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Newly tweaked parking ordinance nearing finalization

By Teresa Sargeant
Apopka Chief Staff

The next Parking Advisory Committee meeting is Monday, October 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, when the committee will review and comment on the revised parking ordinance draft that, if satisfactory, will be brought to City Council.

There have been two impor-

tant changes to the revised draft, which allows on-street parking. One is that there is to be no parking in cul-de-sacs; doing so will impede fire and garbage trucks from turning around in the section. The other change is parking will be allowed near mailboxes, but the vehicle must be registered to the house the mailbox is also assigned to or the vehicle will be ticketed. That way, if mail is not delivered, it is due to

the homeowner parking near the mailbox.

The Parking Advisory Committee, comprised of residents from subdivisions throughout the city, spent two months hammering out the new parking ordinance's language and substance.

The city's current parking ordinance has been in the code book for a few years, but it wasn't until this year that it was enforced based on public com-

plaint.

The Parking Advisory Committee shaped the drafted ordinance in accordance with the Florida statute and also researched parking ordinances in other Central Florida communities.

The new ordinance draft takes into consideration that parked cars must not obstruct the passage of emergency vehicles, that mail carriers can access

mailboxes, and that garbage and recycling can still be picked up.

At the last Parking Advisory Committee meeting on September 26, when public comment was allowed on the draft, residents asked how the city would enforce it, how out-of-town visitors would be aware of it, and expressed concern that police have "better things to do" than enforcing the ordinance such as catching criminals.



Mayor Joe Kilsheimer uses his hands to make a point during the impact fee workshop.

City Council will likely implement police and fire/EMS impact fees

By John Peery
Apopka Chief Staff

It appears the City Council will impose impact fees for both police and fire/emergency medical services and the only question will be at what level the charge will be for new residential and commercial construction in Apopka.

The council met in a workshop Tuesday, October 4, for about 75 minutes to hear about the proposed impact fees from Henry Thomas, vice president of Public Resources Management Group (PRMG) of Maitland. The city paid PRMG \$13,100 to study the impact fees for police and fire/EMS. State law requires a third-party study when impact fees are imple-

mented.

Impact fees are assessed on new construction to offset capital costs to local governments for increased services. Apopka has impact fees for transportation, sewer, water, and parks and recreation, but has never had an impact fee for police and fire/EMS.

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Apopkans prepare for Hurricane Matthew



Just as it was in stores all across Apopka and throughout the state, bottled water was flying off the shelves at the Publix supermarket on Rock Springs Road. Here, Debbie Simpkins (purple shirt in photo at left) and others scoop up water and ice as they prepare for Hurricane Matthew, which is forecast to hit Florida's east coast.

Newspaper delivered early due to Hurricane Matthew

It's only Thursday, but your copy of *The Apopka Chief* is already in your mailbox or will be delivered very soon.

You can thank Hurricane Matthew for the early arrival of the newspaper.

Due to potential issues with printing and delivery of the newspaper, management of the paper decided early in the week to go to press a day earlier than the normal Friday delivery.

John Ricketson, publisher of *The Apopka Chief*, said the decision to print a day early was made Tuesday morning when it appeared the potential track of Hurricane Matthew was heading

closer to the east coast of Florida.

"We wanted to make sure that the newspaper was printed and delivered in a timely manner so we were proactive and decided to be a day early rather than a day or two late due to any possible issues regarding printing or delivery of the newspaper," Ricketson said.

"We apologize for any news that didn't get into this week's printed edition of *The Apopka Chief*, but urge readers to visit our website at www.theapopkachief.com and/or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/theapopkachief for Apopka's latest and most thorough news."

Questions arise over timing of city's gospel music event

By Teresa Sargeant
Apopka Chief Staff

The City Council was divided over mounting Apopka's first gospel music festival next month because some commissioners were concerned that what they perceived as hasty planning would lead to a less-than-successful event.

The discussion was brought up at the Wednesday, October 5, City Council meeting when the meeting agenda called for approval of entering into a \$60,000 event service agreement with the Mount Dora event-planning company, The Roar Music. Under the service agreement, The Roar Music would coordinate musical acts and handle all concert production, including au-

dio and lighting equipment and set-up.

According to the event service agreement, Gospel Fest is scheduled for Saturday, November 12, at the Apopka Amphitheater at the Northwest Recreation Complex.

City Recreation Director David Burgoon said the staff has planned Gospel Fest for several months while waiting for the 2016-2017 budget adoption. As for the city not having publicized the musical acts, Burgoon said that couldn't be done until the money was in place. The artists are professionals with national recognition, he said.

Commissioner Doug Bankson

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Apopka Event of the Week

The last day to register to vote for the November election is October 11. If you need to register or change your address, please contact Bill Cowles, Supervisor of Elections, 119 W. Kaley St., Orlando, by calling 407-836-2070, or going online www.ofcelections.com

Quotable

Here's why we feel the new impact fees should be at a higher rate: The more that new construction pays toward the impact of that construction, the less that current Apopka taxpayers must pay.

The Apopka Chief on impact fees

Opinion

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Our position

Apopka considering impact fees for hiring police and fire/EMS

Making growth pay its own way has long been a topic of conversation among those who pay attention to such things as property taxes and impact fees.

For those who don't know, impact fees are a one-time costs charged to new construction by governments to help pay for the costs associated with growth. For instance, if enough housing for 1,000 people is built in a town, but the city doesn't hire more police officers or other personnel to provide services for those new residents, then the quality of that service decreases. If those people aren't hired over a period of several years and the city still grows, then the lack of services becomes more apparent.

Because of the requirement for more roads, more water and sewer usage, and even more recreation needs, cities and counties have, for many years, charged what are called impact fees.

Those are fees on new construction designed to help pay for that growth.

The city of Apopka currently has impact fees for transportation, sewer, water, and parks and recreation, but has never charged such a fee for police or fire/emergency medical services.

After hiring Public Resources Management Group (PRMG) to conduct a study that is required by Florida law, Apopka is considering adding two new impact fees, one for police and one for fire/EMS.

The City Council seems set on establishing the fees, so the only real detail to work out is determining what number those fees should be.

Normally, we're not keen on governments implementing more fees,

but we fully agree not only with the establishment of the impact fees for police and fire/EMS, but we feel that putting them at the numbers shown in the PRMG study would be good for the city as it provides services.

Here's why we feel the new impact fees should be at a higher rate: The more that new construction pays toward the impact of that construction, the less that current Apopka taxpayers must pay.

For instance, this year, the city hired seven new police officers. Because there is no impact fee yet for police officers, Apopka's taxpayers must fork over the money to pay not only the salaries of the new officers, but to equip them with the necessary items for the officers to do their job every day, citizens must pay \$14,578 and that doesn't include a car, but such items as the officer's uniform, service weapon, body camera, laptop, and other necessary items.

Without the impact fee for police, as it is now in Apopka, the funding for those needs comes out of the general fund, which is paid for by the current property owners in the city. That, of course, means there are fewer dollars for other needs. With an impact fee, at least a portion of the cost of equipping the new officers is recouped.

Because the city is also looking at raising the parks and recreation impact fee, the need to keep the new police and fire/EMS impact fees at a lower rate might be the way to go.

But, we would urge the City Council to look closely at charging the full rate the study suggested so that new construction pays for growth, not those who currently live and own businesses in Apopka.



Vital information to face hurricanes

Orange County's Office of Emergency Management is advising residents to stay vigilant and informed as Hurricane Matthew approaches Florida. The latest projected storm path indicates Orange County and eastern neighboring counties may be impacted as early as Thursday evening. At this time (early Wednesday), Orange County remains at a level three for monitoring. Activation levels may adjust as the storm approaches.

