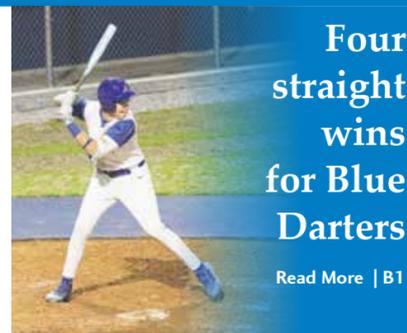


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Influence accusations fly in mayoral race

Nesta, Nelsons deny wrongdoing

By Sarah Merly and Teresa Sargeant Reporters

Emails obtained by The Apopka Chief show the city's former police chief and current finance director said Commissioner Nick Nesta intimidated and harassed them over separate matters in 2024 and 2025—accusations Nesta strongly denies and says

are politically motivated.

"I'm a direct person," Nesta, who is running for mayor, said in a sit-down interview with the Chief on Monday. "I'm firm with what I believe in, and I'm going to ask you and speak with you very firmly and directly. Sometimes that is taken as a negative or an act of intimidation, but it's direct."

The accusation from former Apopka Police Department Commissioner Nick Nesta (left) and Mayor Bryan Nelson (right) accused each other of improperly influencing a 2024 APD investigation.



File photo by Marshall Tempest

Commissioner Nick Nesta (left) and Mayor Bryan Nelson (right) accused each other of improperly influencing a 2024 APD investigation.

ACCUSATIONS, A9

Altamonte will no longer heed Apopka water requests

Nelson says Altamonte Springs claims unfounded

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

Altamonte Springs' city attorney said the city of Apopka has repeatedly cut off or reduced reclaimed water flows, violating the terms of both cities' 50-year agreement that was executed in June 2013.

In a Jan. 27 certified letter to the city of Apopka—reviewed by The Apopka Chief—Altamonte Springs city attorney Mary L. Sneed wrote that both cities entered into the agreement to help Apopka meet future water demands while reducing its reliance on groundwater.

Under the "Agreement for the Delivery of Reclaimed Water," which Sneed attached to the letter, Apopka is required to "routinely receive and accept up to 4.5 million gallons per day (MGD)" of reclaimed water from the Altamonte Springs Regional Water Reclamation Facility (ASRWRF).

"Despite the clear and unambiguous language of the Agreement, Apopka has continued a troubling trend of requesting that Altamonte reduce flow and/or closing of the valve dating back to October of 2018," Sneed wrote. "The agree-

ment does not authorize Apopka to unilaterally curtail, limit, or direct reductions or suspensions in the delivery of reclaimed water."

Apopka's "arbitrary reductions" force Altamonte to scramble to reallocate the water, creating "significant operational, environmental and financial impacts," according to Sneed. Altamonte received the last directive from Apopka to reduce flow in December 2025, according to the letter.

"The ASRWRF is not an isolated 'on/off' valve that Apopka can direct to be turned on and off without consequences not only to Altamonte but also to other agencies that indirectly rely on Apopka's performance and could also be impacted by its failures," Sneed wrote.

The correspondence noted that sudden flow reductions are particularly difficult to manage during "wet weather conditions."

"[Altamonte Springs] will not continue to heed Apopka's reduction or stoppage requests or Apopka's continued failure to fulfill its obligations to its partner under the Agreement," Sneed wrote.

Altamonte requested that Apopka provide a written operational plan within 10 days outlining how the city intends to meet its con-

ALTAMONTE, A9

City honors 'Legends of Apopka'



Photo by Ralo Flores

The Rollins College Gospel Choir performed in front of about 200 people at the Legends of Apopka celebration at the Apopka Community Center.

Council recognizes civil rights leader Jesse Jackson

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

About 200 community members celebrated the Legends of Apopka in honor of Black History Month on Feb. 19 night at the Apopka Com-

munity Center with music, a tribute to Black community members, and honoring civil rights leader Jesse Jackson, who died on Feb. 17 at age 84.

The city and the Apopka Youth Council recognized the 28 Legends of Apopka and their families in the fourth annual event.

The Apopka Youth Council compiled the fourth

volume of "Legends of Apopka," featured biographies of late Apopka community members, with help from Francina Boykin, vice president of the Apopka Historical Society.

At the celebration, as an Apopka Youth Council member read each Legend's name, that individual's family stood in recognition.

Mayor Bryan Nelson

explained that the Legends of Apopka booklet grew from a desire to document the achievements of African Americans in the city before their stories were lost to time.

He said he asked Boykin to lead the effort with two specific requests: that the honorees span generations, including those born in the

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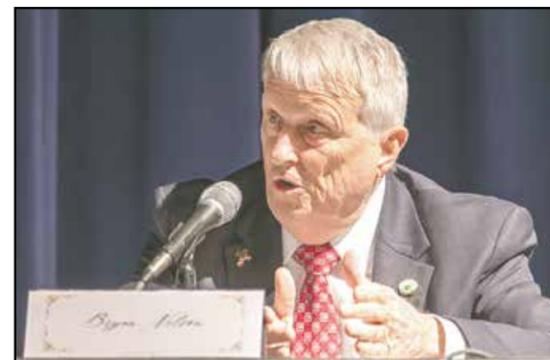


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Mayor Bryan Nelson pushed back on Altamonte's claims that Apopka is not in compliance with a water agreement.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Phillis Wheatley carries legacy of Black culture in Apopka

School established over 100 years ago

By Sarah Merly Reporter

Phillis Wheatley Elementary School, originally a school for Black children, has educated thousands of students throughout its 140-year history and stands as a touchstone of cultural history in south Apopka.

"Here at Phillis Wheatley, we are focused on equity, access, and lifting historically underserved students," said Tabitha Brown, principal of Phillis Wheatley Elementary School. "There remains an expectation that Phillis Wheatley will serve as both an educational and cultural anchor for South Apopka for years to come."

An OCPS150th anniversary

WHEATLEY, A6



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Francina Boykin speaks at a City Council meeting.

Q&A: council candidates talk background, goals

By Sarah Merly Reporter

This week and next, The Apopka Chief will run questionnaire responses for each City Council candidate who will appear on the March 10 ballot. The Seat 1 race features former commissioner Sam Ruth against incumbent Alexander Smith. Meanwhile, Malika Harrison and Yesenia Baron campaign for Seat 4, left vacant due to Nick Nesta's

entry in the mayoral race. To view Apopka Involved Voters' City Council debate, visit The Apopka Chief YouTube channel.

Seat 1: Sam Ruth, challenger

What elected office positions have you held?

I was elected to Apopka City Council Seat 4 and served from 2014 to 2016. During that time, I gained firsthand experience in Apopka's home rule, bud-

geting, land management, and growth policy. The role carries significant responsibility in overseeing taxpayer dollars, development decisions, and protecting the long-term interests of residents.

Where can voters go to learn more about you?

Voters can contact me directly on my cell at (321) 231-3943 or by email at sammyr@sigoldmanco.

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Apopka Chief launches Motor Marketplace

Throughout much of the 20th century, most Americans subscribed to a local newspaper—and sometimes more than one, if you lived in a city like Denver with two rival newspapers.

The common perception at the time was that people were buying local news. They were, of course... but only partially. It's true that the daily newspaper heyday included keeping residents informed about the happenings in the community, the nation, and even the world, but it did much more than that.

Looking for a shoe sale? Check the newspaper. Need a job? Look in the newspaper. Need a house? Search the newspaper. Want to sell something? List it in the newspaper classifieds. Ready to buy a car? Peruse the newspaper for a good deal.

In short, the local newspaper was the center of the community. It was your Publix app, Indeed, Zillow, Craigslist, cars.com and more all rolled into one.

Those days are long gone. The internet age has brought with it fierce competition in each of those industry categories, and few would argue that the news business has done a good job of keeping up with the changes.

Still, it's never a bad time to innovate, and the local newspaper remains at the heart of many communities like this one—as evidenced by the 500 or so residents who attended our mayoral debate earlier this month.

Our aim is to make The Apopka Chief the center of the community for more than just news. Last year we brought Publix inserts to the Chief, a move that has been very well received—because who doesn't want

Publisher



J.C. Derrick

to know the BOGOs for this week?

We also partnered with a tech company called Column to automate and streamline legal notices.

We partnered with another company called CitySpark to provide a robust events calendar on our website (you will find it under the "Community" tab at theapokkachief.com). It allows you to peruse local events and even add a listing for free using the self-service portal.

Now, we've added a brand-new Motor Marketplace to theapokkachief.com. We're launching it with a handful of area dealerships that already have hundreds of vehicles listed, and we hope to add more soon.

Think of Motor Marketplace like a local version of cars.com—only better. We have several technical features that make this marketplace attractive for auto dealers, but what's most important for you, the consumer, is how easy the tool is to use.

You can easily search by price, brand, model, or a whole host of specific features. You don't have to worry about seeing vehicles hundreds of miles away, because all of them are in Central Florida.

You also don't have to worry about a system that will obscure dealer information to try to keep you on the website. Each vehicle detail page has not only all the information about that vehicle but also a clear website and phone number if you want to contact the dealer.

I hope you will give this new tool a try and let us know what you think. Simply go to theapokkachief.com and click on "Marketplace" on the navigation bar.

Fair highlights student-raised animals

Did you know our middle school students have the opportunity to study agriculture?

Of course, they learn about caring for the animals, but they also learn about showing animals.

If you have never visited the Central Florida Fair and taken a peek at the animal exhibits, you are missing out.

Students from all over OCPS raise animals and compete in very serious animal judging. These students are dedicated and passionate about the work it takes to raise and prepare an animal for the fair. It's a job that takes dedication, seven days a week. There are no holidays or breaks for these students.

And our Piedmont Lakes Middle School has some celebrating to do.

A team of four agriculture students from the school recently competed at the FFA (Future Farmers of America) State Competition and placed 8th in the state for Poultry Judging.

The agriculture program at

Orange County School Board, District 7



Melissa Byrd

Piedmont Lakes has always been a strong one, and I'm so excited that these students were recognized at the state level.

OCPS offers comprehensive agricultural education focusing on science, technology, and leadership. Key initiatives include FFA chapters, hands-on Horticulture, Aquaculture, and Animal Science courses at the middle and high school levels.

These programs are designed to fill high-demand jobs in Florida's agricultural, food and natural resources sectors. Florida's agricultural industry, the state's second-largest eco-

nomics sector, contributes over \$160 billion to the economy and utilizes 9.7 million acres across roughly 44,400 farms.

Here's my challenge to you: The Central Florida Fair started Thursday and runs through the animal market auction on March 8. I encourage you to stop by and take a look at all the amazing animals that have been raised by our students.

In fact, I recently received a letter from Ashlynnne, a Piedmont student, inviting me to the fair to meet Clyde, her 9-month-old goat that she will be showing.

It's one of my favorite events of the year.

Preparing our students for the workforce they will enter when they leave our walls is what is at the heart of our mission. FFA and our Agriculture programs are another example of the great things our public schools continue to do every day, providing boundless opportunities and well-rounded education experiences.

Humanity's last stand might be in the kitchen

At the airport, I had to look at a machine that flashed, then I didn't have to take my shoes off in the security line.

I think we now have robots that can look you in the eye and tell whether you have dynamite in your shoes.

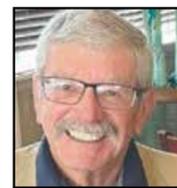
At my sister's house in Chicago, Kate, the wife of one of my nephews, was setting the table for dinner. I asked about wine. She said, "Maybe John can pick up a bottle on the way home" and called him.

Not one time was wine mentioned. I continued to keep a hopeful eye on her, much like my cat watches me when he thinks there is a possibility of kibble. She did nothing.

A short time later, a young man was at the door with a bottle of pinot noir. On the face of it, it would appear that all you have to do in Chicago is say, "I would like some wine" within earshot of a telephone and robots will work it out.

When Dr. John got home, he told me about the class he was teaching at the University of Chicago. It concerned integrating aspects of artificial intelligence into composition and called for understanding concepts like "the algorithm of the thought process." I held out as long as the wine did, but no information changed heads.

Columnist



Jake Vest

His brother, Ken, also my nephew, came for breakfast on the way to pick up a new car. This was a conversation I figured I could get into. I couldn't. He wasn't interested in any of the stuff that interests me about new cars.

He was all fired up because the vehicle could drive itself.

As a joke, I asked, "Why do you have to go get it? Just call it and tell it to come pick you up!" I shared a laugh with myself while everybody else in the room looked thoughtful. John said, "We're not quite there yet." Ken said, "It can only do that for short distances and it has to be line of sight." Kate noted that there are driverless carts that deliver groceries in Chicago, and it is the same principle.

Then someone asked, "How do you think that airplane you arrived on operates? Do you think a guy was sitting up front changing gears and looking at a road map?"

I was starting to have that Stranger in a Strange Land, Marty McFly stumbling into the future feeling when something very comforting happened.

I watched a PhD making biscuits.

You might think this would involve test tubes, laser beams, soy bean byproducts and algorithm. But not so. It was from scratch, with real buttermilk and the cook elbow deep in a sack of flour as big as a baby, throwing ingredients at the bowl, using a heap of this, smidgens of that, and a handful of other stuff, squishing it all up with his fingers. It was just like I used to see it done in Tennessee kitchens before we had a phone or color TV.

The biscuit-making PhD chatted amiably with his PhD brother who was frying bacon in about three inches of sizzling fat. He offered that this was the only way to make real biscuits.

Take that, R2D2.

The future may contain flashing machines that can look into your eyes and know what's in your shoes, essays written with electricity, driverless motorized grocery carts, and automobiles that can be trained like show dogs, but no robot will ever figure out a smidgen and heap.

As long as there's a biscuit, we humans are still in charge.

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Q&A: Candidates tackle Golden Gem facility

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

The Apopka Chief and WESH 2 News organized a mayoral debate on Feb. 3 (to watch it, search "Apopka mayoral debate" on YouTube). Since then, the Chief has been running a weekly Q&A focused on issues that were not covered during the debate. This week's question is as follows:

How would you manage the repair and restoration of the Golden Gem Water Reclamation Facility, and what would you do to mitigate the effects of future sinkholes at the site?

