday, Jan. 17 at 7 p.m. at the Ocala Regional Airport Administration Building, 750 S.W. 60th Ave., Ocala.

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Shari Blissett-Clark sits on the board of Bat Belfrys, Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to conserving Florida's bats through public education and habitat restoration. She serves on the boards of the Florida Native Plant Society and Brevard Botanical Garden. Shari, a child of a globe-trotting military family moved to Florida in 1984.
She became interested in bats when while sailing, she whipped the cover off the mainsail of her boat and was startled by bats bursting out of the sail causing Shari to leap into Matanzas Bay! After the paramedics left, Shari did some soul searching and decided to find out more about bats. She joined the Bat Conservation International's bat house researcher program to quickly learn that her fear of bats was based on myth and misconception...not facts. Shari discovered her passion for these fascinating little mammals and has been a bat advocate ever since.
This program discusses bat facts, species diversity, environmental and economic benefits of bats and the overstated disease risks. It is a 1 hour program including Q&A.

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FAMILY FEATURES

Once the feast is over, many home cooks are left with a plethora of leftovers and a challenge: how to make the most of what remains. While it's hard to live up to that original holiday meal, there's a lot more that you can do with leftover ham rather than just reheating.

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Preheat oven to 325°F.

Remove packaging; reserve liquid. Place ham cut-side down on large sheet of foil in roasting pan, pour reserved liquid over ham and wrap completely with foil.

Warm ham in oven for 10 to 12 minutes per pound. Do not overheat.

After removing ham from oven, let ham sit for 5 minutes before glazing.

Heat glaze packet for 15 seconds in microwave. Glaze is hot, so be careful when opening packet. Holding packet with a towel or oven mitt, cut corner off packet and pour glaze into a bowl. Stir well and spoon over ham. Let glazed ham sit for 5 minutes before serving to allow glaze to melt over ham.

Potato-Crusted Ham Quiche

Serves: 8
Cook Time: 45 minutes

- **2 cups of potatoes, raw and shredded**
- **1/4 cup onion, minced**
- **1/2 cup red bell pepper, finely diced**
- **1 tablespoon chives, finely chopped**
- **3 eggs, divided**
- **Salt and pepper to taste**
- **3/4 cup sharp cheddar cheese, grated**
- **3/4 cup smoked Gouda cheese, grated**
- **1 cup Smithfield Spiral Ham, fully cooked and chopped**
- **1 cup evaporated milk**
- **1/2 teaspoon paprika**
- **1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)**
- **1/4 teaspoon pepper**

Preheat the oven to 375°F.

Spray quiche pan with non-stick cooking spray.

In medium bowl mix potatoes, onion, pepper, chives, 1 beaten egg and salt and pepper to taste.

Press potato mixture evenly into crust shape up the side and on the bottom of the pan and spray again. Bake for 15 minutes or until lightly browned on edges.

In a mixing bowl, combine cheeses. Remove crust from oven and layer the following: ham first, and then cheese mixture on top. In a bowl, beat together evaporated milk, remaining eggs, paprika, salt and pepper. Pour mixture on top of cheese and return to oven.

Bake about 25 to 30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into middle of pie comes out clean. Allow to cool at least five minutes.

Serving Suggestions: Serve alongside sliced fresh fruit or a small fresh garden salad.

Ham and Cranberry Monte Cristo

Serves: 4
Cook Time: 10 minutes

- **3 eggs**
- **1/3 cup milk**
- **1/2 teaspoon vanilla**
- **1 teaspoon sugar**
- **Pinch nutmeg**
- **1/2 cup whole cranberry sauce**
- **8 slices bread (potato bread, challah, egg bread or any other sweet soft bread)**
- **8 slices Smithfield Spiral Ham**
- **2 cups cheddar cheese, shredded**
- **1 cup baby arugula leaves**
- **4 tablespoons butter**
- **Confectioners' sugar for garnish**

In shallow casserole dish, whisk eggs together with milk, vanilla, sugar and nutmeg.

Spread equal amounts of cranberry sauce on one side of four slices of bread.

