

City approves \$12.7M Golden Gem project

Pump station will move reclaimed water to city system

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The City Commission unanimously voted Wednesday to approve a construction contract for the long-delayed distribu-

tion pump station at the Golden Gem reclaimed water facility. The commission awarded Carr & Collier Inc. an \$11,545,700 contract, with a 10% contingency bringing the total authorized amount to \$12,700,270. The pump station will allow the city to move reclaimed water out of the Golden Gem storage ponds and into Apopka's

distribution system. "This is the Golden Gem reuse pond pump that has been delayed for some time," Mayor Nick Nesta said. "We're able to pump water into the reuse pond. We've never been able to pump it out." The city also is moving ahead with reconstruction of the West Pond, which has approximately 50 million gallons of storage

capacity. Interim City Administrator Radley Williams said the preliminary design for the West Pond reconstruction has been completed and the city's consultant is finalizing the design, with completion targeted for the end of August. The pump station construc-

GOLDEN GEM, A5

City Commission delays 2026-27 millage rate vote



PHOTO BY DANA O'CONNOR

Mayor Nick Nesta

Disagreement over potential rate increase postpones action

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Apopka City Commission on Wednesday failed to set a proposed property tax rate for fiscal year 2026-27 after commissioners split over city staff's recommended 0.75-mill increase. The special meeting had been scheduled for the commission to set a proposed operating millage rate of 5.1876 mills, a 0.75-mill increase over the city's current rate of 4.4376 mills. Finance Director Blanche Sherman said the proposed rate, the rolled-back rate and the date of the city's first budget hearing must be submitted to the Orange County Property Appraiser under Florida's Truth in Millage, or TRIM, process.

The proposed millage rate is intended to support a preliminary \$287.3 million budget for fiscal year 2026-27. According to city staff, the preliminary general fund is projected to generate about \$104.5 million in revenue while operating and capital needs total \$121.1 million, leaving a gap the city proposes to cover through a combination of additional property tax revenue and assigned reserves. Commissioner Nadia Anderson said she could not support the proposal because she believes the preliminary budget includes spending that is not essential while uncertainty remains over potential state property tax reforms. "I feel that the budget that's presented is not fiscally sound or responsible in the light of what's going on right now," Anderson said. She said many local cities

MILLAGE, A5

Azalea Veterinary Clinic opens in Apopka



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Practice manager Patrick Hutchison performs a dental cleaning on a Yorkie named Maya.

New family-owned pet care center offers open-concept business model

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

Azalea Veterinary Clinic re-

cently opened its doors to Apopka pets for the first time at 2050 Plymouth Sorrento Road, Suite

100. Azalea offers a wide variety of care for dogs and cats, ranging from proactive treatments such as vaccinations and parasite prevention to procedures including

surgery and urgent care. Owner and veterinarian Natalia Martinez operates her practice under an open-concept model, which gives each exam room large windows

CLINIC, A5

ALDI targets year-end opening for second Apopka store

Former Winn-Dixie location will employ up to 20 workers

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

ALDI expects to open its second Apopka store by the end of the year as construction continues on the former Winn-Dixie at Errol Plaza. "We're excited to be making progress on our second store in Apopka, which will be located at 1565 W. Orange Blossom Trail," Matt Thon, ALDI regional vice president, said in

a statement provided through the company's public relations team. Like other new ALDI locations, the Apopka store will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony on opening day, when the first 200 customers will receive a gift bag and gift card. The company said it will announce the grand opening date and provide additional details as those details become available. ALDI expects to hire 15 to 20 full- and part-time employees to staff the location. As of this week, the company was recruiting for two positions:

full-time store associate and part-time cashier/stocker. Job openings are posted on the company's careers website. The company said nearly 90% of the products sold at ALDI are exclusive brands. The Errol Plaza store also will feature the retailer's curated grocery selection and rotating weekly ALDI Finds, which include limited-time food, household and seasonal merchandise. "In the new store, shoppers can expect the same great, simple and affordable grocery experience that's already made

ALDI a go-to grocer in Apopka," Thon said. The Errol Plaza project is one of the former Winn-Dixie locations selected for conversion to the ALDI format. Earlier this year, ALDI was named America's most trusted grocery store in the 2026 dunhumby Retailer Preference Index, a national consumer study cited by the company. Thon said the company's operating model focuses on simplicity and efficiency to offer customers everyday low prices. The Errol Plaza location will join Apopka's existing ALDI at



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Construction is under way to convert the former Winn-Dixie at Errol Plaza to an ALDI store. 2283 E. Semoran Blvd. Winn-Dixie also maintains a presence in Apopka through its newer supermarket at Apopka City Center, 611 E. Main St., which opened in August 2023.

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Understanding our future: Why some Floridians favor eliminating property taxes

Editor's note:
This is the second
in a four-part series.

Last week, I discussed the important role property taxes play in funding local government and some of the challenges cities could face if that revenue source was eliminated. This week, I want to present the other side of the conversation by exploring why many Floridians believe it is time to rethink our current property tax system.

Again, my purpose is not to tell you how to vote. My goal is to help you understand the different viewpoints so that, when this issue appears on the ballot, you can make an informed decision.

For many homeowners, the biggest concern is simple: they believe that once they have paid off their home, they should not continue paying taxes each year just to keep it. Many view property taxes as a perpetual expense that never truly allows them to own their property free and clear.

Supporters also argue that eliminating property taxes could make homeownership more affordable. For first-time buyers and families living on fixed incomes, reducing the annual cost of owning a home could ease financial pressure and make it easier to stay in their communities.

Others believe the change could strengthen Florida's economy. Lower property-related costs may encourage businesses to invest, expand, or relocate here, creating jobs and generating additional economic activity. Supporters also argue that homeowners would have more disposable income to spend

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Nick Nesta

at local businesses, which could benefit the broader economy.

Some Floridians believe eliminating property taxes would encourage government at every level to operate more efficiently.

They argue that requiring governments to identify alternative funding sources or reduce unnecessary spending could lead to greater innovation, improved accountability, and a closer examination of how taxpayer dollars are used.

These are all legitimate perspectives that deserve thoughtful consideration. At the same time, supporters generally recognize that eliminating property taxes would require replacing billions of dollars that currently fund local services. The discussion, therefore, is not simply about removing a tax — it is also about determining how essential services would be funded in the future.

There are many ideas being discussed, including broader sales taxes, expanded tourism-related revenues, increased state funding, user fees, or a combination of multiple revenue sources. Each option has advantages, disadvantages and tradeoffs that deserve careful evaluation.

Next week, we'll examine those alternatives more closely and discuss how local governments, including Apopka, could adapt if Florida's funding model changes.

My commitment remains the same: to provide factual information, encourage respectful discussion, and ensure our community understands the choices that may shape Apopka's future.

God's presence fills life's joys, sorrows

Columnist



Mike Gilland

Several years ago, I had the privilege of taking a trip to Israel, and it was quite an adventure. I had no ability to anticipate all that I would see in this country that was the site and stage for so many of the biblical accounts I held so dear.

There were a couple of things that really stood out. One was the fact that Israel was the rockiest place I had ever seen! Every field was seemingly teeming with rocks. It gave me an entirely different perspective on Luke 19:40, which states: "If we don't praise Him, even the rocks will cry out."

In Israel, I realized that more than just a few rocks would be available for that task.

Another thing that surprised me was the hilly terrain, especially in Jerusalem. Our trip ended in this most important city. In biblical times, it was the home of many mountaintop experiences for the Psalmists, including David. It was the site and destination for the annual conference-type festivals, such as the Feast of the Tabernacle and the Feast of the Passover.

These were special days, set aside for all Jews, as the Israelites would leave their routines, their homes, and their occupations for one purpose: to gather together in celebration of the one true God.

While many aspects of their worship

would be different from ours today, there are some similarities. They loved to sing praises to God. They would hear the teaching of the Word of God, and they would enjoy rich fellowship.

But no feast, festival or conference lasts forever. It is true now, and it was true then. It wasn't long until those who had made the pilgrimage for the feast had to return home. They couldn't live forever "up on the mountain."