Answers are presented in alphabetical order.

Christine Moore, Orange County commissioner

For those who aren't aware of the severe problem—St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) for nearly 20 years has sought to partner with the city on building a water reclamation facility off Golden Gem Road. A pipeline from Altamonte Springs has also been constructed to take Altamonte's sewer water, treat it, and store it in this pond.

Funds for the high cost



Photo by Dana O'Connor

The mayoral candidates listen to one of the questions asked in the Feb. 3 mayoral debate.

of construction of the facility has proven elusive for nearly two decades. The various elevations of lakes and karsts in the geographic area have even challenged construction of S.R. 429. I am told that the collapse was due to excessive removal of soil. I read the initial report from Universal Engineering, which recommended outside engineering prior to excavation. I'm told this didn't occur. This catastrophe reminds me of the Border Lake flooding, where the county had to step in with engineering plans and repeatedly prodded Mayor Nelson to action.

I'm not pleased with the level of transparency and information coming from the Nelson administration. There should have been multiple

follow-up briefings for commissioners and the public. Keeping commissioners and the public in the dark has occurred way too frequently. Thankfully, I sought out a public record from SJRWMD to better educate myself.

What is needed now are additional opinions and courses of action from qualified engineers. The Golden Gem Pond remediation has enormous potential financial repercussions for our citizens. I believe this issue alone, if the gravity of the situation was clearly understood, should cause voters to select a new leader.

Bryan Nelson, mayor

The Golden Gem reclamation facility was created in partnership with the St.

Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) over 10 years ago. The facility will have the ability to store almost 350 million gallons of water to be used for irrigation in the northwest quadrant of the city.

After filling the larger 300-million-gallon pond, a sinkhole opened up, draining the pond and ripping the liner. We hired a contractor to fill the sinkhole and are now working on a permit to fix the larger pond. The smaller 50-million-gallon pond has seams that have separated, and we are waiting on a permit to line the pond with a new material. At the same time, we are designing a pump station to be able to push water from the facility to the neighbor-

hoods in the northwest part of the city.

Ultimately, we will be able to store water from the rainy season and distribute the reclaimed water to the neighborhoods in the dry seasons. Our goal is to have one billion gallons of storage city-wide, almost the entire usage of reclaimed water for a year, which will reduce or eliminate our need for pulling water out of the ground for irrigation.

Nick Nesta, city commissioner

The Golden Gem Water Reclamation Facility is a two-pond, 350-million-gallon project that has been purposefully delayed and cost the residents millions of dollars in additional costs due to mismanagement and failed leadership. The sinkhole did occur due to negligence and not an act of God. It was due to improper installation of the liner of the larger pond and failed drainage system.

Once elected, I will bring in an independent third-party vendor that specializes in projects of this size and complexity and will assist in a properly designed bidding process to ensure the project is completed on

time and on/under budget.

The residents will be spending millions and millions of dollars to finally finish this project, and they deserve to have a timeline that is committed to and achieved. I will be reaching out to our partners on the federal level to assist with funding, as this has been a costly, mismanaged project that needs to be completed.

When we get this facility online, the residents will no longer experience lack of water pressure and water access issues; we will be able to serve our current residents as well as the new ones that are moving to our city.

While our residents are my top priority, the city of Apopka also has agreements with other local municipalities to take their excess water. The city of Altamonte Springs recently sent a letter stating that we are not upholding our side of the agreement. We need to be good neighbors to our bordering municipalities and follow through on the agreements we have set in place.

Proper leadership will get this project across the finish line and will serve as an asset to the city of Apopka residents.

Apopka man arrested for alleged \$328M Ponzi scheme

Chris Delgado ran for Orange County Commission in 2022

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

Federal authorities announced Tuesday the arrest of a Apopka resident and former Orange County Commission candidate for allegedly operating a \$328 million Ponzi scheme.

Christopher Alexander Delgado, 34, was arrested on

a criminal complaint charging him with wire fraud and money laundering, according to a press release from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida. If convicted on all counts, Delgado faces a maximum penalty of 30 years in federal prison.

Delgado was president and chief executive officer of Goliath Ventures Inc., formerly known as Gen-Z Venture Firm, according to the press release. In 2022, he ran unsuccessfully for the Or-

ange County District 2 commission seat, finishing third behind Christine Moore and Sandra Fatmi-Hall.

Federal authorities allege that from January 2023 through January 2026, Delgado managed Goliath as a Ponzi scheme, a type of investment fraud in which funds from new investors are used to pay purported returns to earlier investors.

Authorities said Goliath obtained at least \$328 million from investors, and Delgado allegedly used investor funds

to acquire four residential properties each valued between \$1.15 million and \$8.5 million.

"Delgado's scheme involved soliciting victims to invest substantial sums of money under false and fraudulent promises of monthly returns generated through cryptocurrency 'liquidity pools,'" the press release said. "Victims were induced to give money to Goliath through personal referrals, professional marketing materials, luxury events, charita-

ble sponsorships, and some monthly payments of purported returns, all of which were designed to establish Goliath's bona fides with investors."

Instead of investing the money as promised, authorities say the money was used to pay earlier investors, return principal to some investors and finance lavish business gatherings, holiday parties and luxury excursions.

Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation and Homeland Security In-

vestigations are investigating the case. Assistant U.S. attorneys are handling prosecution.

A criminal complaint is only an allegation, and Delgado is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in court.

According to Fox35, Delgado has traveled in high political circles and has posted photos online with figures including President Donald Trump, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, and U.S. House Speaker Mike Johnson.

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Apopka VFW commander receives 2 prestigious awards

Quilts of Valor, Daughters of the American Revolution honor local veteran

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

Apopka Veterans of Foreign Wars Commander Loretta Forlaw received two prestigious awards Saturday at VFW Post 10147 during a fundraising concert.

Bugler Paul Chong-You played the Call to Assembly

before Melissa Mathews, a representative from Quilts of Valor, presented Forlaw with a red, white and blue quilt. Volunteers had sewn the quilt to honor Forlaw's service in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps at Bai Combat Base in Vietnam.

"I was so honored to receive the Quilt of Valor," Forlaw said in a statement to The Apopka Chief. "I agreed to the presentation during a VFW fundraising concert because I have recently become aware that women combat veterans are often asked why they are wearing their husband's shirts. Many people do not realize



Photo by Dana O'Connor
Loretta Forlaw smiles in her newly awarded blanket.

that women and military nurses served in the Vietnam War and wars throughout history. There are approximately 170,000 women veterans in Florida and 1.3 million nationally."

To Forlaw's surprise, Chong-You played the Call to Assembly a second time to welcome Dr. Sarah Hoefler, chairman of the American History Committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution's (DAR) William P. Duval chapter. Hoefler's chapter had nominated Forlaw to the DAR's Florida state committee. Her application was then sent to the DAR's Women in

American History Committee, which selected her application to be placed in the DAR database.

"She joins such notable women as Amelia Earhart, Maya Angelou, and Eleanor Roosevelt," a Feb. 23 press release said. "Three hundred years from now, a person researching the role of women in the [Vietnam] War will find her name and read about her life."

The Florida committee had selected Forlaw for her accomplishments in education, politics and community service. Forlaw serves as an as-

sociate professor at the University of Central Florida, the first female commander of VFW Post 10147, and president of the Northwest Orange Republican Women, Federated (NORWF) club. She spent 25 years in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps, receiving the Legion of Merit Award upon her retirement.

"It is such a privilege to join the roll call of women who have received the DAR Women in American History Award," Forlaw said. "I am proud to receive the responsibility and honor associated with this award."

LEGENDS

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1800s, and that the project focus on preserving history for the future.

"We want the history because 20 years from now, or 50 years from now, we'll forget," Nelson said.

Boykin thanked the Apopka Youth Council for helping to research and compile the biographies, city leaders for the opportunity, and collaborators for their assistance in the project.

Several of the 28 honorees were people Boykin knew or whose stories were entrusted to her by elders. She recalled spending nearly a decade learning from several noted Apopkans, especially local historian William J. "Perrine Slim" Gladden Jr., who "poured into me so much history."

"The people who we are honoring here tonight, the Legends, they're not only people who are documented

in their bios and are noted, but they are people I grew up with and it is not very hard to write about them," she said.

She also highlighted Mead's Bottom, a historic Black settlement established in the 1870s by former slave Sarah Mead, and recognized a resident believed to be the last surviving person born there. The Apopka Historical Society is working on placing a memorial marker at the site, where the Apopka City Center now stands.

"Document your history because your children and your grandchildren, your great-grandchildren — give them something to look back on and see what contributions that the family has made," she said.

Music underscored the celebration as the Rollins College Gospel Choir performed under the direction of Andrea Green, as well as opera singer

Mark Wright-Ahern.

City Commissioner Nadia Anderson called for unity during her remarks and acknowledged the recent death of Jackson, who stood alongside Martin Luther King Jr. during the Civil Rights Movement and founded the Rainbow PUSH Coalition.

"It's so important in these times that we are united and we are one Apopka," she said, noting the city flew the flag at half-staff in Jackson's honor on Feb. 19.

"His life challenges each of us, especially those with us in public service, to lead boldly, to speak with truth, with conviction and to serve with compassion," Anderson said before leading in a moment of silence. "May we honor him, not only in remembrance, but in recommitment to justice, equality and the work that still lies ahead. May he rest in power and his legacy contin-

ue to light our path forward."

The fourth edition of Legends of Apopka include the following honorees: Norman Betts (1909-1977), Martha A. Board (1877-1970), Luvenia B. Braswell (1910-1976), Lula B. Chisholm (1886-1986), Wilbert "Buck" Chisholm (1929-2021), Johnnie Ruth Bailey Dowdell (1926-1980), Agnese Dudley (1932-1988), Ethel Green (1908-2000), Moses Howard, Sr. (1912-1997), Bernice Hughley (1931-2025), Mary Helen Landrum (1930-1987), Ruby Benton Lee (1931-2025), James Franklin McGraw II (1933-2020), Vernon McQueen (1947-2020), Clifford Moore (1927-2011), Alfred Neil (1929-2011), Roosevelt Nichols (1941-2008), William "Bill" Orr (1945-2025), Precious Patterson (1917-1998), David Rollie Richardson Sr. (1921-2014), Dr. Vera Rose-Poitier (1943-

2011), Cato Sanders (1874-1939), Jacquelyn J. Smith (1951-2018), Barbara Studstill (1948-2025), Rossie Thomas (1936-2015), Samuel Weaver (1909-1983), Willie James Webb Sr. (1941-2011) and Daisy Bell "Slappy" Willis (1936-2020).

Nelson read a proclamation declaring February 2026 as Black History Month in Apopka. He previously read the proclamation at the Feb. 18 City Council meeting.

Now in its 100th year, the establishment of Black History Month goes back to 1915, when historian Carter G. Woodson and minister Jesse E. Moreland founded what later became the Association for the Study of African American Life and History.

In 1926, the association began National Negro History Week and chose the second week of February to coincide with the birthdays of

Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass as a week to commemorate African American achievements. Through Woodson and Moreland's efforts, schools, communities and colleges organized local celebrations, history clubs and performances. In the decades following National Negro History Week, the event expanded into what eventually became known as Black History Month.

President Gerald Ford formally recognized Black History Month in 1976. Black History Month's 2026 national theme is "A Century of Black History Commemorations."

The fourth annual "Legends of Apopka" book was available for purchase for \$10 per copy at the event.

For more information, visit Apopka.gov/BlackHistoryMonth.

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ISSUE	NICK NESTA	CHRISTINE MOORE	BRYAN NELSON
Pro-business: Eliminate small business tax (BTR)	NO Nesta opposed eliminating BTR tax (<i>BTR, Apopka Chief 8/22/2025</i>).	NO No. Orange County still requires BTR tax. Moore did not try to change that.	YES ✓ Nelson pushed to eliminate it (<i>BTR, Apopka Chief 8/22/25</i>).
Oppose expensive S Apopka annexation, which would cost Apopka residents \$3M/year	NO Nesta supports the annexation vote and refused to publicly oppose it. (<i>Apopka Chief/WESH debate 2/9/26 and 2/3/26</i>)	NO Moore supports the annexation vote and refused to publicly oppose it. (<i>Apopka Chief/WESH debate 2/9/26 and 2/3/26</i>)	YES ✓ Nelson is the only candidate opposing the South Apopka annexation because it would cost Apopka residents \$3M/year.
Eliminated Red Light Cameras	???	NO Orange County added new cameras under her tenure, collects \$9M/year.	YES ✓ Nelson kept his promise and eliminated them in Apopka.
Require Developers to pay Transportation Impact Fees	???	NO She gave "sweetheart deals" to rich developers by waving impact fees (\$4.6M) to build apartments in unincorporated Apopka. (<i>Apopka Chief 6/7/25</i>)	YES ✓ Nelson believes developers should pay their fair share for roads.
Investing in Apopka by locating their businesses in the city	NO Nesta moved his business out of Apopka to Longwood.	NO No, she does not own or run an Apopka-based business.	YES ✓ Nelson has owned three small businesses , all based in Apopka.

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WHEATLEY
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sary webpage entitled “History of African-American Schools in OPCS” said that the school that merged into Wheatley opened in 1886. Another source, Jerrell H. Shofner’s History of Apopka and Northwest Orange County, Florida, said that the school was first named after the African American poet sometime around 1927.

“The school building was in such dilapidated condition that, when the Orlando firm of Hunt and Davis opened its Wheatley subdivision in 1926, five acres of it was donated for a school,” Shofner wrote. “With aid from the Rosenwald Fund, the school board then authorized \$5,700 for a new four-room building which was completed in 1927.”

Similarly to how it stands at present, Phillis Wheatley was an elementary school from the 1940s through 1950, when the Clarcona school for Black children was integrated with it. Wheatley then became an elementary and junior high school in 1951. In 1955, Wheatley began accommodating all grade levels.

