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City tables 15.5% water rate increase

Council approves 15% sanitation rate increase

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

From affordability of their utilities to the fast pace of new development, residents criticized the Apopka City Council on Wednesday for considering raising the utility rates by 15.5% for water, wastewater and reclaim services for fiscal year (FY)

The City Council voted unanimously to table adop-



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

The Apopka City Council voted to table a motion to raise utility rates 15.5%.

tion of the resolution, with the intent of revising the proposed rates at the next City Council meeting, which is scheduled for Sept. 17.

At the Wednesday meeting, Sean Ocasio, senior man-

ager from Raftelis Financial Consultants, presented his firm's study recommending a 15.5% rate increase for 2026 and 2027, followed by 3.5% annual increases through 2029. The study projected a

\$180.8 million capital plan from 2025 to 2029, with \$101.5 million in borrowed funds.

"We are trying to manage the impact to the customer as best we can while still trying to balance out the fact that the system has rather significant needs in terms of its operations and its capital," Ocasio said. "As a part of that, we're trying to achieve and maintain positive cash flows for the system as a whole, and then also maintain and achieve adequate cash target reserves."

UTILITIES, 6A

Bracy Davis, Young win special election races

Democrat to represent Apopka in state Senate

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

State Rep. LaVon Bracy Davis and her former staffer, RaShon Young, have claimed victory in their respective races, with Bracy Davis winning the Florida Senate District 15 seat and Young winning the House District 40 seat.

Bracy Davis, a Democrat, won the Senate 15 seat 17,771 (72.58%)over Republi-Willie J. Montague, who gained 6,713 votes (27.42%) in a race with all 102 precincts reporting.

For House District 40, the Democrat Young won 7,330 (74.96%) votes over Republican Tuan Le with 2,435 (24.90%) votes with all 38 precincts reporting.

Among 277,599 registered voters, 24,693 cast ballots in the special election, amounting to an 8.9% voter turnout.

Bracy Davis Young celebrated their wins at a joint watch party in Orlando Tuesday evening, where the candidates and guests learned the election results.

In her victory speech, Bracy Davis thanked her supporters and campaign volunteers and acknowledged her former House colleagues and future colleagues in the Senate. She dedicated her win to her

husband Adrian Davis and her late father, Rev. Dr. Randolph Bracy Jr.

She also honored the late Sen. Geraldine Thompson, Bracy Davis' predecessor in Florida Senate 15, who died in February while in office.

"She was not just a mentor. She was a masterclass in purpose," Bracy Davis said. "She taught me to lift and climb, to lead with dignity, to speak truth even when your voice trembles. Her legacy isn't a burden, it's a guiding light. Tonight, I promise to carry her work forward with the same boldness, moral clarity and unshakable belief in the collective power of the people."

To symbolize the torch passing of the House District 40 seat from herself to Young, Bracy Davis gave her Florida House member pin to Young.

"I wore this pin when I demanded sensible gun reform, when I reminded Tallahassee that arts funding should not be partisan," Bracy Davis said. "I wore this pin when I fought for youth conflict resolution classes, HBCU funding defended civil and voting rights. I wore this when I abandoned respectability politics, speak truth to power at rallies and at press conferences, I wore this pen and tonight as my last official act as state representative, I take it off."

In his Sept. 2 statement



Courtesy of LaVon Bracy Davis

RaShon Young and Rep. LaVon Bracy Davis celebrate their victory Tuesday night.

Downtown Mural vanishes on Labor Day

City to review Main Street Apopka contract

By Sarah Merly Correspondent

After a tumultuous, 10day life, Apopka's Downtown Mural is no more.

The mural was painted over this week after Main Street Apopka hosted a reveal event on Friday, Aug. 22, and Iowa artist Jenna Brownlee said the design plagiarized her work.

Adding another layer to the unfolding drama, artist Ridge Bonnick said Main Street Apopka refused to pay him in full and asked the city to intervene on his behalf.

"Dear Mayor Nelson, Commissioners, City Clerk Bone, and Finance Director Sherman," Bonnick wrote in an email obtained by The the work being completed Apopka Chief. "I am writing to urgently request your immediate attention regarding Main Street Apopka, a nonprofit funded by the City of Apopka, which has failed to honor a signed \$3,000 contract with me."

Bonnick wrote the email after Main Street Apopka issued an apology to Brownlee on Facebook and Instagram, although the posts were subsequently deleted. Bonnick criticized the apology because it did not include him and said he did not have any creative choice in the process.

"I fully completed the



Photo by Teresa Sargeant

The Downtown Mural has been removed from the western wall of Domino's Pizza.

contracted mural project, for which I have received one installment of \$1,500," Bonnick wrote in the email to the city. "The remaining \$1,500 has not been released, despite and accepted."

Bonnick said his bank had a check marked "under review," but the lack of payment bears significant consequences to his family.

"My family depends on this payment to cover rent and essential bills due on the first of the month," Bonnick wrote. "Withholding funds that are contractually owed creates unnecessary financial hardship and raises serious concerns about accountability in a city-funded nonprofit."

Caitlin Kasheta, president of Main Street Apopka, did not respond to an initial request for comment. On Wednesday, she answered a call but told the Chief she would not have time to talk until after deadline.

In an email to the Chief, Mayor Bryan Nelson said the count. city's only relationship with Main Street Apopka is a funding agreement for a \$50,000

"To date, the City has issued the first of four installments of the grant to Main Street Apopka in the amount of \$12,500," Nelson wrote. "Selection of the artist, design, payment, or even where the mural would be placed was not something the City participated in or had control over. The mural at Dominos was 100% commissioned by Main Street Apopka."

Nelson said Bonnick was paid \$1,500 on July 24,

and his remaining balance of \$1,500 was due Aug. 22. He also added that another artist who was in consideration for painting the Downtown Mural confirmed Bonnick's ac-

"Main Street Apopka assured them that the artist had given approval to complete the mural designed by Jenna Brownlee in Iowa," Nelson wrote. Bonnick said in an in-

terview with the Chief that Kasheta painted the wall white on Sept. 1. He was not involved in the decision to cover the mural.

At Wednesday's City Council meeting, Kasheta said the full payment has left the Main Street Apopka account. But the plagiarism

DOWNTOWN MURAL, 5A

Aungst threatens lawsuit over Apopka sign ordinance

Mayoral candidate says code violates First Amendment

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

A mayoral candidate has threatened to take legal action against the city of Apopka over a municipal sign ordinance that he said is a violation of the First Amendment.

Matthew Aungst, an Apopka attorney, sent a Sept.



Photo by Rinat Halon Photography Matthew Aungst

1 letter and a memorandum to Mayor Bryan Nelson urg-

ing the city to cease enforcing municipal Code 5.10.10 and place the issue on the next council agenda – the Sept. 3 meeting - for immediate re-

Municipal Code 5.10.10 covers temporary signs, describing them as "those that are used for a limited time and are not permanently mounted, such as but not limited to, political signs, sales and special event signs, and signs indicating the development of property."

In his letter, Aungst said he wrote to Nelson "not as an adversary, but as a concerned citizen and constitutional advocate who believes you will honor your oath to uphold the Constitution once presented with the clear legal reality facing our city."

Aungst wrote in the Monday letter that he may file a lawsuit if the city fails to act. But in an email to The Apopka Chief on Tuesday, Sept. 2, Aungst said City Clerk Susan Bone had earlier in the day emailed him to inform him that the city has already suspended enforcement of the ordinance.

"The Supreme Court's decision in Reed [vs. Town of Gilbert] was unanimous," Aungst wrote in his email. "That does not happen often. Even Supreme Court Justices, who disagree on nearly everything, agreed the government cannot regulate signs or speech based on content."

Aungst emphasized that he didn't want to file a lawsuit against the city he'd like to serve as mayor.

"That would waste taxpayer money defending an obviously unconstitutional ordinance," he wrote in his email to the Chief. "I expect our Mayor and City Council to do the right thing and repeal this ordinance. These are people who took an oath to uphold the Constitution, not dig in their heels to spite a political opponent. But let

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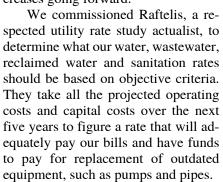
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Many factors impact water rates

At Wednesday's City Council meeting, we took up the issue of the increasing water and wastewater rates, which we know impacts everyone in these challenging times. I would like to explain how we got to a 15.5% rate increase and what the city is doing to reduce increases going forward.



This rate increase does not contemplate paying for new pipes, new capacity or new staff needed to support new development, which is paid for from impact fees that are currently \$7,400 per residential property. Related infrastructure is paid for by these impact fees covered under the 403 ac-

The goals of an appropriate rate include a positive cashflow, cash reserve of 150 days of operating expenses and debt service coverage of 150%.

Raftelis has determined that our operating expense increases will average 8.2% per year over the next five years, and our debt service will be \$5 million per year.

Back in 2017, before I was elected, we took on a \$40 million loan for the new wastewater plant, but included in that 20-year debt is \$15 million that was wasted on building a fertilizer plant and the west sewer plant, which have never been operational. The principal and interest have already cost all water customers over \$700,000 per year, and payments will continue for 12 years for something that we didn't need.

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is scheduled to cost \$188 mil-

Apopka Mayor



Bryan Nelson

lion over the next five years. Two major projects in the wastewater CIP include two lift stations that are over 50 years old and will collectively cost almost \$35 million.

In the water CIP, we are drilling new wells into the lower aquifer, and because of the low-

er water quality, will be adding ozone treatment for more than \$11 million per well. Impact fees will cover some of the \$11 million because of the additional capacity of the new wells.

Raftelis's job is to give the city an honest rate assessment based on increasing operating costs and scheduled plant and equipment replacements, then recommend a rate to accomplish these goals.

Our entire team at public services understand the hardship that a 15.5% rate increase would be, and they were tasked with coming up with ways to increase revenue without affecting the homeowner and reducing costs where

We continue to reduce the number of no-reads and estimated read water meters, and our hope is to be well below the state average for uncollected water and wastewater usage fees.

I would also like to share with you the creative ways that our public works team will help to mitigate the future increases with savings they found and non-rate increases, where appropriate. We are adjusting our new install fees for potable water, reclaimed water, sewer taps and backflow valve replacements. We are considering a small credit card processing fee, will bring forward a significant utility meter tampering fine and continue to look at all our operational and capital expenses to be as efficient as possible with your hard-earned mon-

We hope that implementing these changes will help in slowing rate increases in the near future.

Local sidewalks improve safety

I must mention a few things about sidewalks and projects in Apopka. I hope you read in the first column about the importance of contiguous sidewalks for safety. I also hope you enjoyed hearing about Lockhart's

These roadway and sidewalk safety principles are known as Vision Zero. They are being implemented nationwide. Sidewalks are the lowest cost method of reducing fatalities and serious injuries.

Please remember, county cannot build sidewalks in the city limits. Even on functionally classified roads such as Apopka Boulevard, portions of Sheeler Road, etc. Only drainage and pavement responsibilities belong to the county. Trees and sidewalk responsibilities are retained by the city.

HOAs also have a responsibility to maintain trees in front of their subdivisions. We had one subdivision which refused to maintain their trees and thankfully the Apopka Firefighter Union assisted me in their stead.

I did have one Apopka neighborhood strongly against County Commissioner District 2



the installation of sidewalks. Eighty percent of the residents signed a petition against them. Therefore, their funding was shifted to another willing Apopka subdivision. In six years, the county completed installation in four very large unincorporated Apopka subdivisions: Lake Mendelin, Northcrest, Wekiwa Manor and Breezy Heights.

South Apopka has also received significant sidewalk improvements. In 2019, after an areawide study, all the existing South Apopka sidewalks were repaired. If you still need repairs, contact 311.

New sidewalks were installed along 13th Street from Brixton Landing all the way to Ocoee-Apopka Road. Also, streets around Phillis Wheatley Elementary School have received improvements. On a side note, the West Orange Trail was also resurfaced.

Several individual Apopka area streets were improved. These include Victor (near Roger Williams Road), and Thompson Road in the Wekiwa Springs area.

I must add that Rock Springs Road (north of Welch), Apopka Boulevard and Mt. Plymouth Road received LED streetlights. Lighting is also key to reducing accidents.

Now for the list of what is planned for future budget years in the Apopka area: Portions of Plymouth Sorrento and Highland through Old Plymouth, Welch Road (Wekiva Woods to Ustler), and a new bike trail connecting the West Orange Trail with Wekiwa Springs State Park along Welch Road is in design. I must confess I wish they were all funded sooner, but there are five other commissioners.

I hope you support the benefits of sidewalks for safety and revitalization. Together, we can be a part of improving all of District 2.

OCPS busy with facility upgrades

As you know, the halfpenny sales tax was recently renewed by our generous voters for another 10 years, and this tax is what helps the school district pay for all the building maintenance and upgrades that are constantly needed.

With over 220 buildings to maintain, the facilities team at OCPS is always busy with hundreds of projects happening daily, from new HVAC systems and carpet replacements to painting and grounds upkeep. It's a

In District 7 alone, there are over 50 projects currently underway and many in the design phase. Here are some local Apopka projects that are happening now.

Apopka High School is undergoing a major multisystem upgrade totaling around \$20 million when complete. The school is getting new exterior paint, an auditorium refresh, digital marquee upgrades and system upgrades. These upgrades inOrange County School Board, District 7



Melissa Byrd

clude the intercom, cameras intrusion detection and/or fire

Wekiva High School will also be receiving digital marquee upgrades as well as a major HVAC renovation and carpet replacement. Wekiva is also undergoing some safety improvements.

Wolf Lake Middle and Piedmont Lakes Middle are getting much-needed updates. Both schools' exterior paint will be refreshed, and they will get system upgrades throughout the schools.

Wolf Lake will have the carpet replaced, while Piedmont is wrapping up a com-

plete HVAC replacement at a cost of more than \$17 million. Piedmont as well as Lakeville Elementary are both set for comprehensive renovations to begin in 2027.

Finally, our elementary schools are not being left out. Wolf Lake Elementary is undergoing an HVAC renovation, and Rock Springs Elementary is receiving a chiller replacement.

Lakeville and Wolf Lake are getting a refresh for their cafeteria sound systems, while Lakeville is also getting set to receive a TV studio and video lab.

Clay Springs, Lakeville, Lovell, Phillis Wheatley, Rock Springs and Zellwood will all have new exterior paint. Rock Springs and Wolf Lake will both be getting playground sun shade replacements as well.

It takes a lot of work to keep our schools updated. I'm grateful we are able to do the work so our children can go to beautiful and safe schools every day.

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Council approves tentative millage rate for FY26

Nesta recuses himself from vote on tentative budget

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

The City Council unanimously adopted the tentative millage rate of 4.4376, a 0.52% increase over the rollback rate of 4.4146, for the 2025–26 budget year.

A mill is the tax rate for each \$1,000 of taxable property value. A millage rate of 4.4376 would generate about



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Commissioner Nick Nesta recused himself from the budget

\$34,664,328 in property tax revenues for the upcoming

fiscal year 2025–26. However, the City Counbudget, with Commissioner Nick Nesta recusing himself at the Wednesday, Sept. 3, tentative budget hearing.