When I was there, I often thought of King David, who sought the Lord on those hills, while watching over his father's sheep. Without a doubt, David had many mountaintop experiences with God.

But for David, coming to the mount of God meant more than a particular place or spot. David's mountaintop was the presence of the LORD! When the

only joyful noise filling his ears was the bleating of contented sheep, he was training himself to marvel at the wonder of God.

David became proficient at playing the harp—not in the company of King Saul, or in some band with friends, learning all the latest "harp licks." No, without a doubt, he perfected this craft in solitude, all alone before God, singing to Him songs of praise and worship.

David sought the Lord, not the mountaintop experience. Even much later, when Nathan the prophet confronted him saying, "You are the man," David gained solace and comfort in the presence of God.

Psalm 51 is one of the most passion-filled sections of scripture. It is the picture of a broken man, crying out to a merciful God, asking Him not to remove His holy presence from him. His longing was to taste once again the sweetness that is found in true fellowship with the Lord.

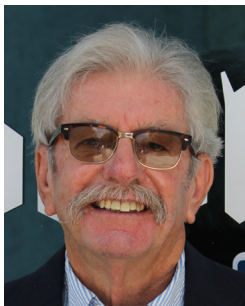
Mountaintop experiences are indeed refreshing. But no one ever stays in that place. God calls us back into daily life, and there, waiting for us all, are the valleys of life.

But even in the valley, His presence is near. And His presence beats the mountain view every time.

—Mike Gilland is operations manager of The Shepherd Radio Network.

Where you sit can show you where you stand

Columnist



Jake Vest

Sometimes I feel like we all went to Taylor Swift's wedding.

Except this time, instead of being dragged along by my wife, I was dragged along by the media. Going to a wedding is hardly ever my choice.

Most of the men I know feel about the same way. There's too much oohing and ahing and exclamations of "isn't that precious" and not enough other stuff to hold our attention. If the woman involved is anything beyond the nearest relative or closest friend, men see this as more of a chore than a celebration.

As for the man involved, we assume he doesn't really want to be doing this, either. These are just hoops he has to jump through.

Women don't even have to know the people getting married to get all twitery and excited. Or so it seems. I have suspicions that even they don't enjoy a wedding as much as they carry on. How could they? They have to do twice as much preparing, their shoes are even less comfortable than ours and they can't enjoy that puffed-up laminated wedding hair.

Sometimes I suspect this whole business was something women cooked up to show who's really the boss. It's a big public display of "look what I can make my husband do!"

Any video of a reception dance floor supports this theory. As evidenced by

whatever it is they are trying to do in time to the music, most guys don't belong out there and most normal guys would not do it voluntarily.

And that brings us to the only part of the Kelce-Swift nuptials that is really interesting: the concept of normality. On a starry, starry night like this, with a billionaire singer and a Super Bowl star, how close to normal could anything get?

You know what I'm talking about, the stuff that happens at weddings down here below the clouds, the ones you and I go to: Guests acting up, maybe using those bendable napkin holders as nose rings; limo getting stuck in the parking garage; a semi-obscene toast; fat uncle in a leisure suit has a little too much white zinfandel and tries to break dance. The kind of memorable stuff you

hope people will forget.

Swift probably didn't have any of those issues, but I bet she did have one my wife could relate to, and it is a doozy. The seating chart.

There were 1,000 "A-Listers" to deal with, all who regularly breathe the rarefied air of celebrity and are accustomed to getting the very best. So, on this most special of all nights when everybody is watching, who doesn't?

You can't have all 150 tables up front, even if you're Taylor Swift. If the kitchen has a door, somebody has to be closest to it. Any chance any of these glorified attention-getters might notice they are at the outer edge of the inner circle and might resent being slighted?

Any chance they wouldn't? No need for cutlery at the back of the room, the claws would already be sharpened.

I can just see Swift sitting up late pushing index cards around and wondering, "which quarterbacks outrank what talk show hosts, does Paul McCartney get more attention than I do, is a backup dancer the equivalent of a cousin?" and so forth.

It's a hopeless task. No matter how hard you try, you're liable to offend somebody. At least Swift had a soundtrack for the job, one of her own songs that might come back to haunt her, the one with the lyric "haters gonna hate."

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Apopka resident issues plea for respect

In an email I recently received, Vice President JD Vance warned of a "freight train of bad news coming our way."

Coming? We need to look no further than Apopka. Our community continues to face the challenges of rapid growth without infrastructure keeping pace. Residents see it in congested roads, missing sidewalks, flooding concerns, limitations in water and sewer capacity, the ongoing Golden Gem Pond issues, a City workforce operating with dozens of vacant positions, homelessness, and the tragic shooting at the Northwest Recreation Complex.

Political division has driven wedges be-

tween neighbors, friends and even families.

What troubles me most, however, is the growing loss of respect for one another.

Too often, elected officials, media personalities and citizens belittle those with whom they disagree. Harsh rhetoric has become commonplace. Regardless of political party or ideology, this should concern every one of us.

Disagreement is essential to a healthy democracy. Debate is healthy. Elections matter. But disrespect should never become the norm.

When we remain silent in the face of degrading behavior, we risk accepting it as normal. We can disagree passionately without

demeaning one another.

Our nation's founders envisioned spirited debate, but they also understood that a free society depends on mutual respect, personal responsibility and civic engagement. Countless Americans have sacrificed to preserve those ideals.

Whether we agree or disagree, let us treat one another with dignity and respect. Our children, our community and our country deserve nothing less.

May God bless and keep you, your family and America.

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Wekiwa Springs State Park to offer eco-glamping tents this fall

Each tent to include air conditioning, electrical power, queen-size bed

Staff Reports

Visitors to Wekiwa Springs State Park will soon have a new way to experience the outdoors as the park plans to introduce eco-glamping tents this fall. According to a Monday announcement, Wekiwa Springs

State Park in Apopka will add four eco-glamping tents as part of a new overnight lodging experience that combines the atmosphere of camping with amenities more commonly associated with traditional accommodations. Rainbow Springs State Park in Dunnellon will also add five eco-glamping tents, according to the announcement. The announcement describes eco-glamping as an environmentally conscious form of glamping that incorporates nat-

ural materials and renewable energy sources while offering visitors additional comforts not typically found at a campsite. Each tent will include heating and air conditioning, electrical power, a coffee maker, a queen-size bed and a separate dressing area. The announcement says the accommodations are designed to blend with their natural surroundings while minimizing environmental impact. Located along the Wekiwa River, Wekiwa Springs State

Park is known for its natural spring, hiking and bicycling trails, canoeing and kayaking opportunities, horseback riding and wildlife viewing. The announcement notes that white-tailed deer are often seen during the early morning and evening hours, while wild turkeys can be found throughout the park. Sherman's fox squirrels are commonly spotted along trails near the youth camp. Rainbow Springs State Park, located in Dunnellon, is home

to one of Florida's first-magnitude springs and offers swimming, tubing, paddling, fishing and birding. Visitors also can explore walking trails, gardens and three man-made waterfalls within the park. The announcement identifies Adventures Unbound by Guest Services as the operator of outdoor recreation concessions at the two parks. The announcement did not specify an opening date, nightly rates or when reservations for the new accommodations

will become available. Glamping, a blend of the words "glamorous" and "camping," has grown in popularity in recent years as travelers seek outdoor experiences without giving up many of the comforts of a hotel stay. The Apopka Chief sent a request for additional information Tuesday to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, which manages Florida State Parks. A response was not received by press time.