“Despite secondhand books, lower pay for their teachers and often substandard facilities, the schools were community hubs and sources of tremendous pride,” the OPCS webpage said. “[Wheatley] hosted events that drew the entire community, such as a homecoming coronation that included a king and queen in every grade.”

One former student, Mary Brown, said she did not know about segregation when attending Phillis Wheatley.

“I didn’t really realize what segregation was,”

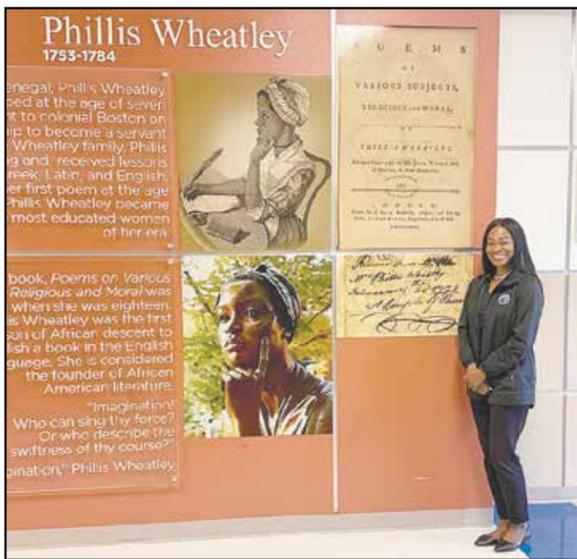


Photo by Sarah Merly

Principal Tabitha Brown poses by an exhibit of Phillis Wheatley at Phillis Wheatley Elementary School.

Brown, 76, said. “The years I spent at Wheatley were beautiful. It’s really unimaginable.”

In an interview, former Wheatley student and Apopka historian Francina Boykin echoed contentment in her school and with race relations. She said she loved her school so much that she would cry if she had to miss a day of class.

“We were very self-sufficient as a community and supporting of the school,” Boykin said.

Boykin said she was more fearful of desegregating than segregation, because she did not know what to expect. OPCS received a court order to desegregate in 1969, approximately 14 years after Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka first urged schools to do so.

“A group of eight parents sued in 1962,” the OPCS website said. “The final rul-

ing in the case, *Ellis v. Orange County Board of Public Instruction*, required the district to desegregate fully, noting that the district had given black schools second-rate physical facilities, equipment, course offerings and instructional materials.”

Wheatley converted back to an elementary school when desegregation took effect. Because Boykin was in the class of 1970, she was required to transfer to Apopka Memorial High School for her senior year.

Boykin remembered her sorrow when she found out she would not graduate from Wheatley. Although she now acknowledges desegregation as a good thing, particularly when it came to superior academics, she felt a great “sense of loss” when she transferred to Apopka Memorial High School.

“I felt a sense of loss of

pride and culture,” Boykin said. “During the football game [at Apopka Memorial High School], we would go into a little huddle, trying to find the school spirit and shout our cheers from Phillis Wheatley that we did, and we just felt out of place, because the whole cultural aspect changed.”

Shofner credits Apopka Memorial High School’s principal, Roger Williams, for the eventual ease of integration tensions.

“Although he was reluctant at first, after the change seemed inevitable, Williams worked hard to bring about full integration of his school without disrupting the academic curriculum,” Shofner wrote.

Since integration, Wheatley has seen its fair share of historical milestones. According to principal Tabitha Brown, the school earned its first grade of “B” in 2010, and the school was rebuilt in 2014.

Currently, only 60% of Wheatley students are Black, but the school still encourages pride in Black history. Students dressed up in African-American clothing for spirit week, and the students put on a musical program this month titled “The PWES Black History Experience: The Soul of a People.” Even after Black History Month, students gather to honor the birthday of the school’s namesake.

“Every year on May 8, we have a birthday celebration for Phillis Wheatley,” Tabitha Brown said. “Usually Ms. Francina Boykin comes out and other members of the community—they come out

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Courtesy of Takeila Hughley Davis

Members of the Hughley Davis family pose in matching African American themed attire for New Hope Missionary Baptist Church’s Friends & Family Day.



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Shikita Hill and daughter Brenea Michal Hill pose in African American attire for Advancing the Kingdom Ministry.

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com or sam.ruth@reagan.com. They can also follow my Facebook page, "Sam Ruth for Apopka," for updates, events, and policy positions. I believe in open communication and am always available to speak with our business community and residents.

What specifically motivated you to run for this seat at this time?

During my previous service on the City Council, I saw firsthand how critical infrastructure, budgeting and land-use decisions shape our city's future. Today, growth is outpacing roads, stormwater systems, public safety capacity and traffic planning. That is not sustainable. Residents who invested their lives and savings here deserve responsible leadership that prioritizes infrastructure before expansion. We must strengthen oversight, demand transparency, and ensure development decisions serve the community, not the other way around. I am running now to restore balance, accountability and a growth strategy that protects Apopka's long-term stability.

What do you believe has been the City Council's biggest mistake in the past five years, and how would you have handled it differently?

Over the past five years, the City Council's biggest mistake has been allowing growth to outpace infrastructure and failing to provide strong, collaborative oversight at the leadership level. Too often, decisions appear reactive rather than strategic, with insufficient emphasis on drainage, traffic flow, road capacity, long-term financial sustainability and water meter billing. Residents facing flooding, congestion and rising costs deserve proactive solutions, not delayed responses.

If elected, how should voters measure your effectiveness after two years in office?

Voters should also expect more transparent financial reporting, including easier-to-read budget summaries and public workshops before major development approvals. Finally, effectiveness should be measured by whether growth approvals align with infrastructure capacity, not promises. If, after two years, infrastructure is being addressed before expansion and residents feel heard and informed, then I will have delivered meaningful progress.

Special Note: As one of five elected members, progress requires collaboration,



Screenshot from YouTube TheApopka Chief

Apopka City Council candidates gathered Feb. 12 at Victory Church for a candidate forum, which is available on The Apopka Chief's YouTube page.

but voters should expect measurable results. Within two years, they should see a completed infrastructure audit, a prioritized capital improvement plan focused on stormwater and roadway capacity, and clear public reporting on reserves versus infrastructure needs. I would push for measurable reductions in flooding complaints, improved traffic signal timing at key intersections, and documented progress on drainage upgrades in historically impacted neighborhoods.

Seat 1: Alexander Smith, incumbent

What elected office positions have you held?

Elected to Apopka City Council in 2018 and unopposed in 2022. Elected to several offices of nonprofits, professional and civic organizations.

Where can voters go to learn more about you?

Residents can go to my candidate campaign page on Facebook or my website at www.smithforapopka.com.

What specifically motivated you to run for this seat at this time?

I've been a resident of Apopka for 60 years. It has been a lifelong goal since ninth grade. My desire is to be a servant to the community and to influence its rapid growth with proper management. As a product of unincorporated Apopka, it is time that residents in unincorporated Apopka are united as "One Apopka."

What do you believe has been the City Council's biggest mistake in the past five years, and how would you have handled it differently?

The biggest mistake I see is selling city property to developers without guidelines. In the future, when city property is sold to a developer, they are given deadlines that must be met to develop the property or the property

reverts back to the city. Additionally, they are not allowed to flip the property for gain.

If elected, how should voters measure your effectiveness after two years in office?

My effectiveness can be measured by the ordinances I support, infrastructure improvement, managed growth, workforce housing, expanded activities for youth, addressing the issues of the unhoused, supporting our first responders, economic development, developing a relationship with county, state and federal officials to secure funding or resources for the city, getting annexation of unincorporated Apopka on the ballot, civic engagement with other organizations and being a voice for the residents for those issues that concern them. Also important is managing a balanced budget without cutting essential services. Above all conducting myself in a manner that I maintain the respect of the residents, my fellow commissioners, the mayor and city staff.

Seat 4: Malika Harrison

What elected office positions have you held?

Currently, as chair of the Advisory Board for Orange County Parks and Recreation; and previously as a member of the board of directors for the Early Learning Coalition of Orange County (executive committee, secretary); Holocaust Memorial Resource and Education Center of Florida (member-at-large); and United Arts of Central Florida (development committee).

Where can voters go to learn more about you?

Please visit www.Malika4Apopka.com to learn more about my biography, civic engagement, and priorities for *A Better, Brighter Apopka*.

What specifically mo-

tivated you to run for this seat at this time?

An urgent sense of social responsibility vis-à-vis the profound challenges and opportunities our city faces—sprawling growth, under-utilized resources, and a need for greater transparency. I am motivated to amplify constituents' voices; ensure data-driven, permanent solutions to persistent deficiencies; and work collaboratively to renew trust among the members of the City Council. Running for a seat is not haphazard; it is a progression of my decades of experience in strategic planning, managing budgets, developing partnerships, implementing communication plans, launching innovative programs, and responding to critical community needs. I am moved by a firm belief that my thoughtful discernment and prudent actions will contribute greatly to us collectively securing Apopka's future.

What do you believe has been the City Council's biggest mistake in the past five years, and how would you have handled it differently?

Development has been mismanaged, outpacing demands of new construction and necessary infrastructure, resulting in a void of sufficient roads, sidewalks, lighting, landscaping, and utilities, as well as water and stormwater systems. I will advocate for a moratorium so that an unbiased independent assessment can be conducted, followed by a multilingual workshop for resident input, resulting in a comprehensive development plan that includes our vision, data, goals, line-item budget and timeline for implementation to completion. High-density development must be planned and managed responsibly, with a resident first, revenue second approach, considering implications at the onset, not as afterthought.

If elected, how should voters measure your effectiveness after two years in office?

I would have created the inaugural City Council retreat and developed a manual of policies/procedures to effectuate a standard of opera-

tional excellence; supported the finance department to begin the annual budget process in the spring instead of the summer to allow adequate time for workshops, Q&A and reviews to make informed decisions prior to voting; and established advisory boards, chief among them a City Center/Main Street Advisory Board for community engagement on our downtown revitalization. Additionally, I would leverage City Hall, the chamber, library, and other under-utilized resources, as well as partnerships with businesses and nonprofits, to host events, creating a stronger sense of community. Lastly, a survey to obtain quantitative and qualitative data on resident satisfaction. Whomever we elect to lead will literally shape our city for generations to come.

Seat 4: Yesenia Baron

What elected office positions have you held?

I ran in the 2020 election cycle for Seat 2. I have not yet held an elected office position. I have served as president for my neighborhood HOA and appointed to local boards and community roles. Through leadership positions, I have worked closely with residents, built consensus and helped address issues impacting our community.

Where can voters go to learn more about you?

I have been actively canvassing our beautiful neighborhoods, meeting residents at their front doors and throughout the community to share who I am, why I'm running and to listen to their concerns. I have had the privilege of answering many emails already from residents with important questions, issues, and challenges. Since Apopka is the second-largest city in Orange County, I recognize my ability to meet every neighbor may be a feat, but voters may learn more about me and view my platform on my website at yeseniabaron.com.

What specifically motivated you to run for this seat at this time?

I am running for Apopka City Council because the same challenges I have seen in our community are still

here, only bigger. Apopka has grown significantly, but the growth has not been managed properly or with positive intent. I'm running because I believe we can move Apopka forward with purpose, by planning our growth responsibly, developing our downtown and creating opportunities for families and small businesses right here at home.

What do you believe has been the City Council's biggest mistake in the past five years, and how would you have handled it differently?

That question depends on who you ask and their priorities. In my opinion, the council and the mayor's biggest mistake was the cancellation of the building of Sixth Street. This failure cost the city money. It failed to develop what could have been a town center by now, and it would have brought business revenue to the city. I would also be remiss if I did not mention the death of one of our young firefighters, Austin Duran. His death has left many unanswered questions and could have been prevented.

If elected, how should voters measure your effectiveness after two years in office?

When elected as commissioner for Seat 4, I have short-term and long-term initiatives that I intend to implement. In two years, voters may measure my effectiveness by how I vote to support the future of Apopka in a positive way. City Hall should be more transparent, with clear updates and budgets that residents can follow, ensuring that transparency is paramount on the dais. I'm committed to real transparency. That's why I am developing clear, structured initiatives to keep residents informed about what's happening at City Hall, what decisions are being made, how decisions will affect their lives, and the reason behind them. I have been attending council meetings, and it's evident that the dais is not providing the level of transparency our residents deserve. My goal as commissioner is to change that by making information accessible, consistent and easy for people to understand.

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Apopka police work 40 crashes Feb. 15-21

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In the period from February 15–21, 2026, the Apopka Police Department received 1,369 calls for service, responded to 40 crashes, issued 24 citations, and made 34 arrests. Burglaries: 4 vehicles, 1 residence, 3 businesses. Juveniles were charged with battery-touch or strike; probation violation-child in violation of imposed conditions.

The following adults were arrested and charged:

Jaden Adrian Gudino, 21, 2303 Cerberus Dr., Apopka, trespassing-trespass school grounds, refuse to leave.

Kaitlin Elizabeth Wehrs-paun, 32, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

David Emiliano Valadez, 21, 7840 Bitternut Ct., Orlando, larceny-other theft; firing weapon-discharge firearm/weapon on public/residential property; battery-touch or strike; burglary-dwelling/structure/conveyance armed; aggravated battery with a deadly weapon.

Nicholas Shaquillie Lucas, 33, Apopka, battery-touch or strike (domestic violence).

Kane Carlton Popoff, 29,

2724 Dorado Ct., Apopka, resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Jakobey Deondre Louis King, 20, Apopka, aggravated battery-cause bodily harm or disability.

Taylor Elaine Kubacko, 34, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Lashawn Maurice Harrell, 25, 151 W. 7th St., Apopka, escape prisoner-escape or attempt escape; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Edy Xonna, 27, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Charly Dean Bovard, 21, Florida, unknown, sex offender-violation fail report driver license office change address.