At this time, the following preparations are being made in Orange County: * Residents are encouraged to visit www.ocfl.net/storm for the latest Hurricane Matthew information as it

County Commissioner District 2



Bryan Nelson

pertains to Orange County. * Orange County Emergency Management officials are working in partnership with the Orange County School Board to identify shelter, in the event of evacuations from eastern coastal counties. * Orange County Public Works, Stormwater Management Division is proactively checking drainage infrastructure to include stormwater drains, canals, and ponds as well as other

sites in anticipation of potential heavy rainfall in Orange County. In addition equipment to remove debris and tree limbs is being inventoried and tested.

When making a storm preparedness list, consider the Five Ps:

People People, pets and other animals or livestock.

Prescriptions Prescriptions with dosages; medicines; medical equipment; batteries or power cords; eyeglasses; and hearing aids.

Papers Papers and important documents (hard copies and electronic copies saved on thumb drives).

Personal needs

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Presidents must understand strategic threats

By Dr. Earl Tilford
Center for Vision & Values

"If, as Clausewitz so justly said, war is a continuation of national policy, so are war plans." —Barbara W. Tuchman, *The Guns of August* 1962

Over the next two presidential debates, we can expect questions for Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump about their respective plans for dealing with ISIS. But should Clinton or Trump even have a plan? Presidents don't make military plans, generals and admirals do — or, their deputies for operations do. Presidents are responsible for establishing national security policy.

In 1941, before the United States became directly involved in what still were localized wars in Asia and in Europe, President Franklin Roosevelt and Britain's Prime Minister Winston Churchill agreed on a strategic policy after the United States entered the conflict. In broad terms, that policy involved destroying Nazi Germany and then crushing Imperial Japan. The United States and the British Empire committed to unconditional surrender as the only acceptable outcome.

Although Roosevelt made minor interventions like insisting on a quick retaliatory strike against Japan to bolster American morale until the United

States could bring its industrial resources to bear on manifesting the arsenal of democracy, he wisely left specifics of war plans to military planning staffs. Nevertheless, he told Gen. George C. Marshall, "Planners are always conservative and see all the difficulties, and more can usually be done than they are willing to admit."

Then came the atomic bomb and it changed everything. National security thinkers — from Ivy League professors to think-tank intellectuals — reasserted Georges Clemenceau's assertion that wars cannot be trusted to generals. This rendered three decades of

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This Week In God's Word

"Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up; and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength." Acts 3:6 and 7.

Mema Says

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Last thing we need is a presidential term for Dragon Lady

OCTOBER 7 — *Columnist's note: What kind of background does it take to make it impossible for people of little or no morality to lose or not even be considered for election to public office? I am, of course, referring to Hillary Clinton's run for president, thanks to U.S. media that won't mention Hillary's Arkansas and White House escapades and failures, while attacking Trump for a statement he may have made 20 to 30 years ago as a private businessman. Following is the 147th column I wrote on the Clin-*

Corbeil's Corner



Richard Corbeil

tons; this one primarily on Hillary, while they still occupied the White House. It was headlined "Hillary's run for U.S. Senate rises to the level of contemptible."

DECEMBER 3, 1999. As much as Bill Clinton has achieved his primary goal of diminishing the office of the president, Hillary has more than matched

him step for step (or slither for slither) in rendering the position of first lady to something between the "let them eat cake" excesses of Marie Antoinette and the socialist agenda of Eleanor Roosevelt.

Of the latter, Hillary even claimed that she was having conversations with and getting advice from the ghost of Mrs. Roosevelt in eerie nocturnal meetings at the White House. In her latest madcap caper, an intention to announce her candidacy for the U.S. senator from New York, Hillary again proves herself a

liar, further establishing a new position as first woman and not first lady.

In spite of having her wheel lashed at hard left on almost any social issue, Mrs. Roosevelt was a lady who did not use her marriage to the president as a stepping-stone for personal power or political office. In fact, no first lady in U.S. history would have been part of a campaign which touted, "Vote for me, get a second one free."

This unbelievable duo, of course, claimed that they were just joking, but that is precisely the point.

The office of the president as defined by the Constitution is unique in all the world. Its power and dignity is so awesome that treating it like a retail sale item slogan was the first act toward diminishing it for this and future generations.

Ever since Sen. Moynihan (D-NY) announced his plan to retire last year, I have kept silent on Hillary's flirtation with the office. It was inconceivable to me that the wife of a sitting president could get a press pass to run as a carpetbagger senatorial candidate for any

state, never mind our third most populous.

And, we're not talking about anyone with any character or sterling reputation here, such as Roosevelt, Pat Nixon, Rosalyn Carter, Nancy Reagan, or Barbara Bush. We're talking about the Dragon Lady personified, with enough sleaze in her past to stop any non-Democrat, with just a fraction of it, from even thinking about a Senate seat.

How has she despoiled the Republic? Let me

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Voter-registration books close October 11 for election

Voter registration for the November 8 general election will close Tuesday, October 11, at 5 p.m. Those who wish to vote in the presidential election and the other races on the ballot must be registered by that time. As of earlier this week, Orange County had 751,344 registered voters

with 318,588 Democrats, 209,847 Republicans, 16,481 other parties, and 206,428 with no party affiliation. Those who are registered and have requested vote-by-mail ballots should have received them or will soon as they were mailed out beginning Tuesday, October 4, from Orange County Supervisor of Elections Bill Cowles' office.

The final day to request a vote-by-mail ballot is November 2 by 5 p.m. Early voting will begin October 24 and will continue through November 6. The early-voting sites will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day on those days.

In Apopka, the early-voting site is located at the Apopka Community Center/VFW, 519 S. Central Avenue, where it has been for several election cycles over the past 10 years. The other early-voting sites around Orange County are: Alafaya Branch Library, 12000 East Colonial

Drive, Orlando; Southwest Branch Library, 7255 Dela Drive, Orlando; Supervisor of Elections Office, 119 W. Kaley Street, Orlando; Renaissance Senior Center, 3800 S. Econlockhatchee Trail, Orlando; Washington Park Branch Library, 5151 Raleigh Street, Suite A, Orlando; South Creek Branch Library, 1702 Deerfield Blvd., Orlando; West Oaks Branch Library, 1821 E. Silver Star Road, Ocoee; Southeast Branch Library, 5575 S. Semoran Blvd., Orlando; Winter Park Library, 460 East New England

Ave., Winter Park; Hiawassee Branch Library, 7391 W. Colonial Dr., Orlando; Herndon Branch Library, 4324 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando; Chickasaw Branch Library, 807 N. Chickasaw Tr., Orlando; Edgewater Branch Library, 5049 Edgewater Dr., Orlando; Maitland Community Park, 1400 Mayo Ave., Maitland; Orange County National Golf Center, 16301 Phil Ritson Way, Winter Garden; and Acacia Florida Centro Borinqueno, 1865 N. Econlockhatchee Tr., Orlando.

Hazardous waste collection set for Oct. 15

Orange County Utilities Department will hold a household hazardous waste and electronic waste collection event Saturday, October 15, at Apopka High School, 555 W. Martin St., Apopka. It is open to all residents of Orange County.

The collection event will take place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Household hazardous waste includes items such as, paint, paint thinner, batteries (except alkaline/non-rechargeables), used motor oil, antifreeze/brake fluid, household cleaning fluids, pool chemicals, pesticides, and propane tanks.

Electronic equipment can also be recycled. An item is considered electronic waste if it contains a circuit board. Examples include computers, televisions, VCR's, fax machines, CD players, and stereos. Note that rear-projection television sets cannot

be recycled. Those may be disposed of rear-projection televisions at the curb as a large item pickup. For more information, visit www.ocfl.net/hhw or call the solid waste hotline at 407-836-6601.

