

Chief launches new member program

The Apopka Chief's new free distribution model is designed to promote readership and value for advertisers.

We've been pleased to hear from members of the community who have discovered — or rediscovered — the Chief in recent months. We believe everyone in the community deserves access to trustworthy, unbiased local reporting, regardless of their ability to pay for it.

This approach is in keeping with the philosophy of longtime Chief publisher J.R. Ricketson, who always said that this news outlet belongs to the community, not to any one owner.

As such, the Chief needs to have reader support to be sustainable for its next 100 years. With that in mind, I'm thrilled to announce that The Apopka Chief has launched a brand-new membership program to help fulfill our mission in the community.

You may be wondering: What's a membership program?

I'll start with what it's not: a newspaper subscription. When the Chief converted to a free newspaper in February, we began delivering our weekly print edition to some 8,000 homes in Apopka.

We continue to deliver another 2,000 newspapers to more than 70 businesses and other public locations around town.

This amounted to a 150% increase in circulation for the Chief. For those who live outside the delivery area, we offer the option to pay to have the paper mailed — but that's simply a service designed to cover costs. We prefer for people to pick it up for free.

The new membership



OPINION

J.C. Derrick
Publisher

program is an invitation to partner in the work of local journalism and earn some cool perks along the way. Those benefits include:

An exclusive monthly member newsletter featuring stats, insights, sneak peeks, surveys and more.

We want to build a community of people who care about local journalism and its role in promoting a healthy city. Fun meetups. We'll begin organizing occasional events featuring Apopka Chief staff and other members.

Special event access. This includes giveaways in each member newsletter — ranging from tickets to athletic events and theme parks to restaurant gift cards.

Supporting your community. Membership comes with the satisfaction that you are helping The Apopka Chief build a stronger, more prosperous community.

All of the perks are great, but the last one is unquestionably the most important. All over the nation, communities like Apopka have seen long-time local newspapers close their doors — more than 3,300 since 2005, according to the latest findings from Northwestern University.

Working together, Apopka can write a different story, one of hope, inspiration, and a more unified community through fact-based local news. We hope you will join us by becoming a member today.

City Council votes unanimously to extend funding to continue Border Lake pumping

Nesta questions if homeowners are aware of extension

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Apopka City Council on Wednesday approved funds to continue the pumping project at Border Lake through the end of August.

The council voted 5-0 to provide money to continue renting equipment used in the pumping. However, one council member raised questions about whether homeowners

were made aware that the city intends to keep pumping.

Continued rental of the pumping equipment until Aug. 31, the last date of the project's authorization period, would ensure its availability in case bad weather jeopardizes its progress, public works director/city engineer Vladimir Simonovski said in his overview of the Border Lake pumping plan at the City Council meeting.

If the rental company took out the pumps, the equipment would be hard to set up again and finish pumping by Aug.

BORDER LAKE, 4A



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Council member Nick Nesta (left) was concerned that residents weren't told of the Border Lake pumping extension.

Apopka Office Supply to close after 54 years in business



Photo by Sarah Merly

Eileen Ricketson smiles behind the counter at Apopka Office Supply.

Half-off sale runs until Aug. 15

By Sarah Merly
Correspondent

Apopka Office Supply (AOS) will close its doors on Aug. 15, ending its 54-year run in the heart of Apopka.

AOS originally opened in 1971, almost a decade before the Ricketson family would purchase AOS, The Apopka Chief and The Planter. AOS operated alongside the newspapers for its entire existence.

"Apopka Office Supply has been a steady, helpful presence in the community for more than half a century," said J.C. Derrick, publisher of The Apopka Chief. "The marketplace has changed a lot over the years, so we decided it made sense to end AOS operations as a separate entity and bring them under the Chief umbrella."

Even after AOS closes,

AOS CLOSES, 3A

City Council gets update on Clear Water Lake project

Irrigation system project to address lake's flooding

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

Residents raised concerns about the financial burden, maintenance and possible environmental impacts of the irrigation system designed for Clear Water Lake that was discussed at Wednesday's City Council meeting, prompting the scheduling of an August workshop to revisit options and address citizens' concerns.

Vladimir Simonovski, public works director/city en-



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Vladimir Simonovski, city engineer and public works director, presents details about the Clear Water Lake irrigation system on Wednesday.

gineer, presented the Clear Water Lake irrigation system design project, meaning no action was to take place on the agenda item.

Local communities have been impacted by flooding caused by Clear Water Lake

CLEAR WATER LAKE, 6A

City explores how to make Camp Wewa viable

Budget set to increase 19% in FY26

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The city of Apopka is considering a 19% increase — equivalent to just north of \$1 million — to the Camp Wewa budget in an effort to make the struggling facility financially viable.

At a workshop this week, city officials discussed how to not only make Camp Wewa break even financially, but to also market it so it could be more prof-



Courtesy of city of Apopka

Camp Wewa Sign at Entrance

itable.

Radley Williams, parks and recreation director and interim city administrator,

brought the budget request of about \$14.3 million to the city's July 7 workshop, the first of three straight days of budget meetings.

Since the city purchased the camp for \$4.7 million from the YMCA of Central Florida in 2021, officials expected the city to turn the faltering campsite around and recoup the money.

However, in spite of offering many services, including summer camp, school-year programs and retreat space for organizations, Camp Wewa was unable to break even. Ac-

CAMP WEWA, 6A

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Billboards and mailers meant to spark discussion

To The Apopka Chief:

Allow me to extend my sincerest gratitude to everyone who has reached out, and to those who noticed the recent mailer and billboard. The phrase “Make Apopka Great Again” was chosen not for partisan politics, but because it would spark conversation and capture attention, which was indeed the goal. To clarify, the objective of the mailer and billboard was never intended as a personal attack on Mayor Bryan Nelson or Commissioner Christine Moore, but rather to highlight that our primary options are, in fact, career politicians.

The hope was to inspire reflection among residents, neighbors, taxpayers, business owners, and community members about the current state of Apopka and the critical leadership decisions ahead. To me, the position of mayor should be grounded in sound judgment and a balanced, pro-resident, business-focused approach, beyond politics, personality, or priorities.

The truth is, Apopka stands at a crossroads. Mayor Nelson, for better or worse, has a record at this point, and Commissioner Moore brings her own record of public service. There is legitimate concern, however, that she is seeking a third political office because she is term-limited on the Board of County Commissioners for Orange County; other residents express concerns about her penchant for staged photo ops.

Both candidates deserve serious consideration, but at the same time it is entirely fair for taxpayers to ask if we might benefit from a more robust discussion — and perhaps, a strong third option. Healthy civic debate is, in my view, the cornerstone of good governance.

A further concern is that, after qualifying, voters could be completely disenfranchised if Christine Moore’s residency under Section 4.03 of the Apopka Municipal Code is successfully challenged,³ something we

know Mayor Nelson is keenly aware of, which could result in him winning by default. This is an outcome none of us should want.

The response I have received thus far has been greater than expected, and admittedly, some of the rumors have been entertaining. For the record, I am not a plant for Mayor Nelson, nor an attorney for [now withdrawn candidate] Mr. William Dabbs, or anyone else.

I am simply a father, homeowner, business owner, and taxpayer who loves this city dearly and wants to see it thrive. I believe Apopka needs humble leadership: someone who truly listens, and is committed to building a high-performing, independent team that is not beholden to ANY special interests or developer donations. That is a standard we should all strive for, regardless of who ends up serving.

I have not made a personal decision regarding running for office, though I am well aware of the personal and financial sacrifice serving with integrity requires. Leading during challenging times will require: thoughtful leadership, consensus building, sweat equity, and the thick skin to ensure the right decisions are made for Apopkans.

The reality is that the City of Apopka, in its current state, will take years to fully turn around. My hope is that this conversation will inspire a strong candidate, encourage thorough scrutiny of all current candidates, and perhaps foster the emergence of a worthwhile third option for our city and voters to consider.

Ultimately, our next mayor, whoever that may be, should be committed to transparency, independence, and the well-being of all Apopka residents. Thank you for joining this important conversation. I look forward to continuing this discussion with you, respectfully and with a shared vision for the very best future for Apopka.

Matt Aungst

July 16, 2025

City of Apopka prioritizes reserves, paying down debt

As we reflect back on the financial history of Apopka, it’s important to know how hard our staff has worked to eliminate debt and increase reserves to put Apopka in a much stronger financial position.

In 2018, when I first got elected, we had \$10,184,693 in unassigned reserves, which is the “savings account” for whatever could go wrong. This could be a catastrophic infrastructure failure or a hurricane on the expenditure side, or it could be a recession that causes our sales tax, property tax and/or other fee income to plummet leaving the city to make up the shortfall.

Having served in the state Legislature through the recession of 2008–2010, I saw first-hand what having a healthy reserve could do to smooth out a downturn in our economy. At the state level, we burned through over \$5 billion in reserves but still had to cut staff and services because we had to make sure that we could make it through the recession without any long-term harm to the state’s credit rating.

As of the end of the fiscal year

Apopka Mayor



Bryan Nelson

ending Sept. 30, 2024, I am proud to announce that we have \$42,051,600 in unassigned reserves, which is a 313% increase since 2018.

I would personally like to thank state Rep. Doug Bankson, our former city commissioner, for putting in place an ordinance requiring a 25% reserve requirement as a minimum that we have exceeded ever since.

We are just as excited about chipping away at the general fund debts that I assumed since becoming mayor. In 2018, we had 15 outstanding loans totaling \$13,860,319 in principal and over \$3 million in debt service. By the end of fiscal year 2025, we will have eliminated over \$13 million of debt and have reduced our

debt service by 75%. What an accomplishment!

What has changed in the accounting world is the GASB87 which reclassifies long-term leases into debt for accounting purposes. The two leases we have that are classified under the GASB87 are the AXON and Stryker leases, which cover our body cameras, tasers, stretchers, monitoring devices and other police and fire equipment.

These two leases cost the city just north of \$1.5 million dollars a year but are the preferred way of keeping up with new technology as it evolves and keeping the city on the cutting edge.

I have also reduced our internal rate of return on our police, fire and general employee pension funds from 7.25% to 6.95%, which costs the city more money short term but will make sure that our pension guarantee is more secure for our city retirees.

When we are putting together the city budgets at the staff level, I always ask staff if this were your money, would you spend in the same way. If there is any hesitation, we don’t do it.

Financial Empowerment Center making impact for Apopkans

I’m excited to announce the county’s program that provides free, one-on-one financial counseling to anyone who lives or works in Orange County.

The Bottom of Form Financial Empowerment Center (FEC) initiative has already helped hundreds of people take control of their finances. Now we have expanded where we are offering the counseling, and one location is in Apopka.

In the first six months, 290 clients have been served, collectively increasing their savings by more than \$93,000 and reducing total non-mortgage debt by nearly \$200,000. With plans to expand further, Orange County, in partnership with Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando and Osceola County, aims to build on that momentum and reach even more community members in need of financial guidance.

“With locations across Orange County in tandem with virtual appointments, we’re meeting people where they are,” said Beyra Pavon-Molina, Program Manager of the FEC. “Whether someone lives in East or West Orange County, works downtown or prefers to connect from

County Commissioner
District 2



Christine Moore

home, it’s now easier than ever to take that first step toward financial stability.”

The five Financial Empowerment Centers currently open across Orange County include:

1. John Bridges Community Center — Apopka
2. Hal P. Marston Community Center — Orlando
3. Pine Hills Community Center — Orlando
4. East Orange Community Center — Orlando
5. Oak Ridge Neighborhood Center for Families — Orlando

Each session is led by a professional financial counselor trained to provide personalized guidance —

whether a client is working to reduce debt, build savings, create a household budget, or improve their credit score. The sessions are completely free, confidential, and non-judgmental.

“Our goal is to remove barriers,” said Pavon-Molina. “Some people simply don’t have time to commute to an office, so we bring that office to them.”

“We want people to know this is a safe space,” said Pavon-Molina. “We’re here to empower individuals to set realistic goals and take control of their financial future, but there’s still work to do. We want everyone who could benefit from our services to know we’re here — and ready to help.”

With its expanding footprint and also the opportunity to make an appointment for a virtual session, the Financial Empowerment Center is positioned to reach more residents than ever before, helping build a stronger, more financially resilient community.

How to get started? Visit Orange County Financial Empowerment Center or call 407-648-4567 (option 3).

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AOS closes
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Chief staff will continue to provide light copying, scanning, notary and printing services, which comprise most of the current AOS business activity.

Until Aug. 15, remaining AOS inventory — including pens, sticky notes, greeting cards and other products — will be sold at 50% off list price.

“It’s like a combined going-out-of-business and back-to-school sale,” Derrick said. “We don’t have a lot of inventory left, but we’re happy to put what’s there to good use.”

When the Ricketsons purchased AOS 45 years ago, it was approximately triple its current size and had an entrance separate from that of the newspaper.

“It was an old building built in 1945–46 in two pieces,” AOS store manager Eileen Ricketson said. “The newspaper was on one side, and we were in the second part. Our address was 439 for the newspaper and 437 for the office supply store.”

In the 1980s and ‘90s heyday of AOS, customers would arrive in a steady stream, Ricketson said. Two clerks would help behind the counter, while two salespeople would make phone calls and sales visits around town.

“We were always busy doing things that we needed to do on the inside, as well as being able to help people,” Ricketson said. “If we couldn’t help them, we tried to guide them to somebody that could.”