Nesta said he had recused himself based on the counsel city attorney Cliff Shepard made at a previous meeting that the commissioner may have a perceived conflict of interest. Shepard was not at the Sept. 3 tentative budget hearing, so Andrew Hand appeared in his

"Attorney [Cliff] Shepard had said that there was,

cil voted 4–0 on the tentative for nonprofit funding things of that, any type of perceived conflict there," Nesta said when Hand said the reason for the recusal must be stat-

> The proposed city budget includes revenues of \$214,569 and expenditures of \$235,418,823, with a net change in reserves of \$20.9 million. The tentative budget's general fund is \$108,611,697 and doesn't include the changes that were discussed later at the meeting.

The City Council ap-

proved several resolutions for non-ad valorem tax assessments for various street lighting districts, including Ponkan Reserve, Hammock at Rock Springs, Residences at Emerson Park, Crossroads at Kelly Park, and Wyld Oaks.

The final FY26 city budget hearing is scheduled for 6 p. m. on Sept. 17 at the Apopka City Hall council chamber.

A special meeting will take place on Sept. 9 for scenarios for water rate adjustments to be presented.

When billboards start to look like red flags, it's time to lighten up



OPINION Jake Vest Columnist

If you care more about what the Cracker Barrel sign looks like than what the biscuits taste like, I don't think I want to go to dinner with you. No telling what else might make you fly off the handle.

It is troubling enough that the people who run the restaurant chain cared so much about their own billboards that they thought paying to redo about 10 million of them was a good idea. Old Uncle Herschel must have spit in somebody's gravy for them to want him gone that bad.

But Cracker Barrel is a private business. The public's part of this relationship is deciding whether or not to be a customer. It's voluntary. Unless there is one in North Korea I don't know about, nobody is being forced to eat in a Cracker Bar-

That this was a bad business decision is beyond doubt or question. Irritating regular customers isn't good strategy and the chicken-fried steak isn't going to be more appealing to vegans just because the logo is "hip." If you modernize an Old Country Store, it isn't an Old Country Store anymore — it's a WaWa with table

Cracker Barrel backed off. so maybe this was a hill worth defending in the Culture War. Still, it falls way short of anything that a reasonable person might characterize as "an issue." The key word here is "reasonable."

We seem to have developed this attitude that everything that is being done is somehow being done TO us. All activity is either intended to destroy our way of life or is preventing us from living the way we ought to, and that it is

done on purpose, and that we are not going to stand for it!

This is not a new thing. Three decades ago, I interviewed Fess Parker, the good old Texas boy who played Davy Crockett and Dan'l Boone. He surprised me by getting serious at one point and saying, "Jake, I wouldn't be surprised if me and you don't live long enough to see another revolution in this country."

That's where we were then and we worked through it. I am optimistic that we will this time and that nobody will be going to the barricades any time soon.

Besides, college football just started. Now we can get back to unreasonably hating each other for issues that really matter, like the color of shirts we wear on Saturday, whether we yell "soooooo pig" or bark at each other, make tomahawk gestures or rattle cow bells, sing Tom Petty songs or "Rocky Top."

It is a more civilized way to despise one another, and for the most part it is a fairly amiable hostility. We share parking lots, can sort of talk to each other, might even intermarry, and the only people anybody really wants to kill are the officials. But if you don't think it is real hatred, you haven't gone to many road games.

Try it sometime. Deck yourself out in your team's merchandise and stroll around some town attached to a foreign campus. Then you'll see what a logo can really do to stir people up.

Don't have any merchandise? No problem. They sell it at your local Cracker Barrel. Say hello to Uncle Herschel while you're there. Unfortunately, we are increasingly short of those kinds of people these days.

It is like nothing is just done anymore, it is all being done to somebody, as in "are we going to let them do this to us?" Everything is an issue and Good Old Uncle Herschel must have spit in somebody's gravy to make him that unwelcome.

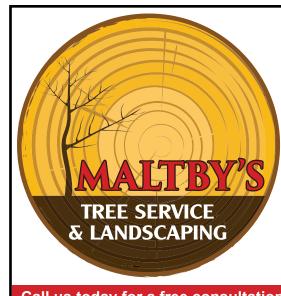












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Florida DOGE subpoenas Orange County employees over audit

Audit shows 'irregularities in county records'

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

The state Chief Financial Officer's (CFO) office has subpoenaed Orange County employees "who may have knowledge of efforts to obstruct the state's ongoing local government DOGE [Department of Government Efficiency] audits" that were initiated early this month, according to an Aug. 27 statement from the state.

The move to subpoena comes from "irregularities in county records [that] were found during on-site visits by state DOGE teams, raising red flags among auditors," the statement reads.

"Taxpayers have a right to know how their hardearned dollars are spent," Chief Financial Officer Blaise Ingoglia said in the Wednesday statement. "Today, we have issued subpoenas to ensure that Orange County is accountable to the taxpayers and is transparent with the ways that they use public funds. I will not stand idly by while Floridians are forced to pay higher property taxes to fund wasteful and bloated government budgets."

Of note to Florida DOGE was the use of diversity, equi-



Photo by Marshall Tempest

Mayor Jerry L. Demings speaks at a Board of County Commissioners meeting in Orlando.

ty and inclusion (DEI) hiring it alleges the county has prioritized over merit for significant resources, including the Orange County Fire Department.

"The County went so far as to spend \$322,000 on a 'disparity study' in an effort to manufacture evidence of 'discrimination' toward those receiving government contracts so they could push for DEI-based 'equal outcomes,'" the statement said.

Gov. Ron DeSantis established Florida DOGE in February to improve efficiency, transparency and accountability across all government sectors including state agencies, local governments, and colleges and universities.

In the Aug. 27 statement, DeSantis said he backs Ingoglia's decision to subpoena Orange County employees who have been involved in grant decisions, fiscal operations and divisional management.

"Altering public records and trying to cover up reckless spending decisions is unacceptable, and we will continue working to uncover the truth," he said.

The same day, Mayor Jerry Demings released a response to DeSantis and Ingoglia, saying that "Orange County Government fully cooperated with the Florida DOGE audit team providing all the data and documents requested. No employee was instructed to alter, change or delete any documents."

Demings said county employees did not provide canned answers.

"While our employees may have read from or referred to notes or documents being discussed by the DOGE team, employees were not scripted in their remarks," Demings said in the statement. "The state has offered no evidence to support its allegation that we were hiding information or acting without integrity. We welcome the opportunity for full public transparency on this issue."

The Florida DOGE began auditing Orange County due to the latter's yearly \$330 million increase in additional ad valorem tax collections — an increase of over 50%, according to the state DOGE's July 24 letter to Demings.

The additional ad valorem tax increase has been part of a growth in annual total expenditures of over \$1.6 billion over the past five years, which represents a 57% increase in spending, the letter said.

Florida DOGE asked Orange County to provide various forms of information on

Aug. 5 and 6 for the following sectors: procurement and contracting, property management, utilities, DEI, Green New Deal, grants and other spending, transportation and homeless services.

Orange County officials said the state should consider the county's population growth since 2020, impacting its public services.

"Since 2020, Orange County has grown by approximately 81,000 residents — a number greater than the population of 29 out of Florida's 67 counties," Demings said in a past statement responding to the July 24 DOGE letter.

Orange County provided the files and information as state DOGE requested in its July 24 memo, according to Amanda Dukes, Orange County spokeswoman, in an Aug. 6 email to The Apopka Chief.

Dukes said that, according to the Orange County Office Management and Budget, Ingoglia said the state DOGE will look over those files and issue a report of any findings within 60 days.

In the subpoena served to Orange County attorney Jeff Newton on Aug. 27, Ingoglia asked Newton to produce items listed in Schedule A (attached to the subpoena) for inspection and copying to Ingoglia at 200 E. Gaines St., Tallahassee, at 9 a. m. on Sept. 8.

If Newton doesn't comply with the subpoena, Ingoglia or the Department of Financial Services "may petition the circuit court of the county in which the person subpoenaed resides or has his or her principal place of business for an order requiring the subpoenaed person to appear and testify and to produce books, records, and documents as specified in the subpoena," the subpoena states.

The county omitted the list of names of the 15 county employees and Newton's name who are to receive subpoenas from the state.

"Some of those employees have not yet been served due to being on PTO [paid time off] or out of the office," Dukes said in an Aug. 28 email to the media outlets, including The Apopka Chief. "We are holding off on releasing the list of names until we feel the state has made a concerted effort to serve all of them."

The subpoena included a "Requests" page, stating what records must be submitted to the state, including those related to several communities: Black History Project, Caribbean Community Connection of Orlando, Central Florida Urban League, Orlando Youth Alliance, Stono Institute for Freedom, Justice, and Security; Zebra Coalition and /or Zebra Youth.

SPECIAL ELECTION

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posted on his Facebook page after the election results came in, Montague expressed gratitude to friends and support-

"From the outset, we understood that this would be a challenging race, but your commitment and encouragement carried us every step of the way," he said in his statement

Montague pledged to

carry on the work he started during his campaign.

"This is not the end—
it is only the beginning," he said. "The work before us remains, and I am committed to pressing forward with a renewed focus. As we look ahead, our efforts in Orange County will take on a new direction, one that ensures we engage our community more effectively and strate-

gically."

As the first Gen Z Democrat elected to House District 40, Young emphasized the importance of service and leadership, crediting his success to the support and vision of his mentor, Bracy Davis, whom he served as chief of staff.

"She has poured wisdom and fire into this campaign," Young said. "She has

been my guide, my partner in progress, and she has also been a reminder, giving me the reminder that leadership is not about titles, it is about service."

Senate District 15 encompasses northwest Orange County, including Apopka. House District 40 includes the western Orange area south of Apopka, including Ocoee.



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RaShon Young and Rep. LaVon Bracy Davis toast their victory.





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Orange County School Board gets earful on ICE

Aug. 15 incident delayed start of classes

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

Residents, parents, and students voiced their frustration over what they believed to be the presence of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at Apopka High School (AHS) nearly two weeks ago and the school district's subsequent handling of the situation and communication with the public.

Over a dozen community members, including AHS students, commented about the matter at the Aug. 26 Orange County School Board meeting at the Ronald Blocker Educational Leadership Center in Orlando.

On the morning of Friday, Aug. 15, Florida Highway Patrol conducted a traffic stop near AHS, and the vehicle occupants fled the scene. Out of precaution, the school was placed on a secure/hold. Apopka police assisted with a perimeter until all occupants had



Photo by Teresa Sargeant

The Orange County School Board meets on Aug. 26 in

been located. As a result, five people were brought into custody, and the school returned to normal operations.

Felipe Sousa-Lazaballet, executive director of the Hope CommUnity Center in Apopka, urged the school board to take three actions: ensure that school resource officers don't collaborate or share information with ICE; guarantee that no student is interrogated by ICE without a parent, guardian, or attorney present; and see that the school gives clear, timely guidance to staff and families when ICE is near

schools.

"Our school should be a place for safe learning, not a place of fear," he said.

Miguel Torres, a student at Apopka High School, recounted his school going into lockdown at around 6:45 a.m. with a heavy police presence.

"I couldn't believe how serious it was with the cops, ICE agents, and even a helicopter circling the school," he said.

by the lack of timely communication, noting that his mother didn't receive a message until 7:05 a.m., which left parents and students confused. He also expressed disappointment

Torres said he was upset



Courtesy of Melissa Byrd Melissa Byrd

that the school administration did not address the anti-Latino comments circulating on social media.

"My ask is that staff needs to be ready and know what to do with ICE agents, where to be on school campus," Torres said.

Suzanne Kidd, a former educator and Apopka resident, asked Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) to establish clear protocols and training for teachers on how to respond when ICE is on school grounds.

School Board Chair Teresa Jacobs apologized for the communication failures and

emphasized the need for better protocols and parental notification. She also said that from what she understood, there was no ICE on school campus.

"I don't believe we had ICE on the school campus, but if I'm wrong on that, I definitely want to understand why I don't have accurate information," Jacobs said. "But regardless of whether ICE was on the property or not, some of the comments that have been made and the suggestions that we need to make sure, not just our administrators, but that our teachers know what the protocol is, whoever made that recommendation, I think that's an excellent point."

Melissa Byrd, school board district 7 member, explained the school's version of events, based on her conversations with law enforcement and school officials.

From such conversations Byrd said she was "under the impression that no one got on school property." The incident began when Florida Highway Patrol requested assistance from the Apopka Police Department, believing individuals had run onto the school

campus. The school was put on secure/hold status as a precaution while police searched the area; no one was found.

Byrd attributed the delayed communication to the early hour of the incident, before most staff, including Principal Lyle Heinz, had arrived. She acknowledged that traffic from the secure/hold status blocked roads, making it difficult for school officials to get a message out promptly.

"It was not ICE on the school property, from what I understand," she said. Addressing the social media commentary, Byrd said she was "really disturbed by children that are repeating things that they're seeing on their social media."

She urged the community to "be more careful with your words and to think about the people that these words are affecting."

Byrd ended her comments by expressing her support for the community: "I understand that you all are scared and that you need guidance, you need counseling, you need people there that are supporting you, and I fully stand by you on that."

DOWNTOWN MURAL

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claims left both citizens and council members wanting to suspend or at least alter the city's relationship with Main Street Apopka.

"Maybe it was our fault, in a way, because we didn't set parameters to say, you know, 'If you're going to do this with the money, we need to have some accountability," Vice Mayor Diane Velazquez said. "We trusted

the leadership, but the mural has proven to us that the leadership was unable to see one project through."

Nelson clarified that the city was not involved in the mural beyond granting Main Street Apopka \$12,500.

"All we've done is funded Main Street, and yet we're the one — half the articles in the paper and half the articles on TV [say] it was the city of Apopka," Nelson said.

Ella Duke, co-owner of Propagate Social House, said this is the fourth time Main Street Apopka has "messed up."

"This is just the first time that it made news and that it inconvenienced the city," Duke said.

Nikki Maguire, who runs N.A.O.M.I. Kids, said her nonprofit has struggled to

receive a smaller portion of funds from the city than Main Street Apopka has received.

"I think this is a learning experience for everyone," Maguire said. "It saddened me that Apopka again is in the news based on something that could have been handled a lot differently. As a nonprofit leader, we are not all treated equally by the city."

The council then unan-

imously motioned for city staff to review the Main Street Apopka contract with the city attorney in order to draft a letter of default for review.

As of Wednesday, Bonnick had not received his remaining payment of \$1,500.

"My bank says that it's supposed to be there by the fifth," Bonnick said. "If it's there, there's no complaints from me."

Bonnick said if the payment from Main Street Apopka does not arrive by Sept. 5, he will find more work to take care of the difference.

"I can walk away from this and be the bigger person," Bonnick said. "I just wanna go do my art."

Bonnick hopes to bring "redemption" to the situation by painting another mural in Apopka with other artists.





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- 14. Flying stingers
- 19. Omani and Yemeni
- 22. Consume
- 23. TV Judy's title 24. Of the Orient
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- 27. Relating to Scandinavia
- 28. Like a button, but more so
- 32. Swine and avian diseases 33. *Maid Marian of Disney's "Robin Hood"
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29. English homework

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- 41. Sullenly 44. James Dean's last movie (1956)
- 46. Basket-making fiber 48. Nut holder
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- 51. Damien's prediction
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Novel shows how to put camping skills to use in post-apocalyptic world

Book aims to motivate youth to build real-world skills

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

What if, as a preteen camper, you had to learn how to put your survival skills to the ultimate use in a post-apocalyptic world caused by a natural disaster?