Top cranberry sauce with two slices of ham, 1/2 cup cheese and 1/4 cup arugula. Top each stacked bread slice with the remaining four slices of bread. Gently press together.

In large skillet, melt butter over medium/low heat. Dip each sandwich into milk mixture. Turn and dip the other side.

Place in the hot pan and cook until each sandwich is golden brown and the cheese has melted. Remove from pan and drain on paper towels.

Dust with confectioners' sugar and serve warm.

Good Luck Soup

Serves: 8
Cook Time: 80 minutes

- **1 tablespoon olive oil**
- **2 medium yellow onions, chopped**
- **2 cloves garlic**
- **1 tablespoon ham base**
- **5 dashes hot sauce**
- **1 1/2 teaspoons dried thyme**
- **1 teaspoon dried oregano**
- **1 pound black eyed peas, rinsed and soaked over night**
- **64 ounces vegetable stock (or chicken stock)**
- **1 cup water**
- **2 cups Smithfield Spiral Ham roughly chopped**
- **1/2 pound collards, cut into thin ribbons**
- **Pepper to taste**

In large stock pot add olive oil. Stir in onions, garlic, ham base, hot sauce, thyme and oregano. Sauté until onions are translucent.

Add drained black eyed peas, vegetable stock, water and chopped ham. Simmer until peas are tender, approximately 40 to 50 minutes.

Add collards and simmer an additional 20 to 30 minutes. Pepper to taste. Serve hot.

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Opinion

Our Message

Delegation hearing needs some work

The effort of the Marion County Legislative Delegation to hear from the residents of the area about needs in state government is, on its face, a good idea. People get to present all sorts of items to the seven legislators.

However, the process of holding this hearing is seriously flawed and needs work.

There are two major problems, as we see it. One is the location, the other is the agenda.

The location has recently been the Klein Center at the College of Central Florida. The facility itself is adequate, although there were some problems with the speaker system at last week's hearing.

Getting there is another issue.

The hearing is scheduled in the middle of a school day, when parking is at a premium. One of two things happens: Either the people attending have to park a great distance away and walk to the meeting hall, or the people attending get lucky and find a good place to park, thereby displacing some students who are looking for a space to leave their vehicles when they go to class.

Editorial

There are two possible solutions. One is to hold the event when classes are not in full session, say, on a Saturday. Yes, we know, working on Saturday is probably not what our legislators want to do, but it should be for the convenience of the people.

The other solution would be to find another site, such as the Cultural Center at On Top of the World. That would have just as much, if not more, room for everyone to park and attend.

As to the agenda, we feel it's backward. The meeting starts with representatives of local governments and agencies that already receive some state funds telling the legislators how good they've been in the past and please keep the money coming. Many of them go over the allotted time, in last week's case four minutes.

Last week, it was nearly three hours before the first "regular people" who were there privately to appear. Their four minutes was strictly enforced, to a point where one said, when told to stop, "No, I timed it, it's only three minutes," and she kept on going.

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Emotions run high remembering Jonah

Among Friends

Jim Clark

It was a very emotional evening last Thursday on the Ocala Downtown Square. More than 300 people gathered to remember a little boy who was taken from this life by an act of violence.

Six-month-old Jonah Mendoza was killed on Jan. 4 when his mother, Melanie Reyes, shot him in their home in the Fountains development in northwest Ocala.

Reyes then shot herself. Initial reports said she was expected to survive, but she was put on life support and then died the following Tuesday morning.

The boy's father, Jordan Mendoza, did not live in the same house.

Friends and relatives put together the service on the square, which started with people just visiting and talking in the area, continued with various folks making short statements, and ended with six minutes of silence, one for each month of his life, as people held candles.

The phrase most often heard was directed at Jordan: "I can't even begin to understand what you're going through."

During one point when a poem was being read, Jordan left the stage in front, walked to the back of the gazebo and just stared out toward the Boulevard.

He came back shortly after and, when the ceremony was about to end, gave a little talk, thanking everyone, saying he was thankful that "so many people care." He said the incident "cut me deep."

He added that he "loved my son so much," and said Jonah remained somewhere in his heart.

Some of the other phrases that people used during their short talks included "May the angels protect him in heaven," and "we're happy we live in a community where the people can come together."