Ricketson’s tenure as store manager brought her



Photo by Sarah Merly

Eileen Ricketson reviews old documents at Apopka Office Supply.

several surprises. Just a few years after Ricketson started, her husband and former publisher John (J.R.) Ricketson returned from a luncheon and told her of a revolutionary new machine.

“When the fax machine was first introduced to the Rotary Club, J.R. came home talking about what was presented as part of their luncheon,” Ricketson said. “I can remember thinking, ‘There is just no way that you’re gonna hook it up and send it, and it’s going to transmit.’”

Ricketson also remembers when a salesperson from Boise Cascade showed staff a program he developed with the help of a now ever-present tool — the internet.

“He sat down at the machine one day and developed a way to put the customer list online in a program,” Ricketson said. “I don’t even remember anymore quite how that was done, but I do know he started out so that the list was going straight across the page kind of thing. And he set it up so that we could take the list that we were using and incorporate it.”

By the 2000s, however, the business started seeing fewer customers.

“Originally, AOS was a larger community supplier that had in-store customers and a healthy business delivery,” Ricketson said. “As the larger wholesalers were able to buy the smaller wholesalers, the market-

place changed. It became easier and easier for the local business clientele to receive needed supplies at a lower cost.”

Fewer customers also meant AOS did not need such a large space. After selling its property to Wawa (449 W. Main St.), the Chief and AOS moved to its present location (400 N. Park Ave.) on Sept. 16, 2012. By that time, AOS was facing other competitors — online shopping.

“Being able to order and get it delivered has become more important than going out and being in the marketplace,” Ricketson said. “You can get whatever you want, and it’s delivered to you in a day.”



Photo by Sarah Merly

The window at the entrance of Apopka Office Supply.

As AOS employees left, the store no longer needed to replace them. AOS now has no full-time employees, with staff from the Chief helping the customers that do come in with copying, faxing and more.

“The young people do not need it,” she said. “That’s the biggest difference — the marketplace keeps changing.”

Even after the Chief changed ownership in February, Ricketson has stayed for the love of her job. A few customers walk in every week, asking to see the lady who always helps them, and they chat about days gone by.

Although Ricketson credits God for the gift of

adapting well and quickly, her decision to leave has not been an easy one.

“I loved my regulars, and they loved me,” Ricketson said. “I liked what I did, so when you no longer are needed, either you retire or the marketplace retires. So that’s basically where we are. It’s time to go.”

Derrick said he wishes Ricketson well as she chooses to embark on her next stage of life.

“Eileen is and always will be an Apopka treasure,” Derrick said. “As we close the book on AOS as a standalone entity, I’m reminded of a Dr. Seuss quote: ‘Don’t cry because it’s over. Smile because it happened.’ “

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CRA Board holds off purchase of \$299K Sixth Street property

Vacant parcel is close to other city-owned real estate

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Apopka Community Redevelopment Agency Board (CRA) voted unanimously Wednesday to table the decision to acquire a property valued at \$299,000 until the new economic development director takes a look at it.

The property in question is an estimated 0.42-acre, vacant property located at 161 E. 6th St., only two blocks south of Main Street/U.S. Hwy 442 and one block east of Park Avenue. The tract is adjacent to other city-owned real estate such as City Hall, Fire Station No. 1, and the Apopka Museum.

In an email included in



Photo by Marshall Tempest

CRA Board member Nick Nesta highlighted the need for a plan for the Sixth Street property if the city acquires it.

the CRA meeting agenda packet, W. Lee Barnes, broker associate for Orlando firm Maury L. Carter & Associates, reached out to Bobby Howell, interim CRA director, to ask if the city had any interest in the listed property.

“The site is centrally located and provides walkability to area retail, entertainment and services,” a Maury L. Carter and Associates

marketing brochure stated. “Great location for commercial [sic] uses including office, retail and also residential uses.”

CRA member John Drago suggested that the CRA Board holds off on its decision to acquire the parcel until the city’s new economic development director, Antranette Forbes, evaluates it. The City Council approved Forbes’ appoint-

ment early this month. She begins her new position Aug. 4.

“The city just hired an economic development director, and I looked at her resume,” said CRA member John Drago. “So I think, to be fair to the CRA and to give the new person an opportunity to get her feet on the ground, get acclimated with the community, get acclimated with the procedures, get acclimated with staff, she should be given the opportunity to evaluate this property to determine its functional use in the future, and she can come back at a later date with her recommendation.”

The broker did not attend the CRA Board meeting.

“Given the information we have, we don’t have enough information, and I find it odd that the realtor is not here to answer the questions,” Drago said. “I don’t know anything about this re-

altor. I don’t know if he just sells property, or is he a developer, real estate person? I don’t know that, but I don’t think he should think that the CRA is the cash cow.”

If the vote to acquire the property had passed, money would have come from CRA funds, according to the CRA staff report.

The city’s Community Redevelopment Agency District is comprised of 633 acres in downtown Apopka and has a blend of residences, businesses and historic properties. The area is bound on the south by 10th and 11th streets, Hawthorne Avenue to the west, Oak Street to the north, and sections of multiple streets to the east, including Highland Avenue, Monroe Avenue and Alabama Avenue.

The CRA Board is made up of all members of the City Council and two other appointed board members.

Board member Nick Nesta emphasized the need for a plan if the property is purchased, including a timeline for improvements.

“It’s been listed for a while, and we do need to expand our museum and have actually formalized parking versus kind of the dirt parking lot they have now,” Nesta said. “At the same time, though, I want to make sure that we just have a plan in place. If we are going to purchase it, do we have a timeline and a runway of when are we going to actually fund the improvements that we may be doing? Are we just going to buy it and conserve it just the way that it is and just keep it as tree lot there? So if we’re going to purchase it, let’s have a plan in place.”

Howell said tree bank contributions would be needed if the property is acquired.

Border Lake

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31. The city also would have to fund the mobilization and set up costs again, Simonovski said.

The Border Lake temporary flood mitigation plan began June 26 and has been progressing well, meeting engineering projections, according to the presentation.

The city, which is trying to reduce the water levels in area lakes by a foot, expects to meet target levels in all affected lakes because of the pumping project. Without extending the funding for equipment rental, the project would have expended all the current funds that the City Council ap-

proved by budget amendment last March.

The city has additional funds amounting to \$25,784 from its stormwater fund to finish the first pumping phase, Simonovski said.

Council and city staff discussed whether homeowners were truly aware that the pumping project’s timeframe is being extended.

Commissioner Nick Nesta brought up what he called inconsistencies on the June right-of-entry forms versus the paperwork homeowners signed last March. Comparing the two sets of documents, Nesta point-

ed out differences in driver’s license details, home addresses and proper names.

Mayor Bryan Nelson said the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) accepted the updated forms despite their incompleteness.

Nesta said he wanted to ensure that residents were aware of the extension and the papers’ validity.

“I just want to make sure that they truly are the ones that signed these,” Nesta said. “So that’s my questioning, and that’s why I’m asking it. I want to make sure our residents are informed.”

The inconsistencies between the March and June documents stemmed in part from the city collecting signatures not only from the home renters, but also the homeowners themselves. The SJRWMD directed the city to get both types of signatures, Simonovski and Nelson said.

When Nesta asked if the homeowners would be aware that the pumping project would be extended until the last date of August, Nelson said he didn’t know. Simonovski said he didn’t have paperwork details from March, but he did have the ones from June.

Nelson said that SJRWMD’s approval “is the only one that matters” in greenlighting the Border Lake pumping project, adding that the District was the one that informed the city about obtaining the right-of-entry forms.

Nesta made the first motion for the Council to take action on the pumping extension.

“I just want to say, before I motion, that I will agree to this with the understanding that these [forms] are accurate and true,” Nesta said. “That’s the only thing I have to go on, is that the residents know what you provided they know that

we are extending this.”

Over the years, homeowners have expressed frustration over the city’s handling of flooding among the chain of lakes — which Border Lake is a part of — in the Piedmont-Wekiwa Road/S.R. 436 area.

The chain of lakes in the Piedmont-Wekiwa Road/S.R. 436 area has been prone to flooding over the years.

In October 2024, the Hurricane Milton aftermath caused flooding and other problems for local homeowners especially in Wekiva Village, a community located on Piedmont Wekiwa Road.

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“Being prepared for any storm can reduce fear, anxiety, and losses that accompany disasters. Most Florida home and business owners are familiar with the damage that can come from severe storms. If not, it's important to brush up on the topic. Professional tree trimming or pruning helps make trees more stable and stronger as well as healthier, all of which makes them more unyielding when bracing against strong winds,” noted James Maltby, owner and operator of Maltby’s Tree Service and Landscaping.

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Construction finishes on all-inclusive playground

Playground will provide environment for children of all abilities

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

Construction is done on the all-inclusive playground at the Northwest Recreation Complex, but a roadway to the playground and accessible parking may not be finished until early fall at the latest, officials said.

Situated on the southeast side of the Northwest Recreation Complex, the all-inclusive playground was built to enhance more inclusive play for children of all abilities. To that end, the amenities include a sensory garden, new play structures and ZipKrooz, a two-way playground zipline



Photo by J.C. Derrick

Kids climb on an apparatus.

for continuous play.

Called the Northwest Recreation Complex Relief Drive, construction on the one-way exit roadway and the parking lots began six weeks ago. The roadway will lead to the complex just south of Gate 1.

“As long as we keep having good weather conditions, the goal is to have parking and



Photo by J.C. Derrick

Keegan Bowen, 12, tries out the new zip line at the all-inclusive playground.

roadway completed by October,” said Radley Williams, parks and recreation director/interim city administrator.

The city finished building the playground almost two weeks ago, but despite the lack of accessible parking, the playground is operational.

“I know people have used [the playground]. The reason

we didn’t want to do the grand opening is because we’ve got handicapped parking, which is included in the roadway improvements,” Mayor Bryan Nelson said. “So, it makes more sense to wait till we’ve got handicapped parking, so that the folks that need it will be able to park and then utilize the all-inclusive playground.”

A total of \$110,000 donation from Unlimited Capabilities and one of its funding partners, the Douglas G. Halliday Foundation, as well as money from the city recreation impact fees paid for the playground project.

“The special needs community is incredibly diverse, which is why we are dedicated to providing programs and events that are as inclusive as possible,” Unlimited Capabilities website stated. “We strive to create a welcoming, comfortable community for all individuals that choose to join us.”

The city broke ground on the all-inclusive playground in late January, and construction began during the first week of March. during the first week of March.

REP Services, Inc. and Landscape Structures designed and built the all-inclusive playground, reflect-

ing both groups’ commitment to creating playgrounds and outdoor spaces that are long-lasting, eco-friendly and fun to use.

“We focus on creating playgrounds and outdoor spaces built to last, ensuring longevity and durability,” according to the REP Services, Inc. website. “Our partner, Landscape Structures, Inc. (LSI), is committed to sustainable manufacturing practices, further reinforcing our dedication to long-term environmental stewardship. Additionally, we prioritize the fun factor in our designs, ensuring that every space we create is enjoyable for users of all ages and abilities. We love creating environments that are both long-lasting and lively!”

Before building the new playground, the city shut down the previous park in November 2024.

Federal DOT awards city \$17.3M for Ocoee-Apopka Road changes

Project’s total cost is \$28M for 1.8-mile section

Staff Reports

The U.S. Department of Transportation has awarded the city of Apopka \$17.3 million from the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program, which will be used to improve Ocoee-Apopka Road, according to a July 16 city press release.

Formerly known as Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability (RAISE), BUILD is award-



ing money that could cover the majority of the Ocoee-Apopka Road renovation, projected to cost \$28 million to cover a 1.8-mile section.

The awarded funds will support the Ocoee-Apopka complete street and trail project, aimed to improve safety and multimodal connectivity and support sustainable growth

in the southwest quadrant of Apopka.

Improvements made in this project include expanding the roadway from two to four lanes, adding bicycle lanes, a multi-use path, and accessibility features such as smart lighting, sensors, and enhancements compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The application for the previous BUILD grant was led by former transportation coordinator Pam Richmond.

In 2024, the city collaborated with Kimley-Horn and Associates to give the municipality the technical assistance and strategic insight to put together a BUILD grant proposal,

according to the press release.

The city submitted a detailed application that included the following criteria: safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life, mobility and community connectivity, economic competitiveness, partnership and collaboration, innovation and project readiness.

The city’s previous grant application fell short of the grant program’s criteria, according to the news release. To overcome that, the team, led by city planner Jean Sanchez as well as the Kimley-Horn team, tweaked the application to help boost the city’s score which eventually gave the city a winning total, the news release stat-

ed.

Right now, Ocoee-Apopka Road is a two-lane undivided roadway with no bicycle facilities or bike lanes with existing sidewalks at the Ocoee-Apopka/Harmon Road intersection, Oakmont Distribution Center, and South Bradshaw Road intersection to South Hawthorne Avenue.


The city began gathering public feedback on the Ocoee-Apopka Road project in late 2024.

At the Jan. 13 public input meeting at Apopka City Hall, Mike Woodward of Kimley-Horn said once the city receives funding, the first year would be devoted to project development

and environmental study; the second and third year to design, work plan and budget completion; the fourth year to right-of-way acquisition; and the fifth to sixth year to construction.

Along the Ocoee-Apopka Road project corridor, the average daily traffic is 10,117 vehicles. The current traffic volumes discourage people from using sidewalks and bicycling on paved shoulders.

During the five-year period between 2019–2023, 100 crashes took place on Ocoee-Apopka Road: 40 of 100 crashes ended in injury, and one resulted in a death at Hawthorne Avenue, Woodward said at the Jan. 13 meeting.