Tyler Vincent Niblack, 34, 4506 Lake Zack Ct., Mt. Dora, drug equipment-possession and/or use; drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription; burglary of occupied dwelling unarmed; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Christi Lynn Bolton, 46, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Jarvis Dante Jones, 35, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Javonte Trevon Butler, 20, 443 Comfort Dr., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Samantha Adelle Daley-Ksibi, 44, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Donn Ellsworth Williams, 63, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Kyonnah A. Hudson, 26, 1002 Armada Ct., Ocoee, trespassing-failure to leave property on order of owner.

Matthew John Roller, 72, 3000 Clarcona Rd. Lot 214, Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription (fentanyl); amphetamine-traffic in methamphetamine/amphetamine 14 grams+.

Kaliyah Gloria Gustave, 19, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Dennis Lee Jones, 68, 516 W. 13th St., Apopka, larceny-grand theft, property value \$5,000-\$10,000.

Shawn Gavin Ellis, 37, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Keith Leroy Harrison, 52, 122 W. 10th St., Apopka, possession of weapon or ammo by convicted Florida felon; loitering-loiter/prowl in unusual place or manner; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Lamecia Quardysia Scott, 25, 321 Woods Lake Dr., Cocoa, battery-touch or strike.

Anim Amos McDowall, 48, Apopka, battery by strangulation; obstructing justice-hinder witness communicating information to law enforcement officers/judge noncriminal proceeding.

Veronica Eileen McDowall, 43, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Elijah Pierre Delisca, 25, 722 Parkside Pointe Blvd., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Gwendolyn Yoskmetics, 40, 5300 Long Rd. Apt B, Orlando, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription; moving traffic violation-driving

while license suspended/revocation equivalent status 3rd subsequent violation.

Natalie Marie Kvitkauskas, 28, 526 S. Lakeview Ave., Winter Garden, resist officer-obstruct without violence; DUI-unlawful blood alcohol, DUI-influence of alcohol or drugs; DUI-unlawful blood alcohol, refusal submit DUI testing.

Ignacio Solis, 30, 5332 W. Ponkan Rd., Zellwood, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription (cocaine); drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription (methamphetamine).

Diana Valdez, 32, 5332 W. Ponkan Rd., Zellwood, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription (fentanyl).

David Emiliano Valadez, 21, 7840 Bitternut Ct., Orlando, other agency warrant (X2).

LaShawn Maurice Harrell, 25, 151 W. 7th St., Apopka, out-of-county warrant.

Roy Lee Dixon, 64, 1254 Hillcrest View Loop, Apopka, failure to appear.

Monni Roth Thach, 27, 334 Nancy Lou Rd., Apopka, other agency warrant.

Update: In October 2025, Christopher Ogg was reported as arrested for battery-touch or strike. The state of Florida is not filing charges in this matter due to: Insufficient admissible evidence due to lack of cooperating victim or witness.

WHEATLEY

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to speak to the students about the history of the school. We typically have one of our staff members dress up, and she'll portray Phillis Wheatley and just provide history and information about her."

During her time as principal, Tabitha Brown hopes students of every ethnicity take pride in their heritage and strives to help Wheatley get consistent rankings of "A" or "B."

"I want the school to continue to thrive as the heart of the community," she said. "I want us to be a school where families feel valued, students feel seen, and excellence is the expectation."

Although Boykin and Mary Brown's Wheatley days are far behind them, they still carry pride in their school.

"We were taught to love one another, respect one another, and I was brought up like that," Brown said. "As of this day, I hope I instilled that into my children—love and respect people, regardless of where they come from and who they are."

Boykin still remembers her school song, which she would sing during the school's chapel services. She sang and read it again in her interview with the Chief.

"You've taught us all the way of life that leads us on through joy and strife," Boykin read. "With God our Maker and our King, He'll help us all your praise to sing. Oh, Phillis Wheatley, our dear school, we'll always try to keep your rules, to honor, love, respect, obey, and make good citizens in every way."

Nonprofit launches 60-day fundraising push for birding park

Half of needed \$4.5M cost raised so far before fundraising

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Orange Audubon Society has launched a 60-day fundraising campaign aimed at raising \$600,000 to move its long-planned Apopka Birding Park nature center into construction this summer.

The campaign began Feb. 15 and is designed as an "intensive push" to give the all-volunteer organization confidence to formally engage a contractor and begin renovations on the former nursery site at the Lust Road entrance to the Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive.

"We will certainly need donations after that [fundraising push] as well, but that, we're trying to do an intensive thing, and then we'll feel confident to engage our contractors," said Deborah



Courtesy of Deborah Green

Volunteers continue to clean up the 70-acre Apopka Birding Park while the property awaits the construction of a Nature Center, which the Orange Audubon Society is raising money for and seeking a contractor.

Green, president of Orange Audubon Society.

The Orange Audubon Society needs \$4.5 million for the project, which includes construction and a sustainable fund for operations. Before the fundraising push, about half of that total has already been raised, Green said. The \$600,000

figure for the 60-day drive is partly symbolic—"it kind of goes with the 60 days, 600," she said—but also represents the final momentum needed to begin construction.

A donor has already pledged \$108,000 toward the fundraising effort.

If the goal is met, Green said the organization hopes

to break ground sometime this summer and complete the building's construction by the time the North Shore Birding Festival comes in early December.

If the target is not fully met by mid-April, construction could still proceed if fundraising is close to the goal.

"If we're close, we can probably still engage the contractor, and we'll just keep on fundraising, just trying to get the word out about the project and how companies can benefit by supporting it, because of the high visitation to the Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive and the fact that it's going to be such an attractive building, something special," she said.

The group recently invited four contractors to view the project; two are expected to submit bids. The renovation will transform the site's sturdy concrete block truck shop into a Leadership in Energy and Efficient Design (LEED) Gold-certified nature center. The U.S. Green Building Council awards the

certification, with Gold being the second-highest designation.

The renovated 2,400-square-foot building will expand to about 3,400 square feet with the addition of a 1,000-square-foot bird observatory annex featuring bird-safe glass.

The design has already received an Award of Merit in the unbuilt category from the American Institute of Architects' Orlando chapter.

At this point, the fundraising push does not include events. Instead, Orange Audubon is focusing on direct donations and outreach to individuals and businesses. Naming opportunities are available for portions of the building, including the annex and classrooms.

The nonprofit, which operates with only one part-time education coordinator, hopes to use campaign funds to hire a full-time center director and expand programming. Plans include workshops on native plants and birds, sustainable home practices, and habitat

restoration.

Meanwhile, habitat work continues on the 70-acre site. The St. Johns River Water Management District is expected to remove old concrete greenhouse pads in March, clearing the way for native plant restoration. Volunteers are also battling cogon grass, an invasive species considered among the world's worst weeds.

"We know it's going to be an amenity for Apopka to have a nice entry [with the] Nature Center, and it'll be a place where we can better fulfill our mission," Green said.

Interim city administrator Radley Williams, when he was the parks and recreation director, facilitated progress on the Apopka Birding Park, according to Green.

"Mr. Williams saw clearly that this park has specific habitat restoration objections that differ from Apopka's other parks and has worked to provide the infrastructure specified in Orange Audubon's lease," she said.

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ACCUSATIONS
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ment Chief Michael McKinley, who retired at the end of October, stems from a July 2024 encounter between Nesta and Debbie Nelson, the wife of Mayor Bryan Nelson, at a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Hicks Seafood House.

Debbie Nelson said some weeks before the ribbon cutting, Nesta had shared her personal email and home address at a City Council meeting, which was why she asked to speak with him privately outside the restaurant. Nelson said though she was “respectful” when speaking with Nesta, his tone bothered her, implying he wasn’t listening to her. She said she touched his left shoulder with her right hand to get his attention.

“He said, ‘Don’t you touch me,’ and turned around and walked off. His tone was disrespectful,” she said in a Monday interview.

Nelson said she “was shaken up” but thought that the incident didn’t bother Nesta as much as it did her. The next day, Nelson was shopping with two of her grandchildren when the police called.

“They said, ‘We need to come see you,’” she said. “And I said, ‘Please, not here.’ I’m thinking that if they [her grandchildren] saw the police come up and talk to me, that would be scary. And so I said, ‘Please, let me get home.’”

Nelson’s daughter picked up her children before the police arrived, while Nelson’s son sat with his mother during the interview. She discovered that Nesta had charged her with battery-touch or strike for touching his shoulder with her finger.

“I was told that I was not to discuss it with him, because if I did, it would accelerate my charges from a misdemeanor to a felony,” Nelson said.

Nelson said she was relieved when the charges were later dropped, but she was prescribed anti-anxiety medication after the incident and continues to stay away from Nesta.

In his interview with the Chief, Nesta said Debbie Nelson confronted him about his council meeting comments



Courtesy of Ninth judicial circuit court of Florida
County Judge Andrew Bain



File photo
Former Police Chief Michael McKinley



Photo by Dana O'Connor
Commissioner and mayoral candidate Nick Nesta

and “pushed me twice” on the shoulder while doing so.

“She pushed me on my shoulder to get my attention,” Nesta said, adding that he never wanted the incident to be a part of the campaign. “I stepped back, told her not to touch me and walked away.”

Nesta reported the incident to the Apopka Police Department, describing himself as a victim of battery while acting in his official capacity as a city commissioner. In a lengthy, Aug. 1, 2024, email to then-Chief McKinley, Nesta took issue with the police report that said he “suffered no harm of any kind.”

“Emotional damage/harm is a very real thing and the report is inaccurate,” Nesta wrote to McKinley. “I expect if the roles were reversed and Deborah Herndon Nelson was the victim and not the admitted assailant that she is, this would be handled by the Apopka Police Department very differently.”

McKinley took exception to Nesta’s email.

“I have significant concerns because Commissioner Nesta repeatedly emphasizes his position as ‘City of Apopka Commissioner Nicholas L. Nesta’ in his email, which carries a tone that I perceived as attempting to intimidate and influence both myself and the police,” McKinley wrote in an email to APD attorney Erin DeYoung.

In his Monday interview, Nesta said he used his full name and title to emphasize that he was acting in his official capacity when the incident happened. Nesta said



Courtesy of Bryan Nelson
Mayor Bryan Nelson signs paperwork to run for a third term alongside his wife, Debbie Nelson.

McKinley never raised concerns with him directly and that their only in-person discussion was a brief exchange at a subsequent council meeting, where the chief asked if they were “good.”

The State Attorney’s Office ultimately dropped the case, something Nesta said he was notified about months later, following multiple follow-up inquiries.

Nesta pointed to a potential conflict of interest, citing Debbie Nelson’s campaign contribution to then-State Attorney Andrew Bain while the case was under review. Public campaign finance records show Nelson donated \$100 to Bain’s re-election campaign in September 2024.

Nesta said he was concerned about the relationship between the Nelsons and Bain, though he declined to directly say whether he believed the case was unfairly adjudicated.

Bryan Nelson said neither he nor his wife knew that

Nesta had discussed the case with the state attorney when Debbie Nelson donated the money.

“There was no reason for him to go to Andrew Bain to have the charges raised,” Nelson said in a Monday interview with the Chief. “That’s not the way you let the process work.”

Debbie Nelson said she hosted a fundraiser for Bain at her house on the same day she wrote the check, citing his support of law enforcement. She said she didn’t meet Bain until that fundraising event, although Bryan Nelson said he met Bain three or four times and considers him a friend.

Both McKinley, who has endorsed Nelson’s re-election bid, and Bain declined interview requests for this story.

Finance director alleges ‘harassment’ over city budget, ‘typos’

In a separate matter, City Finance Director Blanche Sherman alleged in a No-

vember email to Mayor Bryan Nelson that she “has experienced ongoing harassment and constant disrespectful treatment from Commissioner Nesta” over the previous year since the council rejected the contract award for a forensic audit.

“I feel that I am being directly targeted by Commissioner Nesta to fulfill his agenda with discrediting this administration, in particular the financial transparency of the City,” Sherman wrote.

Sherman wrote that Nesta had questioned and undermined her work and that of her staff “with no merit,” including during discussions tied to the fiscal year 2026 budget workshop. Sherman’s email referenced a July 2025 email from interim City Administrator Radley Williams to city commissioners in which he defended city staff against criticism raised during recent budget workshops and expressed “full confidence” in department leadership.

Sherman’s email also referenced what she described as repeated direct questioning and criticism, including comments about typographical errors in agenda documents.

“He treated me like he was scolding a child,” Sherman wrote about an incident on Nov. 3. “Under no circumstances do I desire this type of treatment and humiliation and definitely not in the public, nor in the presence of my peers.”

Reached by phone, Sherman confirmed she sent the email and that she hoped it would produce a better working relationship.

“No one on staff wants to go up to that podium and deal with him,” she said. “I think he asks decent questions, but I think he takes it too far so that he’s nitpicking and harassing staff.”

Sherman emailed Nelson on Nov. 17 – the same day Nesta publicly announced his candidacy for mayor, timing Nesta called “very suspect.”

“Is it to protect her current employer, and then also protect her job moving forward just in case that she feels that her job isn’t protected?”

Nesta asked. “Her motives are questionable of the timing.”

Sherman said she “had no idea” that Nesta announced his mayoral campaign when she wrote the email. When asked if she would serve under a Nesta administration, Sherman said it would be “a struggle” but that she’s “trying to get two more years.”

Nesta said he was unaware that Sherman felt the way she did.

“It should have been escalated to HR,” he said. “There’s processes and policies that make a functional organization work properly, and clearly that didn’t happen.”

Nesta said he routinely points out typos and documentation issues because “words matter” in city business, particularly when votes involve taxpayer funds.

“If a part-time commissioner is catching errors, who else is catching them?” he said, adding that his approach is focused on accountability.

Nesta declined to comment on Sherman’s job performance, citing the city charter’s limits on commissioners directing staff. However, he said that if elected mayor, he would meet with all department heads to discuss goals and expectations rather than engage in what he described as a “house cleaning.”

“My job is to work with anybody and everybody,” Nesta said. “At the end of the day when you become mayor, regardless of who people elect, I need to be able to work with them.”