Pancake supper set for Oct. 13 prior to Wekiva-Apopka game

The annual Apopka Rotary Pancake Supper is headed for a Thursday evening. The Apopka Rotary Club event has been held for several years when the two local high school teams lock horns on the football field. Since the Wekiva-Apopka high school football game is scheduled for Thursday, October 13, that's when the yearly Rotary fundraiser will be held. This year, the game will be played on a Thursday due to a school holiday on Friday, October 14, and the Rotary Club followed suit. The pancake supper will be held at Wekiva High School where the football game will be played and Rotary members will serve all-you-can-eat pancakes and

sausage from 4:30-6:30 p.m. The football game will kick off at 7 p.m. The food will be served under a large tent just north of the football field. There will be some inside seating available near the tent. The event will be held in the Wekiva High cafeteria in case of inclement weather. Tickets have been reduced to \$5, and children 5 years of age and under eat free with a paying adult. Funds raised from the event will be returned to the community through the Rotary Club's donations to many local organizations. To purchase tickets, call 407-464-7024 or visit the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce, 180 E. Main Street.

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MASTERMINDS (PG13) 3:50; 9:50
MISS PEREGRINE'S HOME FOR PECULIAR CHILDREN (PG13)
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The City of Apopka will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter. The sole purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the City applying for a grant under the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) during the 2017-2018 funding cycle. The applications are due October 28, 2016. The grant application includes improvements to the "Apopka Athletic Complex".

The City of Apopka will hold the meeting at the Fran Carlton Center located at 11 North Forest Avenue, Apopka, Florida. The public is invited to attend. Handicapped persons wishing to attend, who will need special accommodations, should contact Linda Goff, City Clerk, City of Apopka, at (407) 703-1704.
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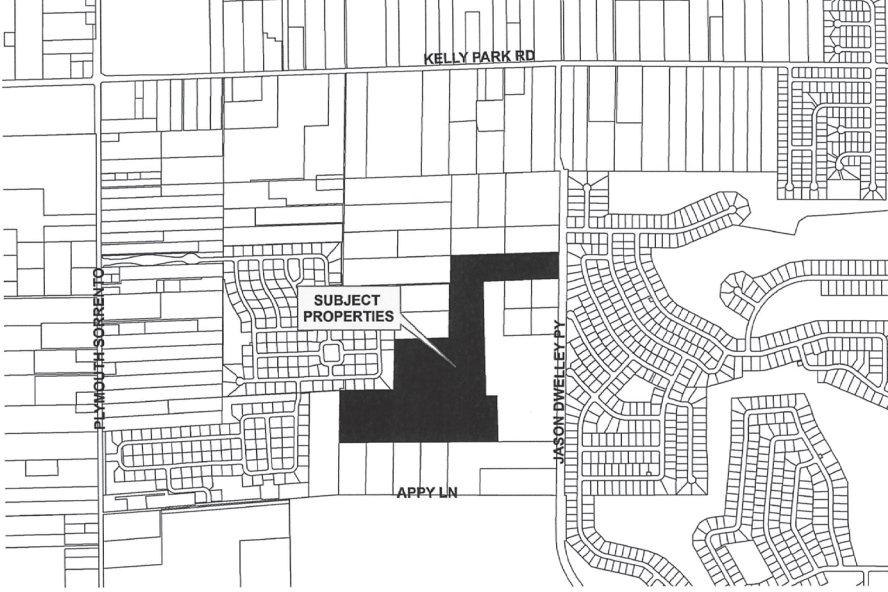
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CITY OF APOPKA
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CHANGE OF ZONING AMENDMENT

The following ordinance will be read at second reading and considered for adoption at the City Council meeting in the Apopka City Hall Council Chambers on **Wednesday, October 19, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible.

ORDINANCE NO. 2519

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2170, CHANGING THE ASSIGNMENT OF OWNERSHIP FOR TRACT "B" AND "F" AND AMENDING THE APPROVED ORCHID ESTATES MASTER PLAN/PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED EAST OF JASON DWELLEY PARKWAY AND NORTH OF APPLY LANE, AND OWNED BY JTD LAND AT ORCHID ESTATES, LLC., PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



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Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. This PUD and Master Plan amendment application may be inspected at the Community Development Department, weekdays between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

City of Apopka City Council
Community Development Department

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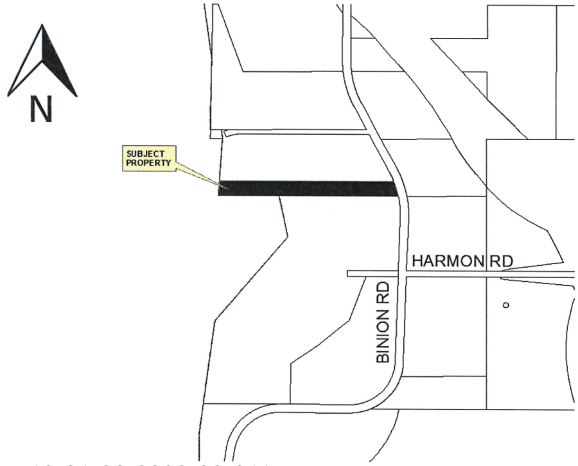
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CITY OF APOPKA
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
SMALL SCALE FUTURE LAND USE AND CHANGE OF ZONING AMENDMENT

The following ordinances will be read and considered for the **second reading** for adoption at the City Council meeting in the Apopka City Hall Council Chambers, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida, on **Wednesday, October 19, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible.

ORDINANCE NO. 2520

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE APOPKA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF APOPKA; CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM "COUNTY" RURAL (1 DU/ 10 AC) TO "CITY" MIXED USE, FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1850 S. BINION RD., COMPRISING 5.6 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND OWNED BY EQUITY WATERS EDGE LLC; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



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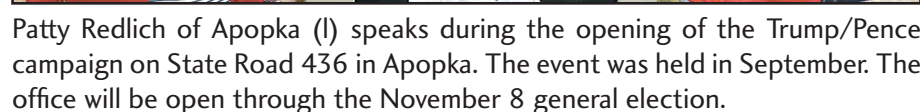
Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed ordinances may be inspected by the public at the City Clerk's office or the Community Development Department. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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GOP office opens in Apopka



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Wekiva High School seniors have visitors from varying colleges



College representatives from the University of Connecticut (left picture) and the University of South Florida (right picture) visited Wekiva High School over the past several days, touting their respective schools to the WHS students.



The Way I See It

Patti Bankson

Nothing New!

Back in August, I asked this question: *"Has politics always been this sticky, has government always been this corrupt? Have our (so-called) 'Public Servants' always been this self-serving?"* I got one answer, at least, from a book I was reading about the Hatfields and McCoys; about elections in Appalachia from 1854 to 1898. At that time, there were no *secret* ballots... just elections where votes were bought through intimidation, and fifty-gallon barrels of corn "*likker*". Throughout our current presidential election, I've had occasion to ask that question again... Repeatedly. And, to look further for the answer(s). So, it looks like we can thank President John Adams and Vice-President Thomas Jefferson for establishing a tradition of negative campaigning that, apparently, would put to shame, what we're seeing today.

An Adams supporter publicly suggested that a Jefferson presidency *"would see our wives and daughters the victims of legal prostitution."* It also looks like our shock at

non-objective newspapers voicing their non-objective opinions against a candidate, is misplaced, as an influential Connecticut newspaper warned that our nation would become one where, *"murder, robbery, rape, adultery and incest will openly be taught and practiced"*, if Jefferson were to be elected.

Of course, Jefferson had to hit back. James Callender, an influential journalist of that time, came out against Adams ... thanks to secret funding by Jefferson, and an axe to grind with Adams, whose administration had prosecuted and imprisoned Callender for a Sedition Act violation. And, hit back he did, writing that Adams was a rageful, lying, warmongering fellow; a *"repulsive pedant"* and *"gross hypocrite"* who *"behaved neither like a man nor like a woman but instead possessed a hideous hermaphroditical character."*

As dirty as the 1800 campaign had been, it seems that the election of 1828 – President John Quincy Adams vs Andrew Jackson - was dirtier. Just as our media today pursue political agendas, so did highly partisan newspapers of the day, with headlines charging murder, adultery and pimping.