That's the scenario painted in the new young adult novel "The Big One," released on July 22, by Apopka resident Samantha Seebeck.

Targeted at children ages 11 to 14 years of age, "The Big One" explores a different world from a child's perspective to highlight the youth's overexposure to technology among kids today and moti-



Courtesy of Samantha Seebeck

Author Samantha Seebeck

vate them to build real-world

In the novel, the eruption of a super volcano wiped out a world 12-year-old Paul knew, forcing him and his family to retreat to the Florida wilderness to fight for survival.

"It would be a completely alien world for them to explore in the book, like learning to survive in the Florida wilderness," Seebeck said. "I kind of also was hoping it would motivate kids to learn those real-world skills, or at least provide alternative entertainment to screen time."

Because Seebeck lives

Because Seebeck lives near Wekiwa Springs State Park, that setting became a place of survival in the novel, Seebeck said.

Paul and his mother have camped at Wekiwa Springs State Park, making them somewhat familiar with the area. However, camping as a vacation and camping to survive an apocalypse are starkly different things, according to Seebeck.

"It is enormously different because communication is knocked out worldwide, so they're really on their own," she said. "They don't have convenient access to resources or even food. They have to gather, they have to ration what they've saved, and then they eventually end up learning how to trap and hunt. So those are

all skills they develop."

The book may lead to a series, exploring societal rebuilding 20 years later, focusing on the next generation and the re-establishment of civilization.

"Is civilization starting to re-establish itself? Is communication back up online? Is there a government? And then, if there is, how do the people who decided that they like living in the wilderness, such as my main character, Paul," Seebeck said. "Are they permitted to do so? How does like that rugged American individualism, the frontier spirit, reassert itself 20 years later?"

later?"
Seebeck appeared at the
Local Author Festival at the
Orange County Library System promoting "The Big
One." She has developed supplemental workbooks for mid-

dle school-level language arts and science. All three books are available online as paperback and Kindle e-book on Amazon.

"I am hoping that it'll be a really good tool to read the novel for enjoyment, but then also have educational resources for home schoolers or for summer camps, anybody interested in developing these outdoor skills," she said.

A former teacher and librarian and currently a stayat-home mother, Seebeck is the author of a children's book series "The Awesome Series," which delves into the world of ordinary objects like sprinklers, fans, and elevators, and "Birds of Wekiwa," a coffee table book that captures roughly 200 bird species of Wekiwa Springs State Park.

UTILITIES

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Ocasio and Henry Thomas, Raftelis senior vice president, presented the utility rate and impact fee study at two meetings this summer.

The current system serves 29,000 water accounts, 24,000 wastewater accounts, and 11,000 reclaimed water accounts, with combined revenues expected to rise from \$33.7 million in 2025 to \$36.6 million by 2029, according to Ocasio.

Ocasio pointed out that many local communities are raising rates to keep up with their costs.

Public comments highlighted concerns about the proposed rate increases. Various concerns ranged from the increases' financial impact for fixed-income residents to a desire for more equitable cost-sharing with developers, and calls for improved planning, transparency, and resident engagement.

During public comment, resident Karin Settle said she took "a very lengthy" lunch break from her job to attend the Sept. 3 meeting. For the last few years, she has worked for a company in Apopka and received a 2–3% annual raise.

"I've gotten about a 2 to 3% raise, which in no way, shape or form, takes care of 15% raises just on my water bill," she said. "I've already spent \$18,000 for a roof so I could get the homeowners insurance down. Every single thing is going up except for

our fixed incomes."

The Raftelis study also recommended large impact fee rate increases for police, fire and park and recreation: the police impact fee from \$747 to \$1,262, the fire fee from \$708 to \$1,511, and recreation fee from \$1,060 to \$1,358.

Commissioner Nick Nesta recommended a 9% increase to avoid the proposed 15.5%. In September 2024, the City Council adopted a 23.75% increase for water, wastewater, and sewer rates for FY25.

"I think everyone understands that there needs to be an increase," he said. "Nobody wants it. I think everyone understands it, but they

don't want to see a double-digit increase again."

Blanche Sherman, city finance director, said that a 9% increase would equal a \$64 million cut in the city's capital improvement plan.

Radley Williams, interim city administrator, recommended many solutions to help lower the proposed water rate increase. Solutions include speeding up corrections to water meter issues and reducing the number of estimated meter reads by ordering more equipment and aiming for the national standard of 5–10% estimated reads.

Sanitation rate to increase

As a separate action item, the City Council voted 4–1 to increase the sanitation rate by 15% for FY26, effective Oct. 1, with Commissioner Nadia Anderson in opposition.

The proposed rate adjustments include a 15% increase for residential and a 25% increase commercial aiming customer's.

Ocasio presented the Raftelis sanitation rate increase study at the council meeting, showing the department's low fund balance, high operating costs, and projected growth of 1.8% per year. Ocasio proposed a 6.5% sanitation rate increase per year through 2029.

The current revenues are \$6.8 million, which are projected to reach \$7.3 million

by 2029. Operating expenses are \$7.1 million in 2025 and will rise to \$9.7 million by 2029. The tipping fee increase is projected at 12% annually.

Citizens recommended that the city find alternative ways to cut costs and improve its budgeting practices to avoid the double-digit rate increases.

"The proper way to do [this] is go in, check your budgets, check how you're spending money, figure out how you can cut costs to cover your expenses, as opposed to how you can get more money from us to cover your mismanagement," resident Ian Kimbrell said.





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Apopka nonprofits invited to apply for Victory Cup Initiative

Applications opened Sept. 2

Staff Reports

The Victory Cup Initiative invites Apopka nonprofits to apply for its 11th annual competition.

Each year, Victory Cup gives Central Florida nonprofits the chance to receive unrestricted funds and storytelling training, according to a statement provided to the Chief. Finalists will also receive the chance to present their work to over 500 community leaders on Feb. 24, 2026.

Applications open on Sept. 2 and close on Sept. 22. Local business leaders, or "community evaluators," then review each applica-



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VCI 2025 top three finalists.

tion, selecting the top 10 for storytelling training. Each finalist then presents a twoand-a-half minute story at a Shark Tank-style breakfast

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LAWSUIT

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me be clear: if the city goes back to enforcing these unconstitutional rules against any resident, I will stand up for my neighbors' fundamental rights. This is a promise to protect the freedoms that make America unique. Every citizen deserves equal treatment under the law, whether you are a developer with deep pockets or a family just having a garage sale."

Aungst said the issue is not about him or the signs, but rather the Apopka homeowners who value their First Amendment and property rights.

"These are our neighbors, regular folks who requested signs to put on their own lawns because they believe in something," Aungst said. "They are exercising the same rights our founding fathers fought for: free speech and the right to use their property as they see fit. The Supreme Court made it crystal clear in Reed v. Town of Gilbert; the government can not pick and choose which content is allowed based on the message of the sign. That is exactly what Apopka's ordinance does."

Aungst pointed to irony in the situation.

"Until I got the city's notice, there was only one sign up in the community," he said. "But once Ms. Bone advised they were suspending enforcement, several

more neighbors have asked for signs. People are tired of double standards where developers and politicians get special treatment while regular citizens need permission slips to exercise their fundamental rights on their own property."

Nelson is running for his third term as mayor in the 2026 city election. Orange County District 2 Commissioner Christine Moore is running for mayor also.

During his attorney report for the city at the Sept. 3 council meeting, Andrew Hand said his office has been directed to review the sign ordinance and identify any issues. He added that he believes the office will bring

back any suggestions for revised changes at the Sept. 17 City Council meeting.

"Sometimes sign codes can be quite lengthy," Hand told the council. "We've drafted a number of them. Sometimes they're around 40 pages. We'll see what Apopka has got, but [I'm] sure we'll be providing an update at the very, very least."

In an Aug. 29 email Aungst forwarded to the Chief, Bone addressed the timing of campaign signs appearing around the city, referring to a section in the city code about political signs.

"This is a gentle reminder that pursuant to our Code, there are to be **NO Campaign** signs placed prior to Qualifving," her email states. "Attached, please find the sign requirements under our Code - Section 5.10.10.(B)(4) for your reference. To that end, please make arrangements to pick up your signs immediately to avoid having Code Enforcement pick them up."

Bone did not return a request for comment on Tuesday.

In a Tuesday interview, Moore said she's known about the sign ordinance for two decades.

"I've known about this law for 20 years, and when you file, you first pull papers, and you get a manual, and it's pretty much in there," Moore said. "I mean, this is how everyone does it. You can't put up political signs until you qualify."

Moore said that "people don't like snipe signs," which are temporary signs attached to things such as poles, sakes, fences, and trees usually seen in publicright-of-way but also set up on private property.

"A campaign sign is kind of a necessary evil, but to keep it to just that period from when you qualify to election day, in this case, would that be January, February?" Moore said. "Well, three months, four months. That's really enough to have your signs out. I don't think it's necessary to have them longer."

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City to host Hispanic Heritage Celebration at Kit Land Nelson Park

Sept. 20 event to celebrate arrival of Hispanic Heritage Month

Staff Reports

The city of Apopka will host its fourth annual Hispanic Heritage Celebration on Saturday, Sept. 20, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month.

City of Orlando Commissioner Tony Ortiz will serve as the master of ceremonies for the celebration, which will take place 4–8 p. m. at Kit Land Nelson Park. The event is free and open to the public, and guests may park on-site at Edwards Field.

Throughout the event, attendees can enjoy live music and dance performances, according to an Aug. 8 statement from the city. These performances include songs from Puerto Rican singer Tatiana Liary and traditional Peruvian dances from Raymi Dance School. A variety of Hispanic food vendors, along with local businesses, will also be spread out throughout the park.

New to this year's celebration is a middle school essay contest. Apopka mid-



Courtesy of the City of Apopka

A former Hispanic Heritage Celebration.



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Children gather to watch a dancer at a previous Hispanic Heritage Celebration.

dle school students may submit essays focused on Hispanic culture, history, a notable figure, or personal reflections. Children in kindergarten through fifth grade are also invited to create artwork reflecting the theme "Celebrating Hispanic Heritage."

All entries will be judged, and winners will be

announced at the event by 5 p. m. Winners must be present to receive a prize. Submissions for both contests are due by Thursday, Sept. 18.

For more information about the event, contests, or to inquire about vendor or sponsorship opportunities, visit www.apopka.gov/hispanicheritagecelebration or email events@apopka.net.

Police Beat

If a law enforcement agency charges you with a crime and this news outlet reports that information, please notify us within 90 days. After verifying the information, we will be happy to publish it. Please send notification to dhayden@theapopkachief.com

In the period from Aug. 24–30, 2025, the Apopka Police Department received 1,569 calls for service, responded to 35 crashes, issued 74 citations, and made 26 arrests. Burglaries: 2 vehicles, 0 residence, 7 businesses.

No juveniles were charged. The following adults were arrested and charged:

Gonzalo Guillermo Aguilar-Aguilar, 42, 557 Swallow Ct., Apopka, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license, 1st conviction.

Stephanie Felicia Banks, 59, 751 Lou Ann Dr., Apopka, other agency warrant.

Brittany Renee Brown, 34, 3000 Clarcona Rd Lot 1031, Apopka, retail theft; drug equipment-possession and/or use; drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Michael Lane Brown, 64, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Alejandro Martin Cortes, 19, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Raul Cotty, 43, 2620 Orange Ct., Longwood, battery-

touch or strike; robbery-sudden snatch without firearm/weapon.

Michael Anthony Domingo-Lopez, 24, 549 Maineline Blvd., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Brittany Marie Drew, 30, 3000 Clarcona Rd. Lot 1031, Apopka, retail theft; drug equipment-possession and/or use; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

James Brian Flanary, 54, 5514 Andora St., Orlando, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended, revocation equivalent status.

Bianca Galvez-Arellano, 22, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Jose Octavio Gimenes Autna, 29, 141 W. Circle Key Dr., Ocoee, burglary-unoccupied structure, unarmed (X4); larceny-grand theft from posted construction site (X3).

Joe Nathan Gipson, 39, 245 Pleasant Gardens Dr., Apopka, other agency warrant.

Lil Quincy Dewayne Grimmage, 45, 1649 S. Central Ave., Apopka, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended or revocation, equivalent status 3rd subsequent violation; out-of-county warrant.

Joshua Keith Hunter, 40, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Tavaris Jervonta Lewis, 36, Apopka, cruelty toward child-abuse child without great bodily harm.

Tenina Lishay McCoy, 36, transient, Winter Garden, trespassing-failure to leave property on order of owner.

Keith Bryan Merryweather, 42, transient, Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Lewyn Lee Moon, 40, 126 Domino Dr. S., Ruskin, other agency warrant.

Edwin Lorenzo Morales-Ramirez, 32, 3434 Dew Berry Ave., Apopka, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license.

Pedro Quihua Jimenez, 26, 141 W. Circle Key Dr., Ocoee, burglary-unoccupied structure, unarmed (X4); larceny grand theft-from posted construction site (X3).

Jorge Rivera, 55, Deland, battery-touch or strike; simple assault-intent threat to do violence.

Reshawn Rovelle Sims, 38, 1165 S. Central Ave., Apop-ka, trespassing-failure to leave property on order of owner.

Jaramea Deshun Tolbert, 21, 2464 Sentry Palm Dr. #316, Apopka, other agency warrant.

Brandon Tyler Tyson, 37, 556 Keyhold Loop, Apopka, DUI-unlawful blood alcohol, DUI-influence of alcohol or drugs.

Donald Harvey Ward, 53, general delivery, Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Bryant Raynode Ware, 51, 504 W. 13th St., Apopka, other agency warrant; resist officer-obstruct without violence.



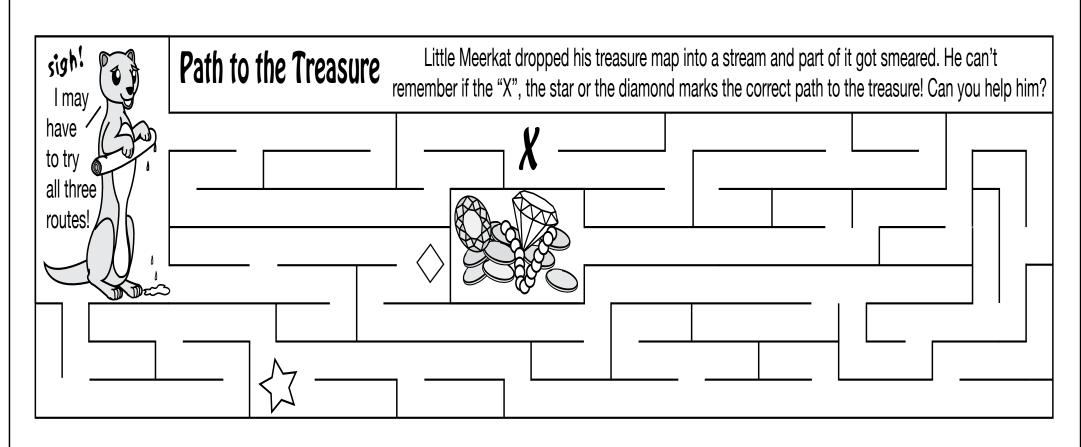












Apopka Sports Hall of Fame inducts 18 athletes

Several inductees attribute success to Chip Gierke

By Sarah Merly Correspondent

The Apopka Sports Hall of Fame inducted 18 athletes during its scholarship gala Saturday at the Apopka Community Center.