The event included a pair of tables filled with two collages of photos of Jonah, and also had another table where people could write messages of condolence.

At the urging of parents, even some tiny children took pen in hand to leave a note.

There were also jars for donations to help with the funeral, which was to be Saturday at Wyomina Park Baptist Church, with burial in Good Shepherd Cemetery.

Reyes' name was only mentioned once, by one speaker who said she was also remembered in prayers.

Although the giant Christmas tree was not lit and was being taken down, all the other holiday lights were still on, illuminating the square during the ceremony.

Included in those decorations were the thin lights that give the appearance of falling from the trees.

One speaker called those lights "tears from heaven."

But artificial tears weren't needed. There were plenty of real ones to go around.

Jim Clark is the editor of the West Marion Messenger.

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Guest column

Rainbow over the fiscal cliff

BY JIM FLYNN

Congress demonstrated finesse by hiding a pot of gold for friends and supporters in the 2012 "fiscal cliff" rescue bill. The objective of the bailout was more spending money for our purportedly tax-starved federal government.

The "fiscal cliff" legislation increases income taxes on the wealthy and continues lower taxes for middle-income taxpayers. The comforting misnomer of the legislation is "The American taxpayer relief act,"

Lobbyists would characterize the no-tax and low-tax exemptions hidden in the bill as insignificant - a few billion dollars, more or less. Congress can rationalize hiding such goodies as shielding sensitive taxpayers from unnecessary concern over business as usual.

Having secured sought-after additional revenue, the White House made no complaint about allowing multinational companies to continue not paying taxes on income of their overseas subsidiaries.

The bill includes extension of a tax-exemption for financing banks and builders of offices and apartments in the Manhattan 9/11 recovery zone. The exemption was intended to aid small businesses. Congress and the White House decided banks and brokers are just as needy as coffee shops and newspaper stands.

Off-shore lending by banks and businesses also received an extension of tax exceptions, so they can continue not paying taxes on interest income from lending.

Film and television producers are also considered needy. Their expense exemptions were extended, because reduction of their tax obligation is a mere $150 million loss of government revenue.

Railroads were found deserving of tax credits for track maintenance. The cost is only $100 million. Isn't track maintenance a routine cost of railroading?

To be fair to other forms of transportation, a seven-year recovery period for the costs of building motorsports facilities was also extended. Is NASCAR transportation?

Out of concern for mine workers, government will continue tax incentives for safety equipment and safety training. Aren't those also ordinary costs of doing business?

Other deserving recipients of rainbow support were rum distillers of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, electric scooter and electric vehicle manufacturers, and energy efficient appliance makers.

Rounding out the hodgepodge of government kindness are credits for wind energy expenses, development credits for American Samoa, support for coal mining on tribal lands, and extension of milk subsidy programs. It's all there in black and white.

From time to time hustlers publish magazines offering secrets for getting easy money from the federal government -- legally and without work. Our hyper sensitive fraud antenna dismisses such hustles. People who discover oil in their back yard aren't likely to encourage neighbors to dig holes.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Guess what, Lamb? You're about to experience a new perspective on a situation you long regarded quite differently. What you learn could open more opportunities later.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bold Bovine is tempted to charge into a new venture. But it might be best to take things one step at a time, so that you know just where you are at any given point.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to go on that fun getaway you've been planning. You'll return refreshed, ready and, yes, even eager to tackle the new challenge that awaits you.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child loves to fantasize about magical happenings in the early part of the week. But the sensible Crab gets down to serious business by week's end.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) What goes around comes around for those lucky Leos and Leonas whose acts of generosity could be repaid with opportunities to expand into new and exciting areas of interest.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Your concern about your job responsibilities is commendable. But you need to take some quiet time to share with someone who has really missed being with you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Aspects favor getting out and meeting new people. And as a bonus, you might find that some of your newly made friends could offer important business contacts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You might take pride in wanting to do everything yourself. But now's a good time to ask family members to help with a demanding personal situation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Pay more attention to the possibilities in that workplace change. It could show the way to make that long-sought turn on your career path.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Your need to succeed might overwhelm obligations to your loved ones. Ease up on that workload and into some well-deserved time with family and friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Love rules for amorous Aquarians who can make good use of their ability to communicate feelings. Don't be surprised if they're reciprocated in kind.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Fishing for compliments? No doubt, you probably earned them. But it's best to let others believe they uncovered the treasure you really are.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your good works flow from an open, generous heart. Nothing makes you happier than to see others happy as well.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Super Crossword