Jackson's wife, Rachael, had been married to another man, which raised the question about whether she had been

"properly divorced" from him, which led to Jackson being accused of being an adulterer... running away with another man's wife... while Mrs. Jackson was branded a bigamist. History tells us that, she was *not* divorced when she married Jackson, although she believed that her husband had divorced her. True or false, naturally, Jackson's campaign hit back, accusing Adams of lining up an American girl for the *"pleasure"* of the Russian Czar, while he was the Russian Ambassador. That allegation was completely **False**.

So, once again, history answers my question: *"Has politics always been this sticky, has government always been this corrupt? Have our (so-called) 'Public Servants' always been this self-serving?"* And, the answer is *"Yes"*. I suppose that information... that history... would allow a more pragmatic woman to accept that, *"It is what it is"...* and, *it's been that way for a long time. Not gonna' change, so deal with it.* On the other hand, although I have my pragmatic moments, the *Idealist* in me is still alive and kicking... and, although the sky looks dark sometimes, the Idealist in me still believes that... *the Sun'll come out tomorrow. Bet your bottom dollar, That tomorrow... There'll be sun!*

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Loaves & Fishes seeking donations for holidays

By Teresa Sargeant
Apopka Chief Staff

It’s that time of year again when non-profit organizations are asking surrounding communities to think about the less fortunate and contribute resources, time and money.

Loaves & Fishes, a faith-based food pantry and social-services organization, is no exception. The organization just started up various holiday drives to assist families in need, including a turkey pledge, monetary contributions for a new van, Christmas toy donations, “angel trees” under which people can leave wrapped presents, and gifts of chocolate packages.

This holiday season, Loaves & Fishes will help about 550 families, according to the Loaves & Fishes October newsletter. Every month, the group gives out more than 31,000 food items to qualified families.

In an interview, Loaves & Fishes Director Lory Reeves said the organization aims to collect 500 turkeys through the turkey pledge every year.

“We put it into God’s hands, and it’s a blessing how the community comes together,” said Lory Reeves.

In 2015, Loaves & Fishes collected 413 turkeys and assisted 977 children ages 0-18 years by giving each one three to five brand new toys including coloring books and crayons, stuffed toys and board games. Boys received trucks and sports balls, and

girls got dolls and tea sets.

Rolling Hills Community Church is one of many businesses, churches and organizations assisting Loaves & Fishes during the holidays. Every year, the Zellwood church pledges 100 turkeys. It also has a donation bin set up at the entrance, and some congregation members are Loaves & Fishes volunteers.

“We have supported Loaves & Fishes for a long time,” said Trisha Stapp, church administrator.

Anyone with questions may call 407-886-6005 and ask for Reeves or senior director Karen Valiente. Loaves & Fishes’ address is 206 E. 8th St., Apopka.

Turkey pledge

Individuals, groups, organizations and churches may donate a turkey or turkeys or money so Loaves & Fishes can make bulk purchases. Checks written to Loaves & Fishes should have “turkey” written in the memo line.

Along with turkeys, other holiday food donations that are sought out are chickens, canned hams, canned yams, gravy, canned fruit, instant potatoes, pasta, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, and stuffing.

New van is needed

Loaves & Fishes is looking to replace its 1999 Ford van with a \$28,000 used 250 transit van from Mullinax Ford that allows room for the non-profit’s volunteers to stand up

in the cargo area to load and unload.

Anyone who would like to donate, please mark “van” on the check.

Christmas toys

Loaves & Fishes is accepting new toy donations until December 16, including Lego sets, art and craft kits, sports balls, Barbie clothes, ethnic Barbies, board games for teenagers, tea sets, baby toys and big trucks.

Angel trees

Community members may consider establishing a Christmas tree in their church or workplace with hanging ornaments listing a toy on the back of each one. Individuals take an ornament from such “angel trees” and place an unwrapped toy under it according to what the ornament reads. Interested parties may contact Loaves & Fishes and ask to print ornament labels.

Chocolate, chocolate, chocolate

This year, Loaves & Fishes will fill approximately 550 tins with Hershey’s miniature chocolates and Kisses as a family gift on behalf of Loaves & Fishes and the community. Therefore, the organization needs 900 full-sized candy bars to include two in each child’s Christmas bag. Donations are needed by November 1 so volunteers have enough time to fill the tins.

According to the Loaves & Fishes newsletter, the non-profit has found Costco sells the miniatures and Kisses in bulk at a reasonable cost.

Loaves & Fishes’ distribution/holiday schedule

November 21-23: Thanksgiving distribution

November 24: Loaves & Fishes is closed

December 19-22: Christmas distribution

December 23-January 8: Loaves & Fishes is closed

January 9: Loaves & Fishes reopens

Tilford: U.S. has not won a war decisively since 1945

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American flag officers focused on devising force structures and fighting budget battles. Meanwhile, the national security strategy of the United States was to contain communist expansion. Focused as they were on weapons acquisitions and force structures, generals and admirals became executives resembling their counterparts at General Motors and American Telephone and Telegraph.

Stalemate in Korea was followed by strategic paralysis in Vietnam mainly due to President Lyndon Johnson’s negative objectives of not provoking a wider war while also not losing the war in South Vietnam. Not losing proved costly and ultimately failed because nothing succeeds like winning. For Johnson, strategy devolved into target selection, and his military leaders accommodated him.

The president is required by law to submit an annual “National Security Policy of the United States.” The Joint Chiefs of Staff must then respond with a corresponding national military strategy based on the president’s broad policy goals. To compete globally, an effective president must understand strategic threats, available American resources, and correctly assess national will. Statements like “I will not put American boots on the ground” or “after I’m elected I’m going to bomb...” are inane in the first instance and silly in the second. Any declaration against specific threats, whether it’s a nut-job dictator in North Korea threatening nuclear war with the United States, China pumping up island military bases in the South China Sea, Russian forces wargaming against Ukraine, or ISIS spreading terror globally, must be weighed against resources and capabilities.

The absolute first requirement for an effective president is to understand

clearly the strategic threats and not confuse them with domestic political or ideological agendas. Second, it’s the president’s responsibility to assure that whatever the national security policy, the military has resources needed to fulfill it. Currently, this means improving operational readiness and reinstituting effective training. Additionally, the Reagan-era force was modernized to include new warplanes, warships, armored vehicles, helicopters, and artillery. Third, victory demands the national will to win. Because war is an act of violence pushed to the ultimate, there will always be a butcher’s bill and the American people must be willing to pay it. That is why the next president must be a leader who clearly understands global strategic threats and effectively communicates that understanding to we the people.

Ultimately, the best strategy is to be strong enough to enter any confrontation with the advantages attendant to unmatched military power. Furthermore, the next president must understand that military orders of battle – quantity of weapons in the inventory – can lead to a cult of numbers that is the fallacy of modern warfare. Despite overwhelming military power, and far more combat victories than defeats, the United States has not won a war decisively since 1945. Military power alone is not enough. Potential adversaries like China seeking regional military hegemony, Russia intent on restoring its East European strategic swagger, and a hopefully soon-to-be devastated ISIS, must understand that in addition to possessing overwhelming military power, the United States will use it and do so effectively.

Dr. Earl Tilford is a military historian and fellow for the Middle East and terrorism with The Center for Vision & Values at Grove City College.

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Corbeil: First move as First Lady created ‘Travelgate’ scandal

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count the ways, of the woman who claims children are, and have always been the primary object of care in her life.

After 12 years as Arkansas’ first lady, the “smartest female in the world” left that state ranked 48th in education, 49th in wages, and 50th in quality of medical care. She, on the other hand, had a big paying, undeserved job at the state’s largest law firm, Rose Law, was deeply involved with the scam of Whitewatergate, the looting of Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, and the Castle Grande connivance led by Webster Hubbel’s father-in-law.