"Apopka Hall of Fame Scholarship Gala is proud to honor and pay tribute to our sports legends and community heroes," Apopka Historical Society vice president Francina Boykin said. "This is a celebration with a purpose and pride."

After Boykin recognized the government officials in attendance, comedian and host Tight Mike invited Apopka Sports Hall of Fame founder Eddie Williams to the stage. Williams said he and his wife were inspired to start the Apopka Sports Hall of Fame when a friend of theirs was inducted into the Coconut Grove Sports Hall of Fame in Miami.

NFL veteran Sammie Smith, a 2019 Apopka Sports Hall of Fame inductee, then

HALL OF FAME, 2B



Photo by Sarah Merly

Football and baseball inductee Rodney Brewer speaks at the 2025 Apopka Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Gala.

2025 APOPKA SPORTS HALL OF FAME CLASS Mr. Keith Johnson—Football/Basketball/Referee Mrs. Vickie Jordan Williams—Track and Field Ms. Jackie Paramore—Basketball Ms. Shaquetta Borders—Basketball Ms. Tonya Terrell Dorisca—Track and Field Mr. Rodney Brewer—Football/Baseball Ms. Kim Beckett—Body Building Ms. Valerie Cockfield Gore—Track and Field Mr. James McKnight—Football Mr. Rogers Beckett Jr.—Football Mr. Dan LaForest—Football Mr. Lamar Hughley—Football Mr. Aaron Jones II—Football Mr. Danny Daniels—Football Mr. James Scott—Football/Basketball Mr. Anthony Ray—Football Mr. Jeremy Rudolph—Baseball/Football Mr. William Orr-Football

Evans Trojans bury Apopka, 35–0

Evans puts Apopka away early with 35 first half points

By Vinnie Cammarano Reporter

It was a tale of two halves Friday night at Evans High School, where Apopka fell 35–0 in a non-district matchup that was decided by halftime. The Trojans exploded for all 35 of their points in the first two quarters, while the Blue Darters were left playing catch-up before showing some fight in the second half.

On the game's opening play, Evans senior quarter-back Derone Rogers fired a quick screen to wideout Carl Jean, who sliced through defenders for 45 yards. A few snaps later, Rogers went back to Jean on the same play to the opposite side, where the senior receiver danced up the sideline, breaking two tackles and somehow staying in bounds for a 41-yard touchdown just 1:21 into the game.

After a quick Apopka four-and-out, Evans needed only two plays to double its lead. Rogers scrambled 43 yards down the left side to set up a two-yard jet sweep touchdown by senior Omyry Hickson with 6:35 still left in the first quarter.

Moments later, Rogers connected with junior Caleb Leonard up the right sideline for a 75-yard strike, igniting the packed Evans crowd as the Trojans surged to a 21–0 lead with 3:35 left in the opening frame.

Apopka showed some signs of life on its third possession. Senior quarterback Cody Owens, under constant pressure all night, extended plays with his legs and deliv-



Photo by Dana O'Connor

Senior Brian Jean lays out a stiff arm.

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| | FRIDAY, AUG. 29 | |
| 7 | FIRST DOWNS | 8 |
| 13-54 | RUSHES/YARDS-TD | 15-65/2 |
| 12/19-115 | PASSING/YARDS-TD | 10/18-272/3 |
| 169 | TOTAL YARDS | 337/7 |
| 1 | PUNTS | 0 |
| 2 | COMM/ATT/INT | 0 |
| 1/0 | FUMBLES/LOST | 0 |
| 8/55 | PENALTIES/YARDS | 8/75 |

FINAL SCORE

ered a pinpoint throw on the run to freshman wideout Jaylen Laster for 18 yards, moving the Blue Darters to midfield. But the drive stalled and a fake punt attempt by junior T.J. Frazier was stuffed, turning the ball back over.

Evans capitalized with a seven-play drive aided by three Apopka penalties, capped by a one-yard touchdown run from junior Jalen Parmly to stretch the margin to 28–0. After another defensive stop, Rogers hooked up with Hickson for 37 yards before finding Jean again over the middle for a 25-yard touchdown — his second of the night — putting Evans ahead 35–0 with 1:08 left before halftime.

By Florida High School Athletic Association rule, the margin triggered a running clock for the remainder of the game.

Though the deficit was insurmountable, Apop-

ka looked much sharper after halftime. The Blue Darters controlled possession and outgained Evans in yardage, allowing just 21 total yards the rest of the way. Their best drive came to open the third quarter, when Owens orchestrated a 12-play march downfield.

Owens connected three times with receiver Collington for 22 yards, hit Frazier for 19 more, and benefitted from a 15-yard Evans penalty to reach the Trojans' 21-yard line. But with a chance to finally break through, Owens' end-zone shot to Laster was picked off by Emari Peterson.

It was the closest Apopka came to scoring, and the most rhythm and yardage the offense has produced in a drive so far this season. Owens finished 12-of-19 passing for 115 yards and added 37 rushing yards. Frazier caught

TROJANS WIN, 3B

Wekiva makes key progress in 38-14 loss

Gabriel says young players gaining experience

By Neal Fisher Correspondent

The West Orange Warriors scored on their opening possession and never looked back en route to a 38–14 victory over the Wekiva Mustangs on Friday.

However, more than outcomes, the goal for Wekiva has been more about learning and growing during the first two contests of the 2025 season, which

have been the first two varsity games for some 90% of the Mustangs' roster.

"There has been improvement and progress from week to week," Wekiva coach Doug Gabriel said. "We are building from the ground up right now. Anybody who is successful has to learn 'why' first. First, what will happen after committing the mistake is realized. Then the goal becomes learning how to prevent committing the mistake again."

Gabriel pointed to fewer penalties as one positive

WARRIORS WIN, 2B



Photo by Neal Fisher

Justin Sessler drops back to pass.

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| RUSHES/YARDS-TD | 18-71 | | | | | | | | |
| PASSING/YARDS-TD | 112 | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL YARDS | 183 | | | | | | | | |
| COMM/ATT/INT | 7-14-1 | | | | | | | | |
| FUMBLES/LOST | 2-4 | | | | | | | | |
| PENALTIES/YARDS | 3-15 | | | | | | | | |
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FINAL SCORE

38-14

Edgewater volleyball rallies past Wekiva after Mustangs start hot



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Wekiva wins first set, but struggles with errors through the match

By Vinnie Cammarano Reporter

The Wekiva Mustangs stormed out of the gate in Tuesday night's district matchup against Edgewater, taking the opening set behind sharp passing and balanced hitting. But after that, the Eagles flipped the momentum, capitalizing on Mustang errors and finding

answers in key moments to close out a 3–1 win (20–25, 25–14, 25–15, 25–19).

"We had too many errors," Wekiva head coach Heather Lorenz said. "We had so many unforced errors, and that literally in itself destroyed the game for us. And I'm not taking anything away from Edgewater... we just didn't come to play tonight."

Wekiva came out firing in the first set, led by the steady hands of setter Isabella Espada. The junior dished out 12 assists in the frame, spreading the ball to four different hitters. Elyanna Sanchez and Avianna Mater each delivered kills, while Sarai McFadden and Misha Mancilla added timely points. Espada even chipped in an ace, fueling a 21–15 lead that Wekiva rode to a 25–20 victory.

The second set, however, told a different story. While Espada opened with another ace, Wekiva quickly fell into a pattern of miscues. Edgewater senior outside hitter Claire Appel took full advantage with a kill, then sparked a serving run that included four

aces and stretched the lead to 21–8. Behind Appel's aggressive play and freshman outside hitter Britton Wenhold's timely kills, the Eagles cruised to a 25–14 win to even the match.

Errors continued to haunt the Mustangs in set three. Miscommunication on defense and unforced mistakes left Wekiva in a 16–6 hole before McFadden and aces from Laura Sanz briefly sparked life with a small rally. But Wenhold slammed the door with back-to-back

WEKIVA VOLLEYBALL, 3B

Shellcrackers biting on the Kissimmee Chain



GOIN' FISHIN' Jim Keck Correspondent

Hello Folks,

We are just about out of summer, and I don't know about you, but I'm happy! The summers are gettin' hotter, and I'm glad we're only two weeks away from fall. Doesn't that have a nice ring to it? "F-allll". So, with that, we get cooler days

The bluegills and shellcrackers are still bitin' on the Kissimmee Chain. It's been a summer of panfish. Folks're havin' a blast catchin'em this summer in the pads and the reeds. Red worms and grass-shrimp have been the best baits so

We have a full moon this weekend, so that's probably gonna wrap up the panfishin' for a while. Once the weather starts to cool down, it'll be "speckled perch" time again. So, some folks fish for specks all year

ahead and cooler days on the long, but the fall and winter is really the best time to catch'em.

If you're new to our area, we call 'em specks down here in the South, whereas up North, ya'll call 'em Crappie. It's the same fish, just different names.

Folks're still catchin' plenty of bass at Headwaters Lake in Palm Bay. I've been gettin' reports from the guides down there of 30 to 40 bass per trip. The shiner bite is good in the mornin', but once you run out of shiners, folks're switchin' over to artificials.

The Harris Chain is still

fishin' pretty good, seein' as how it's been so hot. The Xtreme Bass Series held a tournament there a couple of weeks ago, and it took 20.16 pounds to win. Congrats to Randy Collins and Charles Tucker on their win. And, the team of Neil Davis and Brent Stagg had big bass of the tournament that hit the scales at 6.49 pounds.

Kyle at Bitter's B&T reports that folks're fishin a lot of the local lakes with shiners, and they're doin' real good. They sold out of shiners over the weekend due to so many folks gettin' out and fishin' their lo-

Kyle reports folks're catchin' some bass on West Lake Tohopekaliga. It's been kinda hit or miss, but the lake is lookin' good and, hopefully, this fall, the fishin' will get real good.

Kyle also reports that the St. John's River is fishin' great right now. Folks're catchin' some nice bass on shiners and plastic worms. Some schoolers are showin' up in the river, so a lipless crankbait will catch 'em.

The Butler Chain is also fishin' good now for keepersize bass in most of the lakes in that chain. Plastic worms,

slow-sinkin Senko type baits are workin' the best. Kyle also reports that the bass fishin' has slowed down some on Johns Lake. It's not taking a lot of weight to win the Wednesday night shootout, so hopefully, the fishin' will get better as the weather starts to cool down, and the water temps go down.

Well, that's it for this week. I hope you get a chance to get out and do some fishin' real soon.

See ya next week.

Tip of the week: Full Moon Sunday

SAVE A FEW AND GOOD LUCK!

WARRIORS WIN

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sign.

"Winning and losing cannot always be the primary manner of how a team building from the ground up is measured," he said. "Consistent winning requires minimizing the amount of mistakes and then turning opponents' mistakes into points.

West Orange scores most of its points after Mustang mistakes created scoring opportunities. Those conversions started with the execution of quarterback A. J. Chung, who demonstrated the maturity and football intelligence that coach Geno Thompson often cites as key. Chung played only the first half but completed 12 of 18

pass attempts for 201 yards and four touchdowns.

Yuto Kawamura-Johnson hauled in three of the touchdown passes, covering 34, 32 and seven yards. Edison Delgado hauled in the other touchdown pass of 41 yards to provide West Orange with a 7–0 lead after the first possession.

Perhaps the biggest impact of the mistakes was excellent starting field position for the Warriors, a consistent problem for Wekiva this season. Five of the seven Warriors' possessions during the first half began on the Mustangs' side of the field. West Orange began the seven possessions with an average starting field position of Wekiva's 40-yard line.

Still, Gabriel said he sees improvement.

"Field position and the blocked punts are the biggest areas where improvement occurred between the first two contests" he said. "The improvement and progress demonstrated with both when comparing to the previous contest can be used to build on in other aspects. If field position and blocked punts improved, so can the other aspects."

Blocked punts were reduced from five to two, and Wekiva managed to hold West Orange scoreless both times, despite the excellent

starting field position.

Gabriel said another area for improvement is taking advantage of opportunities.

"Three what-we-didn'tdo compared to what-we-didwrong mistakes were committed," Gabriel said. "We failed to intercept three passes, two touched the hands or arms. The interceptions change the feel and direction of the contest."

Charle Chukes' one-yard rush and a Justin Sessler to Ameir Prince 34-yard pass accounted for the Mustangs' points, marking a new season high.

"Scoring the two touchdowns is a sign of improvement too," Gabriel said. "We



Photo by Neal Fisher

Isaiah Hollie on the prowl for a tackle in the backfield.

moved the ball and gained some first downs during the second half. Like the previous contest, the difference was the experience of playing

the first half. The poor starts need to improve.

Wekiva will have its next opportunity for improvement 7 p. m. Friday at Horizon.

HALL OF FAME

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joined Williams and Bobby Scott in front of the stage to present medallions to each inductee.

Football and baseball inductee Rodney Brewer emphasized how crucial sports have been in sending Apopka high schoolers to college.

think communi-"I ties save lives with sports," Brewer said upon receiving his medallion. "I thank the Lord for giving me the ability and putting me around individuals that gave me an opportunity to do some things in 1984 that's never been done."

After siblings

Beckett and Rogers Beckett Jr. accepted their medallions, inductee Dan LaForest reflected upon Apopka's sports legacy.

"I love talking about Apopka because there's no other school in central Florida that's put more players in the NFL than Apopka," La-Forest said. "There is no other city in Orange County that has a community like Apop-

Football inductee Aaron Jones II then shared how former Apopka High School head coach Chip Gierke helped him to become one of the youngest players ever

drafted into the NFL at the time. Jones had quit high school in 10th and 11th grade to avoid being bullied. "But this white man came to me in the hallway," Jones said. "He said, 'Son, this is your last chance. Don't quit on me again. If you just listen to me, I will get you into college." Gierke held Jones accountable as Jones attended day school, night school, and summer school to catch up.

"He cared more about me than I cared for myself," Jones said. "By him not giving up on me, I actually did a lot of things for Coach Gierke, not for Aaron Jones."

When the Pittsburgh Steelers drafted Jones in the first round of the 1988 NFL draft, Gierke was the first person he wanted to call.

"Without Chip Gierke, there was no Aaron Jones," Jones said. "I'm not trying to get choked up...when they tell you that God will send you help when you need help, believe it, because I didn't know what I needed when I was 15 years old."

The final inductee, William Orr, died a few weeks before the gala, so his children accepted the medallion

"I want to say how honored and humbled I am to stand here before all of these giants and accept this award on behalf of my father, William," Orr's son Trey Orr said. "We buried him a couple of weeks ago, and I know he's smiling down on us once again."

The sports portion of the ceremony ended with a tribute to Gierke.

"The great evangelist Billy Graham once said that a coach in one season will impact more lives than the average person will in a lifetime," Smith said. "I believe Coach Gierke coached for

probably close to 40 years, maybe more, and if he averaged 60 to 80 players on his football team over 40 years — you do the calculation of that. He certainly impacted my life."

Proceeds from the gala supported the Jackie Lee Massey Scholarship, who served at Orange County Public Schools for over 30 years. Massey also directed the John H. Bridges Center and volunteered with Apopka Pop Warner, according to Massey's obituary. Students who live in Apopka or attend schools in Apopka are eligible for the scholarship.