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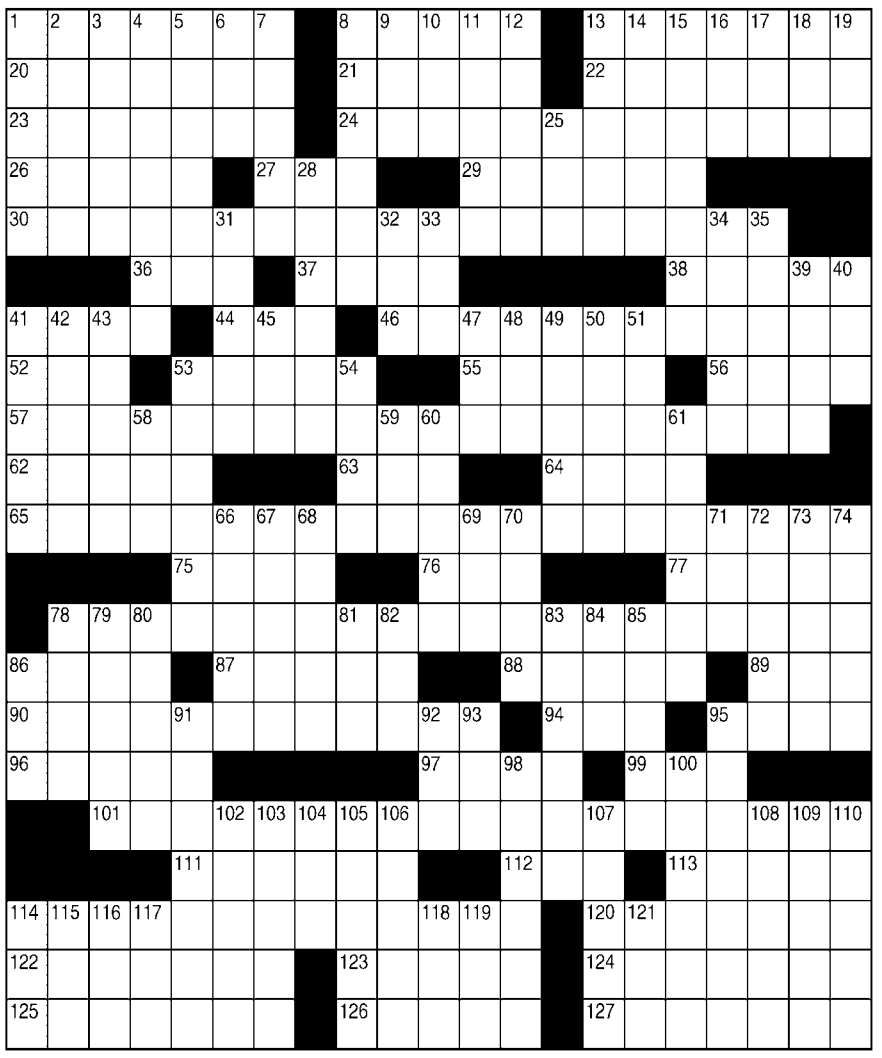
8 Dip for tortilla chips
13 Wailing spirit of folklore
20 Tag again
21 Join forces
22 Order followers
23 Impute
24 Buy sipping aids on the cheap?
26 Pulsations
27 Sick-dog link
29 Ways of reasoning
30 Choice of any non-solid pool ball you'd like?
36 Drift (off)
37 — disease (tick-borne ailment)
38 Steve of country rock
41 Zeus' mother
44 Anguish
46 Very weird Moranis, compared to slightly odd Springfield?
52 Berlin "a"
53 On terra —
55 Glossiness
56 Yield
57 House pets exerting great effort?
62 In a crowd of
63 "— shocked!"
64 The Brady boys or girls
65 Participated in a race walk?
75 T. — Price
76 Tic — (mint brand)
77 Ancient Asia Minor region
78 Throw hooks and jabs while ambling?
86 "Encore!"
87 One-eyed female on "Futurama"
88 Availing oneself of
89 Ending for Tokyo
90 Flashing lights for a singing group?
94 Pro — (acting)
95 Gorbachev's fed.
96 "Irma la —"
97 Fail to win
99 Long stretch of history
101 Best violin player ever?
111 "Omen II" title role
112 Ovid's "I love"
113 Previously, poetically
114 Guitar technique in Kingston?
120 Serve as a sign of
122 Brewpub offering
123 Pooh's marsupial pal
124 Piano keys
125 Gives a prize
126 Baseballer Warren
127 Relevant (to)