Her partner-in-piracy, Jim McDougall, died mysteriously in prison. Bill’s lieutenant governor, Jim Guy Tucker, was convicted along with 13 other conspirators and Susan McDougall languished behind bars for refusing to answer a simple question about Bill under oath.

Hillary’s first move in the White House was to fire seven career employees in the travel office, smear-

ing them with false accusations of embezzlement and enlisting the FBI to create the “Travelgate” scandal, eventually lying to a grand jury about her key part in this. Her main target, travel office manager Billy Dale, was exonerated by a jury after less than 90 minutes of deliberation. Taxpayers had to reimburse his \$500,000 defense bill.

Her former Rose Law Firm partner and alleged lover, Vince Foster, was given a high position in the White House and died under extremely suspicious circumstances, immediately following which, his office was ransacked by her orders, creating an investigation known as “Fostergate.” In 1994, she illegally assembled a White House force of more than 500 unnamed co-conspirators to craft a scheme that would socialize medicine and put 15 percent of the U.S. economy under federal government tyranny, incompetence, and runaway cost. Thankfully, “Medigate” failed even a Democrat-controlled Congress, and fines of \$275,000, assessed against the Hillary-led conspiracy, were paid by tax-

payers.

Her next attack on our Constitution involved bringing in ex-bar bouncer Craig Livingstone to ferret out confidential FBI files on some political opponents (primarily Republicans) and transfer their personal information to computers. “Filegate” epitomized the Clintonista’s complete politicization of the U.S. Department of Justice with a class action suit brought by Judicial Watch on behalf of those victimized.

Space does not permit total discussions on “Cattlegate,” “Chinagate” and her constant defense of the “First Zipper” throughout “Impeachgate.”

I will never forget the statements of the independent counsels after depositing both Clintonistas as part of the “Whitewatergate” probe. “He lies about half the time,” they reported, “but she lies 100 percent of the time.”

Even for New Yorkers, that should be a little too much.

“A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he (she) that speaketh lies shall perish.” Proverbs 19:9.

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Apopka lands \$625,000 federal grant for police officers

The city of Apopka has received a \$625,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to hire five police officers. The Department of Justice also awarded Orange County \$2.5 million to hire 20 new officers.

The three-year, \$625,000 grant will help Apopka ease the heavy demands on the police department in keeping up with a growing community of more than 46,000 residents and businesses spread across 33 square miles of northwest Orange County. The grant requires a match from Apopka for \$339,800.

“The city of Apopka has a well-documented need for more police officers,” Mayor Joe Kilsheimer was quoted as saying in a press release. “These additional officers will go a long way in al-

lowing the city of Apopka to reach this goal and ensuring the citizens of Apopka continue to have a safe community in which to live.”

U.S. Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch announced grant awards on Monday, October 3, at an event in Dallas, Texas.

Apopka is among 184 law enforcement agencies across the country and only 12 in Florida to receive part of \$119 million through the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Program. The funding is aimed at creating or protecting more than 900 law enforcement positions nationally.

“It’s important to give our community the tools they need to ensure our citizens are safe,” Congressman John L. Mica was

quoted as saying in a press release. “Orange County and Apopka will be safer with more police officers patrolling our streets.”

Across the country, \$119 million is being distributed to hire new police officers.

The COPS Hiring Program provides funds directly to law enforcement agencies to hire new and/or rehire career law enforcement officers, and to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.

The 2016 CHP grant program was an open solicitation. All local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority were eligible to apply.

Apopka grant coordinator Dr. Shakenya Harris-Jackson applied to the

COPS program as part of the city of Apopka’s greater emphasis to seek readily available grants and to invest those monies into local community improvements. Federal grant funding relieves some of the burden on city taxpayers to cover the needed costs for additional police officers.

By hiring more police officers, the city will be able to boost its police officer-residents ratio. Doing so will help Apopka better accomplish its goals, plus bring the Apopka Police Department up to par with other local cities’ counterparts.

“Our immediate goal is to get Apopka’s police department to a ratio of 2.5 officers per 1,000 residents, which is the average among police departments across the state. We now stand at

a ratio of about 2.2 officers per thousand,” Kilsheimer said. “Over the long term, our goal is to achieve three officers per 1,000 residents, which is the average among many of the police departments in the Central Flor-

ida area. These additional officers will go a long way in allowing the City of Apopka to reach this goal and ensuring the citizens of Apopka continue to have a safe community in which to live.”



Site plan for serenity garden under revision

By Teresa Sargeant
Apopka Chief Staff

Now that some ground has been cleared at Wekiwa Springs State Park to make way for the state’s first serenity garden, the next step in constructing the Wekiwa Springs Serenity Garden is to work with engineers in bringing it to fruition, according to the garden’s project manager Sarafaith Pekor.

In addition to collaborating with engineers, volunteers will also establish workshops that will educate the public about the garden’s benefits and outdoor relaxation, such as meditation and tai chi.

The construction phase of the Wekiwa Springs Serenity Garden began on September 24, when 50 volunteers helped clear the

ground on what was National Public Lands Day.

However, the clearing revealed that the land is more than half an acre – bigger than the originally anticipated half-acre. So the site plan is being revised to reflect the accurate dimensions, said Pekor, a retired medical massage/movement therapist, wellness coach and advocate.

The first of its kind in any Florida state park, the Wekiwa Springs Serenity Garden will be a quiet place of meditation and relaxation. The area will have Florida native plants, water features, benches, and a winding trail accessible by all. The project may be completed within a year, according to Pekor.

The Wekiwa Wilderness Trust, the non-profit volunteer group that sup-

ports the work of Wekiwa Springs State Park, has created the garden with volunteer support from the Seminole County Master Gardener Program. Because the garden site was the location of three small hotels between 1870 and 1901, the land is considered disturbed by the land park service and therefore developable.

Wekiwa Springs State Park attracts nearly 400,000 visitors a year, making it one of Florida’s busiest state parks.

The ballpark cost will be between \$150,000 and \$250,000, which will be raised through private donations. The Wekiwa Wilderness Trust will also host fundraisers, Pekor said.

Though there is a team of volunteers in place to build the serenity garden,

the Wekiwa Wilderness Trust is looking for consultants and volunteers for different phases of design and construction, as well as volunteers who can be trained to tend to the plants and be garden guides after the garden opens.

For more information, about the Wekiwa Springs Serenity Garden, visit www.serenity-wekiwa.com.

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Throughout the week, the passport division in the Orange County Courthouse will stay open an extra hour and a half until 5:30 p.m. to allow customers to apply for a passport after hours. In addition, passport

services will be available to customers at the Apopka and Winter Park branches on Saturday, October 22, from 9 a.m. to noon: 1111 N. Rock Springs Rd., Apopka; and 450 N. Lakemont Ave., Winter Park.

Seminole County and other surrounding county residents may also take advantage of these additional hours as the Apopka and Winter Park branches are close to families who live near the Orange and Seminole County line.

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Fee: Staff will have ordinance for new fees at Nov. 2 meeting

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PRMG's study said Apopka needs to charge \$747 per new house for the police impact fee and \$708 for each new dwelling for a fire/EMS impact fee.

In the proposal Thomas presented, city staff suggested the fees could be reduced by about 30 percent to \$519 for police and \$516 for fire/EMS.

However, during discussion by the City Council members, Commissioner Doug Bankson suggested that the city should seriously consider levying the study's higher recommended rate so that new construction would come closer to paying for capital needs caused by the growth.

"To me, this is one of the smartest ways to be able to move forward because there is a difference between a tax and a fee. This is a one-time impact versus a tax, which is a consistent thing," Bankson said.

"If we cover this, it's not going to have to come out of our general fund as much, which is going to help us keep our tax base (low). I learn toward the higher side of this because it's for legitimate purposes and it is something that is going to benefit those who move here."

Mayor Joe Kilsheimer said he preferred at least considering a lower rate than the full amount.

"I still would like to introduce this concept of being on a glide path instead of jerking people around. We need to do this stuff incrementally so that people don't feel like, 'They just yanked our chain,'" Kilsheimer said.