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Apopka volleyball slips to 1–4 after suspended game

Blue Darters continue to battle error woes

Vinnie Cammarano Reporter

The Apopka Blue Darters couldn't find their rhythm Tuesday night, falling 3-0 (25–14, 25–18, 25–19) on the road against Lake Buena Vista. The loss drops Apopka to 1–4 on the season, with another test coming Thursday at Freedom.

Junior outside hitter Marie Hughes led the way offensively, finishing with 9 kills and 2 aces. Setter Taylor Cain tallied 23 assists and added 2 kills of her own, while senior Brianna Young contributed 7 kills. Junior Kiana Napier chipped in 5 kills and an ace, and senior middle blocker Madeline Sherrer recorded 2 kills along with Apopka's lone block of the night.

Despite the production from Hughes and Cain, the Blue Darters couldn't keep pace with the Vipers' pressure from the service line and constant attack. Each time Apopka pieced together a slight run, Lake Buena Vista answered immediately to regain control. Junior libero Bella Anschutz was labeled player of the game for the Vi-

With a quick turnaround



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Coaches, referees, and Athletic Director huddled at mid court.

Thursday's matchup at Freedom, Apopka will look to clean up its errors and rediscover the energy it displayed earlier in the That earlier matchup, however, didn't officially

ing, back-and-forth battle between Apopka and Edgewater ended in unusual fashion, when play was suspended in the fourth set due to unsafe floor conditions.

What started as an excit-

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conclude.

Throughout the night, condensation created slick spots across the gym floor, believed to be caused by ongoing AC maintenance combined with the night's heavy

rain. With the units shut off, humidity crept in each time the doors opened, leaving the gym hot and the court "sweating." By the fourth set, slips became too frequent, and following a dangerous fall at 20-14 in Apopka's favor, both teams' coaches and the referees agreed to suspend play. The match will resume later in the season when Apopka travels to Edgewater.

"It's going to give us another four weeks to prepare for them, but we have to go down to their gym, so they're going to have the home court advantage," said Apopka head coach Brian Mater. "I believe they're going to



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Apopka players all smiles after 2nd set win

make us start from scratch on that last set, that we don't get to go 20 to 14. So we've got to start all over... If we would have just kept game three, it would have ended it right there. And we wouldn't be worried about going to their court to play. We could end up having seven matches that

Before the stoppage, Apopka had put on one of its strongest performances of the season. In the first set, sophomore outside hitter Marie Hughes opened with two early kills, and junior setter Taylor Cain helped spark a 14-9 lead with a pair of aces. Hughes later capped the frame with back-to-back aces

night."

to seal a 25–16 win.

Edgewater answered in the second, capitalizing on Apopka errors and a key block from freshman Ella Thomas. But after a Hughes ace tied the score at 13, Emma Vincent's service run of six points, including three aces, powered the Blue Darters to a 25–18 win.

The Eagles clawed back in the third, surging late for a 25–21 win despite Cain's creativity in setting up hitters. In the fourth, Apopka appeared on the verge of closing the night out. Cain's connections with Daylen Hilliman and a serving run from Sydney Bartkin had the Blue Darters in control 20-14, before slip-



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano Apopka Taylor Cain on serve.

pery conditions forced the stoppage.

The Blue Darters were dialed in from the service line all night, tallying over 20 aces before play was halted. Cain racked up 21 assists and 10 aces, Hughes had 6 kills and 4 aces, and sophomore right side Victoria Polusmak added 5 kills off the bench.

For now, the Blue Darters will have to wait until Oct. 7, when they visit Edgewater, to finish what had been a dramatic match. In the meantime, Apopka was set to refocus with a road trip to Freedom High School against the (0–5) Patriots on Thursday, Sept. 4, which took place after press time.

WEKIVA VOLLEYBALL

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Isabella Espada on serve.

aces, giving Edgewater a 25-15 win and a 2-1 set ad-

The fourth set was much more sound for the Mustangs. Mancilla brought Wekiva within one point with back-to-back aces, and Sanchez added a wellplaced kill to trim the deficit to 13–12.

But each time Weki-

va threatened, Edgewater responded. Junior setter Isiris Hannezo delivered two clutch kills down the stretch, while junior setter Ellie Smith controlled the offense spreading assists to everybody. Edgewater closed on a 9-5 run to seal the 25–19 victory and the

After the match, Lorenz

was straightforward with her

team's struggles. "I just feel like we were having issues getting our hitters to be active," Lorenz said. "Not so much my defense — my defense was there, but their serves were kind of pushing us out of system."

Statistically, paced Wekiva with 21 assists and 3 aces, while Sanchez tallied 10 kills. Mancilla added 4 kills and 4 aces, and McFadden chipped in key points throughout.

For Edgewater, Appel finished with 4 kills and 5 aces. Wenhold led the team with 6 kills, freshman Finley Reinhert added 5, and Hannezo had 3 kills and 3 assists. Smith's consistency

at setter was pivotal, racking up 15 assists.

The loss dropped Wekiva to 2–2 on the season, 0-1 in district. Wekiva will look to regroup in practice and clean up execution before returning to action next week, hitting the road to Longwood to face the Lyman Greyhounds at 6:30 p. m. Monday.

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Collington emerged as another reliable target in the passing game.

For Evans, Rogers was nearly unstoppable in the first half, going 10-of-18 for 272 yards and three touchdowns while also rushing for 43. Jean was his favorite target, catching five passes for 122 yards and two scores.

Afterward, Apopka head coach Marcus Neeson pointed to performance and discipline as the main concerns for his team.

"Execution,"

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ecution. We still have a little bit of drama with players thinking that we're at the point where we can ease off, and we're not near that. Our stress 35–0 and 47 last week. Nowhere near where we need to be. So execution has got to be on point."

Despite the scoreline, Neeson found positives in the way his group responded after the break.

"We did some good things on offense," Neeson said. "We simplified what we were doing. We took advan-

six passes for 49 yards, while said. "Stress heavily on ex- tage of what they were giving us, and we kept attacking that. But then we kind of stalled down in the end and forced the turnover. Defensively, we just can't give yardage away. We had a bunch of penalties offsides, and we've got to play smarter on defense."

Apopka (0-2) will look to build off its improved second half as it continues to search for its first win of the season. The team will head to Orlando to face the Dr. Phillips Panthers (1–1) at 7 p. m. Friday, Sept. 5.



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Photo by Dana O'Connor

Sophomore Kaden Lovett makes a tackle in the backfield.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Friday, September 5

National Kidney Foundation FL First Drop – Surf Festival Kickoff Event

5 p.m. at Ivanhoe Park Lager House, 23 N Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando

Kick off the Rich Salick Surf Festival with live music by Chris Glover, beer release, silent auction, and giveaways. Benefits the National Kidney Foundation of Florida. Free.

Mirjana Cesar's Art Studio **Open House**

5 p.m. at FAVO, 221 E Colonial Dr, Orlando Open house at Studio #238 during the September art stroll featuring works by Mirjana and

First Friday Baldwin Park -**Mystery Market**

Darko Cesar. Free.

5:30 p.m. at 4932 New Broad St, Orlando Outdoor market with local vendors, handmade goods, food, and shopping. Free.

First Friday Street Fest

6 p.m. at Downtown Eustis, 111 N Eustis St, Eustis Monthly festival with live entertainment, vendors, restaurants, and shops open late. Free.

Orlando Rocks Country! Ft. Patrick Gibson, Dallas Tyler & Eli Mosely

6 p.m. at House of Blues, 1490

E Buena Vista Dr, Lake Buena Vista Benefit concert for Texas flood relief with proceeds donated to Boots On The Ground.

Full Throttle Friday -**Test & Tune Night**

\$20-\$60.

6 p.m. at Orlando Speedworld Dragway, 19164 E Colonial Dr, Orlando

All-ages drag racing night featuring cars, trucks, motorcycles, and more. Food and drinks are available. General admission \$20, racer \$30.

Cody Johnson – Leather Deluxe Tour

6:30 p.m. at Kia Center, 400 W Church St, Orlando Country star Cody Johnson brings his authentic Texas sound and hits to Orlando. Tickets start at \$70.55.

DeRay Davis

7 p.m. at Funny Bone, 9101 International Dr #2310, Orlando Comedian and actor DeRay Davis performs live stand-up. Tickets start at \$47.

Modern Theatricals Presents: The Jungle Book

8 p.m. at Dr. Phillips Center, 445 S Magnolia Ave, Orlando Immersive stage production of The Jungle Book with masks, puppetry, Bollywood dance, and circus artistry. Tickets start at \$56.17.

It's A 2000s Party

10 p.m. at Celine Orlando, 22 S Magnolia Ave, Orlando



Courtesy of Central Florida Fairgrounds

Goblin Market – Beach Episode Splash runs at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at the Central Florida Fairgrounds with vendors, live music, drag shows, food trucks, and trading.

Dance party celebrating 2000s hits, fashion, and culture. \$19.97.

Saturday, September 6

Orlando Outdoor Market

7 a.m. at Central Florida Fairgrounds, 4603 W Colonial Dr, Orlando

Weekend market with 100+ vendors offering unique finds and great deals. Free admission and parking.

Raiders Run 5k

team. \$35.

7:30 a.m. at Seminole State College, 100 Weldon Blvd, Sanford Community 5k to support the Seminole State cross country

Fish4Fun at Blanchard Park

7:30 a.m. at Blanchard Park, 2451 N Dean Rd, Orlando Free catch-and-release fishing event for kids 15 and under. Registration at 7:30 a.m., fishing at 8 a.m.

Baldwin Park Fall Porch Sale 8 a.m. at 1913 Meeting Pl, Orlando

Community-wide porch sale with hundreds of participants. Coffee from Lobos Coffee Roasters available.

Bank of America's Museums on Us Weekend

10 a.m. at Orlando Science Center, 777 E Princeton St, Orlando

Free admission for Bank of America and Merrill cardholders. General admission \$24-\$31 for non-cardholders.

Goblin Market – Beach Episode Splash

1 p.m. at Central Florida Fairgrounds, 4603 W Colonial Dr, Orlando

Discount art mart with vendors, live music, drag performances, food trucks, and trading. Free.

Create Your Signature Scent:

Aromatherapy Perfume Workshop

2 p.m. at Harry P. Leu Gardens, 1920 N Forest Ave, Orlando Hands-on workshop to create your own natural essential oil perfume. \$45 members, \$50 non-members.

Sunday, September 7

Horizon West Cars & Coffee

8 a.m. at Cinépolis Luxury Cinemas Parking Garage, 14111 Shoreside Way, Winter Garden Monthly meet-up for cars, trucks, and neighbors.

Bookbinding: Japanese Stitching

11 a.m. at Art & History Museums of Maitland, 210 W. Packwood Ave., Maitland Learn Japanese bookbinding and create your own handmade sketchbook. \$100.

Fall Back '90s Block Party

1 p.m. at David's Cuts Barbershop, 2050 State Road 436, Suite 120, Winter Park Community block party with food trucks, classic cars, games, haircuts, and music. \$3-\$5 admission.

Design Your Own Succulent Arrangement

2:30 p.m. at Harry P. Leu Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando Hands-on workshop with Bomb Blooms to create your own succulent arrangement. \$58.50 for members, \$65 for non-members.

Catfish with a kick, classic cornbread, and cake with a citrus twist

Spicy Catfish with Vegetables and Basil Cream is a recipe developed by the Test Kitchens at Southern Living All-Time Fa-



vorites. The secret to this recipe is in the

Emily Meggett, a beautiful person who was beloved by her community as well as numerous followers in the cooking arena, was born and raised on Edisto Island, South Carolina, in 1932. She passed a couple of years ago, but her recipes and generous philosophy is still with us through her book, "Gullah Geechee Home Cooking." Miz Emily says, "You can usually find good fresh broccoli yearround in this day and age, but frozen broccoli works as well." My sister, Isabel, gave me this book from which I have en-

joyed numerous recipes. I like to rerun "Rethinking Rice" every few years simply because it is such great information for this much loved staple in our lives. It comes from Southern Living's 1996 Annual Recipes. We hope (and believe) you will find it to be an invaluable guide for your food preparation. In fact, you will probably want to cut it out and put it with your favorite recipes stash.

Southern Living's Basic Cornbread is very simple and quick. You use buttermilk self-rising white cornmeal mix. Be very careful when working with the hot cast iron skillet. Remember, if you're desperate for cornbread and don't have buttermilk on hand, you can make a substitute with a cup of milk to which you add one tablespoon of either lemon juice or vinegar.

From Stew-Pot Favorites of Zellwood, we have Orange-Nut Cake from Mrs. Violet Osborn. While it's baking, you make an orange juice mixture and dribble it over the warm-out-of-the-oven cake. I've never made this cake, but gosh, it looks good.

SPICY CATFISH WITH VEGETABLES AND BASIL CREAM

Recipe from Southern Living All-Time Favorites 3 tablespoons butter, divided 1 (16-oz) pkg frozen whole kernel corn, thawed

1 medium onion, chopped

1 medium-size green bell pepper, chopped

1 medium-size red bell pepper,

chopped 3/4 teaspoon salt

3/4 teaspoon pepper

1/2 cup all-purpose flour

1/4 cup yellow cornmeal 1 tablespoon Creole seasoning

4 (6- to 8-ounce) catfish fillets

1/3 cup buttermilk 1 tablespoon vegetable oil

1/2 cup whipping cream 2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil

Garnish: fresh basil sprigs 1) Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add corn, onion, and peppers; saute 6 to 8 minutes or until tender. Stir in salt and pepper; spoon onto serving dish, and keep warm. 2) Combine flour, cornmeal, and Creole seasoning in a large shallow dish. Dip fillets in buttermilk and dredge in flour mixture. 3) Melt remaining 1 tablespoon butter with oil in skillet over medium-high heat. Cook fillets, in batches, 2 to 3 minutes on each side or until golden. Remove and arrange over vegetables. 4) Add cream to skillet, stirring to loosen particles from bottom of skillet. Add chopped basil, and cook, stirring often, 1 to 2 minutes or until thickened. Serve sauce with fillets and vegetables. Garnish, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

EMILY MEGGETT'S BROCCOLI WITH CHEESE SAUCE

Recipe from Gullah Geechee Home Cooking by Emily Meggett 3 stalks broccoli, or 1 pound frozen broccoli

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour 1 cup milk, whole or 2-percent 1/2 cup grated cheddar cheese, mild, medium or sharp

Pinch of salt **Paprika**

Wash the broccoli and cut into florets. In an 8-quart pot, bring 4 quarts water to a boil over high heat. Once boiling, add the broccoli, and cook for 3 minutes. Drain and set the broccoli aside. Make the cheese sauce in a 2-quart saucepan, melt the butter over low heat. Be very careful not to burn the butter. Once the butter is melted, stir in the flour, then slowly pour in the milk. Stir the mixture

constantly until it's smooth and thickened. Add the cheese and salt and stir until melted and smooth. Pour the cheese sauce over the broccoli and garnish with paprika. Serve immediately.

RETHINKING RICE

Information from Southern Living's 1996 Annual Recipes

WHAT'S IN STORE?

Store rice in the refrigerator up to seven days or in the freezer in a heavy-duty, zip-top plastic freezer bag up to six months.

When refrigerating rice, be sure to cover the rice tightly so the grains won't dry out or absorb the flavors of other foods.