Rock Springs Elementary among first schools selected for speed cameras

County study identified the Apopka school as one of 12 initial locations

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

Rock Springs Elementary School has been selected as one of the first 12 Orange County schools to receive automated speed enforcement cameras as part of a county-wide effort aimed at reducing speeding in school zones. A traffic engineering study prepared by Kimley-Horn for Orange County identified the school zone at Rock Springs

Elementary on Rock Springs Road near Faye Street as one of those selected for the program's first phase. Kimley-Horn evaluated 12 schools, encompassing 14 school zones, to determine whether each location met the state requirement for a "heightened safety risk" before automated enforcement could be implemented. Under Florida law, local governments must document that a school zone warrants additional enforcement before installing speed detection systems. The consultant's analysis included vehicle speed studies conducted over two school days, a review of five years of bicycle and pedestrian crash data, and research

on the relationship between vehicle speeds and pedestrian safety. The report evaluates each school zone individually rather than ranking schools by overall safety or crash risk. It also documents traffic conditions and safety factors supporting the county's decision to include Rock Springs Elementary in the initial rollout. The county also plans to add two additional schools in each County Commission district during the second and third years of the program, expanding automated enforcement beyond the initial locations, Shawn Bell, project coordinator with Orange County Public Works' Traffic Engineering Division, said

in an email to The Apopka Chief. Michael Ollendorff, administrator of media relations for Orange County Public Schools, said the county, not the school district, selected the locations through its traffic study and will manage the camera program. "The safety of our students and staff is the highest priority, especially in school zones throughout the county," Ollendorff said in a Wednesday email to The Apopka Chief. "The district appreciates the efforts of Orange County and our law enforcement partners." The report cites national research showing that higher vehicle speeds significant-



PHOTO BY SARAH MERLY

Rock Springs Elementary is located at 2400 Rock Springs Road. ly increase the risk of severe injury to pedestrians and that automated enforcement has reduced speeding and crashes in other jurisdictions. Spectrum News 13 first reported that Orange County plans to begin the initial rollout this year before expanding the program in future phases.

Seven family-friendly activities perfect for rainy days in Apopka

Seven local ways to reset a stormy afternoon without leaving Apopka

By Josh Peterson Correspondent

Summer storms can turn a good Apopka afternoon upside down fast. If the playground, pool or trail washes out, families still have local places to keep the day moving without leaving town first. The best rainy-day plan is

simple: pick one main stop, keep a quick backup or two nearby and check hours before leaving. 1. Start at North Orange Branch Library. The North Orange Branch Library, 1211 E. Semoran Blvd., is an easy rainy-day anchor with children's programs, public computers, Wi-Fi and a calendar worth checking before you go. Current branch hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday.

2. Build in a local history stop. The Museum of the Apopkans, 122 E. Fifth St., is a quiet indoor stop for curious kids, grandparents or anyone who likes seeing the town's story up close. Because small-museum hours can change, check the current listing before making it the main event. 3. Check the schedule at The Well Activity Center. The Well Activity Center, 110 Athletes Row, offers indoor youth programs in basketball, gymnastics and volleyball, plus camps. It is a better fit for families planning ahead than for a last-minute drop-in, so check the schedule first. 4. Check The Apopka Chief's events calendar. The Apopka Chief's Apopka Events Calendar is a good first stop for indoor-friendly events curated from city, local organization and other listings. If something looks promising, click through or check with the host. 5. Check the Apopka Community Center. Before defaulting to a long

drive, see whether the Apopka Community Center, 519 S. Orange Ave., has a public program, workshop or family activity. The schedule changes, but a community event can make a rainy afternoon feel planned. 6. Pick a coffee stop from The Apopka Chief's guide. Instead of choosing one cafe, use The Apopka Chief's guide to Apopka coffee shops to match the errand to the family: a quick pastry, late-day drink or place to regroup. The roundup includes Double O's, Can-

on, Calypso, Propagate Social House and Mecatos; check current hours before heading out. 7. Short-drive fallback: bowling in Altamonte. If the family specifically wants bowling and Apopka options are not current, Bowlero Altamonte is a nearby fallback at 280 Douglas Ave. in Altamonte Springs. Check lane availability before driving. Check hours before leaving and keep the plan flexible; one indoor stop and a treat can salvage a rainy afternoon.

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Planning Commission to launch Land Development Code workshops

Board also approves vehicle storage plans

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Planning Commission voted Tuesday to begin a series of public workshops starting in September to review the city's Land Development Code, with commissioners saying they want to help shape future development regulations even though state law currently limits local governments' ability to adopt more restrictive standards.

The board unanimously approved holding its first workshop following its September meeting to begin discussing potential changes to the code and invite public participation. Commissioners indicated additional workshops are likely.

"I'd like to initiate it," Planning Commission Vice Chair Robert Ryan, who presided over the meeting, said. "I'd like for us to initiate the plans."

Commissioner Wes Dumey,

who proposed the workshop, said the discussion should begin now rather than waiting for state restrictions to expire.

"Let's get the discussion started," Dumey said. "We don't want to waste another year to actually just start the discussion because if we don't start it now, we're never going to start it."

Much of the conversation focused on Senate Bill 180, a state law that limits local governments from adopting more restrictive land development regulations during specified periods following hurricane-related emergencies.

City Attorney Andrew Hand told commissioners that while the board could begin discussing potential revisions, any changes that make development regulations more restrictive could not take effect until the current restrictions expire.

"If you're going to be discussing land development regulations and changes to the code, if they are, in fact, more restrictive, they would not be able to be imple-



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A rendering depicts a proposed luxury vehicle storage facility.

mented until Senate Bill 180 was no longer in effect," Hand said.

Hand said the current restrictions are expected to remain in place until at least October 2027 and could be extended if additional hurricane declarations trigger the law.

Planning Manager Bobby Howell encouraged commissioners to focus initially on the Land Development Code rather than the city's Comprehensive Plan, noting the Legislature has

reduced local authority over planning matters.

Earlier in the meeting, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of a future land use amendment and rezoning for a proposed enclosed luxury vehicle storage development on a vacant 5.23-acre property at the northeast corner of Clarcona Road and East Keene Road.

The proposal would change the property's future land use

designation from Commercial to Industrial and rezone it from Community Commercial to Light Industrial. If approved by the City Commission, the project calls for climate-controlled storage condominiums designed primarily for high-end and collectible vehicles.

"We're here with a rather unique project," applicant Michael Rankin told commissioners.

Dumey said the luxury car condo project would attract affluent buyers, boost surrounding

property values and drive higher-end housing demand and local spending.

"People driving the Lamborghinis are going to be looking at the higher end of the housing market, which is a net aggregate benefit to the city," he said.

The Planning Commission also unanimously recommended approval of a special exception allowing an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) at 1030 E. Sandpiper St. so homeowner Lincoln Haynes can build a residence for his aging parents.

"I am on a journey to help take care of my aging parents," Haynes said. "The desire of purchasing this property was to build an ADU so that they can age in place."

Commissioners recommended approval of a revised major development plan for the Cold Link Apopka cold storage facility at 2560 W. Orange Blossom Trail. The revision corrects the stated size of a previously approved warehouse building from 147,624 to 168,600 square feet.

DRC sends Carolina Textiles, Wolf Lake Ranch plans back for revisions

City staff points to unresolved planning, engineering issues on both proposals

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Development Review Committee did not recommend approval Wednesday for either development proposal on its agenda after city staff identified outstanding issues that must be addressed.

Carolina Textiles is seeking a special exception to allow overnight trailer parking and outdoor storage as a principal use at 300

S. Bradshaw Road. Planning staff raised concerns about proposed screening materials, including decorative chain-link fencing and metal panels, and recommended that the application return for another submittal.

Adam Biery, project manager for Beaufort Design Build, representing the applicant, said the company was not proposing ordinary corrugated sheet metal but a decorative panel intended to match the proposed warehouse.

"There's a pretty big discrepancy or difference between a standard corrugated panel versus a decorative metal panel," Biery said, adding that the applicant would provide staff with material

profiles.

Public Works representative Dale Smith said additional coordination was needed concerning a drainage easement crossing the site and plans for a new lift station.

Biery expressed frustration with the length of the review process, saying the owner was "about ready to just can the whole project."

The committee also did not recommend approval of the Wolf Lake Ranch Phase 3 major development plan, a proposed 42-home subdivision west of Ponkan Pines Road and north of Ponkan Road.