"People are much more willing to accept things if things are done gradually as opposed to a big knee-jerk reaction."

Glenn Irby, Apopka's city administrator, said he wanted the full assessment.

"I believe that you ought to go full tilt and invoke fees to the top. To do otherwise, it's just going to take you longer to get where you need to be," Irby said.

"It's been touched on several times during the presentation, especially at the end, that if this had been done several years ago, we wouldn't be at the juncture we are now."

Mayor Kilsheimer said that since the city is also considering raising its impact fee for parks and recreation that lower assessments for the police and fire/EMS fees would be best.



Commissioner Doug Bankson speaks Monday, October 3, during the workshop.

Thomas, the PRMG vice president, said that his company would have the parks and recreation impact fee study done prior to when the City Council would vote on the police and fire/EMS fees. Irby said the staff would have an ordinance for the new fees in front of the council by the November 2 meeting.

As a result, City Council members agreed to have staff draft an ordinance that would set the impact fees at 80 percent of the full number, which would mean two new fees of about \$600 each. They will make the final decision after hearing the numbers for the parks and recreation impact fee.

Commissioner Kyle Becker, who is a financial analyst, asked several questions about the methodology used in the study, including pointing out that he thought the population projections seemed low.

According to the study, Apopka's population in 2040 will be an estimated 80,000.

Event sponsors also are welcome.

For more information about the event at Kit Land Nelson Park, call the Apopka Recreation Department at 407-703-1642.



Commissioner Kyle Becker gestures as he speaks Monday, October 3, during the impact fee workshop.

Halloween in the Park planned for Oct. 29

Apopka's Hometown Halloween in the Park will be from 5 to 9 p.m., October 29, at Kit Land Nelson Park.

The popular annual event will feature trick-or-

treating, games, a bounce house, face painting and a family-friendly Halloween movie.

Local businesses and organizations are invited to set up a Halloween-themed

booth and hand out individually wrapped candy or small toys/prizes to the children in attendance.

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Important events throughout the years for early October weeks

October 1
1908 - Henry Ford’s Model T, a “universal car” designed for the masses, went on sale for the first time.
1938 - Hitler’s troops occupied the Sudetenland portion of Czechoslovakia. In an effort to avoid war, the leaders of Britain and France had agreed to cede the German-speaking area to Hitler, who later broke the agreement and occupied all of Czechoslovakia.
1946 - Twelve Nazi leaders were sentenced to death at the International War Crimes Tribunal in Nuremberg, Germany.
1949 - The People’s Republic of China was founded with Mao Zedong as Chairman.
1979 - After 70 years of American control, the Panama Canal Zone was formally handed over to Panama.
Birthday - Virtuoso pianist Vladimir Horowitz (1904-1989) was born in Berdichev, Russia. He made his American debut in 1928 with the New York Philharmonic and became a U.S. citizen in 1944. In 1986, after a self-imposed absence of 60 years, he performed a concert in his native Russia.

October 2
1935 - Mussolini’s Italian troops invaded Abyssinia, beginning an occupation lasting until 1941.
1967 - Thurgood Marshall (1908-1993) was sworn in as the first African American associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. He served until 1991 and was known for opposing discrimination and the death penalty, and for championing free speech and civil liberties.
1968 - California’s Redwood National Park was established. Redwoods are the tallest of all trees, growing up to 400 feet (120 meters) during a lifetime that can span 2,000 years.
1975 - Japanese Emperor Hirohito made his first-ever visit to the White House.
Birthday - Indian political and spiritual leader Mohandas (Mahatma) Gandhi (1869-1948) was born in Porbandar, India. He achieved worldwide fame for his devout lifestyle and nonviolent resistance which ended British rule over India. He was assassinated by a religious fanatic in the garden of his home in New Delhi on January 30, 1948.
Birthday - American statesman Cordell Hull (1871-1955) was born in Pickett County, Tennessee. He served in both houses of Congress, as Secretary of State, and was instrumental in the establishment of the United Nations.

October 3
1863 - President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation designating the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day.
1929 - Yugoslavia became the official name of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes.
1932 - Iraq gained independence from Britain and joined the League of Nations.
1974 - Frank Robinson was hired by the Cleveland Indians as baseball’s first African American major league manager.
1990 - After 45 years of Cold War division, East and West Germany were reunited as the Federal Republic of Germany.

October 4
1582 - The Gregorian Calendar took effect in Catholic countries as Pope Gregory XIII issued a decree stating

the day following Thursday, October 4, 1582, would be Friday, October 15, 1582, correcting a 10-day error accumulated by the Julian Calendar. Britain and the American colonies adopted the Gregorian Calendar in 1752.
1830 - Belgium gained its independence, after having been a part of the Netherlands since 1815.
1943 - The Island of Corsica became the first French territory in Europe freed from Nazi control as Free French troops liberated the city of Bastia.
1957 - The Space Age began as the Russians launched the first satellite into orbit. Sputnik 1 weighed just 184 lbs. and transmitted a beeping radio signal for 21 days. The remarkable accomplishment by Soviet Russia sent a shockwave through the American political leadership resulting in U.S. efforts to be the first on the moon.
1965 - Pope Paul VI became the first Pope to visit the U.S. and the first to address the United Nations.
1993 - Russian tank-soldiers loyal to President Boris Yeltsin shelled the Russian White House, crushing a hard-line Communist rebellion. Yeltsin then fired Vice-president Alexander Rutskoi and jailed other opposition leaders.
Birthday - St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226) was born in Assisi, Umbria, Italy (as Giovanni Francesco Bernardone). He renounced his family’s wealth and founded the Friars Minor (Franciscan Order).
Birthday - Rutherford B. Hayes (1822-1893) the 19th U.S. President was born in Delaware, Ohio. He served from March 4, 1877 to March 3, 1881. He was a Republican best known for his much-quoted statement, “He serves his party best who serves his country best.”
Birthday - Artist Frederic Remington (1861-1909) was born in Canton, New York. He studied at Yale Art School then traveled extensively throughout the American West in the late 1800s sketching cowboys, Native Americans, frontiersmen, and soldiers. He also created lively sculptures featuring bucking broncos.

October 5
1813 - Shawnee Indian Chief Tecumseh was defeated and killed during the War of 1812. Regarded as one of the greatest American Indians, he was a powerful orator who defended his people against white settlement. When the War of 1812 broke out, he joined the British as a brigadier general and was killed at the Battle of the Thames in Ontario.
1877 - Following a 1,700-mile retreat, Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce Indians surrendered to U.S. Cavalry troops at Bear’s Paw near Chinook, Montana. “From where the sun now stands, I will fight no more forever,” he declared.
1908 - Bulgaria proclaimed its independence from the Ottoman Empire.
1910 - Portugal became a republic following a successful revolt against King Manuel II.
1938 - Czech President Dr. Eduard Benes resigned and fled abroad amid threats from Adolf Hitler.
1964 - The largest mass escape since the construction of the Berlin Wall occurred as 57 East German refugees escaped to West Berlin after tunneling beneath the wall.
1986 - Former U.S. Marine

Eugene Hasenfus was captured by Nicaraguan Sandinistas after a plane carrying arms for the Nicaraguan rebels (Contras) was shot down over Nicaragua. This marked the beginning of the “Iran-Contra” controversy resulting in Congressional hearings and a major scandal for the Reagan White House after it was revealed that money from the sale of arms to Iran was used to fund covert operations in Nicaragua.
Birthday - Theologian Jonathan Edwards (1703-1758) was born in East Windsor, Connecticut. He led the “Great Awakening” religious revival in the American colonies and later became president of Princeton.
Birthday - Chester A. Arthur (1830-1886) the 21st President of the U.S. was born in Fairfield, Vermont. He succeeded to the presidency following the assassination of James A. Garfield. He served from September 20, 1881 to March 3, 1885, but was not nominated by the Republican Party for a second term.
Birthday - “Father of the Space Age” Robert Goddard (1882-1945) was born in Worcester, Massachusetts. During his lifetime he was ridiculed by the public and the press over his idea of constructing a space flight machine. In 1926, he launched the world’s first liquid-fueled rocket on a farm near Auburn, Mass. In 1935, his liquid-fueled rocket surpassed the speed of sound. Other developments included a steering apparatus for rocket machines, staged rockets to reach high altitudes, rocket fuel pumps, and a self-cooling rocket motor.
Birthday - Czech playwright and political leader Vaclav Havel was born in Prague, October 5, 1936. He spent over 5 years in prison for speaking out against government abuses. He went on to lead the peaceful “velvet revolution” which ended Soviet-style Communism in Czechoslovakia in 1989.