To reheat rice, add 2 tablespoons liquid for each cup of leftover rice. Cover and reheat over medium-low heat 4 to 5 minutes. Or microwave, covered, at HIGH about 1-1/2 minutes per cup.

Leftover rice is a great soup thickener. Give leftover rice a polished look: Firmly pack it in a well-oiled mold, cover with plastic wrap, and weight it down. Chill about an hour before unmolding onto a serving plate. Serve chilled.

CHEAP TRICKS!

For full flavor enhancement, don't just cook rice in water. Substitute one of the following for all or part of the cooking water: apple, orange, or pineapple juice; chicken, vegetable, or beef stock; wine; beer; sherry; cream; or milk. Label and freeze small bags of leftover rice, and reheat when needed (1-cup bags are great for solo diners).

Boost the flavor and appearance of reheated rice by adding the following:

Chopped dates and toasted nuts Sliced mushrooms, green onions, or shallots

Chopped asparagus, bell pepper, broccoli, carrots, celery, green beans, onion, or tomato

Chopped ham, bacon, pork, or seafood (nice for fried rice – just add an egg, a bit of oil and soy sauce, and scramble in a wok or large skillet)

fresh herbs; minced fresh ginger or garlic Crushed pineapple, sliced mandarin

oranges, chopped red or green apples, or raisins

Sliced ripe or pimiento-stuffed olives

Chopped cilantro, parsley, or other

Grated Romano or Parmesan cheese. or crumbled feta cheese.

BASIC CORNBREAD

SOUTHERN LIVING'S

ALL TIME FAVORITES, 2009 2 cups buttermilk self-rising white cornmeal mix

1/2 cup all-purpose flour 1/4 cup butter, melted

1 large egg, lightly beaten 2 cups buttermilk

1) Heat a well-greased ovenproof skillet at 450 degrees for 5 minutes. 2) Stir together all ingredients in a bowl. Pour batter into hot (cast iron) skillet. 3) Bake at 450 degrees for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 6 servings, one 9-inch cornbread or about 5 cups crumbled.

VIOLET OSBORN'S ORANGE-NUT CAKE

Recipe from Stew-Pot Favorites of Zellwood Woman's Society of Christian Service, Zellwood, Florida

1 large orange 1 cup raisins

1/2 cup pecans

1 cups sifted flour

1 teaspoon soda 1 teaspoon salt

1 cup sugar

1/2 cup shortening 1 cup milk

2 eggs

Grind orange pulp and rind with raisins and pecans. Save orange juice for topping. Sift together the flour, soda, salt, and sugar. Add shortening and 3/4-cup milk. Beat two minutes with electric mixer at low speed. Add eggs and 1/4-cup of milk. Beat two minutes. Fold orange-raisin-nut mixture into the batter. Pour into well-greased and lightly floured 13 x 9 x 2-inch pan. Bake in 350-degree oven for 40 to 50 minutes. While cake is baking, combine 1/3-cup orange juice, 1/3-cup sugar, and 1 teaspoon cinnamon. Heat to completely dissolve sugar and cinnamon. Drip this mixture over the warm cake. Sprinkle with 1/2-cup chopped pecans.

The Apopka Chief 5B - 7B **LEGAL ADVERTISING**

Public Notice

is hereby given that Johnsons Wrecker Service, will sell at PUBLIC. AUCTION, free of all prior liens, the following vehicle(s)/ vessel(s) that remain unclaimed in storage with charges unpaid, pursuant to Florida Statutes, Sec. 713.78, to the highest bidder The sale will be held at 580 Wilmer Avenue, Orlando, FL 32808

The following vehicle(s) will be sold on 09/18/2025 at 0700.

Year Make VIN 1989 Chevrolet 1G1BL51E9KR164216

2006 Ford 1FTPW14V86KC99114

2012 Infiniti JN1AJ0HP6CM400583 **2005 Yamaha** JYAVM01E55A084284

2009 Mercedes-Benz WDDGF81X89F328340

1994 Chevrolet 4KBB4B1A3RJ000487 2012 Mazda

JM1BL1L89C1608315 **2006 Saturn** 1G8AL55F46Z144431

2009 Nissan JN8AZ18U79W104586 2020 Chevrolet

3GNAXHEV6LS613800 2004 Chevrolet.

1GNDS13S742264588 1996 Chevrolet 1GBHP32WXT3300069

2011 Jeep 1J4RS5GG7BC745843 2002 Ford 1FTRX17L42NB08720 1999 Ford

1FMZU32E9XUA23619 1999 Chevrolet 2G1WL52M6X9192838 2013 International

3HSDJSJR5DN355385 2008 Suzuki JS2YA413985103177

2011 Mazda JM1BL1UF6B1498349 2012 Subaru

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2003 Ford 1FMFU17L93LA97279 2018 BAODIAO

L2BB8ACG9JB000255 2010 Lexus JTJZB1BA1A2004302

2011 Hyundai 5NPEC4AC7BH276467 Terms of the sale are CASH. No checks will

be accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. ALL SALES ARE FINAL. No refunds will be made. Vehicle(s)/ vessel(s) are sold "AS IS," "WHERE IS," with no guarantees, either expressed or implied. September 5, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

BARTLETT TOWING, INC gives notice that on 09/29/2025 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

2019 Chevy 1G1JB5SB5K4111061 Publish: The Apopka Chief

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2019 Mitsubishi JA4AP3AU2KU034093

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2022 Toyota 4T1G11AK1NU660058 Publish: The Apopka Chief

September 5, 2025

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713.78.

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2017 Tovota 2T1BURHE1HC776222 Publish: The Apopka Chief

NOTICE TO CREDITORS To ALL CREDITORS The Settlor, Geraldine M Miller; D.O.B. 06-

12-1930, who lived at 2959 Port Austin Rd,

Port Austin MI 48467, died on June 17 2024. There is no Personal Representative of the Settlor's estate to whom Letters of Authority have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Geraldine Miller Estate. shall be forever barred unless presented to the Successor Trustee, Rebecca Freeborg 6 N. Henderson Ave Cape Girardeau MO 63701, within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice Notice is further given that the Trust will

thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it. Dated: 09/01/2025

By: Rebecca Freeborg Michael C. Hyde (P42440) 201 S. University Avenue Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 (989) 775-0550 Rebecca Freeborg Successor Trustee 6 N. Henderson Ave

Cape Girardeau MO 63701 September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2025-CP-2570 IN RE: ESTATE OF ROBERT DAVID BRACKIN. aka ROBERT D. BRACKIN,

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of ROBERT DAVID BRACKIN, aka ROBERT D. BRACK-IN. deceased, whose date of death was April 12, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange_County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Room 335, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses 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 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 NO-TICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court 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 STAT-UTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOR-

EVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PE-RIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, 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: September 5, 2025. Signed on this 20th day of August, 2025.

SANDRA CRANK JARRETT 6990 Turtlemound Road New Smyrna Beach, FL 32169 AMY R. STEINER. **ESQUIRE** Florida Bar No. 10875 Email: ARS@AttorneySteiner.com

LAWRENCE R. STEINER, **ESQUIRE** Florida Bar No. 202738 Email: LRS@ AttorneySteiner.com STEINER & STEINER, P.A. 797 Douglas Avenue Altamonte Springs, Florida 32714 Telephone: (407) 774-7500 Facsimile: (407) 774-6422

Attorneys for Petitioner

September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO.: 2025-CP-002477-O Division: 5 IN RE: ESTATE OF ANGELA ARGUELLO

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of ANGE-LA ARGUELLO, deceased, File Number 2025-CP-002477-O, is pending in the Circuit Court of Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 2000 E. Michigan Street, Orange County Florida 32806 The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and her attorney are set forth below.

All interested persons are required to file with this Court, WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NO-TICE: (1) all claims against the estate and (2) any objection by an interested person on whom this notice is served that challenges the validity of the will, the qualification of the personal representative, venue or jurisdiction

ALL CLAIMS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. Publication of this notice has begun on September 5, 2025. Personal Representative Ginette Castro

65 Colfax Road Wayne NJ 07479 Attorney for Personal Representative: Joseph C. Frechette, Jr. 10800 Biscayne Blvd., Suite 620 North Miami, FL 33161 Telephone (305) 892-4441 Florida Bar Number 0748498 AttorneyJF@gmail.com

September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF FLORIDA, ORANGE COUNTY

PROBATE CASE NO. 2025-CP-002680-O IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JEFFREY ROBERT ANDREW,

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the ESTATE OF JEF-FREY ROBERT ANDREW, deceased, File Number 2025-CP-002680-O is pending in the Circuit Court in and for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Ave., Room 335, Orlando, FL 32801.

The names and addresses of the personal

representative and that personal representa tive's attorney are set forth below All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against 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 DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NO-TICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERI-ODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this

Notice is August 29, 2025. Personal Representative Kathleen M. Freihofer 232 Ocean Bay Drive Jensen Beach, FL 34957 Attorney for Personal Representative Edward P. Blaisdell, Esq. Florida Bar No. 0043336 Email: eblaisdell@dyerblaisdell.com DYER & BLAISDELL, P.L.

Orlando, FL 32803 Phone: 407.648.1153 August 29, September 5, 2025

416 N. Fern Creek Ave.,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE Ninth JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Probate division Case Number: 2025-CP-2574 IN RE: ESTATE OF Kyle Anthony Migone,

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Kyle Anthony Migone, 2025-CP-2574, is pending in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, Orange County, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Or lando, FL 32801.

Creditors must file claims against the estate with the court within the time provided by law or be forever barred. The 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 sections 732.216-732.228, Florida Statutes, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under section 732.2211. Florida Statutes. Date of first publication of the notice to credi-Personal Representative John Joseph Migone, Jr., 4875 SW 47th Blvd, Bushnell, FL 33513 Attorney for Personal Representative John J. Vasti. 27615 US Hwy 27 STE 109,

September 5, 12, 2025 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2025-CP-2362 Division IN RE: ESTATE OF DONALD EDWARD MALLARD

Leesburg, FL 34748,

service@jvastilaw.com

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of DONALD EDWARD MALLARD, deceased, whose date of death was May 16, 2025, 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 representa tive's attorney are set forth below

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against 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 NO-TICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PE-RIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS

The date of first publication of this notice is: August 29, 2025. Signed on this 7th day of August 2025. DONNA M. MALLARD

G. Charles Wohlust, Esquire Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar No. 0121660 G. Charles Wohlust, P.L.C. P.O. Box 1570 Winter Park, Florida 32790-1570 Telephone: (321) 972-8738 Email: gcw@wohlustlaw.com Secondary Email: linda@wohlustlaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, BY AND FOR THE

COUNTY OF ORANGE PROBATE DIVISION FILE NUMBER: 2025 CP 002239 IN RE: ESTATE OF SAMUEL CUMMINGS,

August 29, September 5, 2025

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of SAMUEL CUMMINGS, deceased, date of death Feb-

ruary 1, 2025 is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida Probate Division the address is 425 N Orange Ave, Orlando, FL 32801. The personal representative's attorney name and addresses are set forth below. The Personal Representatives are EDDIE CALVIN DUKES and ANDREW HIN-SON POWELL.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 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 decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME

PERIOD SET FORTH IN THE FLORIDA STATUTES WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED The date of first publication of this Notice is August 29, 2025. Marie F. Benjamin Attorney for Personal Florida Bar. No. 0082960 PO Box 901

mfbeniamin@earthlink.net August 29, September 5, 2025

Telephone: 407-492-8056

Sanford, FL 32772

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO. 48-2025-CP-002695-O IN RE: Estate of CLARA SUE PFEUFFER,

NOTICE TO CREDITORS THE ADMINISTRATION of the estate of

CLARA SUE PFEUFFER, deceased, File Number 48-2025-CP-002695-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 attornev are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTI-

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.

All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS DEMANDS AND OBJEC-TIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is August 29, 2025. Personal Representative: ARTHUR DANIEL JONES, III 2429 North Avenue Leesburg, FL 34748 Attorney for Personal Representative GEORGE C. KELLEY, ESQ. Florida Bar No. 098523 P.O. Box 1132 Apopka, Florida 32704-1132 Telephone: 40 Email: attorney@gckelleylaw.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2025-CP-000235-O Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF JEREMY JOSHUA POWELL

August 29, September 5, 2025

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Jeremy Joshua Powell, deceased, whose date of death was March 2, 2024, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 2000 E. Michigan St., Orlando, FL 32806. The names and addresses 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 decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file the claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NO TICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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The date of first publication of this notice is August 29, 2025. Personal Representative: Karlene Lawrence

Attorney for Personal Representative /s/ Cynthia E. McGee Cynthia E. McGee, Esq. Florida Bar No. 0112083 238 N. Westmonte Drive Suite 200 Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 Email Addresses: cindi@cmcgeelaw.com

cynthia.e.mcgee@gmail.com

August 29, September 5, 2025

Telephone: 407-234-0695

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

File No. 2025-CP-002319-O IN RE: ESTATE OF THOMAS DEAN GAUGER

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Thomas Dean Gauger, deceased, whose date of death was April 29, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 North Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses 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 decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file thei claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NO-TICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

The personal representative 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, Florida Statutes, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be filed with the clerk

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against this court 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 STAT-UTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOR-EVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERI-ODS SET FORTH ABOVE, 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 August 29, 2025. Personal Representative: Barbara Gauger 13001 Shadow Bend Court Winter Garden Florida 34787 Attorney for Personal Representative:

Florida Bar Number:1018441 Bowen | Schroth 600 Jennings Avenue Eustis, Florida 32726 Telephone: (352) 589-1414 Fax: (352) 589-1726 E-Mail: krossi@bowenschroth.com Secondary E-Mail: crossi@bowenschroth.com August 29, September 5, 2025

Kevin B. Rossi

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NUMBER: 2025-CA-008133-O **DIVISION NUMBER: 36** IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$7,720.00 IN U.S. NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

TO: ROGELIO VIDAL 10223 FALCON PINE BV APT. 203 ORLANDO, FL 32829 GARY A. RODRIGUEZ 2275 RAPER DAIRY RD ORLANDO, FL 32822 and all others who claim an interest in \$7,720.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY, which was seized on or about the 10th day August 2025, at or near 5601 S. O.B.T., Orange

COMPLAINT

County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 25th day of August 2025.