Project manager Jean Sanchez

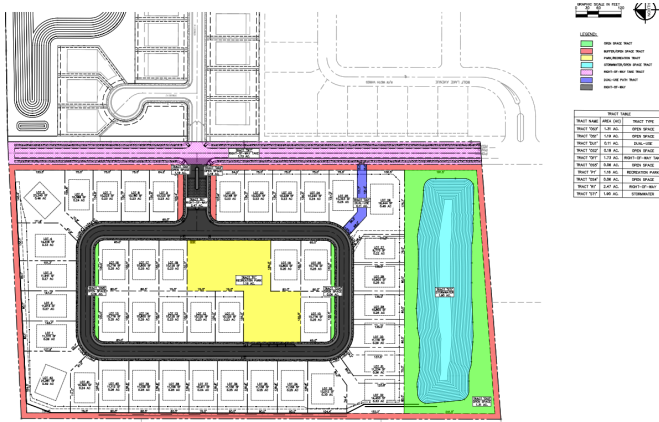
said she had not received additional departmental comments, but Smith said he had posted engineering comments July 13. Sanchez said she would reissue the comment letter and "hold off on public hearing meetings for this item."

Engineer Joshua Enot of Kimley-Horn and Associates said three engineering comments could be addressed during the construction site plan stage. Another issue involving a possible cul-de-sac extension will be discussed at a Friday meeting.

"We're probably 90% there," Smith said.

Enot agreed with Smith.

"We're very close," Enot said.



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and allows owners to stay with their pets during their visits.

"I used to work at Veterinary Emergency Group (VEG) in Winter Park, and they are also an open-concept ER," Martinez said. "I wanted that open concept because I saw how well it worked at VEG and how much people loved it there. They loved being with their pet."

Martinez opened Azalea on May 29, just a few months after she and her husband welcomed a baby boy into their family. Other members of her family have come to support her, such as her cousins, who attended her open house earlier this summer.

"Everybody's been kind of putting their input in here," Martinez said. "It's a labor of love from everybody."

Martinez credits her uncle for providing her the opportunity to hone her passion for pet care even before undergraduate studies at the University of Central Florida.

"He's also a veterinarian. He practices in Miami, so he's been practicing for a very long time," she said. "In the summers, I would go down to Miami and just hang out with him, work with him, see how he worked, and I love that environment."

Martinez would eventually serve as the vice president of the Pre-Veterinary Society at UCF, later receiving her doctorate from Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine and completing clinical rotations at the University of Florida, according to Azalea's website. Owning her own prac-

tice was her longtime dream, but she did not pursue it until after she worked in emergency veterinary medicine at VEG.

"I noticed while living here that there was not a vet in a five-mile radius to this location, and there's a lot of constructions, a lot of homes coming," she said. "I also noticed that there was always a long wait to be seen as a client and a patient in this area specifically — like you would try to call, and either they're not accepting new patients, or you have to wait several weeks to months in advance just to try to make an appointment... It didn't sit right with me."

Although Martinez said she was not sure at first whether she would have enough clientele to open her own practice, her clients love the ability to remain with their pets during each step of the process. She also includes time in each appointment for customers to ask her any questions they would like.

"I love spending time with the clients and just learning about them, learning about their pet and just trying to really understand their concerns about their pets," she said. "My biggest thing is client education. I feel like if the clients are informed, if they're well-educated on anything with regard to their pets, then they're better owners. They're better pet parents."

Azalea is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Friday, and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

MILLAGE

FROM A1

are preparing for possible reductions in potential property taxes.

Sherman told commissioners unanimous agreement was needed to proceed with the proposed rate under consideration that evening. Without unanimous support, commissioners tabled the item.

Mayor Nick Nesta questioned Anderson about whether she had discussed her concerns with department heads and emphasized that the budget remains a work in progress.

"This is not final. It never was final," Nesta said. "This vote tonight does not mean a final budget. It's simply a proposed operating millage rate."

Nesta added that his goal remains reducing the proposed increase to 0.5 mills before the budget is finalized.

Much of the discussion centered on balancing residents'

concerns about higher taxes with the city's growing infrastructure and staffing needs.

Vice Mayor Diane Velazquez said departments had already reduced spending requests but warned that lowering the proposed millage too soon could result in delaying projects once again.

"If we get to the point where we lower the millage, and now they realize these are some important things that we feel we should have, but we're not going to have them, it's like we're still kicking some of the projects down the road," she said.

Nesta echoed those concerns, saying city staff continues searching for efficiencies while attempting to provide services expected by residents.

"Our departments have not grown the way they should have as our city has grown,"



PHOTO BY DANA O'CONNOR

Vice Mayor Diane Velazquez

he said.

Anderson, however, questioned several proposed new administrative positions, including a chief of staff and other proposed administrative positions, arguing that the city should instead prioritize infrastructure improvements such as roads and utilities.

Sherman reiterated that

commissioners could adopt a higher tentative millage rate now and reduce it later as the budget is refined, but they could not later increase the rate once it is set. She also reminded commissioners that growth-related revenues have slowed while operating costs continue to rise.

GOLDEN GEM

FROM A1



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Public Works Director Vladimir Simonovski

tion is expected to take about 18 months from the time work begins.

Nesta said the project "has

been needed for a very, very long time."

Golden Gem consists of two large reclaimed-water storage ponds. The facility has not become fully operational because the distribution pump station was never completed, while liner failures and other problems also have required pond reconstruction following a January 2024 sinkhole.

The city is prioritizing reconstruction of the smaller West Pond before turning its attention to the larger East Pond. At a June workshop, officials said West Pond reconstruction was expected to be completed by March 2027, while a completion date for the East Pond remains uncertain.

During public comment, Golden Gem Road resident Albert McKimmie questioned what happened to grant funding that he believed had been intended for a ground storage tank at Golden Gem.

"There's some confusion," Simonovski said, explaining that the \$1.5 million federal grant McKimmie referenced helped fund the recently completed ground storage tank at the Northwest Water Treatment Plant, not Golden Gem.

Simonovski said a separate funding package of about \$2.25 million was connected to Golden Gem and could have been used for a ground storage tank, piping or the pump station. He confirmed that the tank was later removed from

the original plan but said he did not know why.

City Finance Director Blanche Sherman said she would research the grant history and provide additional information publicly.

Dr. Phyllis Olmstead urged the city to move quickly, saying residents in northern Apopka have experienced low reclaimed-water pressure that has affected irrigation systems.

"It's imperative that it gets fixed because people's equipment are being ruined," she said. "They're missing work. Irrigation companies won't come work except during business hours, and that's when the tanks are down."



ALFRED KAGER

December 8, 1935 – June 7, 2026

Alfred Kager, age 90, passed away on June 7, 2026. He was born on December 8, 1935, in Bamberg, Germany.

Alfred is survived by his loving wife of more than 65 years, Rosemarie Kager; his daughter, Sabine Kager Seifert (the late Keith Seifert), and their children: Alexander Badorrek (Jessica Badorrek), parents of Mathias, Nikolai, and Arcadia; Katrina Winters (Charles Winters), parents of Snow; Jessica Seifert; Keith Seifert Jr. (Kalee Seifert), parents of Weston and Sienna; and Allyson Seifert.

He is also survived by his son, Alfred Kager Jr. (Michele Kager), and their children: Candice Brown (Troy Brown), parents of Amy, Ailee, Indi, and Remy; Savanna Kager (Jon Jodhan); Madison Owen (Sam Owen), parents of Esmae; and Christian Kager.

He is further survived by his son, Andrew Kager, and his children: Andrew Kager Jr. (Maci Hatcher), parents of Maybelle and Milton; Alex Diaz; and Michael Diaz (Kim Diaz).

Alfred was the last surviving member of his generation of siblings. He is survived by a sister-in-law, Paula Kager; a brother-in-law, Simbert Kroesser (Mari); along with many nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends, in the United States, Germany, Austria and Brazil.

In 1953, Alfred immigrated to Canada before returning to Germany for a short time. In the late 1950s, he settled in New York, where he worked in the construction industry. During the summer of 1960, he met Rosemarie, and they were married on November 12 of that year. Following a year in Bamberg, Germany, they returned to New York in 1963 with their first child. After several years living upstate, they moved to Florida in 1970 with their three children and established Kager's Nursery, which they owned and operated together until their retirement in 1985.