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Camp Wewa

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cording to Williams, the city spent \$6.2 million in capital, including the property’s acquisition cost.

Commissioner Nick Nesta questioned Camp Wewa’s economic viability. He asked Williams if the city is close to breaking even. Williams responded no.

“This was purchased before I was elected, but this council at the time agreed to it,” Nesta said. “It was sold as in [with the expectation that], I want to say it was within five years, it’ll break even.”

Williams said the camp buildings are “in really good shape,” with continual improvements on the facilities such as finishing accessible restroom renovations in the dining hall, roofing repairs and replacements throughout the camp, landscaping, and maintenance.

However, the same couldn’t be said about the junior Olympic-size pool.

“The big sore thumb is the pool, which we’re still assessing with a contractor,” Williams said, adding that the city is trying to get a replacement estimate.

Because the estimate will be in the seven figures, “we’re not prepared to put it in the request for this year,” Williams said.

Williams said he has closely managed the Camp Wewa budget.

“Since I’ve been with the city, I have put a focus on trying to be as efficient and conscious with the operating side of this budget, because there has been some large need for capital,” Williams said. “We have been trimming that budget year over year, trying to at least be mindful on that side, to be as efficient as possible, operating.”

Several aspects for how to make Camp Wewa more profitable were discussed, including the need for a mar-



Courtesy of city of Apopka

The new Nature Center is one of the buildings in good shape.

keting plan to boost the camp’s visibility and draw in more participants, involving the city economic development director for promoting Camp Wewa, and drawing up a comprehensive plan to ensure the camp’s financial sustainability.

The 19% increase for Camp Wewa stands in stark

contrast to the rest of the Parks and Recreation Department’s FY26 budget request of \$14,272,278, including reductions in every other division. The proposal calls for lower budgets in parks maintenance (–11.3%), athletics, recreation and events (–11.2%), cemetery operations (–70% due to no capital



Courtesy of city of Apopka

The city plans to increase promotion for the camp.

needs or positions), and facilities maintenance (–4%).

The parks and rec budget includes \$1,034,019 for Camp Wewa improvements and \$4,169,596 for facilities

maintenance. The department plans to renovate double cabin restrooms for \$75,000, replace the tractor pole barn for \$150,000, and rebuild sand volleyball courts for \$90,000.

Clear Water Lake

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overflow, and homeowners have expressed frustration over the city’s management.

At Wednesday’s meeting, residents were unhappy that the city expected them to foot the bill for the solution when they were not the ones who caused the problem. Rather, water issues have been worsened by new developments popping up in the city because when trees are cleared away for and concrete is poured, they create impervious surfaces that can’t absorb water.

“What caused this wasn’t Clear Lake Estates’ fault,” James Mater, president of the

Clear Lake Landing homeowners association, said. “It wasn’t Clear Lake Landing’s fault. It was the overgrowth of the community. It’s exactly what everybody complains about.”

Mater called the city’s proposed irrigation system “lipstick on a pig,” questioning the system’s maintenance cost including the possibility of taking out a loan, and that the system itself is not a financial asset to the 142 homes in his community. Mater also said that neither he nor the residents were informed about presentation in advance.

In Feb. 2023, the city deployed emergency pumping for Clear Water Lake, a closed basin system with irrigation water inflow that causes rising water levels. This temporary pumping finished in April 2023, which reduced the lake level by 3.4-ft and cost \$194,150.

The proposed long-term alternative solution chosen to mitigate the flooding at Clear Water Lake is to recycle surface water as an irrigation source.

Simonovski said this solution was the best alternative because it imposes less stress

on the city’s reclaimed water system and the Clear Lake Landing homeowners association owns Clear Water Lake. The St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) approved this solution.

Balmoral Group started the project design in April 2024 for \$68,900. This past January, the design was finished and permitted with the SJRWMD consumptive use permit, which allows surface water withdrawal for irrigation down to an elevation of

63 feet.

The normal water level is at an elevation of 65 feet. The current Clear Water Lake elevation is 69.3 feet, according to the presentation.

Construction cost of the Clear Lake Water irrigation project is estimated to be \$456,000: \$397,200 for construction plus \$59,600 as a 15% contingency.

The Avian Point community already contributed \$6,000 to the irrigation project, and the city may contribute another \$60,000, leaving the homeowners association with an approximate cost of

\$336,000 divided by 142 units, or about \$2,400 per household, Simonovski said. To date, the city’s expense is \$263,000, including \$104,000 for emergency pumping and \$16,000 for design costs, he added.

Two other alternative solutions that were considered were to pump water surface to the Northshore Reclaim Water Treatment Plant and to redo the temporary pumping whenever needed, Simonovski said.

The community workshop for the Clear Water Lake flood mitigation is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Aug. 11 at the Apopka City Hall council chamber.

Lillian Maxie Peden Depp

Lillian Maxie Peden Depp, age 99, passed away on June 20, 2025, in Winter Park, Florida.


Maxie Depp was born on October 31, 1925, in Glasgow, Kentucky, to M.C. Peden and Lilly Whitney Peden. She graduated from Glasgow High School in 1944. Maxie married Wallace "Wally" Depp on December 28, 1946, in Franklin, KY. For the next 15 years Wally and Maxie lived in Indianapolis, IN, where the couple had two children: W. Dane Depp and Peden L. Depp. Maxie earned a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Indianapolis in 1960. In 1961, the Depp family moved to Apopka, FL. Maxie then started her 26-year career as a public-school teacher teaching at Apopka Elementary and Lovell Elementary from 1961 to 1987.

Maxie was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Apopka where she taught Sunday School for many years. She loved flowers and was active in the Garden Club as well as many other groups and organizations in Apopka. Maxie was a devoted and loving wife and mother. She was a woman of faith and known for her thoughtful, caring and warm personality.

In addition to her sons Dane Depp (Glasgow, KY) and Peden "Pede" Depp (Orlando, FL), Maxie is survived by her sister Doris Jean Harrod (Frankfort, KY); nieces Katherine (Harrod) Cain (Maitland, FL), Alice Sterling Deen (Oviedo, FL) and Kimberly K. Depp (Rocky Mount, NC); nephew Joe Sterling (Orlando, FL); cousins Rebecca (Miller) Lano (Mesa, AZ) and Donna MacFarland (Castalian Springs, TN). Maxie was preceded in death by her husband, Wally Depp, her parents, M.C. and Lilly Peden, her stepmothers Hazel (Coleman) Peden and Lou Ella (Owen) Peden, her brother William C. Peden, her niece Jeannie (Harrod) Hixson and nephew Jon Sterling.

A graveside service will be held in her hometown of Glasgow, Kentucky on Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. at the Glasgow Municipal Cemetery. A Celebration of Life service will be held on July 25, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Apopka, FL. Memorial donations can be made in Maxie's name to the First Baptist Church of Apopka, FL.





In Loving Memory of
Rebecca "Becky" Ann Carroll

Rebecca Ann Carroll, known to loved ones as "Becky," passed away on July 11, 2025, at her Apopka home. Becky was born to Frances Smith Linzey and Donald Ray Carroll on December 30, 1962 at Orlando Regional Medical Center.

Becky was a long-term resident of Apopka, attending school and raising a family in the community. She was a devoted mother, loving sister, and cherished grandmother. Her bubbly personality and unique sense of humor lit up every room, making her the life of the party. She was always ready to lend a listening ear, offer heartfelt advice, or share a laugh. Becky was not only a devoted mother, but also a loving sibling and an incredible grandmother who touched the hearts of everyone she met. Though her humor wasn't always understood, her warmth and vibrant spirit were unmistakable. Becky loved entering cooking competitions, enjoyed karaoke and using her green thumb working with plants. Survived by loved ones across central Florida including two daughters Christina M. Carroll and Joanna L. Glover, sisters Frances "Malisha" Jasso, Debrah Diane Hayden, Clarissa "Sherry" Martin, brothers Danny Ray Carroll and Clarence H. Farber IV. "You will be greatly missed, our dear sissy!"

Becky will also be mourned by nieces, Erica, Nicole, Riva, Crissa and nephews, Tommy, John, Blake, Robert as well as grandchildren Tristyn, Rory, Caylin, Miley, Hunter, Weston, Ryan, Raelynn. Becky was blessed with and cherished eight great grandchildren whom she loved to spend time with. She was preceded in death by her mother and father as well as her sister, Sharon R. Carroll.

A memorial service will be held at the church she attended, First Baptist Church Zellwood on Saturday July 26th at 10am. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Becky's life as she left us all with her common refrain. "I Love You More"

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF APOPKA NOTICE OF INTENT TO VACATE RIGHT OF WAY

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Apopka City Council has received an application from **Daniel T. O'Keefe** to vacate a portion of unimproved right of way, as recorded in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

RESOLUTION 2025-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, VACATING THE NORTHERN 20-FOET OF AN EAST-WEST SECTION OF A 40-FOOT WIDE UNNAMED PLATTED RIGHT OF WAY, AND THE NORTH-SOUTH SECTION OF A 40-FOOT WIDE UNNAMED PLATTED RIGHT OF WAY, LOCATED NORTH OF WOODSIDE RIDGE DRIVE AND MISTY GLEN CIRCLE; IN SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 20, RANGE 28, AS APPEARING IN PLAT BOOK B, PAGE 139, OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, FOR SEVERABILITY, FOR CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



(THIS IS FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT TO SCALE)

Right of Way Vacate Description:

A PORTION OF LAND LYING IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING A PORTION OF THE UNIMPROVED 40 FOOT STREET, MERRIMACK PLAT, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK B, PAGE 139, AND SHOWN AS UNIMPROVED 40 FOOT RIGHT OF WAY IN THE PLAT OF WEKIVA RUN PHASE III-B, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 77, PAGES 148-149 OF THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTH QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST; ALSO BEING A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF WEST PONKAN ROAD AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 338, PAGE 565 OF THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE SOUTH 00°27'58" WEST, 1755.39 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1, BLOCK "A" OF MERRIMACK PLAT AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK "B", PAGE 139 OF THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE NORTH 88°39'45" EAST, 853.70 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF LOT 5, BLOCK "A" OF SAID MERRIMACK PLAT; THENCE NORTH 01°20'15" WEST, 337.11 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID MERRIMACK PLAT; THENCE NORTH 88°58'57" EAST, 40.00 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1, BLOCK "B" OF SAID MERRIMACK PLAT; THENCE SOUTH 01°20'15" EAST, 336.89 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1, BLOCK "B" MERRIMACK PLAT; THENCE NORTH 88°39'45" EAST, 1749.28 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 30; THENCE SOUTH 01°10'58" WEST, 20.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88°39'45" WEST, 2642.73 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 30; THENCE NORTH 00°29'01" EAST, 20.00 FEET ALONG SAID LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the **CITY OF APOPKA CITY COUNCIL** will consider this right-of-way vacate application at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Hall City Council Chambers, 120 East Main Street, Apopka, Florida, on **Wednesday, August 6, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.** or as soon thereafter as possible.

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Apopka City Council
Community Development Department

Apopka man arrested for sexual battery of minor

FDLE’s registry lists more than 86,000 offenders, predators

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

An Apopka man was arrested on one count of sexual battery on a child 12–17 years of age by a person older than 18, which is a first-degree felony.

In a July 11 Facebook post, The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) announced the arrest of Emir Uriel Turcios Bonilla, 23. The FDLE partnered with the Orange County Sheriff’s Office in the arrest.

Turcios Bonilla was booked into Orange County Jail on July 3 on no bond.

Emir Uriel Turcios Bonilla didn’t just cross a line — he bulldozed it,” the FDLE post reads. “He’s now been arrested for sexually battering children, thanks to the teamwork of #YourFDLE Special Agents and Depu-



Courtesy of FDLE

ties with Orange County Sheriff’s Office, Florida. Happy to assist removing another child predator off our streets.” The FDLE maintains the Florida Sexual Offender and Predator System, which lists registered sex offenders and predators.

As of October 2024, the FDLE’s registry listed over 86,000 offenders and predators, with over 30,000 residing in Florida communities, according to the website of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, a research arm of the Florida Legislature.

The Florida Sexual Offender and Predator System website is offender.fdle.state.fl.us/offender/sops/home.jsf.

Police Beat

If a law enforcement agency charges you with a crime and this paper reports that information, please notify us -within 90 days if the charge is dropped, or if you are found not guilty by the court. After verifying the information, we will be happy to publish it. Please send notification to The Apopka Chief, P.O. Box 880, Apopka, 32704–0880.

In the period from July 6–12, 2025, the Apopka Police Department received 1,378 calls for service, responded to 27 crashes, issued 48 citations, and made 19 arrests. Burglaries: 0 vehicles, 1 resident, 1 business. Juveniles were charged with battery-causing bodily harm; trespassing on school grounds; resisting officer-obstruction without violence (X3); probation violation-child in violation of imposed conditions; loitering or prowling.