Nesta said the fact that these emails are coming to light now is an attempt to distract from the real issues of the campaign, including utility rates, infrastructure and public comment.

“The fact that we have public comment being on a charter amendment is crazy to me when it’s statutorily required, but residents feel so unheard that they have to do that,” he said. “I’m happy to continue to discuss it and give [further] detail, but it’s just a distraction from what we’re really dealing with.”

—With reporting from J.C. Derrick

ALTAMONTE
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tractual obligation to accept up to 4.5 million gallons of reclaimed water per day.

In a formal response dated Feb. 10, Apopka Mayor Bryan Nelson expressed surprise at the legal escalation, noting that neither his office nor the city admin-

istrator had been contacted regarding the issue prior to the certified letter.

“What I am surprised about is the issue being raised in your letter,” Nelson wrote, adding that communications at the operations level had previously

been viewed as helpful.

Nelson included emails showing the December 2025 exchange started with an Altamonte request to increase the flow of water for 24 hours. About 30 hours later, Apopka asked if the flow was going to return to

the previous level, Nelson said.

Nelson disputed Altamonte’s claims that Apopka has “cut off” the flow at any time since 2018, except for rare instances of required system maintenance.

“On the contrary, there

are many days where Altamonte does not send any, or very little, reclaimed water to Apopka, which then requires us to supplement our system with additional pumping from our wells to meet demand,” Nelson wrote.

Nelson said he is willing to meet with Altamonte officials to “ensure both operations are on the same page” moving forward.

As of Wednesday, Altamonte Springs had not complied to his offer of a meeting.

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Winter Park ends Apopka's playoff run with 29-25 win

Blue Darters lose fourth-quarter lead in defensive battle

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Top-seeded Winter Park used relentless defense and timely execution in the final minutes to edge No. 5 seed Apopka 29-25 in a Class 7A boys basketball regional semifinal Saturday night in Winter Park.

The loss ended the Blue

Darters' postseason run in a game defined by grit, patience and missed opportunities.

Before tipoff, Apopka head coach Scott Williams kept his message simple.

"We're ready to play," Williams said.

Winter Park set the tone immediately, winning the opening tip and drilling a 3-pointer on its first possession. What followed was a defensive chess match. Both teams traded empty possessions as tight man-to-man

pressure and disciplined zone defense swallowed driving lanes.

Winter Park scored inside off a deflection at the 4:30 mark, while Apopka struggled to find rhythm against the Wildcats' zone. The Blue Darters did not score their first basket until the 1:09 mark of the opening quarter, when an offensive rebound led to a kick-out 3 from Xavier Freeman. Despite the slow offensive start, Apopka's defense kept the margin thin, trailing just 5-3

after one.

The second quarter opened with more energy. After Winter Park blocked a shot and converted a corner 3 in transition, Apopka's Jaden Andino buried a trey of his own. The Blue Darters then seized their first lead when Zee Davis knocked down a triple from the wing following a defensive stop.

Will Ryan responded for Winter Park with a strong drive to the basket, but Apop-



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Jarquavion McClain reaches in to poke the ball away from the Wildcat.

BASKETBALL, B2

Apopka volleyball falls to West Orange in home opener

Warriors beat Blue Darters in four sets

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Apopka's boys volleyball team played its home opener Wednesday night with a 3-1 loss to West Orange (25-17, 25-13, 22-25, 25-13), but the result served as an early measuring stick for a program focused on growth and development this season.

After beginning the season with a straight-set win in Ocoee, the Blue Darters (1-1) returned home with high expectations under returning coaches Brian Mater and Sarah Egbers, who are looking to defend last year's district championship while integrating a young roster into key roles.

"We got to start playing as a team," Mater said. "When you play together, you win together. We've got a lot of new players out there, and it's a trust issue right now, but we've got to trust everybody that's on the court."

The opening set featured early back-and-forth play before West Orange (2-0) began to take control at the net. Freshman middle blocker Giovanni Lubin delivered an early spark with a block and a kill, and senior outside hitter Elzie Robinson stopped a Warriors run with a key kill. West Orange pulled away late behind strong serving and closed the set 25-17.

Momentum continued into the second set as West Orange jumped out to an early lead through blocking and service pressure. Senior setter Nathan White opened the frame with two aces and later connected with senior middle blocker Ian Cottman for a kill, but the Warriors maintained control

and took the set 25-13.

Apopka showed its potential in the third set with its most complete stretch of volleyball. Robinson provided a block and a kill to regain the lead in a seesaw set, while Lubin and Cottman controlled the net.

Junior libero Alex Nunez added an ace during a run, and junior Aedyn Cruz Rosa followed with a kill and later an ace to build separation. With the set on the line, White tipped two balls over the net for points, sealing a 25-22 win.

West Orange answered in the fourth set, opening with a long run of consistent play. They found a groove with consistent offense to lead 13-5. Kills from Caden McGatha and Lubin briefly cut into the deficit, but the Warriors closed the match with a late run to win the set 25-13.

Robinson led Apopka with nine kills and a block, while McGatha totaled eight points. White recorded 24 assists and three aces, Lubin added five kills and three blocks.

Mater highlighted what he's seen from his senior leaders, including McGatha, who recently signed his letter of intent to play volleyball at King University in Tennessee.

"Caden is gonna have a great season, but what we have to do is help him. He can't carry the team. He's got to work with them," Mater said. "Elzie is having a phenomenal season so far, and I'm so proud of him."

With more than 60 players trying out this season, Mater sees the program's growth as a positive for the season ahead.

"I think volleyball is here to stay at Apopka," Mater said. "The energy in practice is different this year. I'm excited for this season and proud of this program."

Apopka cruises to 5-game win streak



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Jez Hamrick warms up in the middle innings against Mount Dora Christian Academy.

Blue Darter pitchers fire no-hitter against Tavares

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

The Apopka Blue Darters (5-4) earned back-to-back victories over two Bulldogs opponents this week, defeating Mount Dora Christian Academy 8-1 on Tuesday night and Tavares 5-0 on

Monday to extend their winning.

Head coach Scott Garland credited the team's attention to detail as the driving force behind its winning streak.

"To be quite honest with you, we're just doing the little things right," Garland said. "We got our pitching staff to throw the ball over the plate, and that's the recipe right there. If you get your pitchers throwing strikes, then you're in business."

On Wednesday, the Blue Darters pulled away from Mount Dora Christian Academy (3-4) after the game was tight through four innings.

Senior Jez Hamrick delivered on both sides of the ball, working six strong innings on the mound and driving in three runs at the plate. In six innings pitched, Hamrick allowed one run on five hits while striking out seven, helping secure the 8-1 victory.

Mount Dora threatened early when its leadoff hitter

singled and another runner reached on a walk. Hamrick recovered quickly, striking out two batters and inducing a groundout to escape the jam without damage.

Apopka had opportunities of its own in the opening frame. Aiden Rieli was hit by a pitch and Hamrick reached on an error, but the Blue Darters were unable to capitalize. They again left runners stranded in the second after

BASEBALL, B2

Eustis snaps Apopka softball's 4-game win streak

First-inning runs make difference in pitchers' duel

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

The Apopka Blue Darters saw their unbeaten start to the season come to an end Friday night with a 2-1 loss to Eustis in a tightly contested pitchers' duel.

Apopka battled throughout the game but could not overcome two early runs by Eustis, stranding multiple runners and falling just short in the final inning.

"Going through the first inning, it looked like Syd [Bartkin] got hit," head coach Mike MacWithey said. "We only gave up two, but that was because our defense was stellar. I mean, that was D1 college-level defense. We



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Alicia Lopez readies to smoke a pitch into the left field gap for a double in the sixth inning.

played good defense, but we gave up too many hits early. Ava came in and did her job, and then we left people

on base, and we just can't do that."

Eustis struck first in the top of the opening inning with back-to-back hits that put runners on second and third against Sydney Bartkin. A deep shot into the gap drove in both runners, but Apopka limited further damage by catching a runner in a pickle and recording a groundout to second base to end the inning.

The Blue Darters nearly answered. Leadoff batter Shylah Pino laid a bunt single down the first-base line, then stole third base after Ava Gonzalez drew a walk. Gonzalez followed by stealing second, putting two runners in scoring position with two outs, but Apopka was unable to capitalize.

Ava Millspaugh entered in relief in the second inning and quickly settled the game

down. She induced a comebacker to retire the first hitter on one pitch, struck out the next batter, and worked out of traffic after an infield hit. Millspaugh went on to pitch six strong innings, allowing four hits and striking out five.

Apopka's offense struggled to gain momentum through the middle innings. Pino collected a single to right field in the third, but the Blue Darters were again unable to move runners across.

In the fifth inning, the Panthers placed a runner on with a bunt single and a stolen base, but Millspaugh responded with a groundout and a strikeout to escape the frame unscathed.

The Blue Darters finally broke through in the bottom of the sixth inning. Alicia Lopez led off with a double into

SOFTBALL, B3



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Elzie Robinson stuffs a kill attempt from West Orange.

Area bass and specks begin to spawn

Hello Folks,
Just when you thought the cold weather was over, here we are with another cold snap! I really don't mind the cold weather too much though, because I sure do get tired of all those hot days of summer. The fishin' is still goin' strong, and the specks and the bass are still bitin'.

Kyle at Bitter's B&T reports that folks are catchin' limits of specks in the St. Johns River, Lake Monroe, and even Lake Jesup. most of the specks are bein' caught on jigs tipped with a minner. Folks are catchin' plenty of specks in Lake Woodruff, Lake Dexter, Crescent Lake, and the Kissimmee Chain, so if you've been waitin' for the



GOIN' FISHIN'

Jim Keck
Correspondent

specks to start bitin'... well, what're you waitin' for? They're bitin'!

We have a full moon comin' up on March the 3rd, so this weekend and next week would be a great time to get some minners and go catch some specks! The specks should be movin' closer to the shoreline to spawn, but since the water is pretty low, they may still be a little deep-

er than usual.

The specks are bitin' on the Kissimmee Chain, too, and you'll find specks spawnin' around the pads and reeds down there. The bass fishin' has been really good, too.

The Extreme Bass Series held a tournament out of West Lake Toho, and it took five bass to hit the scales at 24.94 pounds to win. Congrats to Robbye Sanger and R.J. Sanger on their win. They also had Big bass that weighed in at 8.07 pounds.

Kyle also reports that the bass fishin' on the Butler Chain is still doin' good. You'll catch a lot of keeper size and smaller bass. You have a mix of schoolin' bass,

spawnin' bass, and feedin' bass on the chain. You'll do best with slow sinkin' Senko type baits, lipless crankbaits, and chatter-baits fished around the submerged vegetation.

The bass fishin' on the Harris Chain has also been good lately. The bass are startin' to spawn, and folks are catchin' em on shiners. There is an iKon Tailgate Tour Tournament on the Harris Chain this weekend, Saturday the 28th. The tournament will be goin' out of Hickory Point, so there'll be a lot of boats on the water. Please be careful if you're plannin' on fishin' up there this weekend.

Congrats to our good friend Bobby Bakewell on

a recent fishin' trip. Bobby wouldn't share exactly where he was fishin', but he had an incredible day on the water last week. He caught a five-fish limit that hit the scales at 50.09 pounds. He reports that it's the biggest bag of bass in his life! He also said he caught his new personal best bass that hit the scales at 12.68 pounds. Folks, I've been fishin' all my life, and that's a fantastic day on the water for anybody that loves to catch bass!

The Maitland Chain is fishin' great right now. Kyle reports that the guys fishin' the Wednesday Night Shootout are weighin' in some exceptional bass. As a reminder, the 2026 Wednesday

Night Shootout season starts on Johns Lake, Wednesday, March 11th. Entry fee is \$40 per boat. They fish from 5:15 pm until 9 pm. You're allowed to weigh-in three bass per boat.

Also, I want to give a shout-out to Connor Hellebuck who is the goalie for the USA Hockey Team. Team USA won the gold, over Canada, and he has a nice bass on the side of his helmet! Great job.

I hope you get a chance to do some fishin' soon, and I'll see ya next week.

Tip of the week: Big'uns on the beds.

SAVE A FEW AND GOOD LUCK!

BASEBALL

FROM B1

drawing two walks.

Hamrick continued to control the tempo in the third. After allowing a single, he struck out the next two hitters, and junior catcher Collin Van Fleet threw out a runner attempting to steal second base to end the inning.

Apopka broke through in the bottom of the third. Cameron Pennock worked a walk and stole both second and third. Tyler Spaid followed with a single up the middle to score Pennock and take the lead.

The Bulldogs answered in the fourth. Two walks and a sacrifice bunt moved runners into scoring position, and a misplayed line drive in the infield allowed a run to score, tying the game.

Apopka responded immediately in the bottom half of the inning. Bryce Doss drew a walk and Nico Posluszny singled. Hamrick then lined a double down the third-base line, driving in both runs to give Apopka a 3-1 lead.

Mount Dora threatened again in the fifth with two



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Nico Posluszny steals second base in the third inning against Tavares.

singles and a deep fly ball to the left-field fence, but Pennock made the catch at the warning track and Hamrick fielded a tough grounder to strand the runners.

The Blue Darters added breathing room in the bottom of the fifth. Spaid was hit by a pitch, J.D. Edge singled, and both runners stole into scoring position. Rieli then drilled a double to right field

to bring home both runners and push the lead to 5-1.

Apopka slammed the door shut in the sixth. Ty Livingston reached on an error and stole second before Hamrick singled to center for his third RBI of the night. Pennock singled, and Spaid reached on an error that scored pinch runner Jorge Santiago. Pennock scored on another hit-by-pitch from Ri-



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Tyler Spaid heads to the dugout after scoring the Blue Darter's third run in the third inning.

eli, extending the lead to 8-1.

Hamrick finished 2-for-4 with a double and three RBIs, while Rieli went 1-for-2 with a double and three RBIs as Apopka continued its surge.

The night before, Apopka's dominance on the mound shut out the Tavares Bulldogs 5-0 at home.