DOWN
1 Seafood crustaceans
2 Adjust, as a clock
3 Actor Dana
4 Navratilova of tennis
5 San Luis —
6 Cornhusker State: Abbr.
7 Shaking like —
8 Sweet
9 Hex- ending
10 Plastered
11 Unfresh
12 Famed fable writer
13 Containing element #5
14 Taken — (caught unawares)
15 More informative
16 Guitarist Barrett
17 Te- — (titter)
18 Wisk rival
19 Immigrants' class: Abbr.
25 — Friday's (eatery)
28 Very serious
31 Track great Moses
32 Registered names: Abbr.
33 Riled (up)
34 Prefix with -lepsy
35 "Peer Gynt" composer Edvard
39 Some PC screens
40 Barely squeeze (by)
41 Cut again, as a board
42 Blackjack call
43 Scandalous company of 2002
45 "... — quit!" (threat ender)
47 Run after Q
48 Exam room sounds
49 Under, to poets
50 Artistic style
51 "The — near!"
53 The barber of Seville's name
54 Play — (perform out with the band)
58 Tiny colony crawler
59 Half- — (java order)
60 Like — to the flame
61 Pouring on the love
66 Lazes about
67 Baby hooter
68 Not as old
69 Disloyal sort
70 "Ac-cent- — -ate the Positive"
71 Giant bird of lore
72 "He's Got the Whole World — Hands"
73 Slims down
74 Alleviator
78 Arty area in NYC
79 Brook catch
80 Old German state
81 Nobel-winning U.N. workers' gp.
82 Café check
83 Value highly
84 Quiche, e.g.
85 Not reached, as a goal
86 Ovid's 1,400
91 More thin
92 Polar pixie
93 Pub crawler
95 Unvarying
98 Magical illness curer
100 Rally rouser
102 Like tied shoes
103 Actors Epps and Sharif
104 — Tin Tin
105 Dorm room fixtures
106 From the keg
107 Edna Ferber novel
108 Motorola alternative
109 Envy's color
110 Feel
114 — Tolkien
115 Positive vote
116 Kitty's cry
117 Atty.'s gp.
118 Cellular stuff
119 "Ick!"
121 Adam's mate



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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: ★

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Harvesting easy money in Washington requires hiring well-paid lobbyists who know how to create rainbows which lead to a pot of gold.

How does this kind of chicanery happen right under our collective noses? Quite simple: While 90 percent of citizens disapprove of the way Congress operates, ninety-one percent of Congress people get re-elected. Nothing will change until we make more changes.

EDITORIAL

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We feel that the "real people" should get to go first. Most of the agency reports came from people who are paid to be there …they can sit and wait for a while.

But other folks, especially those who aren't retired, might be taking time off from work to appear. More consideration should be shown to them.

Finally, there were no breaks. From time to time most people, including the legislators, had to get up and leave for a minute. A 10-minute "nature break" in the middle of the afternoon might have been the prudent thing to do. Then everyone could comfortably listen to all the presentations.

Retired nurses to meet

The Citrus Marion Chapter of the Florida Registered Nurses Retired (RNR) will meet at the Inverness Golf and Country club on Monday, Jan. 28. Sign-in for the meeting starts at 11 a.m.