The following adults were arrested and charged: William Edward Bastin,

43, transient, Apopka, out-of-county warrant. Michelle Lee Betancourt, 46, 1056 Saddleback Ridge Road, Apopka, other agency warrant. Susan Fleming Brazzeal, 66, 808 Thalia Drive, Orlando, drug equipment-possession and/or use; resisting officer-obstruction without violence; trespassing-failure to leave property on order of owner. Hermelindo Caal Colorado, 49, 211 N. Maine Ave., Apopka, moving traffic violation-operating a motor vehicle without valid license, 1st conviction. Robin Cassandra Carter, 34, general delivery, Apopka, battery-touch or strike; aggravated assault-with deadly weapon without intent to kill. Pamela Marie Edmond, 46, 2384 Sentry Palm Dr. Apt 114, Apopka, larceny-petit theft merchandise farm transit prior conviction. Javier Hernandez Aguilar, 45, 3359 Robinson St.,

Zellwood, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended, habitual offender. Kaveena Ishmael, 30, Apopka, battery-touch or strike. Bruce Jackson, 31, 502 Conure St., Apopka, resisting officer-obstruction without violence. Anthony James Love, 42, general delivery, Apopka, trespassing-failure to leave property on order of owner. Wilmer Padilla-Iglesias, 40, 407 E. 9th St., Apopka, other agency warrant. Michael Kenneth Pitsky, 48, 1710 Smoketree Circle, Apopka, nonmoving traffic violation-attach registration license plate not assigned; moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended revocation, equivalent status second subsequent offense. Jose Luis Rocha Hernandez, 35, 5710 SW 63rd Street, Ocala, moving traffic violation-operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, first conviction. McAriel Sherwood, 30,

Apopka, aggravated battery on pregnant victim; kidnapping-false imprisonment, false imprisonment of a person. Jose R. Sierra, 40, 1197 S. Christiana Ave., Apopka, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license, first conviction; drug equipment-possession intent to sell/manufacture/delivery of controlled substance, schedule I; drug-traffic fentanyl/fentanyl analogues 4 grams+; drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription. Laura Ann Simon, 65, transient, Apopka, drug equipment-possession and/or use; resisting officer-obstruction without violence; trespassing-failure to leave property on order of owner. Reshawn Rovellev Sims, 37, 812 Scott St., Clermont, trespassing-failure to leave property on order of owner. Megan Marie Thomas, 28, Apopka, battery-touch or strike. Tammara Marie Vidal, 44, Apopka, battery-touch or strike; drugs equipment-possession and/or touch.



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CHANGE OF FUTURE LAND USE
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NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Secs. 163.3184 and 166.041(3)(a), Florida Statutes and the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article II, Section 2.4.7.B, that **Logan Opsahl** have made application relating to the following described property.

ORDINANCE NO. 3105

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE FROM AGRICULTURE/IN PROGRESS TO RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM LOW, FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 724 W KEENE ROAD, 632 W KEENE ROAD, 2751 MARDEN ROAD, AND 608 W KEENE ROAD; OWNED BY DEWAR KEENE 40 LLC COMPRISING 38.59 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE NO. 3106

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING FROM AG (AGRICULTURE), AND T (TRANSITIONAL) TO RMF (RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY), FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 724 W KEENE ROAD, 632 W KEENE ROAD, 2751 MARDEN ROAD, AND 608 W KEENE ROAD; OWNED BY DEWAR KEENE 40 LLC COMPRISING 38.59 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



Parcel Identification Number(s): 28-21-28-0000-00-002, 28-21-28-0000-00-024, 28-21-28-0000-00-029, 28-21-28-0000-00-006
Contains: 38.59 +/- Acres

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FURTHER NOTICE is given that a public hearing for Ordinance Numbers 3105 & 3106 will be held by the **City of Apopka City Council** at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, September 3, 2025 beginning at 1:30 P.M.**

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Small-Scale Future Land Use and Rezoning Applications can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. 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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ORDINANCE NO. 3119

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE FROM COUNTY INDUSTRIAL TO CITY INDUSTRIAL, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2424 & 2428 W ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL; OWNED BY MG88 CENTRAL FLORIDA COLD STORAGE II LLC, COMPRISING 0.38 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE NO. 3120

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING FROM T (TRANSITIONAL) TO I-L (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL), FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2424 & 2428 W ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL; OWNED BY MG88 CENTRAL FLORIDA COLD STORAGE II LLC, COMPRISING 0.38 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



Parcel Identification Number(s): 21-28-7180-09-050, 06-21-28-7180-09-070
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July 18, 2025

Apopka officially names Marcus Neeson head football coach

Former defensive coordinator aims to keep the Apopka standard

By Marshall Tempest
Reporter

Apopka High School officially announced Tuesday it had hired Marcus Neeson as the new head football coach. The official announcement comes more than a month after former head coach Jeff Rolson resigned.

Rolson stepped down at the end of May after a spring game loss to Jones High School that resulted in the departure of 20 players to the transfer portal. This is Neesons's first head coaching position as he has been the defensive coordinator for the Blue Darters since Rolson took the head coaching job in 2019. Tuesday, after a lengthy and meticulous hiring and interviewing process, Apopka High School officially announced Neeson as the new head coach of the Blue Darter

football team. "It's an amazing opportunity," Neeson said in a phone interview Tuesday. "I'm grateful to have access to this great program and be behind the reins." The Apopka Chief spoke with Neeson after the announcement was made official on Tuesday, and he was all business, happy that the process was complete. Neeson said he felt relieved when the appointment was made official and said the process was not an easy one for the school, and nei-

ther was the decision. He said that it's not easy to hire another coach for a program like Apopka given that culture and tradition within the program are very important to the city. "You've got a superior program, a program that's above a lot of other programs in the area," Neeson said. "And it's a job that you're going to get some high-quality coaches interviewing for, and you want to make sure you make the right decision



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Marcus Neeson is taking charge of the Blue Darters.

FOOTBALL COACH, 2B

Jalen Carter's free football clinic draws record campers

Marcus Neeson heads skills camp for the first time

By Marshall Tempest
Reporter

The third annual free football skills camp put on by Super Bowl Champion, and former Blue Darter, Jalen Carter was the biggest and best yet, organizers said. Last Saturday, from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m., Jalen Carter, the Apopka football team, and every kid interested in football in the area gathered at Apopka High School's Roger Williams Field. The free skills camp, for kids aged 8-17 in the Apopka and surrounding areas, saw a crowd that rivaled fall football games.

More than a hundred kids competed and learned together from the best football minds in Apopka, from coaches and players to Jalen Carter himself. This was the first year the camp was without Jeff Rolson, former Apopka football head coach, and the first year with Marcus Neeson, rumored incoming Apopka football head coach who was Apopka's defensive coordinator last season.

Neeson said the camp went great and that heading it was no challenge for him with his background working in elementary schools for 11 years. He said when Carter's team reached out to him, they said the team and the school have done so well with the event in the past. "And when talking to his reps (Carter's), they said, what we've been doing has



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Former Blue Darter and now Super Bowl Champion Jalen Carter talks with a camper while headed to grab lunch during his free skills camp last weekend.

been good, and don't change it up," Neeson said. But this year, the camp had some fun new additions for the kids. The camp had a gaming truck where the kids could take a rest from the hot sun and drills for a quick game of Madden or NCAA and a dunk tank. Neeson said the kids loved both. Neeson was mainly happy with the outcome of the camp and what his players, as well as the kids attending

the camp, walked away with from the experience. "Overall, the camp was good," Neeson said. "I think our guys did a good job of coaching up the young kids. I put them in charge of running the stations, and I told them earlier in the week that you learn best when you can teach it to someone else. So, when you can reach one, teach one." The camp started with all of the kids running out of the

Apopka tunnel to make them feel like real Blue Darters before stretching and warmups. After that, groups of Apopka players and coaches held different training stations focused on different offensive and defensive skills. For offensive skills, they had drills on throwing and catching, ball security, and blocking. On the defensive side, they had drills for foot-

FOOTBALL CAMP, 3B

Apopka basketball summer camp returns July 28

The Apopka boys basketball team puts on the camp and raises funds for its season

By Marshall Tempest
Reporter

The Apopka basketball team's annual summer skills camp will return from July 28 to July 31. The camp will run daily from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. and is available to boys and girls from the Apopka area who are 8 to 13 years old. The camp is organized by the Apopka High School boys' basketball program and head coach Scott Williams. The week-long camp will cost \$125 if families pre-register, and

discounts are available for multi-child families. The registration fee is \$150 when registering campers at the door. The camp will be run by the team's coaching staff and players, with players acting as coaches to different campers. The camp will also feature skill development activities, team games, contests and more. All campers will receive a basketball and a T-shirt at the end of camp. Williams has been offering the camp for more than a decade, providing a service to the community while also sharing a love for basketball with the next generation of Apopka athletes. The camp is also a major fundraiser for the

BASKETBALL CAMP, 2B



Photo by Marshall Tempest

The Apopka basketball team's player-coaches watch as their campers compete against each other.

Neeson's first head coaching opportunity a long time coming

Former coordinator will face several challenges in rebuilding the team

By Marshall Tempest
Reporter

Marcus Neeson, a former Apopka football defensive coordinator, has officially been named the new head coach for Blue Darter football. From his time as a player to his first years in his coaching journey, Neeson has been waiting for this opportunity. "But I knew back then, and others knew that football coaching was probably going



Courtesy of John Peery

The Apopka football team's new head coach, Marcus Neeson, walks defensive backs through a drill in August 2021.

to be my thing," Neeson said. "I picked up on plays and coverages better than most

kids my age. I saw the game a little differently. I was like a coach on the field when

I played." Neeson's journey to becoming Apopka's new head football coach doesn't start in Apopka or even Florida but in Georgia. At the age of five, Neeson began playing football for the Redan Raiders in Stone Mountain, Georgia. "I was a short, squatty, o-lineman-linebacker body," Neeson said. "I was pulling guard; I was at center. I just wanted to hit people, that's why I ended up playing those positions — and I was round at that age." In middle school, Neeson moved to Florida and lost the baby weight, where a new coach looked at him and saw a receiver. After that, he fell

in love with being a receiver. "I went out there and I was catching balls over everyone, and I even broke my collarbone in the first game," Neeson said. At Gulf High School in New Port Richey, Florida, Neeson started three years as a varsity receiver. Going into his senior year, his coach told him he needed him to play corner. However, it was a natural transition for Neeson, as he played both ways during his senior season, serving as both a defensive back and a wide receiver. "My coach was like, 'Hey, I need you to play corner,' and I'm looking at him like, 'You want me to tack-

le people,'" Neeson said. "And I really hadn't played on the defense since I was probably 8 or 9, and I played corner my senior year, and receiver as well." Neeson's first experience with coaching was a senior project where he coached under his high school coach for the Paul R. Smith Middle School basketball team in Holiday, Florida. After his senior season, Neeson was recruited to Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas, to play defensive back, where he played corner and safety for two years. After two years, Ne-

COACH NEESON, 3B

Fish in Apopka area lakes are biting!



GOIN' FISHIN'

Jim Keck
Correspondent

Hello Folks,
I hope everyone had a great weekend, and, hopefully, you got a chance to do some fishin'. We have some rain comin' in this week, so dependin' on the weather, you might have to dodge a few raindrops when you go fishin'.

The Harris Chain was showin' out this past weekend. Congrats to Steve Bishop and Matt Gee on their win with a five bass limit that hit the scales at 20.54 pounds.

There was another tournament on the Harris Chain this past weekend where the Florida Bass League held their tournament. The winnin' team of Dylan Trevarthen and Chandler Cornelius hit the scales with five bass that weighed in at 19.97 pounds. They also caught a tagged bass that weighed 7.57 pounds. Congrats, guys, on a great win.

Folks have been catchin'

some nice bass on the Winter Haven Chain, as well. The Headwaters was still producin' nice stringers of bass this past week. Folks have been goin' out with guides on four-hour trips and catchin' 30 to 40 bass each trip. So, if you want to catch a mess of bass, you might want to plan a trip to the Headwaters real soon.

I got some good reports from the guys fishin' for panfish on Lake Kissimmee. They're catchin' limits of panfish on red worms and grass-shrimp in the pads. One report I got was that some folks're catchin' their limits by 9 a. m.

If you want to get in on the pan-fishin' in Lake Kissimmee, you might want to consider makin' a trip down there, and just go catch your limit. You're allowed to catch 50 bluegills or shellcrackers per angler. If you decide to go down there, take the family, especially if you have little'uns. They'll have a blast catchin' panfish, and you'll stay busy baitin' their hooks for 'em.

The bass fishin' is still pretty good on the Butler Chain. You'll be able to catch a lotta keeper-size bass. Most of the bass are bein' caught on plastic worms and

slow-sinkin Senko type baits. Keep an eye out for schoolers. They'll come up and bust on the bait-fish, and you need to be ready with your favorite lipless crank-bait.

The fishin' on West Lake Toho has been really hot this summer. Folks're catchin 10 to 20 bass per trip. One angler reports that he and his clients caught 51 bass in just three hours. Most of 'em were caught on shiners, and a few were caught on flukes.

This week, July 15 thru July 18th, is ICAST week at the Orange County Convention Center. ICAST is the largest Sport Fishing trade

show which is held once per year. Unfortunately, the show is not open to the public. This show highlights the new products that are introduced to the fishin' community. There will be new products from rods and reels to outboard motors and anything in between.

Well, that's it for this week. Please be careful with all the rain they're expectin' this week. The last thing you want to do is get caught in a bad storm while you are out fishin'.

Tip of the week: Lots of rain.

SAVE A FEW AND GOOD LUCK!

Football coach

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when it comes to hiring a head coach to lead the program moving forward.”

Being a new head coach in a program after a mass exodus of players will be a challenge for Neeson, but it is one he welcomes. He said the theme for the team this season is A.P.K. — accountability, pride and knowing.

Neeson emphasized the importance of accountability and extensive knowledge. He said it applies to both the players and the coaches.

As a game and practice film connoisseur and as a student of the game, he wants his players to know and see the game the way he does.