/s/ Jose C. Campa Jose C. Campa Assistant General Counsel Florida Bar No.98464 Orange County Sheriff's Office Legal Services P.O. Box 1440 Orlando, FL 32802 (407) 254-7170

jose.campa@ocsofl.com

August 29, September 5, 2025

Notice of Public Sale

Notice is hereby given that Northwest Orlando Storage at 5330 N Pine Hills Rd Orlando, FI 32808 will sell the contents of the units listed below at a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien (pursuant to Chapter 83 of the Florida Statutes). The sales will be held online at StorageTreasures.com on 9/23/25 at approx. 9:00 am. Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder; subject to add'I terms noted on the website. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. Unit # - Name - Description: #xxx - Tenant's name - description, #xxx - Tenant's name - description, #xxx - Tenant's name

description .. #1006-Tiffany Mahone-#1218-Chantilly Ruff-#B018-Timothy Bates/ Timothy L Bates- tools, furniture,boxes,appliances,tv's stereo,office machines, account records-#B039-Ameal Mclean-#B045-Pedro Jimenez-#D027-Chadarious Baldwin-#E012-014-Cvntavia Green-#E057-Ronnetter Bell-

> A-AAA Key Mini Storage 1001 S Semoran Blvd Orlando FL 32807 407-401-9422

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE In order to satisfy a contractual landlord's

September 5, 12, 2025

lien, under the provisions of the Florida Self Service Storage Act, public notice is hereby given that the following described property located at A-AAA Key Mini Storage 1001 S

Semoran Blvd Orlando FL 32807, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash only at www.storageauctions.com on September 25, 2025 at 11:30AM. LUZ N OCASIO BORRERO: Boxes, totes, décor, furniture, bikes, bags LUZ NELLY OCSIO BORRERO: Boxes, totes, décor, furniture, bikes, bags BRENDA L COLON-SANTIAGO: Totes, boxes, furniture, décor

NATHAN SEDA: Tires, furniture, boxes, kid's ANGEL FRANCISCO HERNANDEZ: Boxes furniture, décor RUTH ANN MCKAY: Cooler, totes, bags RUTH ANN S MCKAY:

KEITH M LUST: Boxes, furniture

Cooler, totes, bags Publish: The Apopka Chief

August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA** CASENO. 2025-CA-007132

DIVISION 33 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$1,881.87 U.S. CURRENCY NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

To Tashay L. Malpress, and all persons who claim an interest in a \$1,881.87 U.S. CUR-RENCY seized on or about 6/13/2025 at or about 4951 International Dr., 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 Police Legal Advisor Orlando Police Department 1250 W. South Street

A-AAA Kev Mini Storage 5285 S Orange Blossom Trail Orlando,

Orlando, Florida 32805

August 29, September 5, 2025

Fla. Bar No. 528633

(407) 246-2464

M29

m29@trustedstoragepros.com 689-800-7333

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE In order to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien, under the provisions of the Florida Self Service Storage Act, public notice is hereby given that the following described property located at A-AAA Key Mini Storage 5285 S Orange Blossom Trail Orlando, FL 32839, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash only at www.storageauctions. com on August 28th 2025 at 11:00AM Jean Gerald Elysse- Furniture Dolley Bed Frame

Jean Gerald Elysee- Furniture Dolley Bed

Frame Headboard Maria Del Carmen Garcia Rodriguez-Cleaning Supplies Vacuums Trash Cans Totes Mop Buckets Wax Machine Brush Guermie Zetrenne- 2 Mattresses Totes Nancy Licencier- Boxes Cart Toys Totes Tawana D Taylor- Tote Walker

Tawana Denise Taylor- Tote Walker Ricardo Islas (408)- Mini Fridge Tools Misc. Ricardo Islas Ramirez (408) - Mini Fridge Tools Misc. Items Bins Clothes Shoes Ricardo De Jesus Islas (408) - Mini Fridge Tools Misc. Items Bins Clothes Shoes

Ricardo De Jesus Islas Ramirez (408) -Mini Fridge Tools Misc. Items Bins Clothes Ricardo Islas (495)- Totes Tools Misc. Items Toys Car Materials Ricardo Islas Ramirez (495) - Totes Tools

Misc. Items Toys Car Materials Ricardo De Jesus Islas (495) - Totes Tools Misc. Items Toys Car Material Ricardo De Jesus Islas Ramirez (495) -Totes Tools Misc. Items Toys Car Materials Rose Maguens Ulysse- Boxes

Rose M Ulysse- Boxes Manager Buildup #1- Furniture Couches Bed Frame Manager Buildup #2- Barricades Coolers Tote Chairs Tables Tent Speaker Stand Publish: The Apopka Chief August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2024-CA-001200-O DIV NO.: 37 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY COR-PORATION, a South Carolina Corporation. Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and

DAVID FONI, et. al., NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XIII TO: JAIME L. ABASTILLAS AB 130 GALLERIA DE **MAGALLANES** CONDOMINIUM MAKATI PHILLIPINES ENCARNACION L. ABASTILLAS AB 130 GALLERIA DE MAGALLANES CONDOMINIUM

All Owners as Agent,

Plaintiff,

MAKATI PHILLIPINES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2025, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001200-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the prop-

erty situated in said County described as: **COUNT XIII** Unit Week 19 in Unit 7124, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 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 a.m. on the 1st day of October, 2025 online at www. myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any perthe sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file

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a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 27, 2025. DATED August 27, 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 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,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO.: 2018-CA-006835-O (36) U.S. BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIA-TION. ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECU-RITIES I TRUST 2005-HE10, ASSET-BACKED

CERTIFICATES SERIES 2005-HE10.

PABLO SANTIAGO; LEYDA SANTIAGO; CYPRESS SPRINGS II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; THE VILLAGES AT SUMMER LAKES HOMEOWNER'S ASSO-CIATION, INC.: A&M SUPPLY CORPORA TION: UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POS-SESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UN-KNOWN PARTIES, et.al.,

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to

a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 25, 2020 and an Order Granting Plaintiff's Ex-Parte Motion to Reschedule Foreclosure Sale dated August 26, 2025, entered in Civil Case No. 2018-CA-006835-O (36) of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO LA-SALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I TRUST 2005-HE10. ASSET-BACKED CER-TIFICATES SERIES 2005-HE10, Plaintiff, and PABLO SANTIAGO; LEYDA SANTIA-GO; CYPRESS SPRINGS II HOMEOWN-ERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; THE VILLAGES AT SUMMER LAKES HOMEOWNER'S AS-SOCIATION, INC.; A&M SUPPLY CORPO-RATION; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POS-SESSION #1 N/K/A ASHLEY SANTIAGO, UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #2 N/K/A CHRISTOPHER SANTIAGO: ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES N/K/A NATA-LIE SANTIAGO, 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 25th day of November, 2025, the following described real property as set forth in said Judgment, LOT 57. VILLAGES AT SUMMER LAKES.

CYPRESS SPRINGS II, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 45, PAGES 149, 150, 151 AND 152, AS RE-CORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA: SAID LAND SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN ORANGE

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.

Administration **ADA Coordinator** Orange County Courthouse 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, 32801 (407) 836-2303 Dated: August 28, 2025 /s/ Brian L. Rosaler By: Brian L. Rosale Florida Bar No.: 0174882 Attorney for Plaintiff: Brian I Rosaler Esquire Popkin & Rosaler, P.A. 1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard Suite 400 Deerfield Beach, FL 33442 Telephone: (954) 360-9030 Facsimile: (954) 420-5187 Published in: THE APOPKA CHIEF

September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO. 2024-CA-001200-O MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY COR-PORATION, a South Carolina Corporation. Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,

Plaintiff.

DAVID FONI, et. al.,

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IX TO: RONALD M. SYPOLT SR. DECEASED. THE ESTATE OF RONALD M. SYPOLT SR. DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUS-ES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, AS-SIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUST EES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID

308 SERENITY CT PRINCE FREDERICK, MARYLAND 20678-4105

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2025, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001200-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT IX Unit Week 36 in Unit 6722, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 1st day of October, 2025 online at www. myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com, Anv 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

August 27, 2025. DATED August 27, 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 upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO. 2024-CA-001200-O DIV NO.: 37 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY COR-

PORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent Plaintiff,

DAVID FONI, et. al.,

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XI TO: RODRIGO IGNACIO CAVIEDES AR-

CAM SAN ANTONIO 18 DEPT 73 LAS CONDES REGION METRO **SANTIAGO 7590937**

XIMENA OFELIA BARAHONA VIOLIC **CAM SAN ANTONIO 18 DEPT 73 LAS CONDES REGION METRO SANTIAGO 7590937**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2025, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001200-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT XI Unit Week 10 in Unit 7216, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 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 a.m. on the 1st day of October, 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

August 27, 2025. DATED August 27, 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,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2024-CA-001200-O DIV NO.: 37

MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY COR-PORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION. INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,

DAVID FONI, et. al.,

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VIII

TO: DONNA KRINSKY 2 RICHARD LANE SYOSSET. NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2025, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County. Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001200-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange

County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: COUNT VIII

Unit Week 49 in Unit 6443, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof. as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 in the Public Records of Or ange County, Florida, and any amendments

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 1st day of October, 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 August 27, 2025.

DATED August 27, 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,

OUR FILE #110522.1689 MRHC #Orange September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO :2025-CA-002943-O

LIBERTY CONSULTING LLC... A Florida limited liability company Plaintiff.

FERYAL MAHMOUD MOH SH IBRAHIM. UNKNOWN SPOUSE and UNKNOWN TENANT,

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO **CHAPTER 45. FLORIDA STATUTES**

Notice is given that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 21, 2025, in Case No.: 2025- CA-002943-O of the Circuit Court in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein LIBERTY CONSULTING LLC., is the Plaintiff and FERYAL MAH-MOUD MOH SH IBRAHIM is the Defendant. The Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 11:00 a.m., online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes on October 6, 2025, the follow-

Judgment of Foreclosure Unit No. 1705 of Solaire at the Plaza Condominium, a Condominium, according to The Declaration of Condominium recorded in O.R. Book 9104, Page 2226, and all exhibits and amendments thereof, Public Records of Orange County, Florida. (the "Property").

ing described property set forth in the Final

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 before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. DATED: August 22, 2025. August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2024-CA-001200-O

MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY COR-PORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, ement Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and

DAVID FONI, et. al.,

Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XIV

TO: CHERIF W. BAKHOUM 6A. SAKHAWY STREET MANCHIET EL BAKRY **CAIRO 11341**

REHAM M. SHENOUDA **6A, SAKHAWY STREET** MANCHIET EL BAKRY CAIRO 11341

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2025, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001200-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT XIV Unit Week 30 in Unit 7435, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 1st day of October, 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 August 27, 2025.

DATED August 27, 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,

OUR FILE #110522.1695 MRHC #Orange September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Case No: 2024-CA-008769-O MANUEL OLIVA ROMERO and **RAQUEL OLIVA ROMERO**

MILYNEL BURGOS, Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 20, 2025, the property situated in Orange County, Florida, to wit: 18923 Old Cheney Highway, Orlando, Flor-

Parcel Number:

22-22-32-0728-22-412 The Southeasterly 157 feet of the Northwesterly 257 feet of Block 2241, of BITHLO, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book P, Page 69, Public Records of Orange County, Florida will be sold to the highest and best bidder by electronic sale at: https://www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose com/ at 11:00 a.m. on September 17, 2025. 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 sixty (60) days

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 Ninth Circuit Court Administration ADA Coordinator, 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida 32801 (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.

Submitted by: Cesery L. Bullard, Esquire Florida Bar No. 793361 **Bullard Law** 815 North Magnolia Ave., Suite 300 Orlando, Florida 32803 Phone: (407) 648-9530 cbullard@bullard-law.com Attorney for Plaintiffs

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2024-CA-001200-O DIV NO.: 37

August 29, September 5, 2025

MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY COR-PORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,

DAVID FONI, et. al.,

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XII TO: JAIME L. ABASTILLAS AB 130 GALLERIA DE MAGALLANES

CONDOMINIUM MAKATI PHILLIPINES ENCARNACION L. ABASTILLAS AB 130 GALLERIA DE MAGALLANES

CONDOMINIUM

MAKATI PHILLIPINES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2025, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001200-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the prop erty situated in said County described as:

COUNT XII Unit Week 02 in Unit 7124, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 1st day of October, 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 August 27, 2025. DATED August 27, 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 par-

ticipate 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

OUR FILE #110522.1692 MRHC #Orange September 5, 12, 2025

NOTICE OF SALE Public Notice is hereby given that Hylton

Auto Repair will hold a public sale, free of all prior liens, for the following vehicle (s) that remain unclaimed in storage with charges unpaid pursuant to Florida Statues, Sec 713.78. to the highest bidder, The sale will be held at, 3941 Clarcona Ocoee Rd. Orlando, Florida 32810. The following vehicle (s) will be sold 9/29/2025 at 7:00 am Year Make Model VIN 2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee

1C4RJFBGXEC545372 2007 Honda Ridgeline 2HJYK16327H547681

Terms of sale are cash. No checks accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final, No Refunds, Vehicles are sold "AS IS" "WHERE IS" with No guarantees, either expresses or implied September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2024-CA-001200-O

MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY COR-PORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff,

DAVID FONI, et. al., **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT X TO: RODRIGO IGNACIO CAVIEDES AR-

MENGOLLI CAM SAN ANTONIO 18 DEPT 73 LAS CONDES REGION METRO SANTIAGO 7590937 CHILE XIMENA OFELIA BARAHONA VIOLIC CAM SAN ANTONIO 18 **DEPT 73 LAS CONDES** REGION METRO **SANTIAGO 7590937**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2025, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001200-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: COUNT X

Unit Week 47 in Unit 7123, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 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 a.m. on the 1st day of October, 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 DATED August 27, 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 #110522.1691 MRHC #Orange September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE No. 2025-CA-002944-O ORLANDO REGIONAL REALTORS FUND, INC., a Florida not-forprofit corporation,

DAVID POWELL, an individual, AYANA POWELL, an individual, CITY OF OR-LANDO, a municipal corporation, FLORIDA GREEN FINANCE AUTHORITY, a Public Agency, RENEW FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and JANE and JOHN DOE, fictitious names representing tenants in possession, Defendants

SUMMONS THE STATE OF FLORIDA

To Each Sheriff of the State: YOU ARE COMMANDED to serve this Summons, a copy of the Complaint, and case management plan in this action on Defen-

AYANA POWELL 1204 WEST JEFFERSON STREET ORLANDO FL 32805

A lawsuit has been filed against you. You have 20 calendar days after this summons is served on you to file a written response to the attached Complaint in this Court. A phone call will not protect you; your written response, including the above number and named parties, must be filed if you want the Court to hear your case. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case, and your wages, money, and property may thereafter be taken without further warn ing from the Court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service or legal aid office (listed in the phone book). If you choose to file a written response yourself, at the same time you file your written response to the Court you must also mail or take a carbon copy or a photocopy of your written response to the "Plaintiff/Plaintiff's Attorney" named below: Edward M. Fitzgerald, Esq.

edward.fitzgerald@hklaw.com **HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP** 200 South Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801 Dated 04/07/2025 Tiffany Moore Russell As Clerk of the Court By /s/ Kasey Swiney Deputy Clerk Tiffany Moore Russell, Clerk of Courts Civil Division 425 N Orange Ave Room 350 Orlando, Florida 32801 CIRCUIT COURT SEAL REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS BY

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 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 at (407) 836-2215 or ADACoordinator@myorangeclerk.com 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 to reach the Telecommunications

Relay Service. IMPORTANTE

Usted ha sido demandado legalmente. Tiene viente (20) dias, contados a Partir del recibo de esta notificacion, para contestar la demanda adjunto, por escrito, y presentarla ante este tribunal. Una llamada telefonica no lo protegera; si usted desea que el tribunal considere su defensa, debe presentar su respuesta por escrito, incluyendo el numero del caso y los nombres de las partes interesadas en dicho case. Si usted no contesta la demanda a tiempo, pudiese perder el caso y podria ser despojado de sus ingresos y propiedades, o privado de sus derechos, sin previo aviso del tribunal. Existen otros requisitos legales. Si lo desea, puede usted consultar a un abogado immediatament. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a una de las oficinas de asistencia legal que aparencen en la guia telefonica. Si desa responder a la demanda por su cuenta, al mismo tiempo en que presenta su respuesta ante el tribunal, debera usted enviar por correo o entregar una copia de su

como "Plaintiff/Plaintiffs' Attorney". (Demandate o Abogada del Demandante) **IMPORTANT** Des poursuites judiciaries ont ete enterprises contre vous. Vous aves 20 jours consecutifs a partir de la date de l'assignation de cette citation pour deposer une response ecrite a la plainte ci-jointe aupres de ce Tribunal. Un simple coup de telephone est insuffisant pour vous proteger; vous etes oblige de deposer votre reponse ecrite, avec mention du numero de dossier cidessus et du nom des parties nommees isi, si vous souhaitez que le Tribunal entende votre cause. Si vous ne deposez pas votre response ecrite dans le relai requis, vous risquez de perdre la cause ainsi que votre

respuesta a la persona denominada abajo

ulterieur de Tribunal. Il y a d'autres obligations juridiques et vous pouvez reqerir les services immediats d'un avocat. Si vous ne connaissez pas d'avocat, vous pourriez telephoner un service de reference d'avocats ou a un bureau d'assistance juridique (figurant a l'annuaire de telephones). Si vous choisissez de deposer vous-memo une reponse ecrite, il vous faudra egalement, en meme temps que cette formalite, faire parvenir ou expedier une copie au carbone

salaire, votre argent, et vos biens peuvent

etre saisis par la suite, sans aucun preavis

a son avocat) nomme ci-dessous # 518856700_v1 September 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

ou une photocopie de votre reponse ecrite

au "Plaintiff/Plaintiffs' Attorney" (Plaignant ou

Pursuant to FL Self-storage Facility Act & to satisfy Owner's lien Storage Sense located at 10906 Moss Park Rd, Orlando, FL, 32832, 407-725-5277 intends to sell the personal property described below in order to satisfy Owner's lien. Everything sold is purchased AS-IS for CASH ONLY. See and bid on all units 24/7 ending on September 17th 2025, at 11:00 am @ www.lockerfox.com. Storage Sense reserves the right to refuse any bid or rescind any purchase until the winning bidder takes possession of the property TERMS listed on auction.