The speaker will be Dr. Attangi from the Citrus Memorial Heart and Vascular Center who will speak on Vascular Disease. Our charity will be Guardian Ad Litem.

Retired nurses wishing to attend should call Mary Jane at 352-726-6882 or Gladys at 352-854-2677 by Wednesday Jan. 23.

Breast cancer support group

The Breast Cancer SOS (Sisterhood of Survivors) Support Group meets the last Tuesday of each month at Ocala West United Methodist Church, 9330 S.W. 105th St., Rm 235 (Multipurpose Room) at 1 p.m. The meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 29 will be off-site at Stone Creek Grille, 9676 SW 62nd Loop, with lunch at noon and a trip to "All About You Boutique" at Six Gun Plaza.

This week's answers to puzzles from Page 9

Go Figure!

answers

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Super Crossword

Answers

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January off and running with taking down of tree

Quail Meadow

Carolyn Slocumb

January is off and running! The first activity was taking down the decorations (tree, etc.) at the clubhouse. This was done sy the First Friday gathering. We had about 25 residents show up to help with this project. The men really got busy and had the tree down in record time. Thanks to everyone who helped.

The next event at the clubhouse is the "Comfort Foods" potluck dinner on Monday, the 21st.

There will be a display of quilts for everyone to enjoy. If you would like to show any of your quilts please call Carol Mowrey. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m.; come join your friends and neighbors for an evening of eating and fellowship. If you have never attended one of our "potluck" dinners, you don't know what you are missing.

The Red Hot Fillies of the Meadow will meet on Friday, the 25th, at the clubhouse for the planning meeting for the year. We will meet at 12:30 to discuss plans for the year, and also enjoy some desserts. Bring your ideas for trips/projects with you. Remember January is when the dues are paid for the year. The Red Hats group is open to all women of Quail Meadow. Come join us if you are interested in participating in our activities.

The Social Committee met to formulate plans for 2013. Mark your calendars now for the following upcoming events: Feb. 11 – Mardi Gras theme potluck dinner, March 16 – the annual "horse" race, April 15 – Tax Day potluck dinner, May 18 – Spring Fling, June 10 – Birthday dinner, and July 4 we will revive the Quail Meadow parade and cook out. Other events are also planned and they will be listed later. One big party you want to plan for is New Year's Eve – we will have a party with a live band!

Now, let's turn our thoughts to something very important. We have many residents who need someone from time to time to give them comfort, care, and show concern for their problems. Perhaps there is a time when you need someone to go to the store for you, or maybe just come by for a visit – if you or someone you know needs someone; we have a group willing to help. If you know of anyone in need, please contact Marion Gartman. Also, if you would like to assist in this on-going project, please let Marion know.

Hope to see many of you at the dinner Monday night!

Please use our e-mail editor@westmarionmessenger.com

Maydaline Bristol, Teresa Bachand, Mary Zdarsky, and Marlene Cigrant.

Kenneson Bristol and Benny Bachand packing up the tree.

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With the swearing in of new sheriff Chris Blair, all sworn officers in the Marion County department also had to take an oath.

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Remembering Jonah

Jordan Mendoza, flanked by family and friends, looks over displays while holding a candle in memory of his slain son, 6-month-old Jonah. The thin lights in the background were part of the city's Christmas decoration, designed to look like lights falling from the trees. One speaker called them "Tears from Heaven."

Jordan Mendoza gets words of consolation from a well-wisher prior to the start of the memorial on Jan. 10.

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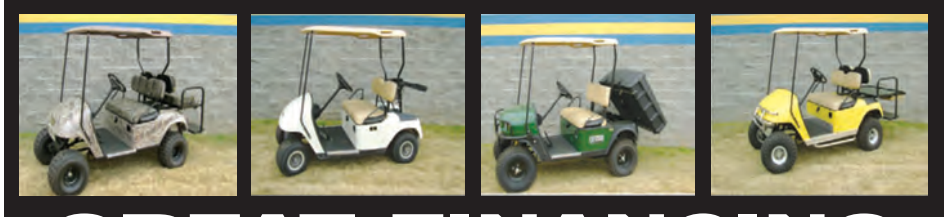

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