October 6
1927 - The first “talkie” opened in New York. The Jazz Singer starring Al Jolson was the first full-length feature film using spoken dialogue.
1928 - Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek became president of the Republic of China upon the introduction of a new constitution.
1949 - “Tokyo Rose” (Iva Toguri d’Aquino) was sentenced in San Francisco to 10 years imprisonment and fined \$10,000 for treason. She had broadcast music and Japanese propaganda to American troops in the Pacific during World War II. She was pardoned by President Gerald Ford in 1977.
1973 - The Yom Kippur War started as Egypt and Syria launched attacks on Israeli positions on the East Bank of the Suez and the Golan Heights.
1978 - Iranian religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini was granted asylum in France after being expelled from Iran for his opposition to the Shah.
1981 - Egyptian President Anwar Sadat (1918-1981) was assassinated in Cairo by Muslim fundamentalists while watching a military parade. He had shared the **1978** Nobel Peace Prize with Menachem Begin of Israel. He had signed an American-sponsored peace accord with Israel, but had been denounced by other Arab leaders.

Birthday - Engineer and inventor George Westinghouse (1846-1914) was born in Central Bridge, New York. He developed air brakes for trains and was later responsible for the adoption of alternating current (AC) systems for electric power transmission in the U.S. He was also the first employer to give his employees paid vacations.
Birthday - Norwegian explorer Thor Heyerdahl was born in Larvik, Norway, October 6, 1914. He used Kon-Tiki and other primitive ocean-going vessels to prove the possibility of transoceanic contact between ancient, widely separated civilizations.

October 7
1765 - The Stamp Act Congress convened in New York City with representatives from nine colonies meeting in protest to the British Stamp Act which imposed the first direct tax by the British Crown upon the American colonies.
1940 - During World War II in Europe, German troops invaded Romania to take seize strategic oil fields.
1949 - The German Democratic Republic came into existence in East Germany. Dominated by Soviet Russia, it lasted until German reunification in 1990.
1985 - Palestinian terrorists seized the Italian passenger ship Achille Lauro carrying about 440 persons, threatening to blow it up if Israel did not free 50 Palestinian prisoners. Leon Klinghoffer, an elderly wheelchair-bound American, was murdered.

October 8
1871 - The Great Fire of Chicago erupted. According to legend, it started when Mrs. O’Leary’s cow kicked over a lantern in her barn on DeKoven Street. Over 300 persons were killed and 90,000 were left homeless as the fire leveled 3.5 square miles, destroying 17,450 buildings. Financial losses totaled over \$200 million.
1918 - During World War I in the Argonne Forest in France, U.S. Sergeant Alvin C. York single-handedly took out a German machine-gun battalion, killing over a dozen and capturing 132. He was later awarded the Medal of Honor and the French Croix de Guerre.
1993 - The U.N. General Assembly lifted economic sanctions against South Africa following the end of racial apartheid. The sanctions had been imposed since the 1960s.
1996 - Palestinian President Yasser Arafat made his first public visit to Israel for talks with Israeli President Ezer Weizman at his private residence.

1998 - The U.S. House of Representatives voted 258-176 to approve a resolution launching an impeachment inquiry of President Bill Clinton. It was only the third time in U.S. history the House launched a formal impeachment inquiry of a sitting president. (The other two: Andrew Johnson and Richard Nixon).
Birthday - American fighter pilot Ace Eddie Rickenbacker (1890-1973) was born in Columbus, Ohio. He commanded the first U.S. aero unit to take part in World War I and was credited with 26 victories, becoming America’s leading Ace. He was awarded the Medal of Honor. He later got involved in auto racing and headed Eastern Air Lines from 1934-63.

October 9

1962 - Uganda achieved independence after nearly 70 years of British rule.
1970 - Cambodia declared itself the Khmer Republic following the abolishment of the monarchy by the legislature.
Birthday - John Lennon (1940-1980) was born in Liverpool, England. He was a member of The Beatles, an influential rock group which captivated audiences first in England and Germany, and later in America and throughout the world. He was murdered in New York City on December 8, 1980.

October 10
1954 - Ho Chi Minh entered Hanoi, Vietnam, after the withdrawal of French troops, in accordance with armistice terms ending the seven-year struggle between Communist Vietnamese and the French.
1973 - Spiro T. Agnew (1918-1996) resigned the office of Vice President of the United States amid charges of income tax evasion on illegal payments allegedly received while he was governor of Maryland and after he became Vice President. He was later given a \$10,000 fine and sentenced to serve three years probation. He was succeeded as Vice President by Gerald R. Ford, who went on to become President after the resignation of Richard M. Nixon.
Birthday - Italian opera composer Giuseppe Verdi (1813-1901) was born in Le Roncole, Italy. His 26 operas include; Rigoletto, Il Trovatore, La Traviata and Aida, and are among the most popular of all classical music performed today.

October 11
1521 - King Henry VIII of England was given the title “Defender of the Faith” by Pope Leo X following the publication of the King’s book against Martin Luther.
1899 - The Boer War began in South African between the British Empire and Boers of the Transvaal and Orange Free State. The war ended in 1902 with the Treaty of Pretoria in which the Transvaal and Orange Free State became British colonies.
1939 - Albert Einstein warned President Franklin D. Roosevelt that his theories could lead to Nazi Germany’s development of an atomic bomb. Einstein suggested the U.S. develop its own bomb. This resulted in the top secret “Manhattan Project.”
1962 - The Second Vatican Council was opened in St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome by Pope John XXIII. Sessions were held in four successive autumns from 1962-65. Vatican II resulted in sweeping changes to the Catholic Church including the use of English and local native languages in the Mass instead of Latin, and openness and cooperation with other religions and denominations.
1976 - The “Gang of Four,” including the widow of Mao Zedong, was arrested in China, charged with plotting a coup. They were subsequently tried and convicted of various crimes against the state.
Birthday - Eleanor Roosevelt (1884-1962) was born in New York City. She was the wife of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, 32nd U.S. President. As First Lady, she led an unprecedented independent life, striving to improve the lives of people all over the world. In 1933, she became the first wife of a president

to give her own news conference in the White House. She traveled extensively on her own and was affectionately called “First Lady of the world.” She served as a U.S. delegate to the United Nations for many years and helped write the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

October 12
1492 - After a 33-day voyage, Christopher Columbus made his first landfall in the New World in the Bahamas. He named the first land sighted as El Salvador, claiming it in the name of the Spanish Crown. Columbus was seeking a western sea route from Europe to Asia and believed he had found an island of the Indies. He thus called the first island natives he met, ‘Indians.’
1811 - Paraguay declared its independence from Spain and Argentina.
1822 - Brazil became independent of Portugal.
1960 - During a debate over colonialism in the United Nations, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev took off his shoe and pounded his desk repeatedly.
Birthday - British composer and conductor Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) was born in Down Ampney, Gloucestershire, England. He combined modern composition techniques with traditional English folk and Tudor music to create a uniquely British style. His major compositions include; Mass in G Minor, Fantasia on a Theme of Tallis and the opera The Pilgrim’s Progress. He also composed nine symphonies, church and choral music, film and stage music and several operas.