Alfred and Rosemarie enjoyed traveling and spent many years exploring the United States, visiting national parks, attending German cultural events, and spending time with family and friends. For more than 45 years, they made annual trips to Germany to visit relatives and friends. He also enjoyed cruises and vacations in Cancun and other destinations in Mexico. Although he enjoyed traveling, Alfred was happiest at home where he enjoyed raising cattle and sharing homegrown beef with his family. The annual family gathering to process and package the beef became a tradition that brought family members together year after year. He was known for baking traditional German bread for more than 65 years and for his homemade Nusstorte, both of which were enjoyed at many celebrations. Friends and family could also count on being offered "ein Schnaps" and good conversation whenever they visited.

A member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Apopka since 1971, Alfred was active in his parish and community. He was also a member of the German American Society of Central Florida since 1972, where he volunteered regularly and enjoyed sharing and celebrating his German heritage.

For Alfred, his family was most important. And, to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, he was simply "Opa." He will be remembered for his dedication to family, his strong work ethic, and his generosity. His legacy lives on through the traditions he passed down, the values he instilled, and the family he loved so deeply.

A Catholic Funeral Mass, held at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, and a Celebration of Life, held at the German-American Society of Central Florida, happened on July 2, 2026.



MARY VIRGINIA MCNEELY

03/07/1935 – 07/03/2026

Mary Virginia McNeely, 03/07/1935 – 07/03/2026, went peacefully in her sleep at the age of 91.

Born in Portland Maine to parents, Marshall Hurlburt and Toini Ikola Hurlburt, but spent most of her life in Florida. Her parents managed Freddie's Steakhouse in Maitland where she worked as a teenager. She later married Melvin Waters and together had two children, Melony and Mel. After they divorced Mary moved to Apopka in 1967 where her brother, Fred Hurlburt, was the Basketball coach at Apopka Memorial High School, and got a job at GreenFuel, later becoming Texgas. Mary volunteered at Loaves and Fishes Apopka, for over 25 years. Many will remember her smiling face at those 2 locations plus when she worked at Liggetts, Eckerd's, and CVS. She married Marvin McNeely in 1973 and together enjoyed 22 years of fishing almost every weekend at Lake Tohopekaliga, local lakes or oceans. Mary loved the Lord Jesus Christ, Her family, all Gods critters (especially Dogs), and the USA.

She will be buried next to her husband Marvin, at Woodlawn Cemetery on July 18th. 10am – 11am visitation followed by funeral services, at 11am.

Mary is survived by children Melony Pyburn (Charles), Mel Waters (Robin), Many loved grandchildren, Great grandchildren and Great great grandchildren.

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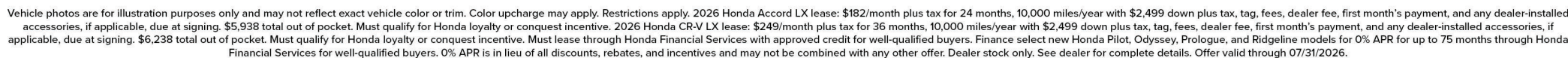
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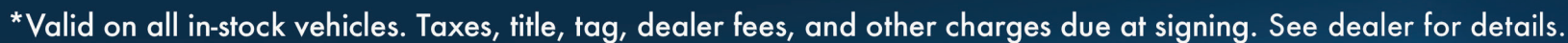


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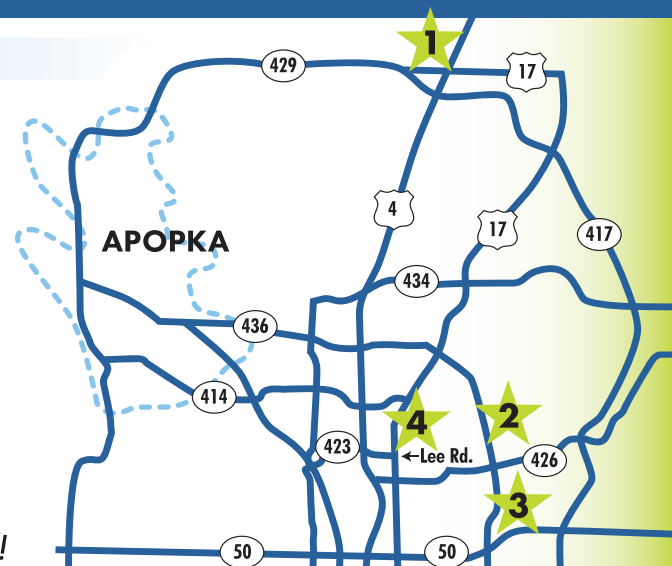
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Q&A

State House candidates talk plans, property taxes

Candidates Doug Bankson, Carlos Johary to run in Republican primary

By Sarah Merly Reporter

In anticipation of the Aug. 18 primary election, The Apopka Chief is running questionnaires for several major local and regional races affecting Apopka-area voters. This week, we asked the two Republican primary candidates for Florida House District 39, incumbent Rep. Doug Bankson and challenger Carlos Johary, to share their backgrounds, most important issues, and thoughts on the property tax amendment on the ballot. The winner of the Republican primary will face Democrat Jarod Fox, a physician running unopposed in the Democratic primary. Read below for the full Q&A.

DOUG BANKSON, CURRENT FLORIDA HOUSE DISTRICT 39 REPRESENTATIVE

What in your professional and community backgrounds makes you the best candidate?

As a pastor, pilot, and entrepreneur, I’ve called Apopka home for 40+ years, devoting my life to serving others. Building both ministry and business, I’ve served on numerous local boards, overseen nearly 50 employees, chaired the Chamber of Commerce, served at local and state levels, and overseen multi-million dollar budgets.

What prompted you to run for Florida House District 39?

Seeking solutions and being a voice. These two legislative sessions I’ve brought back nearly \$25 million in appropriations and passed 20 bills, building a reputation of advancing meaningful legislation promoting economic opportunity, public safety, workforce development, and educational advancement. I’m passionate about ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to succeed.

What do you see as the three most important issues affecting Florida House District 39, and what would be your approach to addressing them?

- Affordability: To continue my record of reducing property insurance through both tort and accountability of insurance companies through increased OIR regulation. To see a replacement mechanism for the lost revenue from tax reform while bringing relief to the homeowners. To utilize public private partnerships for addressing housing needs and accessibility.
- Pro business: To focus on new job creation by supporting small business protections, reducing red tape, and promoting jobs and economic development incentive such as our successful removal of business rent tax. To address workforce needs through education and accessible housing to draw high paying job opportunities for future generations.
- Transportation: To advocate for increased transportation funding for Central FL and work with CRX to make sure revenues are spent to extend local exit arteries. To build on my work in the area of evtl tech-



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Rep. Doug Bankson

nology and vertiport development to alleviate the pressure on our ground infrastructure through aviation impact.

If the property tax constitutional amendment on the ballot is voted into law, how will the amendment affect or alter your vote and your priorities for the next legislative session?

Homeowners should have the opportunity to truly own their home and pass to posterity; however, we find ourselves in a challenging situation of how to deal with the decreased revenue at the local level. In 1980, the exemption was 56% of the average home value, while today it is only 13%, leaving homeowners with rising tax costs and no relief, especially for seniors on a fixed income. First time home buyers now average 40 years of age. I do believe there are feasible ways to replace this revenue if the people choose to go that route, but I am a bit uncomfortable with the rapidity at which this must be accomplished and would have preferred a longer on-ramp to allow for changes.



COURTESY OF CARLOS JOHARY

Carlos Johary

Two things need to be accomplished: a state held grant fund to supply municipalities more directly reliant on the home- stead dollars, and a residual source to replenish those funds. Local “doge” accountability (Apopka has been very frugal unlike some others who have large amounts of waste) will definitely help diminish losses, while other sources can include an initial one-time home sales tax, a small infrastructure fee for tourism stays, and a 1% sales tax increase, to name a few.

Where can voters go to learn more about you?

It’s been my honor to serve. To learn more about my campaign, voters can go to www.doug-bankson.com, or follow me on Facebook @DougForFlorida.

CARLOS JOHARY, DENTIST

What in your professional and community backgrounds makes you the best candidate?

I am not going to compare myself to any other candidate. I’m running for office to carry the people’s voice to our state

officials in hopes of making a positive change. I’m a self-made successful, multi-faceted highly educated business man who feels my time has come to help make a difference.