Easton DeClue set the tone by throwing three hitless innings with four strike-

outs, keeping Tavares (1-5) off balance. Logan Page followed with four hitless innings of relief, striking out five batters to complete a combined no-hitter.

Apopka broke a scoreless tie in the bottom of the third using pressure on the bases. Posluszny worked a walk and quickly stole both second and third. After Livingston reached base, a Tava-

res balk allowed Posluszny to score from third for the lead.

The Blue Darters added two more runs in the fourth after Cameron Pennock reached on an error and Spaid drew a walk. They eventually scored on two wild pitches, making it 3-0.

Page was nearly perfect in the fifth, retiring Tavares in order, and Apopka added two insurance runs in the bottom half. Posluszny lined a single past second base, and Livingston drove him home with a triple into the right-center gap. Livingston scored on a wild pitch to extend the lead to 5-0.

Tavares managed to draw two walks in the seventh, but Apopka's defense preserved the shutout.

Five Apopka players recorded hits in the win, highlighted by Livingston's RBI triple. Posluszny finished 1-for-2 with two runs scored and was a constant presence on the bases.

The Blue Darters extended their win streak to five games Wednesday night, using an eight-run third inning to defeat West Orange, 10-7.

BASKETBALL

FROM B1

ka continued to grind defensively. Trent Jean created space for a pull-up jumper from the elbow, and with 2:30 left in the half, Ferrer found Davis again in the corner for another 3. Apopka even forced a late steal, but its final possession of the half produced no points after nearly 45 seconds of clock drained away.

The first half ended with Apopka holding a 14-10 lead in a strikingly clean and controlled game. There were no free throws, no timeouts and just two total fouls across 16 minutes of play.

Winter Park opened the third quarter with a layup, and Apopka countered with a 3 from Betancourt. The Wildcats reached the free-throw line for the first time at the 4:25 mark, converting both



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Jaden Andino drills a right wing 3-pointer over Winter Park.

attempts. Ryan then forced a turnover and scored inside after being fouled, trimming the deficit to one.

The defenses continued

to dominate. Coach Williams called timeout with 2:41 remaining in the third as possessions grew longer and shots harder to find. Winter

Park regained the lead late in the quarter on an interior pass for an open layup, and after a missed buzzer attempt, the Wildcats held a slim 18-17 edge heading into the fourth.

Apopka opened the final period with momentum. Ferrer found Davis on the wing for 3, and after Jarquavion McClain forced a turnover, Betancourt recovered a loose ball and kicked it back to Ferrer for a 3. The surge forced Winter Park to call timeout trailing 23-18 with 5:49 to play.

The Wildcats answered. Jagger Miller stole the ball and drew a foul on a fast break, converting both free throws. At the 3:54 mark, Ryan drilled a deep 3 to tie the game at 23-23.

On the next possession, Ryan powered inside for an-

other basket, igniting the Winter Park crowd.

Apopka had chances. Betancourt's 3-point attempt with 1:33 remaining rattled around the rim before falling out. Winter Park called timeout up 25-23 and then broke Apopka's trap with crisp passing, finding an open player in the paint for a two-possession lead.

Jean was fouled on a 3-point attempt with 39 seconds left and made two free throws, but Ryan again answered at the line with 27 seconds remaining. Apopka's final possession produced a shot with six seconds left, but it missed as Winter Park sealed the 29-25 victory.

Apopka scored 21 of its 25 points from beyond the arc and struggled to establish a

presence inside. Davis led the Blue Darters with nine points.

Williams pointed to execution and decision-making as the difference.

"We just made some critical mistakes," he said. "Winter Park is relentless about making you make a mistake. We didn't communicate real well in a timeout. That's on me. At the end of the day, we had some really good-looking shots, and moments are hard and big games are tough."

Reflecting on the season, Williams emphasized the legacy left by his seniors.

"There's a continuing legacy that's being set," he said. "This year's senior class pushed forward how we work together and care together. I'm really proud of the journey we got to be on this year."

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Apopka, Wekiva wrestlers qualify for regional championships

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Apopka and Wekiva delivered statement performances at their district wrestling tournaments, with the Blue Darters surging past expectations and the Mustangs producing regional qualifiers behind tough individual runs. Both teams now turn their attention to the regional championships in DeLand.

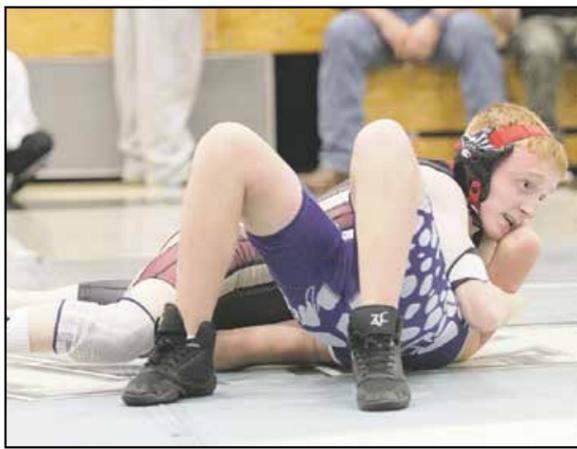


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Landonn Shultz holds a pin over the Lake Howell wrestler in the first period of the district tournament.

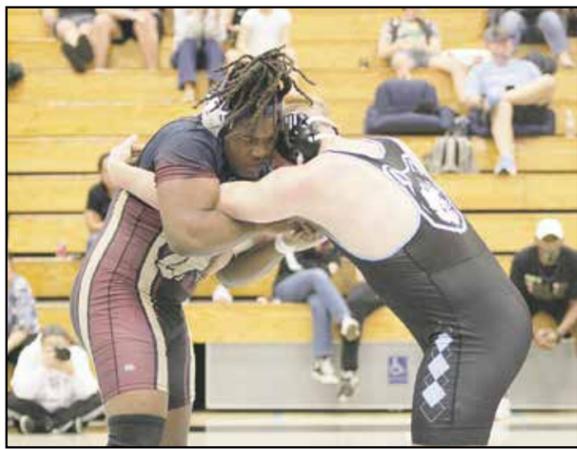


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Elijah Jean and Hagerty's top-ranked wrestler square off in the district championship.

Apopka wrestling

Apopka turned in one of its strongest postseason showings in recent years, finishing third overall in the district tournament at Windermere and far surpassing preseason projections.

Led by coaches James Harris, Brian Blocker and Janice Pedroza, Apopka placed eight of its 11 wrestlers on the podium, a result that reflected the program's growth, depth and resilience throughout the season. The third-place team finish marked a jump of five spots higher than expected entering the tournament.

Marcus Young Jr. set the tone with a district championship at 190 pounds, cap-

turing first place and anchoring a great effort across every weight class.

Wyatt Rose battled to a fourth-place finish at 106 pounds, while Joel Rivera reached the finals at 120 pounds and earned silver. Julian Rivera followed with a third-place finish at 132 pounds, and Hector Santana matched that result with a bronze medal at 138 pounds.

Uzziah Ockletree added another strong performance for the Blue Darters by finishing second at 144 pounds, and

Ian Hernandez secured fourth place at 150 pounds. Brandon Roberts rounded out Apopka's medal count with a third-place finish at 215 pounds.

Coach James Harris credited the team's commitment and belief for the breakthrough performance.

"We are proud of our achievements so far," Harris said. "The wrestlers have continued to fight, grow, and push beyond expectations. Finishing third overall shows what hard work and belief can accomplish."

With districts complete, Apopka now prepares for the regional tournament in DeLand on Friday and Saturday, focusing on refining technique and maintaining conditioning as the competition intensifies.

"It only gets harder from here," Harris said.

Wekiva wrestling

The Wekiva Mustangs delivered strong performances at their district wrestling tournament at Hagerty, highlighted by senior captain Elijah Jean's

run to the finals and a pair of regional qualifiers.

Jean dominated his opening match at 215 pounds, earning a first-round pin in just 47 seconds. The bout followed a milestone week for Jean, who recorded his 99th and 100th career victories at the Metro Conference Championship, both by first-round pin.

Jean later faced a familiar opponent in a rematch from last season's regional final, where an injury had forced him out of competition. This time, the two battled through

a close match that ended in a narrow points loss for Jean, who still secured his place in the regional tournament.

Jean finished with a silver medal after falling by points in the championship final to the top-ranked wrestler from Hagerty High School.

Landonn Shultz also stood out for Wekiva at 108 pounds. After a difficult opening-round matchup, Shultz clinched his regional qualification in the second round with a takedown and pin in just 36 seconds over a Lake Howell wrestler.

In the third-place match, Shultz controlled much of the opening round and seemingly secured a pin before his opponent was saved by the bell. He later fell by pin in the second round and finished fourth overall, earning both a medal and a regional berth.

Wekiva wrestlers across all weight classes competed with determination throughout the tournament, with every team member earning a varsity letter for the season.

Jean and Shultz will represent the Mustangs at the regional championships on Feb. 27 in DeLand as Wekiva continues its postseason push.

SOFTBALL

FROM B1

the left-field gap and stole third base. After a strikeout, Lopez took advantage of a wild pitch and raced home for Apopka's lone run. A hit by Sydney Bartkin followed, but Eustis managed to escape the inning with a 2-1 lead intact.

Millspaugh and the Apopka defense held again in the top of the seventh. After a groundout to second, Eustis placed runners on with a hit and a walk, but Lopez made a key defensive play at third base, flipping to Pino covering the bag for a force out before a grounder to short ended the threat.

In the bottom of the seventh, Callie Sowers worked a leadoff walk, but Millspaugh lined out to center field and Hagan McGat-

lin grounded back to the pitcher, moving the runner to second with two outs. Pino drove a pitch hard into left field, but it was caught to end the game.

Pino finished with two hits and a stolen base, while Millspaugh's six innings of relief kept Apopka within striking distance until the final out.

"We clearly didn't bunt very well when we tried," MacWithy said. "Then you're in a close game with a bunch of big hitters, and you're looking for somebody to get an extra-base hit to drive in a couple. They were extraordinarily fast. The only way you can beat that is to keep them off base, and we did that for six innings. We just didn't make up for

the early two."

The loss snapped Apopka's 4-0 start to the season. The Blue Darters had opened the year with wins over Ponchatoula (8-4), Horizon (5-4), Seminole (5-3), and most recently Foundation Academy (11-1), a game in which eight different players recorded hits.

The team was scheduled to play Lake Brantley at 7 p.m. Thursday, which was after press time.

The team took a midweek trip Wednesday to watch former Blue Darters compete at the collegiate level in a matchup between UCF and FAU softball. Apopka alum Aubrey Evans (UCF) and Jesiana Mora (FAU) are both starters and team leaders for their respective programs.



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Shylah Pino beats the throw to first in the bottom of the first inning against Eustis.

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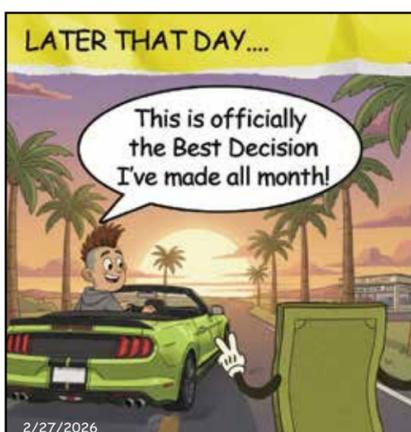
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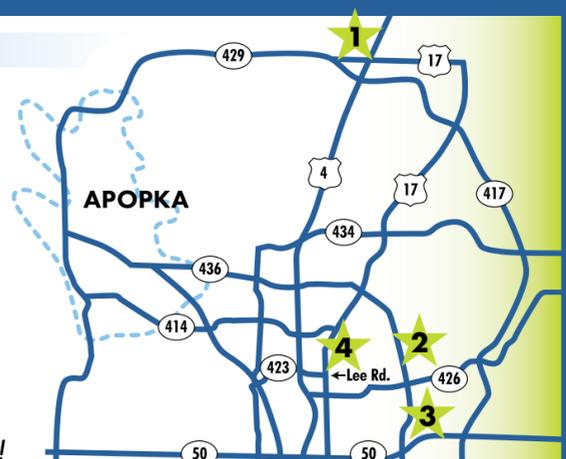
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Friday, Feb. 27

Designer Bag Bingo

6 p.m. at 5727 Cornelia Ave., Orlando

An 18-and-older bingo night featuring designer handbags, raffles, and auctions benefiting the Altamonte Springs Rotary Foundation.

Calling Crystal

6 p.m. at 11248 Lakeshore Reserve Drive, Orlando

A live folk-pop performance by Crystal Smith.

Sounds of Wekiva

7 p.m. at 1014 Miami Springs Drive, Longwood

A riverside concert featuring Life on Mars Band as part of the Wekiva Island live music series.

Katt Williams:

The Golden Age Tour

7 p.m. at 12777 Gemini Blvd. N., Orlando

Comedic show.

Saturday, Feb. 28

Birding Park Survey

7:30 a.m. at 2851 Lust Road,



Courtesy of Just Like Momma's Soul Food & Wings

The Black History Fashion Show will take place on Sunday, Mar. 1, featuring a fashion showcase and vendor market celebrating Black history and culture.

Apopka

Orange Audubon Society leads a community bird count near Lake Apopka. Registration required.

Inaugural Pickleball

Tournament

9 a.m. at 7000 Dr. Phillips Blvd., Orlando

A day of pickleball competition, food, and prizes benefiting the Winter Garden Heritage Foundation. Registration required.

Rainbow Connections Summit

9 a.m. at 500 W. Livingston St., Orlando

A free student-led summit featuring workshops, food, etc.

Life Drawing Workshop

9 a.m. at 2416 N. Mills Ave., Orlando

Ages 21 and older can enjoy brunch, a gallery tour, and a live-model drawing session inspired by the current exhibition. Registration required.

Connector Trail Grand Opening

10 a.m. at 2929 S. Binion Road, Apopka

Celebrate the opening of a 4.46-mile shared-use trail connecting the West Orange Trail to the Lake Apopka Loop Trail.