Neeson said being knowledgeable and accountable means that everyone on the field on offense needs to know everything about what's going on. It doesn't matter if the player is a quarterback, an offensive lineman, or a wide receiver.

Neeson's philosophy is that players who want to be on the field need to know everything about the play the team is running as well as everything about the opponents' defense.



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Marcus Neeson and Jalen Carter touch hands during a prayer after Carter's free football camp.

“There's going to be some accountability on their end,” Neeson said. “The offense is going to be simplified, but they're going to have to know where we're attacking. If it's a run play, they have to know where we're going and what the assignment is. So, the O-line needs to be able to identify, the quarterback needs to be able to identify, as well as the receivers. They need to understand the play and communicate the coverage that they're going against.”

More important than anything is keeping the Apopka Blue Darter stan-

dard intact, Neeson said. That standard of hard work, discipline, and community breeds excellence.

Neeson said that leading up to the official announcement of his appointment as head coach, he reached out to former players to determine what he needed to do in the role. The overwhelming answer was that the standard of being a Blue Darter needs to stay the same. Those former players he asked said their time as a Blue Darter was a key element in their development as men.

“I sat down with some alumni, Antwone Robinson,



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Apopka's former head coach, Jeff Rolson (center), talk with the Apopka defense together during a game in the 2024 season.

the other day, and asked him and one other guy, ‘Hey, what would you say that I need to do as a head coach?’ And he said, ‘Keep the Apopka standard, the standard.’ And that meant a lot. He said that he wouldn't have been where he's at today — he wouldn't be the guy he is today without Apopka holding him accountable and keeping the standard.”

Entering the head coaching position after a 4–6 season and losing 28 players since the end of the season would be a challenge for anyone. However, Ne-

eson said Apopka has faced a similar situation in recent years and, within a few seasons, was back in the playoffs.

“We went through it back in 2017, and two years later, we were playing for a state championship,” Neeson said. “I don't feel like there's going to be any drop-off. I feel like we've been through this, and we move forward. We've got a lot of young guys that are going to step up this year, and we've got a lot of time to invest in them. They can only go up from here.”

Basketball camp

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team's needs throughout the season.

Williams and the program does not charge their players for any aspect of the season. The team provides everything they need for the summer months, the travel tournaments and the regular season.

“Although we had to move camp back to the end of the summer this year due to gym conflicts, we are so excited to have our camp again this year,” Williams said.

Williams said because the camp will only have one session this year instead of the usual two, they are getting close to selling all the slots.

“We encourage families to get signed up as soon as possible,” Williams said. “Our camp is a huge success each year, and it really is all about the efforts of our players, as they do such a great job of giving back to the campers during the week!”

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Football camp

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work, tackling, turnovers, breaking into the pocket, and interceptions.

“We split them into older kids and younger kids, like your middle schoolers and your incoming freshmen, and then your elementary school kids,” Neeson said. “The little kids did stations, county fair style. So we did defensive emphasis down on the little kids’

side, and the older kids did offensive and individual drills.”

Neeson said he saw a lot of young talent out there and made sure to talk to the kids during the camp about wanting to keep the Apopka athletes playing for Apopka. He used the camp as an example of what being a Blue Darter is like and gave young players a peek inside of a program with

a rich history.

After the drills, the real fun began. They held seven-on-seven games before letting the kids have free range to use the gaming truck, dunk tank, as well as have fun and play with friends and other campers. They finished off the day with tug of war competitions and awards to campers who shined the most during drills.

The camp’s focus this year was saying no to drugs, as Carter used the camp as a way to reach out to the Apopka youth. Carter’s agent, Drew Rosenhaus, was also present at the camp and talked to the players about the importance of staying on the right path and how sports can bring structure.

“You can do whatever

you want with this simple formula — stay out of trouble, respect your parents and coaches, and hit the books,” Rosenhaus said. “Athletics is amazing whether you play high school, college or professional. It teaches you discipline and toughness. You can’t accomplish anything in life without hard work and discipline.”

Neeson said this was the

best turnout yet and only expects it to be even more extravagant next year. He and the coaching staff joked that next year, they might just have a foam pit and a Ferris wheel out there, too.

The Apopka Chief asked Jalen Carter and his team for an interview at the camp last week, but he said he was unable to squeeze it in.

Coach Neeson

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son moved back to Florida, seeking to complete his AA degree and explore coaching opportunities.

His first real coaching opportunity came in 2009, after he moved back home. A new high school was opening near the middle school where he coached for his senior project in high school.

“[The coach at Anclote High School] asked me if I wanted to come over and help out with the defense backs, because they had like a three-guy coaching staff,” Neeson said. “So, I said, ‘Sure, why not.’ And I went over there, and they ended up giving me a full-time coaching supplement.”

While coaching at Anclote High School, Neeson was a student at the University of Central Florida, where

he studied sport and exercise science. In 2014, Neeson graduated with a bachelor’s degree and moved to Apopka, where he found a physical education job at Clay Springs Elementary.

It wasn’t until 2017 that Neeson found himself back on the field as a coach. He said that after playing phone tag with former head coach Rick Darlington, he showed up on the first day of spring practice hoping to find a way back into coaching.

“[I] said, ‘Hey, I’m the guy you’ve been talking to,’ And he goes, ‘Oh, yeah, I know who you are... You start tomorrow,’ I said, ‘Oh, okay.’ And day two out there I’m coaching defensive backs. By the fall season, he made me the freshman defensive coordinator, and

then I just kind of worked my way up the ladder from there.”

Neeson said that he took over as the Apopka varsity defensive coordinator a few years ago when former head coach Jeff Rolson transitioned to focusing more on the offense. He said that he somewhat fell into the role because no other coach wanted to take on the responsibility of calling the defense.

Neeson was comfortable in his position until the end of the 2025 school year. After a 4–6 season and a spring game loss to Jones High School, which saw 20 players leave or transfer out of the program, it was apparent that something was amiss within the Apopka football program.

Rolson came to Neeson on the last day of the 2025 school year to tell him that he was considering resigning. The two men went out for dinner, and Rolson laid out Neeson’s options.

“So Rolson told me, ‘So you can wait it out and see who they hire. Or you can put in for the position,’ And I sat there and wasn’t really sure what to do. But I thought about it and decided to put my name in the hat and see what happened,” Neeson said.

Neeson said that he has learned a great deal during his time at Apopka and is glad to have had the opportunity to work under two championship coaches, Darlington and Rolson.

“And it’s been humbling,” Neeson said.

Neeson said he will take a lot from both Darlington’s and Rolson’s approaches, but will also implement his own philosophy, one with a focus on preparation and knowledge. Neeson said his philosophy comes from Sun Tzu’s “The Art of War.”

According to the book, knowing your enemy is half the battle, and Neeson said he embraces this through his love of game and practice film.

“I’m big on film. I watch film and analyze every little detail,” Neeson said. “I’m going to see what you like to do and then I’m going to take that away and force you to do something that you’re not comfortable with, that’s going to be on offense and defense.”

Now it’s time for Neeson to take the reins and lead Apopka through a tough fall, after its worst season in 20 years. In the 2025 season, Apopka faces five teams who finished in the Top 50 in the state last year, including two state champions, one state runner-up, one regional runner-up, and one final-four finisher.

Neeson is also coming into the season with just three returning starters, according to Apopka’s 2025 Florida Citrus Sports Media Day documentation.

Neeson said his goal for the program one year from now is to return to being state championship contenders. He said the only way to do that is to keep the Apopka standard as it is and foster excellence through discipline and hard work.



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VERSE OF THE WEEK

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—Lamentations 3:22-23

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To submit an event, you can email them to news@the-apopkachief.com.

Friday, July 18

Flight of the Pickle Fish – 6:00 p.m. at Casselberry Sculpture House – 120 Quail Pond Circle, Casselberry. Opening reception for Doug Rhodehamel's whimsical cardboard art installation honoring cultural advocate Dave Plotkin.

Line Dance Night – 6:30 p.m. at Fit 'N Fierce of West Orange – 1711 Amazing Way #112, Ocoee. A 60-minute line dance lesson followed by a 30-minute dance party. \$10

Hawaiian Theme Weekend – 6:30 p.m. at Food Trucks Heaven – 5407 W Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy, Kissimmee. Celebrate island vibes with food trucks, music, leis, and family fun. Wear your Hawaiian best! Free

Downtown Clermont Wine Stroll – 6:30 p.m. (Check-in at 5:30 p.m. at 752 W. Montrose St, Clermont). Sample wines at over 25 businesses throughout downtown. Includes souvenir wine glass and wristband.

Comedy show: Marlon Wayans – 7:00 p.m. at Funny Bone Comedy Club – 9101 International Dr Suite 2310, Orlando. See comedy legend Marlon Wayans live in Orlando. Known for White Chicks, Scary Movie,

and Amazon's Good Grief. \$59–\$89

Catch Me If You Can: The Musical – 7:30 p.m. at Osceola Arts – 2411 E Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy, Kissimmee. High-energy musical based on the life of Frank Abagnale Jr., filled with dazzling songs and thrilling storytelling. \$25–\$30
Comedians Natalie Cuomo and Dan LaMorte with Marcus Crespo – 8:00 p.m. at The Abbey – 100 S Eola Dr Suite 100, Orlando. Enjoy individual and couple-style comedy sets from this hilarious duo. Presented by Glory Days. \$5

Gerald Law II & The Clutch – 8:00 p.m. at Blue Bamboo Center for the Arts – 460 E New England Ave, Winter Park. A soulful, grooving night of jazz and R&B with one of Central Florida's most dynamic live acts. \$40

FREE SHOW: Sean Holcomb with Patrick Hagerman – 9:00 p.m. at Tuffy's Music Box – 200 Myrtle Ave, Sanford. Enjoy a night of heartfelt, high-energy country from local star Sean Holcomb and special guest Patrick Hagerman. Free

Saturday, July 19
Quarterly Bird & Butterfly Survey – 7:30 a.m. at Ellis Acres Reserve – 25302 County Rd 42, Paisley. Assist with surveying Lake County conservation lands for birds and butterflies. Free



Courtesy of City Arts Gallery

Guests will blend and bottle their own signature red wine on Tuesday, July 22, during a guided workshop with tastings, snacks, and after-hours access to the City Arts Gallery.

Feed-A-Palooza Presented By AdventHealth – 8:00 a.m. at Camping World Stadium – 1 Citrus Bowl Pl, Orlando. A free, all-ages celebration of unity with games, entertainment, giveaways, and health resources.

Botanical Gel Plate Printing – 10:00 a.m. at Harry P. Leu Gardens – 1920 N Forest Ave, Orlando. Learn gel plate printing with acrylics to create one-of-a-kind botanical artwork. All supplies included. Includes garden admission. \$60–\$70

Walk for Huli Huli Glen Coltes – 10:00 a.m. at Lake Eola (Forum) – 512 E Washington St, Orlando. Join a community walk in support of Glen Coltes and prostate cancer awareness. Proceeds support PCF.

Splash into a New School

Year with BBMA Apopka – 10:00 a.m. at Kit Land Nelson Park – 10 S Forest Ave, Apopka. Enjoy a splash pad party with games, giveaways, and school info from Big Blue Marble Academy. Free

Numerology Workshop – 10:00 a.m. at Hart Memorial Central Library – 211 E Dakin Ave, Kissimmee. Discover how your birth date and name reveal insights into your personality and purpose.

Astro Fest! – 10:00 a.m. at Orlando Science Center – 777 E Princeton St, Orlando. Hands-on space science fun with shows, films, stori-time, and workshops. Included with admission. \$24–\$31 (Free for members; \$5 with EBT/WIC)

Sea Turtles Resin Panel Workshop – 10:00 a.m. at

Artisans of Mount Dora – 139 E 4th Ave, Mount Dora. Create a mixed-media resin piece featuring baby sea turtles. Class: \$50; materials: \$25 (cash only). Bring a mask.

CHOMP MARKET – 11:00 a.m. at DoubleTree by Hilton at SeaWorld – 10100 International Dr, Orlando. Shop art vendors poolside and enjoy a laid-back market day with friends. Tickets starting at \$9

Old Town's AUTOFEST 2025 – 1:00 p.m. at Old Town – 5770 W Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy, Kissimmee. Quarterly judged show of classic and muscle cars, with trophies and a car cruise at 8:30 p.m.

Marvel Rivals Tournament – 7:00 p.m. at Valhalla Wekiva Springs – 990

N SR 434 #1192, Altamonte Springs. Team up for a Marvel-themed gaming showdown! \$20 entry. Prizes: \$150 & \$60 Steam cards per team.

Arty Party: 1 Night Only Exhibition – 8:00 p.m. at 420 E Church St #111, Orlando. Enjoy a pop-up gallery event that blends art and R&B in a lively evening atmosphere. \$20

Summer Painting With A Plate – 8:00 p.m. at Upstairs – 210 N Westmonte Dr, Altamonte Springs. Create a unique painting while enjoying food and a chill atmosphere. \$50

Tuesday, July 22

Monthly Craft Market – 9:00 a.m. at Marks Street Senior Recreation – 99 E Marks St, Orlando. Shop handmade creations from senior crafters, including knitting, jewelry, woodworking, paintings, and more. Free.