What prompted you to run for Florida House District 39?

This is where I live and have invested since 1992. The older I get, the more disturbed I become with our governments expenditures, wasteful spending, taxes, tools, etc. I want to make a difference. I’m not afraid to speak up against special interest groups. Money doesn’t buy my vote nor persuade me to vote against my conscience.

I was raised in Florida most of my life. I’ve seen the good and the bad. I want to increase the good and reduce the bad!

What do you see as the three most important issues affecting Florida House District 39, and what would be your approach to addressing them?

- Affordable housing – Incentives for developers in the form of tax credits for building affordable housing

- Environment – Government needs to acquire as much forests and woodlands as possible due to the high rate of construction/development

- Hunger/homeless – Too many people on the streets. Local/State politicians need to do more. The weapons we spend over-seas could feed every hungry person and provide shelter for every homeless person. That’s how many trillions of taxpayers’ dollars are spent on weapons to other countries.

If the property tax constitutional amendment on the ballot is voted into law, how will the amendment affect or alter your vote and your priorities for the next legislative session?

We need to continue to strive for less government spending so the savings can be passed on to tax payers.

Where can voters go to learn more about you?

I am in the infancy of my campaign so I do not have social media outlets at this time. I have an incredible autobiography that I can share with anyone requesting.

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In the period from July 5-11, 2026, the Apopka Police Department received 1,650 calls for service, responded to 35 crashes, issued 75 citations, and made 28 arrests. Burglaries: 0 vehicles, 0 residence, 1 business. Juveniles were charged with damage property-criminal mischief damage property \$1,000+; burglary-unoccupied structure unarmed (X2); probation violation-child in violation of imposed conditions.

The following adults were arrested and charged:

Jordan Matthew Debitetto, 25, 26631 Bermuda Dr., Tavares, DUI-unlawful blood alcohol 0.15 or higher or with person under 18 in vehicle (X2).

Gustavo Daniel Hidalgo Velazco, 58, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Michael Anthony Dougherty, 66, 3634 N. Citrus Cir., Zellwood, larceny-other theft.

Herman Rigoberto Lopez-Morales, 24, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Yves Stevens Amazan, 28, Orlando, obstructing justice-tamper witness withhold testimony/information felony 3rd proceeding; battery-touch or strike; aggravated stalking-follow/harass/cyberstalk credible threat to person.

Milton Wilfredo Hernandez Najera, 31, 1612 Gattis

Dr., Orlando, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license, 1st conviction; nonmoving traffic violation-attach registration license plate not assigned.

Natasha Devena Jagdeo, 31, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Malcolm Devonte` Payne, 33, Apopka, simple assault-intent threat to do violence.

Bettina Alexandra Becerra, 48, 809 W. Orange Blossom Trl., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Shareen Elizabeth Mauger, 24, 2475 Medicine Lake Dr., Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

David Keldrick Anthon Rushing, 20, Winter Springs, intimidation-written/electronic threat to kill/bodily harm another.

Emilio Choc Xoim, 22, 940

Lake Dr., Apopka, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without a valid license.

Eddie Enrique Santiago Cotto, 60, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Shelley Lynn Vanwie, 63, Apopka, battery-touch or strike (domestic violence).

William Anthony Middleton, 20, 4583 Heritage Oak Dr., Orlando, resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Ryan Hector Reyes, 39, Apopka, kidnap-false imprisonment of person; simple assault on person 65+ years of age.

Frederick Andrew Edwin Watson, 55, 814 Apopka Blvd., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription; drug equipment-possession and/or use.

Amber Nicole Kilgore,

26, transient, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Giovanni Leo Penn, 35, 393 Merlot Dr., Ocoee, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended revocation equivalent status, 3rd subsequent violation; drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription; out-of-county warrant.

Tyler Edward Dawson, 18, 2785 Ponkan Summit Dr., Apopka, trespassing-trespass on school grounds.

Gibson Thomas Degrilla, 18, 2056 Wavy Leaf Ct., Apopka, trespassing-trespass on school grounds.

Sandra Rose Husseinkhel, 30, 4846 Cedar St., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription (X2).

Jeffery Starmy Lampkin, 58, 539 Basie Pl., Orlando, larceny-petit theft merchan-

dise farm transit 2+ prior conviction; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Robin Cassandra Carter, 55, 814 Alabama Ave., Apopka, battery-prior conviction, battery-commit 2nd subsequent battery.

Janai Marcus Scott, 25, 545 Azalea Bloom Dr., Apopka, failure to appear, felony warrant.

Amy Marie Dinkins, 35, 1650 Schopke Rd., Apopka, out-of-county warrant.

Samuel Elijah Blinn, 35, 1254 Cleveland Ave., Apopka, out-of-county warrant.

Jeremiah Parkinson, 21, 10331 Bermuda Dr., Tavares, out-of-county warrant.

Update: The state of Florida dropped the charge of battery (domestic violence) against Tamara Renee Mathis due to insufficient evidence.

Orange County provides shelter list to keep cool

LYNX to provide free transportation between shelters in cases of extreme summer heat

Staff Reports

With temperatures now climbing near 100 degrees Fahrenheit, Orange County is

reminding residents of the region's 49 cooling shelters, four of which are located in Apopka:

- John H. Bridges Community Center — 445 W. 13th St. (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday)
- Magnolia Park — 2929 S. Binion Road (8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday-Sunday)
- North Orange Branch Library — 1211 E. Semoran

Blvd. (10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday)

- SALT Outreach Apopka — 199 S. Park Ave. (9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday)

According to a Monday news release, the Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority (LYNX) will provide free bus transportation between

cooling locations when the heat index is 103 degrees or higher. A full list of locations is available at www.orange-countyfl.net/EmergencySafety/ExtremeHeatInformation.aspx.

Heat advisories are issued within 12 hours or up to 36 hours in advance when the heat index is predicted to reach 108 to 112 degrees. Higher heat index values will lead to extreme heat warnings.



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Logan Gilbert returns to old stomping grounds

Wekiva graduate now established among MLB’s best starting pitchers

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Seattle Mariners starting pitcher Logan Gilbert has played in baseball’s biggest stadiums, but Tropicana Field is the one that always brings him back to where his dream began.

Before taking the mound Saturday against the Tampa Bay Rays, the Wekiva High School graduate reflected on the hometown that shaped him, from afternoons at Apopka Little League fields to the winding path that carried him from an overlooked high school pitcher to one of Major League Baseball’s top starters.

Gilbert, who graduated from Wekiva in 2015, spent his entire childhood in Apopka and still returns home during the offseason. His family continues to live in the area, and whenever he drives through town, one stop still catches his attention.

“I drive by Wekiva on the highway all the time and peek over trying to see if they’re practicing,” Gilbert, 29, said while sitting in the visiting dugout at Tropicana Field.

For Gilbert, Apopka wasn’t simply where he grew up. It was where his love for baseball took root.



PHOTO BY JULIO AGUILAR-GETTY IMAGES

Apopka native Logan Gilbert delivers a first-inning pitch for the Seattle Mariners against the Tampa Bay Rays on July 11 at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg.

“Apopka Little League was a huge part of my life,” Gilbert said. “So many practices and games, and that was a lot of time we spent up there.”

Gilbert’s journey to the major leagues was anything but conventional.

A late bloomer on the mound, he finished his senior season as Wekiva’s team MVP but was far from a top national

recruit, ranking No. 500 among high school pitchers, according to Perfect Game. Rather than leave the state, he committed to Stetson University in DeLand, where his career began to take off.

Under former Stetson pitching coach Dave Therneau, Gilbert developed into one of college baseball’s most dominant pitchers. He earned ASUN

Conference Pitcher of the Year honors in 2017 and 2018 and led NCAA Division I in strikeouts during his junior season.

“I thank the coach,” Gilbert said. “[Therneau] was a really big part of me becoming an actual pitcher, learning how to pitch, throw curveballs, these different things. I think my sophomore year I started to break out a little bit, and I

didn’t really know what I was doing until he just coached me.”