Ali Warthen-524-Household Goods Ali Warthen-830-Household Goods Jose Morales-1020-Household Goods; August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2023-CA-017577-O DIV NO.: 34 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS INC

Plaintiff. RAYMOND WESLEY HANNA, et. al.,

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IX TO: ROBERT J. VANDEWALL, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF ROBERT J. VANDEWALL, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUS-ES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, AS-SIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUST-EES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID

555 VERNON RD SPRINGFIELD, PA 19064

DEFENDANT

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COUNT IX 8 Interests (numbered for administrative

purposes: J04220 & J04221 & J04222 & J04223 & J04224 & J04225 & J04226 & J04227) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2000 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 Commence ment Date of January 1, 2016 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). at Public sale to the highest and best bidde for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on September 30, 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 August 21st, 2025. DATED this 21st day of August, 2025

/s/ 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, OUR FILE #126435.6777

MORI #ORANGE August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO.: 2023-CA-017577-O DIV NO.: 34 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.

RAYMOND WESLEY HANNA, et. al.,

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IV TO: M. MICHAEL TERRAZAS,

DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF M. MICHAEL TERRA-ZAS, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANT-EES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT 2507 MEREDITH PL EL DORADO HILLS

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COUNT IV

6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: C81913 & C81914 & C81915 & C81916 & C81917 & C81918) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative sment 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 Commence ment Date of January 1, 2014 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement)

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DATED this 21st day of August, 2025. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FDWARD M FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

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OUR FILE #126435.6721 MORI #ORANGE August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO.: 2023-CA-017577-O MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff,

RAYMOND WESLEY HANNA, et. al.,

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT V

TO: CRAIG S. FORTUNE, DECEASED 1 GREAT LAKE DRIVE

HAMPTON, VA 23669 ANGELA D. FORTUNE 1 GREAT LAKE DR HAMPTON, VA 23669 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant

to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 20th, 2025 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2023-CA-017577-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sel the property situated in said County described as:

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DATED this 21st day of August, 2025. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

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OUR FILE #126435.6723 MORI #ORANGE August 29, September 5, 2025

STORAGE SENSE SELF STORAGE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Storage Sense Apopka Located at 2208 Stillwater Ave., Apopka, Florida 32703 Phone 407-703-8854 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property Under the Florida Facility Act Statutes. The Sale shall take place online at www.lockerfox.com and closes on the 24th Day of September, 2025 at 10:00 AM Property will be sold for cash only. Unit must be cleaned out within 72 hours of purchase with a \$100 cash cleaning Deposit

Marisa Austin-Unit 4021-Personal Property Abigail Putnam-Unit 2005 -Personal Property Joshua Goetz-Unit 2031 -Personal Property Zuleika A Paredes-Unit 1001-Personal Property Kvra Ploof-Unit 4029-Personal Property September 5, 12, 2025

CITY OF APOPKA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Apopka currently assesses property owners an annual stormwater assessment to pay for various flood control and water quality improvement projects within the incorporated limits of the City of Apopka. The stormwater management assessment appears on your Truth in Millage (TRIM) Notice so that you can conveniently pay the assessment at the same time you pay your prop-

The average single-family residence in the City includes 3,600 square feet of impervious surface (roofed, paved, or similar surface), which equals an "Equivalent Residential Unit" or EDU. The proposed assessment for one EDU is \$60.00 (Base Rate + EDU Rate) for FY 2025/2026, Assessments for specific parcels are based on either an assigned EDU or the actual impervious square footage, as set

Class of Service Building Footprint (Square Feet)

FY 2023/24 Stormwater

Assessment

Single Family Residential \$46.80 Non-Residential/

Commercial \$46.80

Agriculture (W/Building) \$140.40

EDU Rate Residential Tier 1

< 2,800 sq. ft. \$21.84 Residential Tier 2 2,800 to 4,700 sq. ft.

Residential Tier 3 > 4,700 sq. ft.

\$46.80 Non-Residential Classes

\$31.20 How are the rates

calculated: Base Rate + EDU Rate = TOTAL

Average Home Assessment is: (Base Rate of) \$46.80 plus (EDU Rate of) \$31.20 = TO-TAL of \$78.00

The assessment is projected to generate \$2.63 million in total revenue to be used for stormwater management projects.

State law requires us to inform you that failure to pay any part of your property tax bill including the stormwater management assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result

When Can I Talk About This? A public hearing to consider adoption of

the annual rate resolution for the stormwater management assessment for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 will take place on September 3rd, 2025, at 5:15 PM and September 17th, 2025 at 6:00 PM. The collection of the assessment will be on the ad valorem tax bill. All affected real property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written comments with the City Clerk any time prior to the public hearing. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the hearing such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk at 407-703-1704 at least seven days prior to the date of the hearing.

A PUBLIC HEARINGS ON FINAL CERTIFICATION ON ASSESSMENT ROLLS TO IMPOSE THE UNIFORM METHOD FOR COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

August 22, 29, September 5, 2025

Notice is hereby given that the City Council for the City of Apopka will conduct a public

hearing and subsequently adopt a resolution to Certify the Street Lighting and Neighborhood Improvement Non-Ad Valorem Final Assessment Roll for the imposition of annual non-ad valorem special assessments for the specified purposes on the dates and times as follows in the areas designated and specified herein. Each individual non-ad valorem special assessment shall be billed on the Orange County Annual Tax Bill for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2025, and annually thereafter for the collection of all associated costs and expenses applied to the designated

areas as applicable. The public hearing for Non-Ad Valorem Special Assessments shall be before the City Council of the City of Apopka in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the imposition of the assessments, as follows:

Development/Sub-**Division or District Name** 1st Reading Final Certification

Certification Ponkan Reserve (Street Lighting District) September 3rd, 2025

2nd Reading Final

at 5:15 P.M September 17th, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.

Hammock at Rock Springs

(Street Lighting District) at 5:15 P.M September 17th, 2025

at 6:00 P.M. Residences at

Emerson Park (Street Lighting District) September 3rd, 2025

at 5:15 P.M September 17th, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.

Crossroads at Kelly Park (Street Lighting District)

September 3rd, 2025 at 5:15 P.M September 17th, 2025

Wyld Oaks

(Street Lighting District) September 3rd, 2025

at 5:15 P.M September 17th, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.

Florida Statutes (F.S.) require us to advise you that a failure to pay these special assessments will cause a tax certificate to the issued against the property which may result in the loss of title, F.S. 197.3632(4)(b).

Notification of the Assessment has been provided by use of the Orange County $\ensuremath{\mathsf{TRIM}}$ (Truth in Millage) notice.

The non-ad valorem special assessments are for the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses associated with the services being provided.

The Special Assessment Districts may only apply to the Designated District Areas, identified herein, where the City Council at the request of the developer intends to impose a special assessment for the purpose of providing developmental street lighting for the safety and welfare of the residents whom reside

within the designated district area. The entire cost of the assessment shall be entirely apportioned to the property owners within the district receiving the benefited service. The assessment will continue to be billed by the Orange County Tax Collector on the annual Orange County Tax Bill.

All affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearing and the right to file a written objection with the City Clerk's Office within 20 days of the publication of this notice. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbad is made including the t and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's Office at 407-703-1794 at least three (3) days prior to the date of the hearing. The following tables designate the areas

where the various non-ad valorem special assessments will apply and the annual assessment amount per parcel. Development/Sub-**Division Name**

Resolution Number Annual Amount Ponkan Reserve (Street Lighting District)

\$289.00 Hammock at Rock

Springs (Street Lighting District)

2025-28

\$189.00 Residences at

Emerson Park (Street Lighting District) 2025-29

Crossroads at Kelly Park* (Street Lighting District) 2025-30

\$105.00 Part of the West Kelly Park Street Lighting District Development

(Commercial Property) **Annual Amount** Crossroads at Kelly Park* (Street Lighting District)

\$1.75 Linear Ft.

Wyld Oaks* (Street Lighting District)

2025-31 \$3.24 Linear Ft. * Part of the West Kelly Park Street

9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

August 29, September 5, 12, 2025

Lighting District Commercial assessment is based on the linear frontage along the luminated develop-

ment roadway. Copies of the Resolutions detailing the legal description of the areas to be assessed are available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office in City Hall, located at 120 E. Main Street, Apopka Florida, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have any questions regarding the assessments, please contact the Special Assessments Coordinator at 407-703-1700. Monday through Friday between the hours of

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NUMBER: 2025-CA-003925-O **DIVISION NUMBER: 35** IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$1.905.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY

NOTICE OF ACTION

DANNY V. WHITE, JR. 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 16th day of March, 2025, at or near 57 E. Tanglewood Drive, Apopka, 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.

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BY: /s/ St Green Deputy Clerk Civil Division 425 N. Orange Avenue Room 350 Orlando, Florida 32801 CIRCUIT COURT SEAL

August 15, 22, 29, September 5, 2025

PUBLIC SALE LANDLORD LIEN SALE F.S. 715.106

FLA RENT A HOME LLC 1616 CHATHAM CIR APOPKA, FL 32703 2011 KAWA JKAEXEC1XBDA81861 SD 09-14-25@10AM TENANT OWES \$2400 TRAVIS MATTHEWS August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-007418

DIVISION 35 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$6,977.00 U.S. **CURRENCY**

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

To Edgard Ortiz, Jr. and all persons who claim an interest in a \$6,977.00 U.S. CUR-RENCY seized on or about 6/20/2025 at or about 4424 Lower Park Rd. #1317 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 wher 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 Police Legal Advisor Orlando Police Department 1250 W. South Street Orlando, Florida 32805 Fla. Bar No. 528633 shannon.hesse@orlando.gov

August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO: 2025-CA-006541-O DIV NO.: 48 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP ${\sf RESORTS}, {\sf INC}.$ Plaintiff,

JASON T. YODER, et. al.,

NOTICE OF ACTION BY

PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT IV

TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS LINKNOWN: TO: NORA M. MCINTIRE 7137 ARROW WOOD DR FREDERICKSBURG,

VA 22408 The above named Defendant is not known to be dead or alive 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 OWNER-SHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a mortgage and for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT IV Unit Week 13 in Unit 6127, in GRANDE VISTA

CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida and any amendments thereof 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, attornevs 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 19 day of August, 2025. Tiffany Moore Russell

Clerk of the Court BY: /s/ Karina Taveras As Deputy Clerk Civil Division 425 N. Orange Avenue

Room 350 Orlando, Florida 32801 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 the 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.

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HK#110513.2137/GV473 #100365035 August 29, September 5, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2025-DR-008495A

EMILY GOULET.

TYLER JOSEPH GOULET,

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE TO: TYLER JOSEPH GOULET 7952 Pine Crossings Cir., Apt. 118,

Orlando, FL 32825 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on EMILY GOULET whose address is 7952 Pine Crossings Cir., Apt. 118, Orlando, FL 32825 on or before 10/9/2025, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at Clerk of the Court, 425 N Orange Ave., Orlando, FL 32801, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief de-

manded in the petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review

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TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL Bv: /S/ ROBERT HINGSTON Deputy Clerk 425 North Orange Ave. Suite 320 Orlando, Florida 32801 CIRCUIT COURT SEAL August 22, 29, September 5, 12, 2025

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 25DR2731 Serphine Verona Rutty, Petitioner, and Dexter Garnet Aidan Graham

Respondent, NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Dexter Garnet YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Serphine Verona Rutty whose address is 395 Wymore Rd, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 on or before 10/12/25 and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 101 Eslinger Way, Sanford, FL 32773 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a

lief demanded in the petition The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: {insert "none" or, if applicable, the legal description of real property, a spe cific description of personal property, and the name of the county in Florida where the prop-

default may be entered against you for the re-

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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

August 22, 29, September 5, 12, 2025

By: /S/ Aynna Glaser

Deputy Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 2025-DR-8264-O Division: DIEURITHA DUBREUS, ERNST DUBREUS,

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

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(NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT) TO: ERNST DUBREUS 6149 WESTGATE DR ORLANDO, FL 32835

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on DIEU-RITHA DUBREUS whose address is P.O BOX 616160 ORLANDO, FL 32861 on or before 10/02/2025, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 425 N ORANGE AVE ROOM 330 ORLANDO, FL 32801 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: {insert "none" or, if applicable, the legal description of real property, a specific description of personal property, and the name of the county in Florida where the property is located}

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TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: /S/ JUAN VAZQUEZ Deputy Clerk CIRCUIT COURT SEAL August 22, 29, September 5, 12, 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

ZALU HOME CARE located at 9156 OUT-LOOK ROCK TRL, in the County of ORANGE in the City of WINDERMERE Florida 34786, intends to register the above said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at OCOEE, Florida, this 28 day of AU-GUST 2025.

ZALU INVESTMENT LLC September 5, 2025

> NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO **SECTION 865.09**

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR **ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2025-CP-002812-O Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF IRENE OBER

September 5, 2025

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Irene Ober, deceased, whose date of death was June 30, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 2000 E. Michigan St., Orlando, FL 32806. The names and addresses 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 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 decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLI-CATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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September 5, 2025. Personal Representative Seth Ober R/A address: 238 N. Westmonte Drive, Suite 200 Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Cynthia E. McGee Cynthia E. McGee, Esq. Florida Bar No. 0112083 238 N. Westmonte Drive, Suite 200 Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 Email Addresses:

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