Tastemaker Tuesday – 6:30 p.m. at CityArts – 39 S Mag-nolia Ave, Orlando. Blend your own red wine during this guided session with snacks, custom labels, and good vibes. \$81.25.
your perfect blend. Scale up your recipe, bottle it, cork it, and design a custom label to take home. \$81.25

Peachy, punchy, and passed down: recipes to savor

Our friend Susan Nethercote gave us a copy of her family's memoirs named *The Jones-Morris Family Treasury*. Therein, among all the family contributions for numerous recipes, we find Nancy Mahusay's instructions for Mrs. Olson's Sloppy Joe Mix.



How about Skillet Fried Corn? It calls for four ingredients, one of which is fresh corn. Fernwood Nurseries in Zellwood contributed this recipe to the Zellwood Sweet Corn Festival of 1982.

From Treasures and Pleasures cookbook, here are Sweet and Sour Carrots. This recipe, which you can serve either hot or cold, was contributed by Irene Ustler.

If you like a salad extravaganza, try this Wilted Spinach Delight! It's from Panama City's Canary Cottage, in Joyce LaFray Young's book, *Country Cookin'*, and it looks terrific!

How about making fresh peach cobbler? It is so good. We have a recipe from Allrecipes.com for Fresh Southern Peach Cobbler for you. This recipe is by aeopsey, who said, "This peach cobbler recipe is something I've perfected over the years. It's loved by all. Use fresh Georgia peaches, of course!" She updated the recipe on May 18 of this year. It takes 20 minutes to prepare and 40 minutes to cook. Not too bad for a wonderful dessert!

According to SouthernLiving.com, "The peach season is pretty short, running from late spring through the summer, but there's nothing like it. This is when you'll get the best-tasting peaches, and ones that will be optimum for using in dishes. This Peach Salsa recipe looks delicious. I use a Peach Salsa that I buy from Costco and it is delicious with not only chips and vegetables but it is wonderful with fish. So, this homemade salsa will be terrific. I will go pretty light on the serrano chiles, though!"

Editor's Note: This salsa recipe was developed by the Southern Living Test Kitchen; the recipe notes were written by Aly Walsky.

MRS. OLSON'S SLOPPY JOE MIX

Recipe from *The Jones-Morris Family Treasury*

- 1-1/2 pounds ground chuck
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/3 cup minced onion
- 1/3 cup minced celery
- 1 tablespoon mustard
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire
- 1 cup ketchup
- 1 cup hot water

Mix all ingredients together. Cook gently 30-40 minutes. Serve on rolls, bread, rice or potato.

SKILLET FRIED CORN

Recipe from Fernwood Nurseries, Inc. Published by 1982 Zellwood Sweet Corn Festival

- 4 slices bacon
- 3 cups cut fresh corn
- 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/4 cup finely chopped onion

Cook bacon crisp; drain and crumble. To drippings, add vegetables. Cover, and cook over low heat until just tender, 5 to 8 minutes. Season with 1 teaspoon salt and dash of pepper. Sprinkle bacon over top. Makes 6 servings.

SWEET AND SOUR CARROTS

Recipe from Treasures and Pleasures cookbook

- 1 pound carrots, peeled and cut diagonally
- 1 medium green pepper, seeded and cut in strips
- 1 8-ounce can pineapple chunks, save juice
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce

1) Cook carrots, covered in a small amount of water, until tender, about 15 minutes. 2) Add green pepper and cook 3 minutes longer. 3) Drain. Drain pineapple and save juice. Add water, if necessary,

to make 1/3 cup liquid. 4) Combine sugar, cornstarch, and salt in saucepan. Stir in pineapple juice, vinegar and soy sauce. 5) Cook until thick, stirring constantly. 6) Add sauce and pineapple to vegetables. Heat. 7) Serve hot or cold.

WILTED SPINACH DELIGHT FROM CANARY COTTAGE IN PANAMA CITY

Recipe from

- Country Cookin'* by Joyce LaFray Young
- 1/2 pound bacon
- 1/2-3/4 cups sugar (or sugar substitute)
- 2 tablespoons dry mustard
- 1 cup vinegar
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 pound fresh spinach (washed, cleaned, torn into bite-size pieces)
- 3 tomatoes (cut into wedges)
- 1/2 cup scallions (sliced)
- 2 hard boiled eggs (chopped fine)
- 1/2 cup sharp cheddar cheese
- 12 fresh mushrooms (sliced)

1) Place bacon in frying pan and fry until crisp. Remove bacon and allow to cool. Crumble. Set aside. 2) Add sugar, dry mustard, and vinegar to bacon drippings. Stir to blend. Add water. Stir. Bring to boil. Simmer 5 minutes while arranging salads. 3) Place spinach on salad plates. Arrange the other ingredients on top, including the crumbled bacon. 4) Spoon the hot sauce over and serve immediately.

Variation: Use yellow squash that has been sliced thin. Serves 4-6. Cooking: 10 minutes.

AEPOSEY'S FRESH SOUTHERN PEACH COBBLER

Recipe from allrecipes.com

- 8 fresh peaches, peeled, pitted and sliced into thin wedges
- 1/4 cup white sugar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup white sugar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder

- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, chilled and cut into small pieces
- 1/4 cup boiling water
- 3 tablespoons white sugar
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1) Gather all ingredients. 2) Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F. 3) Combine peaches, 1/4 cup white sugar, 1/4 cup brown sugar, 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon, nutmeg, lemon juice, and cornstarch in a large bowl; toss to coat evenly and pour into a 2-quart baking dish. Bake in preheated oven for 10 minutes. 4) Meanwhile, combine flour, 1/4 cup white sugar, 1/4 cup brown sugar, baking powder, and salt in a large bowl. Blend in butter with your fingertips or a pastry blender until mixture resembles coarse meal. Stir in water until just combined. 5) Remove peaches from oven, and drop spoonfuls of topping over them. 6) Mix 3 tablespoons white sugar and 1 teaspoon cinnamon together in a small bowl; sprinkle over entire cobbler. 7) Bake in the preheated oven until topping is golden, about 30 minutes.

PEACH SALSA

Recipe from SOUTHERNLIVING.COM

- 3 medium-size fresh peaches (about 1 1/4 lb. total), pitted and diced
- 1/2 cup finely chopped red onion (from 1 onion)
- 1/2 cup quartered multicolored cherry tomatoes
- 1/4 cup packed chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 1/2 small serrano chile, cut into thin rings
- 1 tsp. grated lime zest plus
- 2 Tbsp. fresh juice (from 1 lime)
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. chili powder

1) Mix ingredients: Combine peaches, red onion, tomatoes, cilantro, serrano, lime zest, lime juice, salt, and chili powder in a medium bowl. 2) Stir together and let stand 5 minutes at room temperature before serving, stirring occasionally.

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July 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO. 48-2025-CP-002255-O
IN RE: Estate of
DANNY JEROME
CALHOUN,
deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
THE ADMINISTRATION of the estate of DANNY JEROME CALHOUN, deceased, File Number 48-2025-CP-002255-O is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 335, Orlando, FL 32801. The name of the personal representative and personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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All known or reasonably ascertainable, including contingent creditors of the decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
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ALL CLAIMS DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO. 48-2025-CP-002301-O
IN RE: Estate of
ANTHONY B. VINSON
a/k/a ANTHONY BRIAN
VINSON,
deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
THE ADMINISTRATION of the estate of ANTHONY B. VINSON a/k/a ANTHONY BRIAN VINSON, deceased, File Number 48-2025-CP-002301-O is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 335, Orlando, FL 32801. The name of the personal representative and personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2025-CP-001773-O
Division
IN RE. ESTATE OF
FREDA YVETTE
BOHANNON,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of FREDA YVETTE BOHANNON, deceased, whose date of death was April 24, 2025; File Number 2025-CP-001773-O, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue Orlando Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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Signed on May 23, 2025.
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PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO. 48-2025-CP-002255-O
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Florida Bar No. 098523
July 18, 25, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2025-CP-001630-O
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF
JACK ALEXANDER JR.,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the Estate of **JACK ALEXANDER JR.**, whose date of death was July 3, 2024, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division (File No. 2025-CP-001630-O), the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801.
The Name and address of Petitioner and the Petitioner's attorney are set forth below.
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT:
All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections that challenge the validity of the administration, the qualifications of the petitioners, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is July 18, 2025.
TERESA AGEE
Personal Representative
1111 Lakeview Dr.,
Schererville, IN 46375
ANDRE T. YOUNG, ESQ.
FBN: 0058030
Attorney For Personal Representative
The Young Law Firm of
Florida, LLC
815 N. Magnolia Ave.,
Suite 200
Orlando, FL 32803

Telephone: 407-422-4000
Fax: 888-767-9627
Email: atyoung@younglawfl.com
Secondary email:
service@younglawfl.com
July 18, 25, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No: 2025-CP-002098-O
IN RE: ESTATE OF
ELIZABETH M. PICONE
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(summary administration)
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:
You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of Elizabeth M. Picone, deceased, File Number 2025-CP-002098-O, by the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Ave., Suite 335, Orlando, FL 32801; that the decedent's date of death was April 28, 2025; that the total value of the estate is \$6,000.00, and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:
Name
Gregory E. Melnick, Jr.,
Trustee of The Elizabeth M. Picone Trust
Dated February 22, 2012
Address
2916 Fitzooth Dive
Winter Park, FL 32792
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this Notice is July 11, 2025.
Person Giving Notice
Gregory E. Melnick, Jr.
2916 Fitzooth Drive
Winter Park, Florida 32792
Attorney for
Person Giving Notice
Gregory E. Melnick, Jr.
Attorney for Personal Representative
Florida Bar No. 0921386
e-mail: gregmelnicklaw@gmail.com
2916 Fitzooth Drive
Winter Park, Florida 32792
Telephone: (407) 673-8033
July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR THE 9th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File Number: 2025-CP-000816-O
IN RE: ESTATE OF
Jonathan Jamal Azeez
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of JONATHAN JAMAL AZEEZ, deceased, whose date of death was December 19, 2024, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Ave. Ste. 335, Orlando, Florida 32801. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
A Personal Representative or curator has no duty to discover whether any property held at the time of the decedent's death by the decedent or the decedent's surviving spouse is property to which the Florida Uniform Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216-732.228, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211.
The date of first publication of this notice is July 11, 2025.
Personal Representative:
/s/ Abdul Azeez
Abdul Azeez
5514 Emerson Pointe Way
Orlando, Florida 32819
Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ Jennifer B. Levy
Jennifer B. Levy, Esq.
E-mail: jblevy@jblevylaw.com
Florida Bar No: 0032717
5401 S. Kirkman Rd.
Ste. 310
Orlando, Florida 32819
(407) 744-9121
July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-006456
DIVISION 36
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF
2016 MERCEDES-BENZ
VIN#
55SWF4JB2GU115595
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE
To Matthew Alers, and all persons who

claim an interest in a 2016 Mercedes Benz VIN #55SWF4JB2GU115595 seized on or about 5/31/2025 at or about 1438 Bella Coola Dr., Orlando, FL, Orange Co., FL. Said property is in the custody of the City of Orlando Police Dept. Any owner, entity, bonafide lienholder, or person in possession of the property when seized has the right to request an adversarial preliminary hearing for a probable cause determination from the circuit court within 15 days after initial receipt of notice by sending a written request to undersigned counsel by certified mail, return receipt requested. A petition for forfeiture has been or will be filed in the above-styled court.
/s/ Shannon Hesse
Shannon Gridley Hesse
Fla. Bar No. 528633
Police Legal Advisor
Orlando Police Department
1250 W. South Street
Orlando, Florida 32805
(407) 246-2464
shannon.hesse@orlando.gov
July 18, 25, 2025

**CITY OF APOPKA
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**
The following ordinance was first read on **Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** and was held over for second reading. The second reading will be considered for adoption at the City Council meeting on **Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.**, in the Apopka City Hall Council Chambers or as soon thereafter as possible.

ORDINANCE NO. 3072
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF APOPKA PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF APOPKA; PROVIDING BALLOT TITLES, SUMMARIES AND TEXT FOR THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR APPROVED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE ORDINANCE.
Interested parties may appear at this meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. The proposed ordinance is available in the City Clerk's office for inspection. 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.