Seattle selected Gilbert with the 14th overall pick in the first round of the 2018 MLB Draft. After playing at three levels of the minors in 2019, Gilbert did not play in the COVID-shortened 2020 season. After only one start at AAA in 2021, the Mariners called him up to make

his major league debut on May 13, 2021.

Gilbert has been a mainstay in Seattle’s starting rotation ever since.

The 6-foot-6 right-hander quickly established himself as one of the most dependable starters in one of baseball’s top rotations, helping Seattle break a 20-year playoff drought in 2022 and then win a division title in 2025.

Gilbert earned his first All-Star selection in 2024, when he led the league in innings pitched and finished sixth in the Cy Young voting.

In a career already full of big moments on the field, Gilbert points to a moment off the field that stands above the rest.

“The draft in itself was our proudest [moment] because we were at Stetson, all my teammates were around, my parents were next to me, my girlfriend at the time, wife now, was there,” Gilbert said. “So it was really like everybody in my life right there, and it kind of solidified going from like a late bloomer, to good in college but kind of small school still, and then it kind of solidified that this thing is for real.”

Gilbert credits much of his competitive mindset to growing up in Apopka, where youth and high school sports have long been a source of community pride.

“They take sports seriously in Apopka,” Gilbert said.

GILBERT, B3



PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Young camper works through her pitching motion with Blue Darter alum and Eastern Florida freshman, Ava Millsbaugh.

Softball camp guides next generation of Blue Darters

MacWithey, current and former Darters help train 23 youth softball players

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

The future of the Apopka Blue Darters softball program is already taking shape.

Twenty-three campers ages of 8 through 14 spent July 13-15 learning the fundamentals of the game during the annual Apopka Softball Youth Camp at Apopka High School. Longtime head coach Mike MacWithey led the camp with instruction from current varsity and junior varsity players, along with recent graduates preparing for college softball.

The camp served as more than just three days of drills. It gave young athletes an opportunity to experience the culture of the Apopka softball program while building

relationships with the players they hope to become one day.

Campers were divided into three age groups, with the youngest group consisting of 8- and 9-year-olds, a second group of 10- and 11-year-olds, and the oldest group made up of players ages 12 through 14. Each team rotated through hitting, fielding and pitching stations throughout the week, allowing every camper to receive instruction in multiple areas of the game.

Senior Ava Gonzalez spent much of the camp working with hitters, helping young players improve their swings while embracing her role as one of the program’s veteran leaders.

“I hope to inspire them, and I hope that they see the future of Apopka softball,” Gonzalez said. “We’re losing 11. It’s going to be kind of a reset season,

SOFTBALL, B2

Jalen Carter hosts fourth annual camp

Nearly 700 kids turn out at Roger Williams Field

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Four years after launching a youth football camp in his hometown, Super Bowl champion Philadelphia Eagles defensive tackle Jalen Carter returned to Apopka High School to again invest in the community that helped shape his journey.

The Apopka High School Class of 2018 graduate welcomed nearly 700 campers ages 7-17 to Roger Williams Field for the fourth annual Jalen Carter Foundation Youth Football Camp, a free event centered on football instruction, competition and mentorship. While Carter’s accomplishments — including a national championship at Georgia and a Super Bowl title with the Eagles — have made him one of Apopka’s most recognizable athletes, Saturday’s focus was on giving the next generation an opportunity to learn from those who have walked the same path.



PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Jalen Carter does ALS ice bucket challenge in honor of Chris Johnson.

Campers were divided by age before rotating through more than 10 instructional stations covering every phase of the game, including tackling, ball security, passing, receiving, footwork and offensive and defensive line play. The afternoon shifted into competitive 7-on-7 games and one-on-one matchups, allowing players to put those lessons into action.

One of the day’s biggest highlights came when Carter tucked the football under his arm and charged into a crowd of campers, who quick-

ly swarmed the former Blue Darter and brought the NFL star to the ground amid cheers and laughter. Later, Carter spent time working with linemen on exploding off the ball before leading reaction drills with the young athletes.

For Apopka head coach Marcus Neeson, Carter’s annual return represents much more than a football camp.

“You get a guy like Jalen Carter who has grown in our system, made it to the league and won a Super Bowl,” Neeson said. “Him coming back and feeding his experience

and knowledge of the game to our guys and the youth is just incredible.”

While Carter served as the camp’s centerpiece, Apopka’s current players played an equally important role, spending the afternoon teaching drills and mentoring the hundreds of young athletes who attended.

Junior quarterback Hunter McNeeney said the opportunity to coach younger players is one he doesn’t take lightly.

“It’s so great to give back to the community. Shout out to Jalen Carter and all his team for everything,” McNeeney said. “Coming from a quarterback standpoint, you’re almost a natural leader. You show people what to do, you don’t show people wrong. I realize there’s always eyes on me, so I need to make sure I’m always at the top of my game. If my younger son was looking at this kid, would I want him around him? That’s how I want to take it on and be a good mentor.”

Senior defensive end Marcus Young found himself thinking back to his own

CAMP, B2



PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Jalen Carter, camp coaches and athletes gather at the end of camp.

Druck earns podium finishes and national cuts at FLAGS

Keira Druck glides through the pool ahead of FLAGS

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Apopka swimmer Keira Druck continued to prove she belongs among the nation’s top young competitors, turning in another standout performance at the 2026 Long Course Florida Age Group Swimming (FLAGS) Championships in Ocala.

After entering the meet ranked among the nation’s top 10-12 swimmers in the 14-year-old girls division, Druck lived up to the billing with four individual podium finishes, multiple personal bests and three new national qualifying cuts while competing against Florida’s best age-group swimmers.

Representing Laker Aquat-

ics, Druck opened the four-day championship with a strong showing in the preliminaries. She posted a personal-best 59.10 in the 100-meter freestyle, breaking the one-minute barrier for the first time while earning another Futures Championship qualifying cut and the No. 2 seed heading into the finals. She also swam the butterfly leg of the 200-meter medley relay, recording a 29.61-second split.

Later that evening, Druck claimed her first medal of the meet by finishing second in the 1,500-meter freestyle. She returned shortly afterward for the 100 freestyle final, placing 10th after already completing the grueling distance race.

“It’s kinda hard to swim a sprint after putting in a solid mile performance,” her mother, Kristin, said. “Even though she didn’t shine like she wanted, she finished with a smile know-

ing she did what she came to do during prelims.”

On the second day, Druck continued to build momentum. She helped Laker Aquatics in the 200-meter freestyle relay with a 27.27-second split before qualifying third for the 200 freestyle final. She capped the day with another runner-up finish, taking second in the event.

On Saturday, she qualified second for the 400-meter freestyle final before lowering her personal best in the evening championship race. Her second-place finish also earned her a Winter Juniors qualifying cut. She later anchored the 400-meter freestyle relay with a 59.55 split.

During the final day, Druck qualified fourth in the 100-meter butterfly before closing the meet with a personal-best swim in the 800-meter freestyle. Her second-place finish produced another Futures Championship

qualifying cut. She later earned third place in the 100 butterfly to conclude an impressive weekend.

The performances continued an already remarkable summer for Druck, who entered the

meet after winning her second straight women’s title at the Doc Lucky’s Golden Mile and improving her time at USA Swimming’s Open Water Junior National Championships earlier this year.

Now, Druck shifts her focus to an even bigger stage. She is scheduled to compete next at the USA Swimming Futures Championships coming up in Knoxville, Tennessee, from July 29 through Aug. 1.



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Keira Druck glides through the pool ahead of FLAGS.

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PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Jalen Carter and senior defensive lineman Demetrius Tarpley (99) work with campers on tight turning in a tag game during Carter's fourth annual youth football camp on Saturday at Apopka High School's Roger Williams Field.

younger days while helping campers through the drills.

“It’s just nice seeing things they are messing up on and helping to correct them, because when I teach someone else, it’s helping me learn too,” Young said. “Those are mistakes I remember making back my freshman year and before that, so it was nice helping them get better.”

Apopka defensive coach Matt Anderson said one of his favorite parts of the annual camp is seeing how far its reach has grown beyond the city limits.