Acrylic Painting

11 a.m. at 870 N. Chickasaw Trail, Orlando

Artist Kerry Ezzo leads an acrylic painting class for adults. Registration required.

For The Culture Festival

11 a.m. at 3100 Edgewater Drive, Orlando

A family-friendly festival celebrating African American culture, history, and Black-owned businesses.

Country Music in the Park

1:30 p.m. at 3535 Damon Road, Apopka

A free outdoor event with live country music, family activities, and food trucks.

Walk & Tea Experience

2 p.m. at 1300 S. Denning Drive, Winter Park

A guided walk highlighting native and edible plants, followed by tea. Registration required.

JustCallMoe Mini-Masters

2:30 p.m. at 5901 International Drive, Orlando

A charity mini-golf tournament hosted by Rauce Padgett to benefit a local cause.

It's Just Yoga Fest Kickoff Party

6 p.m. at 227 N. Eola Drive, Orlando

A two-hour opening-night yoga experience blending movement, music, and community.

Line Dancing

6:30 p.m. at 36 E. Fifth St., Apopka

An outdoor line-dancing night featuring beginner lessons and open dancing.

Sunday, Mar. 1

Black History Fashion Show

2 p.m. at 44 E. Fifth St., Apopka

A fashion show and vendor market celebrating Black history and culture.

Martin Moreno

6 p.m. at 9101 International Drive, Suite 2310, Orlando

Comedian Martin Moreno performs stand-up at the Orlando Funny Bone. 21+.

Meatballs for supper, apple cake for dessert

We thank Joan Tice for her Meat Balls in Sauce that we found in *Sharing Our Finest Cookbook* from the Apopka Citizen Police Alumni Association. This recipe calls for "ground meat," so she probably intends that you decide to use whatever you want to use... beef, pork, poultry, or even venison, or combination thereof. Mixed with egg and breadcrumbs, it will all stick together well during cooking. You can serve these meatballs with spaghetti, which probably most of us will choose, but you can think about using spaghetti squash for a different and low-carb meal. Or simply serve it with breadsticks or garlic bread.



you start cooking. I also advise you to follow the instructions closely; overcooking the vegetables is exactly the point here."

Maggie Roland, my husband's aunt (now deceased), a wonderful lady and so pleasant with her rolling Virginia speech, had a recipe called Apple Dobbler Cake that she used to prepare for us and for her church family for special occasions. And here it is as near as I can read her recipe. If you think, "Where's the leavening agent," whenever you combine acidic ingredients with baking soda, it forms a "rising" event in the baking. In this case, the acid is found in the apples and also the brown sugar. The simple topping consists of three ingredients. You can also use it on many otherwise undecorated goodies.

JOAN TICE'S MEATBALLS IN SAUCE

Recipe from Apopka Citizen Police Alumni Association, *Sharing Our Finest Cookbook*

MEATBALLS:

- 1 - 1/2 pounds ground meat
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup milk
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 1 tablespoon parsley
- 1/4 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 clove garlic

Mix all ingredients. Shape into balls. Fry in 1/4 cup oil until brown. Fry garlic clove until brown.

SAUCE:

- 1 can tomatoes (2 pounds, 3 ounces)
- 2 cans tomato paste (12 ounces each)
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 1 tablespoon salt

NITA COLLINS' SHRIMP NEWBURG

Recipe from *Cooking with Foliage La Sertoma of Apopka*

- 3/4 pound cooked shrimp
- 1/4 cup margarine or butter

- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 - 1/2 cup Half and Half
- 2 egg yolks, beaten
- 2 tablespoons sherry

Toast points

Cut large shrimp in half. Melt margarine or butter, and blend in flour and seasonings. Add Half and Half gradually and cook until thick and smooth, stirring constantly. Stir a little of the heated sauce into the beaten egg yolks; add to sauce, stirring constantly. Add shrimp; heat. Remove from heat and slowly stir in sherry. Serve immediately on toast points. Makes 6 servings.

TAMARA'S RATATOUILLE

Recipe from *Allfoodchef.com*

INGREDIENTS:

- 7 tablespoon sunflower oil
- 2 small onions, cut into 1-1/4-inch dice
- 4 garlic cloves, sliced
- 1/2 fresh green chile, thinly sliced
- 2 small red peppers, cut into 1-1/4-inch dice
- 1/2 small butternut squash, peeled and cut into 1-1/4-inch dice
- 1 small parsnip, peeled and cut into 1-1/4-inch dice
- 1 cup French beans, trimmed
- 1 medium zucchini, cut into 1-1/4-inch dice
- 1/2 large eggplant, peeled and cut into 1-1/4-inch dice
- 1 small potato, peeled and cut into 1-1/4-inch dice
- 2 medium tomatoes, peeled and chopped
- 1/2 tablespoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- Salt and black pepper
- 1 cup water
- Chopped cilantro to garnish (optional)

DIRECTIONS:

1) Pour two-thirds of the oil into a large heavy casserole dish or a pot and place on a medium high heat. Add the onions and fry for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Next, stir in the garlic,

chile and red peppers and fry for another 5 minutes. Add the squash and parsnip and continue frying for 5 minutes. 2) Using a slotted spoon, lift the vegetables out of the pot and into a medium bowl, leaving as much of the oil in the pot as possible. Top this up with the remaining oil. Add the French beans, zucchini and eggplant to the hot oil and fry for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. 3) Return the contents of the bowl to the pot. Add the potato, tomatoes, sugar, tomato paste and plenty of salt and pepper. Stir well, then pour in the water, or just enough to half-cover the vegetables. Cover with a lid and leave to simmer gently for 30 minutes. Taste the vegetables and add more salt and pepper, if you like. 4) Finally, preheat the oven to 400°F. Use a slotted spoon to gently lift the vegetables from the pot and into a large, deep roasting pan to make a layer about 1 - 1/4 inches thick. Pour the liquid over the vegetables and place in the oven to cook for 30 minutes. At this point all the vegetables should be very soft and most of the liquid evaporated. Garnish with cilantro, if you like, and serve. Yield: 4 Servings.

AUNT MAGGIE'S APPLE DOBBLER CAKE

Recipe submitted by family of Maggie Roland

- 3 eggs
- 1-1/2 cups salad (vegetable) oil
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 3 cups plain flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 3 cups chopped apples
- 1-1/2 cups chopped pecans

1) Mix eggs, vegetable oil, and brown sugar, blending them well. Add flour, salt and soda. mix well. Add vanilla, fold in chopped apples, and pecans. 2) Bake in a greased tube pan at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 1 hour. 3) While cake is still hot, pour topping (below) over the cake in the pan. Let cool completely before removing from pan.

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PROBATE DIVISION
IN RE: ESTATE OF WADE G. PEMBERTON, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 The administration of the estate of WADE G. PEMBERTON, deceased, whose date of death was January 21, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, FL 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 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. 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, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes.
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 February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-012575-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs. EDMUND ROBERT STEWART, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VII
 TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
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COUNT VII
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
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File No. 2026-CP-000291-O
IN RE: ESTATE OF CORA F. MAHONEY Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 The administration of the estate of Cora F. Mahoney, deceased, whose date of death was January 4, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Ave., Suite 335, Orlando, FL 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 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 on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. 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 CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
 The date of first publication of this notice is February 20, 2026.
 Personal Representative: Patty Arden
 3121 Kelvington Drive
 Orlando, Florida 32810
Attorney for Personal Representative:
 ABIGAIL EDELSTEIN, ESQUIRE
 Attorney
 Florida Bar Number: 107324 Vollrath Law PA
 1757 W. Broadway,
 Suite 3
 Oviedo, Florida 32765
 Telephone: (407) 366-0087
 Fax: (407) 264-6650
 E-Mail: abigail@vollrath-law.com
 Secondary E-Mail: stephanie@vollrath-law.com
 February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-000314-O
IN RE: Estate of W. BISHOP JORDAN, a/k/a W. BISHOP JORDAN, SR., a/k/a WILLIAM BISHOP JORDAN Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 The administration of the Estate of W. BISHOP JORDAN, a/k/a W. BISHOP JORDAN, SR., a/k/a WILLIAM BISHOP JORDAN, deceased, whose date of death was January 23, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court of Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 North Orange Avenue, Room 355, Orlando, Florida 32801. The name and address of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.
 All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against 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 PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. 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

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Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216- 732.228, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes.
 ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this Notice is February 20, 2026.
 Personal Representative: WILLIAM BISHOP JORDAN, JR.
 4104 W. Obispo Street
 Tampa, FL 33629
Attorney for Personal Representative:
 BRUCE M. WIGLE, III
 Murrach, Doyle & Wigle, P.A.
 P. O. Box 1328
 Winter Park, Florida 32790
 Telephone: (407) 644-9801
 Email: brucew@mdwpa.com
 Florida Bar No. 293954
 February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-012575-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs. EDMUND ROBERT STEWART, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VII
 TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: LLOYD P. ALLARD
 PO BOX 94
 CUMBERLAND CITY, TN 37050-0084
 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 RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property:
COUNT VII
 6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 874613 & 874614 & 874615 & 874616 & 874617 & 874618) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2013 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).
 AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.
 DATED on this 23rd day of February, 2026.
 Tiffany Moore Russell
 Clerk of the Court
 By: /s/ Stanley Green
 Deputy Clerk
 425 North Orange Ave.
 Suite 310
 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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 MORI #ORANGE
 February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2024-CA-000384-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY B. MARAFIOTI, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II
TO: JAMES HARSCH, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF JAMES HARSCH, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
 PO BOX 1262
 SAINT YNEZ, CA 93460
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 24, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-000384-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT II
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 At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on APRIL 2, 2026, 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 sale, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on February 24, 2026.
 DATED this 24th day of February, 2026.
 /s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald
 EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
 FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000384-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY B. MARAFIOTI, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VI
TO: JAMES A SCOTT, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF JAMES A SCOTT, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
 334 W GREYHOUND PASS
 CARMEL, IN 46032
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COUNT VI
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000384-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY B. MARAFIOTI, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT V
TO: BEN ABEL, DECEASED
 5723 W 70TH TER
 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66204
LIZ ABEL
 5723 W 70TH TER
 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66204
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 24, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-000384-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT V
 6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: X63937 & X63938 & X63939 & X63940 & X63941 & X63942) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010,

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 At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on APRIL 2, 2026, 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 sale, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on February 24, 2026.
 DATED this 24th day of February, 2026.
 /s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald
 EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
 FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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 February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2024-CA-000384-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY B. MARAFIOTI, et al., Defendants.
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 February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2024-CA-000384-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY B. MARAFIOTI, et al., Defendants.
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CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000384-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY B. MARAFIOTI, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VI
TO: JAMES A SCOTT, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF JAMES A SCOTT, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
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 CARMEL, IN 46032
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MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY B. MARAFIOTI, et al., Defendants.
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CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000384-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs

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February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000748-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs.
WALTER F JEWELL,
DECEASED, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IX

TO: MICHAEL S. SMITH,
DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF
MICHAEL S. SMITH, DECEASED AND
ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS,
DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES,
LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR
OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH,
UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
4600 MIDDLETON PARK
CIR E B710
JACKSONVILLE FL 32224
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 17, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-000748-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT IX

4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: Y90122 & Y90123 & Y90124 & Y90125) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2020 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MARCH 25, 2026, 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 February 18, 2026. DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

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MORI #ORANGE
February 20, 27, 2026

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

Case No. 2025-CA-009646-O
ARENA REC ORIGINATION
FINANCING SPV, LLC, a
Delaware limited liability company,
Plaintiff,

v.
7400 CANADA AVENUE,
LLC, a Florida limited
liability company, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Amended Uniform Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 17, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-009646-O, wherein Arena Rec Origination Financing SPV, LLC, is the Plaintiff, and 7400 Canada Avenue, LLC, et al., are the Defendants, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court, will sell the property situated in said County described as:

PARCEL 1: (Fee Simple Estate)
Lot 3, less the North 22 feet and Lot 4, less the South 20 feet, INTERNATIONAL COVE, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 12, Pages 18 and 19, Public Records of Orange County, Florida.

PARCEL 2: (Non-exclusive Easement Estate)
TOGETHER WITH: Non-Exclusive Easement(s) as set forth and created by that certain Notice of Restrictions, Grant of Easement and Agreement for Maintenance as recorded in Official Records Book 3383, Page 1125, as re-recorded in Official Records Book 3395, Page 1623, and re-recorded in Official Records Book 3434, Page 404, Public Records of Orange County, Florida, over, under and across the lands described therein Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 are collectively referred to as the "Land".

Plus, Personal Property, Equipment, Improvements, Appurtenances, Lease Rights, Easements, Fixtures, and Intellectual Property, as more particularly described in the Mortgage. At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on March 25, 2026, 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 before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. DATED this 19th day of February, 2025.