Dated this 10th day of July, 2025
Susan M. Bone,
City Clerk
City of Apopka, Florida
July 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2023-CA-017603-O
DIV NO.: 35
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
ADRIANA HERRERA, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II
TO:
ALBA LUZ MESA VELEZ
CRA 46 NO 52-140
OF 1202
MEDELLIN, OF 99999
COLOMBIA
CARLOS FELIPE RAMIREZ MESA
CRA 46 NO 52-140
OF 1202
MEDELLIN, OF 99999
COLOMBIA
GLORIA EUGENIA BETANCUR MESA
CRA 46 NO 52-140
OF 1202
MEDELLIN, OF 99999
COLOMBIA
CARLOS RAFAEL BETANCUR MESA
CRA 46 NO 52-140
OF 1202
MEDELLIN, OF 99999
COLOMBIA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 8th, 2025 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2023-CA-017603-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT III
10 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: S71907 & S71908 & S71909 & S71910 & S71911 & S71912 & S71913 & S71914 & S71915 & S71916) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of December 1, 2017 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement), at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 7th day of August, 2025, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on July 8th, 2025.
DATED this 8th day of July, 2025.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #110511.0054
MORI #Orange
July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-006204
DIVISION 34
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$3,176.00 U.S. CURRENCY
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE
To Marcus J. Escarmment, and all persons who claim an interest in a \$3,176.00 U.S. CURRENCY seized on or about 5/17/2025 at or about Central Blvd. & Division St., Orlando, FL, Orlando, Orange Co., FL. Said property is in the custody of the City of Orlando Police Dept. Any owner, entity, bonafide lienholder, or person in possession of the property when seized has the right to request an adversarial preliminary hearing for a probable cause determination from the circuit court within 15 days after initial receipt of notice by sending a written request to undersigned counsel by certified mail, return receipt requested. A petition for forfeiture has been or will be filed in the above-styled court.
/s/ Shannon Hesse
Shannon Gridley Hesse
Fla. Bar No. 528633
Police Legal Advisor
Orlando Police Department
1250 W. South Street
Orlando, Florida 32805
(407) 246-2464
shannon.hesse@orlando.gov
July 18, 25, 2025

least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #110511.0054
MORI #Orange
July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-006204
DIVISION 34
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$3,176.00 U.S. CURRENCY
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE
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/s/ Shannon Hesse
Shannon Gridley Hesse
Fla. Bar No. 528633
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July 18, 25, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-006259
DIVISION 36
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$30,458.00 U.S. CURRENCY
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE
To Billy F. Achille, Garvin F. Marcellus, and all persons who claim an interest in a \$30,458.00 U.S. CURRENCY seized on or about 5/23/2025 at or about 668 N. Orange Ave., Apt. 3202 Orlando, FL, Orange Co., FL. Said property is in the custody of the City of Orlando Police Dept. Any owner, entity, bonafide lienholder, or person in possession of the property when seized has the right to request an adversarial preliminary hearing for a probable cause determination from the circuit court within 15 days after initial receipt of notice by sending a written request to undersigned counsel by certified mail, return receipt requested. A petition for forfeiture has been or will be filed in the above-styled court.
/s/ Shannon Hesse
Shannon Gridley Hesse
Fla. Bar No. 528633
Police Legal Advisor
Orlando Police Department
1250 W. South Street
Orlando, Florida 32805
(407) 246-2464
shannon.hesse@orlando.gov
July 18, 25, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2023-CA-016562-O
DIV NO.: 35
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
GREGORY J ELDER, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT III
TO: WILLIAM M. BINGHAM
37 FENTON AVE
LYNN, MA 01905
REBEKAH LYNN SUGGS
37 FENTON AVE
LYNN, MA 01905
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on June 4, 2025 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2023-CA-016562-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT III
10 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: S71907 & S71908 & S71909 & S71910 & S71911 & S71912 & S71913 & S71914 & S71915 & S71916) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of December 1, 2017 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement), at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 7th day of August, 2025, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on July 8, 2025.
DATED this 8th day of July, 2025.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO.010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #110511.0054
MORI #ORANGE
July 11, 18, 2025

appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #126435.6375
MORI #ORANGE
July 11, 18, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
BARTLETT TOWING, INC gives notice that on **08/07/2025** at 08:30 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 2252 APOPKA BLVD, STE B, APOPKA, FL 32703 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.
2012 Dodge
2C3CDXH3C2H213556
Publish: The Apopka Chief
July 18, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
BARTLETT TOWING, INC gives notice that on **08/11/2025** at 08:30 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 2252 APOPKA BLVD, STE B, APOPKA, FL 32703 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.
2003 Mercedes
WDBUF70J33A150067
Publish: The Apopka Chief
July 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2025-CA-000664-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 40
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$25,000.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: Edwin Hernandez
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action pursuant to the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act has been filed by the Orange County Sheriff's Office on the following property in Orange County, FL: seized on or about the 15th day of January 2025, at or near 6065 S. Goldenrod Rd., Orlando, Orange County, Florida. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the Assistant General Counsel for the Orange County Sheriff's Office, Legal Services, P.O. Box 1440, Orlando, Florida 32802, within 30 days of this publication, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Final Judgment of Forfeiture.
REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.
If you are a person with disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
DATED this July 10, 2025
TIFFANY MOORE
RUSSELL
Clerk of the Court
Tiffany Moore Russell,
Clerk of Courts
Civil Division
425 N Orange Ave
Room 350
Orlando, Florida 32801
By: /s/Rasheda Thomas
Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
July 18, 25, August 1, 8, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
BARTLETT TOWING, INC gives notice that on **08/11/2025** at 08:30 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 2252 APOPKA BLVD, STE B, APOPKA, FL 32703 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.
2014 Honda
3CZRM3H34EG714870
Publish: The Apopka Chief
July 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO: 2025-CA-002195-O
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF CWTAL, INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2005-80CB, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-80CB, Plaintiff,
vs.
BIBI W. KHAN A/K/A BIBI WAKEEMA KHAN; ARFAAN KHAN A/K/A ARFAAN ABDUL-LATIF KHAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BIBI W. KHAN A/K/A BIBI WAKEEMA KHAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ARFAAN KHAN A/K/A ARFAAN ABDUL-LATIF KHAN; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE
TO: UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BIBI W. KHAN A/K/A BIBI WAKEEMA KHAN LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 2309 Cilantro Dr, Orlando, FL 32837
ALSO ATTEMPTED AT: 11719 146TH ST., JAMICA, NY 11436
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:
LOT 709, PEPPER MILL SECTION SEVEN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 19, PAGES 11 AND 12 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2309 Cilantro Dr, Orlando, FL 32837

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISMAN & GORDON, LLP, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is One East Broad Blvd., Suite 1430, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 33301 (no later than 30 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice of Action) and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at Orange County, Florida, this 9th day of July, 2025.

Tiffany Moore Russell
CLERK OF THE
CIRCUIT COURT
BY: /s/ St Green
DEPUTY CLERK
Civil Division
425 N. Orange Avenue
Room 350
Orlando, Florida 32801
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding or event, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, fax: 407-836-2204 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately if you receive less than a 7 day notice to appear. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711 to reach the Telecommunications Relay Service.

FRENKEL LAMBERT
WEISMAN & GORDON, LLP
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF
ONE EAST BROWARD
BLVD., Suite 1111
FORT LAUDERDALE,
FL 33301
TELEPHONE:
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PURSUANT TO FLA. R.
JUD. ADMIN 2.516
fleservice@flwlaw.com
04-101095-F00
July 18, 25, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE FOLLOWING TENANTS WILL BE SOLD FOR CASH TO SATISFY RENTAL LIENS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTES, SELF STORAGE FACILITY ACT, SECTIONS 83.806 AND 83.807. CONTENTS MAY INCLUDE KITCHEN, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, BEDDING, TOYS, GAMES, BOXES, BARRELS, PACKED CARTONS, FURNITURE, TRUCKS, CARS, ETC. THERE IS NO TITLE FOR VEHICLES SOLD AT LIEN SALE. VEHICLES SOLD "AS IS" AND FOR PARTS ONLY. OWNERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO BID ON UNITS. LIEN SALE TO BE HELD ONLINE ENDING **TUESDAY August 5th, 2025** AT TIMES INDICATED BELOW. VIEWING AND BIDDING WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT www.storage-reasures.com BEGINNING 5 DAYS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME! ALSO VISIT www.personalminis-torage.com/orlando-fl-storage-units/ FOR MORE INFO.

PERSONAL MINI STORAGE APOPKA - 1365 E SEMORAN BLVD., APOPKA, FL 32703 - AT 10:30 AM : UNITS: #411 - Marie Baptiste; #546 - Wilfred Velez Arz; #624 - Katherine Wrenfro; #807 - Leonard Ponte; #1029 - Kendra Moore; #1332 - Harvey Skelton; #1372 - Quadrae Clark
July 18, 25, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-005648-O
DIV NO.: 35
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JERRY L. BUTLER, et. al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT XV
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: WILLIAM M FOLLIS, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM M FOLLIS, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
C/O DAVIS & THOMPSON PLLC
314 SOUTH 5TH ST;
PO BOX 487
JAY, OK 74346-0487
AND
ALICIA HAMPTON, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF ALICIA HAMPTON, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
C/O DAVIS & THOMPSON PLLC
314 SOUTH 5TH ST;
PO BOX 487
JAY, OK 74346-0487
The above named Defendant is believed to be dead and, if dead, the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or other claimants, by, through under or against said Defendant and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described below.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED of the institution of the above-styled foreclosure proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT XV
10 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: DG8105 & DG8106 & DG8107 & DG8108 & DG8109 & DG8110 & DG8111 & DG8112 & DG8113 & DG8114) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed

by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2024 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

DATED on this 24th day of JUNE, 2025.

Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /S/Nancy Garcia
As Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP
200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600 Orlando, Florida 32801
Ph. (407) 244-5198
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 2130, Orlando, Florida 32801, telephone (407) 836-2303 within two (2) working days of your receipt of this document. If hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771.

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July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2023-CA-017603-O
DIV NO.: 35
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
ADRIANA HERRERA, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT I
TO: ADRIANA HERRERA
AV 5 OESTE #5-06
CALI VALLE DEL CAUCA, OF 99999 COLUMBIA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 8, 2025 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2023-CA-017603-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT I
Unit Week 31 in Unit 4128, in SABAL PALMS CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 3851 at Page 4528 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on August 25, 2025, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on July 8, 2025. DATED this 8th day of July, 2025.

/s/Edward M. Fitzgerald
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

OUR FILE #110511.0053
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July 11, 18, 2025

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the FINAL JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND DAMAGES entered by the Court on July 7, 2025, in Case No. 2023-CA-13650 of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, in which SAFE HARBOR EQUITY DISTRESSED DEBT FUND, L.P., is the Plaintiff, and DAVID J. MOTH a/k/a DAVID MOTH and MARION MOTH, are the Defendants, the Clerk of the Court, Tiffany Moore Russell, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on AUGUST 12, 2025, 11:00 A.M. at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com, the following described property, as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure and Damages, to wit:

PARCEL 1:
Lot 7, PINECASTLE COMMERCE CENTER, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 43, Page 38, Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

PARCEL 2:
That part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida, described as follows: From the Southeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida, run North 00°08'21" West 190.36 feet along the East boundary of said Southwest 1/4

to a point on the North right-of-way line of Sand Lake Road (State Road #482) as described and recorded in Official Records Book 3808, Page 116, Public Records of Orange County, Florida; thence run South 87°56'05" West 75.04 feet along said North right-of-way line for the Point of Beginning, said Point of Beginning being a point on a line parallel with and 75.00 feet West of, when measured at right angles to, the aforesaid East boundary of the Southwest 1/4; thence continue South 87°56'05" West 663.57 feet along said North right-of-way line; thence North 10°46'48" East 447.56 feet; thence run North 10°01'32" East 1,547.15 feet; thence run North 00°24'58" West 486.56 feet to a point on a non-tangent curve concave Westerly and having a radius of 2,803.00 feet; thence from a tangent bearing of North 06°12'25" West, run Northerly 40.93 feet along the arc of said curve through a central angle of 00°50'12" to a point on the North boundary of the aforesaid Southwest 1/4, said point being South 89°31'22" West 387.36 feet from a 5'x 5' concrete monument at the Northeast corner of said Southwest 1/4; thence run North 89°31'22" East 387.36 feet to said Northeast corner of the Southwest 1/4; thence run South 00°08'21" East 323.66 feet along the aforesaid East boundary of the Southwest 1/4; thence run South 04°54'17" West 853.06 feet to a point on the aforesaid line parallel with and 75.00 feet West of, when measured at right angles to, said East boundary of the Southwest 1/4; thence run South 00°08'21" East 1,296.11 feet to the Point of Beginning.

AND
That part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida, described as follows: From the Southeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida, run North-00°08'21" West 190.36 feet along the East boundary of said Southwest 1/4 for the Point of Beginning, said Point of Beginning being a point on the North right-of-way line of Sand Lake Road (State Road #482) as described and recorded in Official Records Book 3808, Page 116, Public Records of Orange County, Florida; thence continue North 00°08'21" West 2,143.35 feet along said East boundary to a point, said point being South 00°08'21" East 323.66 feet from a 5'x 5' concrete monument at the Northeast corner of said Southwest 1/4; thence run South 04°54'17" West 853.06 feet to a point on a line parallel with and 75.00 feet West of, when measured at right angles to, the aforesaid East boundary of the Southwest 1/4; thence run South 00°08'21" East 1,296.11 feet along said parallel line to a point on the aforesaid North right-of-way line; thence run North 87°56'05" East 75.04 feet to the Point of Beginning.

PARCEL 3:
Replat of Unit A, Bay Lake Subdivision, Plat Book P, Page 98, all land in plat (less part in Southwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4) of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida.