October 13
54 A.D. - Roman Emperor Claudius died after eating mushrooms poisoned by his wife, the Empress Agrippina.
1775 - The United States Navy was born after the Second Continental Congress authorized the acquisition of a fleet of ships.
1792 - The cornerstone of the White House was laid by George Washington. The building, located at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, is three stories tall with over 100 rooms, and was designed by James Hoban. In November of 1800, President John Adams and his family moved in. The building was first known as the “Presidential Palace,” but acquired the name “White House” about 10 years after its completion. It was burned by British troops in 1814, then reconstructed, refurbished and reoccupied in 1817.
1884 - Greenwich was established as the universal time from which standard times throughout the world are calculated. Italy declared war on its former Axis partner Germany after the downfall of Mussolini and collapse of his Fascist government.
1990 - The first Russian Orthodox service in over 70 years was held in St. Basil’s Cathedral, next to the Kremlin, in Red Square, Moscow.
Birthday - Molly Pitcher (1754-1832) was born near Trenton, New Jersey (as Mary Ludwig). She was a water carrier at the Battle of Monmouth in 1778 during the American Revolution. After her husband, artilleryman John Hays, collapsed, she took his place at his cannon. To be continued.
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Animal owners need to be aware of screwworm

By Tom Nordlie
 Univ. of Florida

GAINESVILLE — Screwworms infecting wild deer in the Florida Keys have captured headlines, and experts with the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences and UF's College of Veterinary Medicine say livestock and pet owners in Peninsular Florida should keep a watchful eye for signs of infection in their animals, to aid in the eradication effort.

Florida residents who own cattle, horses, goats, sheep, dogs, cats, poultry, exotic birds or other warm-blooded animals should know the symptoms animals exhibit when infected by the larvae of the New World screwworm fly, said Jack Payne, Ph.D., UF senior vice president for agriculture and natural resources.

"We have every reason to believe that the current outbreak will be contained and eradicated," Payne said.

"Our UF/IFAS Extension Monroe County office is doing a terrific job of

informing residents and interfacing with all the key players, there are relatively few livestock animals in the Keys, and the eradication effort uses proven, effective methods. Having said all that, we need state residents to provide an extra measure of protection, just by observing their animals."

James Lloyd, D.V.M., Ph.D., dean of the UF veterinary college, explained that screwworm infestations occur when an adult female screwworm flies lays eggs on an open wound or mucous membranes in a warm-blooded animal.

When the eggs hatch, screwworm larvae burrow into the host animal's flesh to feed. Infestations can strike otherwise healthy animals, he noted.

"The symptoms of a screwworm infestation might include a festering wound or sore or an unexplained lump under the skin, particularly if there's a discharge or foul smell associated with it," Lloyd said. "Also, you may observe fly larvae on the animal or in its quarters."

Any animal with a suspected screw-

worm infection should be evaluated by a veterinarian immediately, said Wendy Mandese, a clinical assistant professor with the UF veterinary college's Department of Small Animal Clinical Sciences.

Time is of the essence from an entomological perspective as well as a veterinary one, because delayed treatment gives screwworm larvae more time to develop and cause damage to the host animals, said veterinary entomologist Phil Kaufman, an associate professor with the UF/IFAS Entomology and Nematology Department.

Clinical treatment of infected animals typically involves application of medication to the animal's wounds to kill the larvae, larvae removal, administration of antibiotics and general supportive care, Mandese said.

"When caught in time, screwworm infections are treatable," she said. "Even if it turns out your animal has a different health issue, immediate attention is appropriate for any unusual wound, sore or persistent discomfort you notice in a pet or livestock animal."

City: Law firm hired as city's new lobbyist

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said he is not against Gospel Fest and, in fact, wants it to succeed, yet to schedule the festival next month and ensure its success is too risky using taxpayer money. He suggested moving Gospel Fest to a later date.

"I think we're throwing money away to try to rush this ahead rather than look into this and say, 'Maybe we should back off and reconfigure this,'" he said.

Mayor Joe Kilsheimer said the city has been working with local church pastors like Todd Lamphere of the New Destiny Christian Center, and the city has been organizing Gospel Fest "with restrictions." Kilsheimer also said the musical acts couldn't be announced until the 2016-2017 budget had passed.

On September 28, the City Council adopted the fiscal year 2017 \$104-million spending plan and voted to increase the millage rate by a half-mill. The new fiscal year began on October 1 and will end on September 30, 2017.

Commissioner Kyle Becker questioned the city's advertising strategy. Burgoon said the city will go "the whole nine yards" in advertisements and get

radio stations as both event sponsors and advertisers.

Bankson said the head of the Apopka Christian Ministerial Alliance and the South Apopka Ministerial Alliance was unaware of the Gospel Fest plans. If he had known, he could have rallied more support from the faith-based community, Bankson said.

"There are plenty of other churches in Apopka that are not associated necessarily with the Ministerial Alliance, and the idea that the Ministerial Alliance has to be the one for us to pass everything through — I don't agree with that necessarily," Kilsheimer said.

Commissioner Billie Dean said that if taxpayer money is to be spent on Gospel Fest, the festival must do well. However, if the event goes on in a month with little advertising time, "it will be a flop." Dean agreed with Bankson that the Ministerial Alliance should have known about the Gospel Fest plans.

"The mayor knows nothing about gospel," Dean said. "Commissioner Bankson works with it; he's a minister. He knows."

It's not only the seemingly brief planning stage the commissioners were

worried about. Becker said Gospel Fest was scheduled around the busy holiday season.

According to Kilsheimer, most outdoor festivals in Florida are booked after October 15 because that is when the weather breaks. He also said that to his knowledge, the Gospel Fest date has been changed twice.

When Lamphere addressed the council during the mayor's report in a continuation of the Gospel Fest discussion, he said the festival will be a success.

Other agreements

With the exception of the service agreement with The Roar Music, the City Council wasted no time in green-lighting other contracts and service agreements that the 2016-2017 city budget will fund.

The City Council voted unanimously to extend a service agreement with one firm, and initiate an event service agreement with another separate company in the city's effort to continue mounting popular annual events.

Under that same vote, the City Council also authorized a contract with the Department of Corrections for an inmate work squad and awarded a lobbyist ser-

vice contract to the Orlando law firm Gray Robinson.

The City Council's approval gave Kilsheimer or his designee the authority to extend the agreement with Orlando company Shepherd & Wolfe Marketing Associates to coordinate the city's four major annual events.

This extended agreement means the city will invest \$2,500 per month from October 1 through September 30, 2017, with an option of renewal for October 1, 2017, to September 30, 2018.

According to the service agreement dated September 27 to the city, the scope of services include but are not limited to budget management, creating an event planning timeline, sponsorship development, and providing marketing and public relations support.

The city has forged a \$125,000 service agreement with the Winter Park firm of Birchmore Group to coordinate entertainment for what the city plans as a fresh food festival in May.

Inmate work squad contract

Because of the City Council's approval, the city will renew a contract with the state Department of Corrections on the inmate work squad.

The contract is effective for one year beginning December 22. The contract may be renewed for another year, under the same terms and conditions, after the 2016-2017 term expires.

The cost is \$57,497 per year — the same as it has been in previous years — and will come out of the city's street improvement fund that is part of the 2016-2017 budget, according to city documents.

The City Council originally approved the city's inmate work squad contract on September 3, 2014.

Lobbyist contract

For \$90,000 per year for a three-year period, the city has hired the Orlando law firm Gray Robinson to render federal and state legislative lobbyist services on Apopka's behalf.

Gray Robinson was hired out of a request for proposal pool of six candidates that included the law firm.

Using a competitive, points-based selection process, the city ranked each candidate in the following five areas: understanding Apopka's budgetary and policy needs and creating strategies to meet them; the firm's own qualifications; references and proposed reports; relationships, resources and capabilities; and cost to the city.

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