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
/s/ Noel R. Boeke
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And
Edward M. Fitzgerald
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edward.fitzgerald@hklaw.com

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cindy.valentin@hklaw.com
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Suite 2600
Orlando, FL 32801
Telephone: 407.425.8500
Fax: 407.244.5288
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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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.
February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2026-CA-000131-O
DIV NO.: 34
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,
Plaintiff,

vs.
WILLIAM H. BLAND, AS INDIVIDUAL,
et. al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VI

TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT
WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: ROSS B. TOMPKINS
PO BOX 1283
PINE BUSH,
NY 12566-1283

AND
ANDREA G. TOMPKINS
PO BOX 1283
PINE BUSH,
NY 12566-1283

The above named Defendants are 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 RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT VI
16 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: R00731 & R00732 & R00733 & R00734 & R00735 & R00736 & R00737 & R00738 & R00739 & R00740 & R00741 & R00742 & R00743 & R00744 & R00745 & R00746) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 4000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

AND
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: U86740 & U86741 & U86742 & U86743) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 4000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

AND
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: U86740 & U86741 & U86742 & U86743) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 4000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

AND
5 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 975643 & 975644 & 975645 & 975646 & 975647) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1250 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2019 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement)

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

DATED on 2/20/2026
Tiffany Moore Russell,
Clerk of Courts
/s/ Ricardo Silva
Deputy Clerk
Civil Division
425 N Orange Ave
Room 350
Orlando, FL 32801

CONFORMED COPY TO:
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP
200 S. Orange Avenue,
Suite 2600, Florida 32801
Ph. (407) 244-5198

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF
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OUR FILE #126435.7984
MORI #ORANGE
February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-009168-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,
Plaintiff,

vs.
WILLIAM H. BLAND, AS INDIVIDUAL,
et. al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VIII

TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT
WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: MAX WARREN BARBER
1028 S 1900 E
SALT LAKE CITY,
UT 84108

AND
SARAH GRACE NAVARRA
1028 S 1900 E
SALT LAKE CITY,
UT 84108

The above named Defendants were 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 RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property:
COUNT VIII
16 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: T50551 & T50552 & T50601 & T50602 & T50603 & T50604 & T50605 & T50606 & T50607 & T50608 & T50609 & T50610 & T50611 & T50612 & T50613 & T50614) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 4000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of February 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

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

DATED on this 20th day of February, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Stanley Green
Deputy Clerk
425 North Orange Ave.
Suite 310
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

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MRHC #ORANGE
February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000748-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs.
WALTER F JEWELL,
DECEASED, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT I

TO: WALTER F JEWELL,
DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF WALTER F JEWELL, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS,
DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES,
LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR
OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH,
UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
72 OAK RIDGE LN
MANNAHAWKIN, NJ 08050
JEAN R. JEWELL, DECEASED
72 OAK RIDGE LN
MANNAHAWKIN, NJ 08050

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 17, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-000748-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT I
5 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 975643 & 975644 & 975645 & 975646 & 975647) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1250 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

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DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.
/s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

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February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2026-CA-000131-O
DIV NO.: 34
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,
Plaintiff,

vs.
WILLIAM H. BLAND, AS INDIVIDUAL,
et. al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VI

TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT
WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: ROSS B. TOMPKINS
PO BOX 1283
PINE BUSH,
NY 12566-1283

AND
ANDREA G. TOMPKINS
PO BOX 1283
PINE BUSH,
NY 12566-1283

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proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property:
COUNT VIII
16 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: T50551 & T50552 & T50601 & T50602 & T50603 & T50604 & T50605 & T50606 & T50607 & T50608 & T50609 & T50610 & T50611 & T50612 & T50613 & T50614) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 4000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of February 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

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

DATED on this 20th day of February, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Stanley Green
Deputy Clerk
425 North Orange Ave.
Suite 310
Orlando, Florida 32801

CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP
200 S. Orange Avenue,
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Orlando, Florida 32801
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THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
HK#129710.0164/MP27
February 27, March 6, 2026

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
BARTLETT TOWING, INC gives notice that on **03/17/2026** at 08:30 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at **2252 APOPKA BLVD, STE B, APOPKA, FL 32703** to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

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February 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-009168-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of GRANDE VISTA ORLANDO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,
Plaintiff,

vs.
EARL F. JACOBS AS INDIVIDUAL AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2004 EARL F. JACOBS AND CHRISTINE K. JACOBS INTER VIVOS REVOCABLE TRUST, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT I

TO: EARL F. JACOBS AS INDIVIDUAL AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2004 EARL F. JACOBS AND CHRISTINE K. JACOBS INTER VIVOS REVOCABLE TRUST
C/O ATTORNEY-IN-FACT CHRISTINE S. GIBBS
2012 JAFFA COURT
CLERMONT, FL 34711

CHRISTINE K. JACOBS,
AS INDIVIDUAL AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2004 EARL F. JACOBS AND CHRISTINE K. JACOBS INTER VIVOS REVOCABLE TRUST
C/O ATTORNEY-IN-FACT CHRISTINE S. GIBBS
2012 JAFFA COURT
CLERMONT, FL 34711

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 18, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-000748-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT I
Unit Week 50 in Unit 2121, 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.

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a

("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 Commencement Date of January 01, 2020 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 25th day of March, 2026, 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 February 18, 2026.

DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.
/s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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MORI #ORANGE
February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000748-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
WALTER F JEWELL, DECEASED, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II
TO: MARIA E. G.-DE-ALEMAM
1440 BRICKELL BAY DR
APT 201
MIAMI, FL 33131

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 17, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-000748-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT II
8 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 583724 & 583725 & 583726 & 583727 & 584107 & 584108 & 584109 & 584110) 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 Commencement Date of January 13, 2013 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 25th day of March, 2026, 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 February 18, 2026. DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-12647-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
ROBERT W. REICH, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT IX
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT
WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: EDWARD M. REICH
5326 CANDLEWOOD CT
LISLE, IL 60532-2042

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 OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a mortgage and for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT I
34 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 307824 & 307825 & 307826 & 307827 & 307828 & 307829 & 308450 & 308451 & 308452 & 308501 & 309212 & 309213 & 313420 & 313421 & 313422 & 313423 & 313424 & 313425 & 313426 & 313427 & 313428 & 313542 & 313543 & 313544 & 313545 & 313546 & 313547 & 313548 & 313549 & 313550 & 313551 & 313552 & 313553 & 313554 & 313555 & 313556 & 313557 & 313558 & 313559 & 313560 & 313561 & 313562 & 313563 & 313564 & 313565 & 313566 & 313567 & 313568 & 313569 & 313570 & 313571 & 313572 & 313573 & 313574 & 313575 & 313576 & 313577 & 313578 & 313579 & 313580 & 313581 & 313582 & 313583 & 313584 & 313585 & 313586 & 313587 & 313588 & 313589 & 313590 & 313591 & 313592 & 313593 & 313594 & 313595 & 313596 & 313597 & 313598 & 313599 & 313600 & 313601 & 313602 & 313603 & 313604 & 313605 & 313606 & 313607 & 313608 & 313609 & 313610 & 313611 & 313612 & 313613 & 313614 & 313615 & 313616 & 313617 & 313618 & 313619 & 313620 & 313621 & 313622 & 313623 & 313624 & 313625 & 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Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2016 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

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

DATED on 2/20/2026
Tiffany Moore Russell,
Clerk of Courts

/s/ Ricardo Silva
Deputy Clerk
Civil Division
425 N Orange Ave
Room 350
Orlando, FL 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

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February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-001516-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 48 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$2,160.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY/ NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT TO: RYESSNER FELICIAN JR.
12057 RYEGRASS TRAIL
ORLANDO, FL 32824

and all others who claim an interest in \$2,160.00 in U.S. Currency, which was seized on or about the 29th day of December, 2025, at or near the intersection of Cross Creek Drive and Rivertree Circle, in Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 12th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Jose C. Campa
Jose C. Campa
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Bar No. 105781
Orange County
Sheriff's Office
Legal Services
P.O. Box 1440
Orlando, FL 32802
(407) 254-7170
Jose.campa@ocsoffi.com
February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-012647-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs. **ROBERT W. REICH, et. al.,**
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VIII TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: LUIS A. DELGADO
4848 WEST
1217 STREET
HAWTHORNE, CA 90250
AND MARIA V. DELGADO
4848 WEST
1217 STREET
HAWTHORNE, CA 90250

The above named Defendants are 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 OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a mortgage and for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT VIII
10 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: FP2502 & FP2503 & FP2504 & FP2505 & FP2506 & FP2507 & FP2508 & FP2509 & FP2510 & FP2511) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

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

DATED on this 13 day of FEBRUARY, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /s/ Rosa Aviles
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
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HK#126435.9559/MP118
February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-001486-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 37
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF A 2015 INFINITI Q50,
VIN JN1BV7ARXFM401091
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT TO: KEVUAN JOHNSON
937 CUMBERLAND CIRCLE
MINNEOLA, FL 34715
and all others who claim an interest in a 2015 Infiniti Q50, VIN JN1BV7ARXFM401091, which was seized on or about the 24th day of January, 2026, at or near the intersection of Apopka-Vineland Road and Woodridge Park Drive, Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 11th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Jose C. Campa
Jose C. Campa
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Bar No. 105781
Orange County
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Orlando, FL 32802
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February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-011906-O
DIV NO.: 35
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs. **LORI PARKER-GLADSTEIN aka LORI (NMN) PARKER-GLADSTEIN, et. al.,**
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT VI TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: FLOR DE MARIA COLINA-BARRIOS
CALLE CARONI
RES EMINENCE PALACE
2A COLINAS DE BELLO MONTE
CARACAS,
DISTRITO CAPITAL 1050
VENEZUELA

AND JOSE EDUARDO RIOS-VILLASMIL
CALLE CARONI
RES EMINENCE PALACE
2A COLINAS DE BELLO MONTE
CARACAS,
DISTRITO CAPITAL 1050
VENEZUELA

The above named Defendants are 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 OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a mortgage and for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT VI
6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: I62710 & I62711 & I62712 & I62713 & I62714 & I62715) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

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DATED on this 20th day of February, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /s/ Stanley Green
As Deputy Clerk
425 North Orange Ave.
Suite 310
Orlando, Florida 32801
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
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USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
HK#126435.9562/MP115
February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2022-CC-014335-O
BELMONT RESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation,
Plaintiff,

vs. **ELAINE RODRIGUEZ-BELLA, et. al.,**
Defendant(s)
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 13, 2023 and entered in Case No. 2022-CC-014335-O, of the County Court in the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein **Belmont Reserve Homeowners Association, Inc.**, is the Plaintiff, and **Elaine Rodriguez-Abella**, is the Defendant(s), the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com/index.cfm at **11:00 A.M. ET on April 1, 2026**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

"Lot 28, Belmont Reserve, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 83, Page(s) 75, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida."
The Property is located at the street address of:
10577 Palma Verde Pl., Apopka, Florida 32712. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE FORECLOSURE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE. Dated this 18th day of February 2026.
GARFINKEL LAW
Attorney for Plaintiff
300 N. Maitland Avenue
Maitland, FL 32751
Phone: (407) 539-3900
Telefax: (407) 386-8485
BY: /s/ Karen M. Marcell
Karen M. Marcell, Esq.
Florida Bar No.: 51640
Primary email address: karen@garfinkel.law
Secondary email address: rachel@garfinkel.law

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February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-011906-O
DIV NO.: 35
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs. **LORI PARKER-GLADSTEIN aka LORI (NMN) PARKER-GLADSTEIN, et. al.,**
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT II TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: RICARDO MENA BARRETO
RUA PADRE AGUSTINHO
ROMEADI #48
NAVEGANTES,
SANTA CATARINA
88370-182
BRAZIL

AND ANGELA GONCALVES TEIXEIRA
RUA PADRE AGUSTINHO
ROMEADI #48
NAVEGANTES,
SANTA CATARINA
88370-182 BRAZIL

The above named Defendants are 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 RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT II
6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 575408 & 575409 & 575410 & 575411 & 575412 & 575413) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

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

DATED on this 20th day of February, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /s/ Stanley Green
Deputy Clerk
425 North Orange Ave.
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CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
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200 S. Orange Avenue,
Suite 2600
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Ph. (407) 244-5198
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF

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February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000748-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs. **WALTER F JEWELL, DECEASED, et al.,**
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XI TO: D&I HOMES, LLC

A TEXAS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, and INGRID M. CAVANAUGH, INDIVIDUALLY, AND AS GUARANTOR AND MANAGING MEMBER OF D & I HOMES LLC 19535 AZURE OAK SAN ANTONIO TX 78258

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COUNT XI
16 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: BY7840 & BY7841 & BY7842 & BY7843 & BY7844 & BY7845 & BY7846 & BY7847 & BY7848 & BY7849 & BY7850 & BY7851 & BY7852 & BY7901 & BY7902 & BY7903) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 4000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of July 01, 2021 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 25th day of March, 2026, 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 February 18, 2026. DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.

/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-001974-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 36
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$15,525.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT TO: TORRINE D. SIMS, JR.
601 SPRING WEST ROAD, APT. L203
ORLANDO, FL 32818

and all others who claim an interest in \$15,525.00 in U.S. Currency, which was seized on or about the 9th day of January, 2026, at or near 720 Spring West Road, Apt. L203, Orlando, in Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 23rd day of February, 2026.

/s/ Jose C. Campa
Jose C. Campa
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Bar No. 105781
Orange County
Sheriff's Office
Legal Services
P.O. Box 1440
Orlando, FL 32802
(407) 254-7170
Jose.campa@ocsoffi.com
February 27, March 6, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2026-CA-001087
DIVISION 36
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$1,782.00 U.S. CURRENCY
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE

TO Guillermo L. Valdes Jimenez, and all persons who claim an interest in a \$1,782.00 U.S. CURRENCY seized on or about 12/18/2025 at or about SR 408 E. & Andes Ave., 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
Orlando, Florida 32805
(407) 246-2464
Fla. Bar No. 528633
shannon.hesse@orlando.gov
February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000748-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs. **WALTER F JEWELL, DECEASED, et al.,**
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XIV TO: HENRY C. GIGNILLIAT JR.
2021 HEDROW MEWS
WOODBIDGE
VA 22192-256
NANCY J. GIGNILLIAT, DECEASED
2021 HEDROW MEWS
WOODBIDGE
VA 22192-2256

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COUNT XIV
5 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 766224 & 766225 & 766226 & 766227 & 766228) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1250 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 1, 2013 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on 25th day to March, 2026, 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 February 18, 2026. DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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February 20, 27, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-000748-O
DIV NO.: 39
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs. **WALTER F JEWELL, DECEASED, et al.,**
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IV TO: DYANNA MICHELE MATTHEWS AS INDIVIDUAL, AS GUARANTOR AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE DYANNA MICHELE MATTHEWS SEPARATE PROPERTY TRUST DATED 04/18/12, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF DYANNA MICHELE MATTHEWS, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
6 PASEO PENSAMIENTO
RANCHO
SANTA MARGARIT,
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COUNT IV
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: C26642 & C26643 & C26644 & C26645) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum").

The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2014 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MARCH 25, 2026, 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 February 18, 2026. DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.

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