And
The North 50 feet of that part of Southwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 Section 25, Township 23, South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida, lying between West line of said Southwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4, and West line of Railroad right-of-way and South 1/2 of Northwest 1/4 (less part platted) of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida.
The Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida, (O.R. Book 2657, Page 1526).
And Less and Except:
A portion of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, Orange County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows;
Beginning at the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 25; thence along the South line of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 25 North 89 degrees 32 minutes 23 seconds East, 403.57 feet to a point on an approximate 93.5 foot normal high water elevation line; thence along said line the following bearings and distances South 12 degrees 48 minutes 39 seconds West, 12.74 feet; thence South 27 degrees 28 minutes 17 seconds West, 55.41 feet; thence South 12 degrees 14 minutes 18 seconds West, 44.30 feet; thence South 14 degrees 39 minutes 05 seconds West, 57.67 feet; thence South 14 degrees 28 minutes 47 seconds West, 56.19 feet; thence South 13 degrees 57 minutes 32 seconds West, 56.95 feet; thence South 12 degrees 53 minutes 56 seconds West, 51.69 feet; thence South 09 degrees 13 minutes 26 seconds West, 53.81 feet; thence South 15 degrees 31 minutes 09 seconds East, 48.51 feet; thence South 00 degrees 43 minutes 31 seconds West, 40.11 feet; thence South 32 degrees 11 minutes 35 seconds East, 54.26 feet; thence South 34 degrees 07 minutes 05 seconds East, 82.09 feet; thence South 50 degrees 38 minutes 45 seconds East, 61.39 feet; thence South 55 degrees 22 minutes 58 seconds East, 54.62 feet; thence South 21 degrees 52 minutes 28 seconds East, 18.13 feet; thence South 72 degrees 37 minutes 45 seconds East, 65.90 feet; thence South 85 degrees 08 minutes 29 seconds East, 38.80 feet; thence South 76 degrees 13 minutes 38 seconds East, 71.15 feet; thence South 66 degrees 29 minutes 45 seconds East, 55.63 feet; thence South 62 degrees 26 minutes 54 seconds East, 30.27 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 53 seconds East, 66.63 feet; thence South 56 degrees 06 minutes 20 seconds East, 70.32 feet; thence South 78 degrees 15 minutes 49 seconds East, 67.01 feet; thence South 49 degrees 11 minutes 59 seconds East, 40.92 feet; thence South 75 degrees 48 minutes 57 seconds East, 63.65 feet; thence South 62 degrees 13 minutes 56 seconds East, 40.21 feet; thence South 72 degrees 36 minutes 33 seconds East, 57.19 feet; thence South 53 degrees 46 minutes 18 seconds East, 78.00 feet; thence South 33 degrees 59 minutes 42 seconds East, 120.64 feet; thence South 24 degrees 56 minutes 59 seconds East, 68.33 feet; thence South 22 degrees 02 minutes 12 seconds East, 38.85 feet; thence South 11 degrees 47 minutes 56 seconds East, 66.16 feet; thence South 05 degrees 28 minutes 43 seconds East, 64.16 feet; thence South 28 degrees 09 minutes 10 seconds East, 90.44 feet to a point on the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 25; thence alone said South line

South 89 degrees 31 minutes 43 seconds West, 1,344.36 feet to a point on the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 25; thence along said West line North 00 degrees 09 minutes 16 seconds West, 1,328.96 feet to the Point of Beginning.

LYNX LAW PLLC
Counsel for the Plaintiff
1825 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Suite 59
Coral Gables, Florida 33134
305.676.5767
Christopher B. Spuches
Florida Bar No.: 42456
cs@lynxesq.com
Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collections Practices Act, you are advised that this office may be deemed a debt collector and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.
July 18, 25, 2025

NOTICE OF INTENT- Abandon vehicle- Title Transfer
2017 Dodge Grand Caravan
Color: Red
Plate: Y66YYF
Expire: 10/5/2020
VIN: 2C4RDGE8HR632742
Registered Owners:
Joanne Brazell and
Ian Brazelle
Last Known Address:
13002 Nimitz Ct;
Winter Garden, FL 34787
Vehicle abandoned:
October 2020
Abandon location:
1321 Apopka Airport Rd,
Apopka, FL 32712
Will proceed with **Transfer of Title** after August 4, 2025 if property is not claimed.
July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2025-CA-006115-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 39
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF
\$2,925.00 IN U.S.
CURRENCY

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT
TO: CARL BEAUGE
CASIMIR
9708 AVELLINO AVENUE,
UNIT 4408
ORLANDO, FL 32819
and all others who claim an interest in \$2,925.00 in U.S. Currency, which was seized on or about the 17th day of May, 2025, at or near 2649 North Hiawassee Road, Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 2nd day of July, 2025.

/s/ Jose C. Campa
Jose C. Campa
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Bar No. 105781
Orange County
Sheriff's Office
Legal Services
P.O. Box 1440
Orlando, FL 32802
(407) 254-7170
Jose.campa@ocsofl.com
July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-005648-O
DIV NO.: 35
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JERRY L. BUTLER, et. al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VI
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: JENNY L. MC CRACKEN, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF JENNY L. MC CRACKEN, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
C/O EVAN M. HATTHAWAY, ESQ., HITE FANNING & HONEYMAN LLP
100 N BROADWAY AVE
STE 95 WICHITA, KS 67202
The above named Defendant is believed to be dead and, if dead, the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or other claimants, by, through under or against said Defendant and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described below.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED of the institution of the above-styled foreclosure proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT VI
6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: J09638 & J09639 & J09640 & J09641 & J09642 & J09643) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2016 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or

before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

DATED on this 24th day of JUNE, 2025.

Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /S/Nancy Garcia
As Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP
200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600 Orlando, Florida 32801
Ph. (407) 244-5198
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 2130, Orlando, Florida 32801, telephone (407) 836-2303 within two (2) working days of your receipt of this document. If hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771.

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July 11, 18, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-003400-O
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE HOME EQUITY ASSET TRUST 2005-8, HOME EQUITY PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-8, Plaintiff,
vs.
ESTATE OF ANA GLADYS ACOSTA, DECEASED; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, TRUSTEES OF ANA GLADYS ACOSTA, DECEASED; FELIX ROBERTO ACOSTA; ISPC, INC.; MV REALTY PBC, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al., Defendant(s).

AMENDED RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure (In Rem) dated May 20, 2025 and an Order Granting Defendant's Emergency Motion to Cancel Foreclosure Sale dated June 30, 2025, entered in Civil Case No.: 2024-CA-003400-O of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE HOME EQUITY ASSET TRUST 2005-8, HOME EQUITY PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-8, Plaintiff, and ESTATE OF ANA GLADYS ACOSTA, DECEASED; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, TRUSTEES OF ANA GLADYS ACOSTA, DECEASED; FELIX ROBERTO ACOSTA; ISPC, INC.; MV REALTY PBC, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 N/K/A LORIE SALES, are Defendants. TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL, The Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com, at 11:00 AM, on the 17th day of September, 2025, the following described real property as set forth in said Judgment, to wit:
LOT 1, BLOCK D, AZALEA PARK, SECTION TWENTY SEVEN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK V, PAGE 118, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. If you fail to file a timely claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After the funds are reported as unclaimed, only the owner of record as of the date of the Lis Pendens may claim the surplus.

If you are a person with a disability who needs special accommodation, you are entitled to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the address or phone number below at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving an official notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Ninth Circuit Court
Administration
ADA Coordinator
Orange County Courthouse
425 N. Orange Avenue,
Suite 510,
Orlando, Florida, 32801
(407) 836-2303
Dated: July 3, 2025
/s/ Brian L. Rosaler
By: Brian L. Rosaler
Florida Bar No.: 0174882.
Attorney for Plaintiff:
Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire
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24-51107
July 11, 18, 2025

PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2025P001525
ESTATE OF THERESA C. ERICKSON, Deceased.
NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES - WILL ADMITTED
Notice is given to Leon S. Erickson, Keith E. Erickson to be notified, who are heirs or legatees in the above proceeding to probate a will and whose names or addresses are not stated in the petition to admit the will to probate, that an order was entered by the court on 06/26/2025, admitting the will to probate.

Attached to this **NOTICE** are copies of a **PETITION** to probate a Will and an **ORDER** admitting the Will to probate. You are named in the **PETITION** as an heir or legatee of the decedent.

Within forty-two (42) days after the effective date of the original **ORDER** of admission, you may file a petition with the Court to require proof of the Will by testimony of the witnesses to the Will in open court or other evidence, as provided in § 6-21 of the Probate Act of 1975 [75 ILCS 5/6-21]. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit court clerk's office.

You also have the right under § 8-1 of the Probate Act of 1975 [75 ILCS 5/8-1] to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition with the Court within six (6) months after admission of the Will to probate. The date of first publication of this notice is July 4, 2025.

Petitioner:
JEFFREY M. ERICKSON
800 Ash Road
Hoffman Estates,
Illinois 60169
Attorney for Petitioner:
KYLE A. VAN SLYKE
Leonard Law Group, LLC
325 S. Paulina Street,
Suite 100
Chicago, Illinois 60612
P: 312-226-8273
F: 312-226-8274
Kyle@leonardlawgroup.net
July 4, 11, 18, 2025

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned is engaging in business under the fictitious name of: **A Pointed Healing Acupuncture and Massage** located at 202 N Park Ave, Suite 300, Apopka, FL 32703, in the County of Orange, Florida, and intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

A Pointed Healing LLC
Date of Filing: 06/23/2025
/s/ Marjorie Luck
July 18, 2025

THIS PUBLIC NOTICE
regarding FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE is an official lawful notice to all men and all corporation's public and private, domestic and foreign. IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of ANTHONY BERTRIN HADDRICK TR™®, ANTHONY HADDRICK TR™®, HADDRICK ANTHONY BERTRIN TR™® & all derivatives & variations in the spelling of said name/mark with a mailing address of C/o P.O. BOX 616492, Orlando FL [32861-6492] and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: ANTHONY BERTRIN HADDRICK TR
July 18, 2025


NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES COMPANY INC HADDRICK ANTHONY BERTRIN, with a mailing address of C/O P.O. BOX 616492, Orlando FL [32861-6492] and a principal office located in Orange County County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: ANTHONY BERTRIN HADDRICK TR
July 11, 18, 25, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION
CASE NUMBER: 2018-CP-000476-O
DIVISION: Guardianship
IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF DANIEL FERRANTINO
NOTICE OF DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED GUARDIANSHIP FUNDS DEPOSITED IN COURT REGISTRY
Notice is given that, pursuant to section 744.534, Florida Statutes, unclaimed guardianship funds from the following case remain on deposit in the registry of court: Guardianship of: DANIEL FERRANTINO, Person Subject to Guardianship Case Number 2018-CP-000476-O, \$31,608.32 (less the cost of publication); DANIEL FERRANTINO, as Guardian, deposited these funds per JUDGE MIKE MURPHY entered on 05/21/2025, on behalf of DANIEL FERRANTINO.

The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall deposit these funds with the State Treasurer no less than six months after the first publication of this notice, after deducting fees and any costs of publication. Within 10 years from the date of such deposit with the State Treasurer, any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity entitled to such funds may obtain same by order of court and compliance with other applicable provisions of section 744.534, Florida Statutes. All funds deposited with the State Treasurer not claimed within 10 years from the date of deposit shall escheat to the state for the benefit of the State School Fund.




Dated: on this 14th day of July 2025
Tiffany Moore Russell
Orange County Clerk
of the Circuit Court
425 N. Orange Ave.,
Ste. 335
Orlando, FL 32801
By: /s/ Mayra I Cruz
Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
July 18, August 15, 2025

My family is working on a 4-H online...



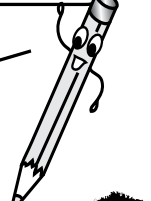
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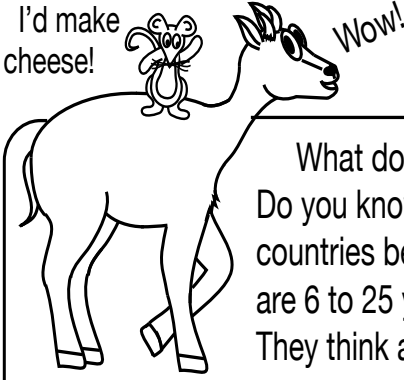


...project this week and next week too.

Kids: color stuff in!



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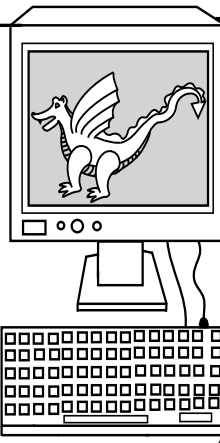
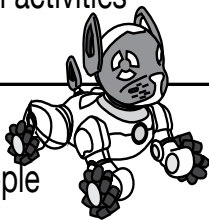


4-H Fun For Kids Everywhere!

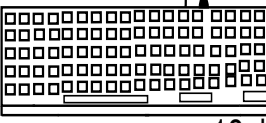
What do *you* know about the world-famous 4-H organization? Do you know that about 7 million young people from more than 50 countries belong to the 4-H groups, clubs and programs? Members are 6 to 25 years old and have a range of backgrounds and beliefs. They think about their interests and then set out to complete their own hands-on projects: experiments, cooking, robotics, etc. 4-H members “learn by doing.” Across the U.S., there are as many as 90,000 local 4-H clubs, which are run by about 500,000 adult volunteers. Ask a parent to help you find a club near where you live. Also, 4-H offers hundreds of fun, educational activities for kids on their website. Check it out!

The 4-H:

- has more than 6 _____ kids and young people as members in the U.S. and Canada.
- encourages kids to get _____ and plan interesting projects.
- teaches that we keep learning all our lives – and we can work to make the *best* even _____!
- was started by a few people living in different areas; one was a superintendent of schools named A. B. Graham who began a club where kids could learn about _____ – the science of caring for animals and the land, and raising crops.
- has a symbol that started as a 3-leaf _____ with an H on each leaf: *head, heart, hands*; later, the 4th leaf and “H” was added for *health*.
- Head is for thinking and knowledge, the _____ is for spiritual strength, the Hands are for doing and Health is for “better living.”
- members who live on farms may work with _____; enter competitions.
- members in clubs near or in large _____ may work on areas such as: photography, cooking, neighborhood projects.



9. encourages everyone to work on good citizenship, public speaking, wise _____ handling, and more.



- has _____ all over the country for fun, learning and physical activities.
- may work with classroom teachers to help _____ learn how to care for animals or pets, gardening, robotics, theater, etc.
- club in your area will let you have fun while working on projects that you want to learn about. Think about joining with your _____!



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