“It’s the amount of people and kids there are. You want to be selfish and say this is for Apopka, but it’s for every-

body,” Anderson said. “We’ve got Seminole County kids. We’ve got Orange County kids. It’s cool seeing the amount of kids who want to come out to the Jalen Carter camp when it’s this hot. But every year it seems like we add a little bit more and more.”

The day also had an impact beyond the football field.

During the closing ceremony, the Jalen Carter Foundation presented a \$5,000 donation to the Apopka High School athletic department and awarded two scholarships. Camp MVPs received authentic Carter Philadelphia Eagles jerseys, with the opportunity to have them signed by the Super Bowl champion.

“We give our gratitude to Apopka High School for opening your doors and partnering with us for four years,” Carter’s mother, Tonique Brown, said during the presentation. “Your generosity, hospitality and commitment to our youth helps create an unforgettable experience.”

As the camp concluded, Apopka’s coaches gathered their players for some final messages before preseason preparations begin. They praised the Blue Darters for embracing their roles as mentors while reminding them that community service is a responsibility that comes with wearing the Apopka uniform.

Neeson also credited every-

one involved with making this year’s event the smoothest yet.

“It went really well,” Neeson said. “Drew Rosenhaus gave us compliments that it is the best run that we’ve done so far. Each year, we’re trying to one-up the year prior, and I think we did a good job listening.”

For the hundreds of campers who spent their Saturday learning from an NFL champion and Apopka’s current players, the event was another memorable summer experience. For the Blue Darters, it served as a reminder that the program’s tradition isn’t measured only by championships but by former players who continue to return home and inspire those hoping to follow in their footsteps.



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“Even when I was growing up, I was like 4 or 5 when they won the Little League World Series on the U.S. side and played Japan in the finals. Then my first baseball coach was the coach of that team, Bobby Brewer. Since the time I was little, sports are huge, baseball’s huge, high school athletics are very serious and very competitive. So that’s kind of been ingrained in me since I was little.”

The relationships he built at Wekiva remain just as important, even years later.

“A couple of my best friends are guys I played with at Wekiva baseball,” Gilbert said. “We took things seriously. We practiced hard, but we also goofed off and just had fun. The fall weightlifting and the winter conditioning, just the whole year-round part of it. You go to school together, you practice together. You have really, really tight relationships with those guys.”

Returning to Tropicana Field also reminded Gilbert of being the kid in the stands. Long before he wore a Mariners uniform, he made trips to St. Petersburg to watch future major league stars.

“I come here, and people are probably tired of me saying it already, but I’ll point out where I was in the stands,” Gilbert said. “I remember I was sitting back there watching Ja-



PHOTO BY JULIO AGUILAR-GETTY IMAGES

Gilbert fires a pitch in the third inning against the Tampa Bay Rays on July 11, shortly after joining Seattle’s 1,000-strikeout club.

cob deGrom in 2015. I remember watching [Evan] Longoria. I think he hit a bomb down the line. As a kid, you kind of look up to these people and dream that could be you one day. Hopefully the next generation

in Apopka is doing the same thing.”

Saturday’s start gave Gilbert another opportunity to pitch in front of family, friends and coaches who helped shape his career.



PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Gilbert walks off the field ahead of Seattle’s July 10 game against the Tampa Bay Rays at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg.

“I’m glad it lined up, because two years ago I didn’t get to pitch here,” he said before listing the people who would attend. “My in-laws, my brother and his in-laws, the pitching coach at Stetson, the

head coach that was at Stetson, people I grew up with. It’s kind of like every chapter of my life. It’s pretty cool.”

Gilbert treated the hometown crowd to a major personal milestone in the second in-

ning, when he became the fifth pitcher in club history to strike out 1,000 batters. He joined vaunted names including Felix Hernandez, Randy Johnson, Jamie Moyer and Mark Langston, reaching the mark in fewer innings (944) than any of them.

“That’s a big deal,” Gilbert told MLB.com after the game. “Being so close to home, if I’m not going to get it in Seattle, this is the next-best place, and I had a lot of people out here.”

Gilbert pitched into the seventh inning but shouldered the loss against the Rays, who have the best record in the American League. Still, he entered this week’s All-Star break ranking in the league’s top 10 in ERA (3.32), strikeouts (119) and innings pitched (114).

Gilbert has already accomplished goals that once seemed distant for a lightly recruited pitcher from Wekiva, but his next goal is even bigger.

“Cy Young would be cool one year, right?” Gilbert said with a smile. “That’s a very lofty goal, but might as well shoot for it.”

In the meantime, Gilbert is soaking up the journey and not taking anything for granted.

“Right now, I’m just enjoying every day,” he said. “You don’t know when it’s going to be your last, and five years have already gone really quickly.”

SOFTBALL
FROM B1

and a lot of people are going to underestimate us. But seeing a few girls out here that are going to be freshmen really gives me hope that they’re going to step in and take the seniors’ place. We are going to be underdogs, but I think we have the ability to go farther than people think.”

Junior Callie Sowers worked with fielders throughout the camp, while recent graduate Ava Millspaugh, who will begin her freshman season at Eastern Florida State College, instructed pitchers on mechanics and confidence in the circle.

Fellow graduate Shylah Pino, who is preparing to continue her career at the University of West Alabama, spent the three days working alongside campers in the field while constantly encouraging players during each drill and activity. Taylor Smith also volunteered the first two days of camp before leaving to begin her collegiate career at the University of North Carolina.

For MacWithey, seeing former players return to mentor the next generation is one of the program’s greatest strengths.



PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Apopka Blue Darters softball camp groups up at the pitching circle and poses for a picture on Wednesday at the Apopka High School softball field.

“When we talk about the philosophy and building legacy and continuity within the program, it requires them to learn how to be present,” MacWithey said. “Seniors know how to lead because they’ve been shown how to lead. It’s just passing the torch to the next group. Since 1984, we’ve continued to put good athletes on the field, displaying their talents, their love for the game and the desire to get better every day. That’s one of the reasons we’ve been so successful.”

That continuity was visi-

ble throughout the week as college-bound players shared the same lessons they once learned as young athletes themselves.

MacWithey said camps like this are critical to sustaining success at the high school level because they introduce players to the game long before they ever wear an Apopka uniform.

“The purpose is to build a love for the game at the youth level,” MacWithey said. “If they don’t start before they get to high school, you cannot be successful. They’ve got to

know how to throw and have a love for the game. We’ve got little leaguers here, travel ball players, kids who have never played before. The skill level is completely different across the board, but they’re all getting an opportunity to learn.”

He was encouraged by what he saw during the three-day camp.

“There’s a lot of great-looking players,” MacWithey said. “We’re proud that Apopka has talent in the pipeline. Our job is to promote positivity, promote the desire to play the sport and have fun with it.

We saw several players who should be helping us compete here in the future.”

For Pino, returning to the field where she built her own high school career carried special meaning before beginning her next chapter in college.

“It’s a good feeling to give these little girls an idea of what high school softball is like, the environment and how we run things. Most importantly, it’s about having fun. A lot of these girls are having fun, and that makes me happy because being out

here with them puts a smile on my face.”

By the end of the camp, Pino noticed something more important than improved fielding or stronger throws.

“I’d say the bonding is my favorite part,” she said. “There are girls with all different skill levels and ages. They ask questions about high school, softball, making friends. A lot of these girls came in nervous and scared, but by the second day you could see they were comfortable. They were asking questions, smiling. I don’t think there’s one camper who’s scared anymore. They’re all bonding now, and it’s really cool to see.”

As Apopka prepares for a season that will feature a younger roster following the graduation of 11 seniors, this week’s camp offered a glimpse into the program’s future. Under the guidance of current players, former Blue Darters and a coach who has spent more than four decades building the program, the next generation took its first steps toward carrying on Apopka softball’s tradition.

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To submit an event, you can email them to news@theapokkachief.com.

Friday, July 17

Movies on the Lawn: Elf
8:30 p.m. – Great Southern Box Restaurant: (2015 Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando)
Grab a blanket or lawn chair, sit back, and enjoy a fun summer evening with complimentary popcorn and slushies while supplies last. Free.

Saturday, July 18

Collective Corner Local Pop-Up Market at Avalon Park
10 a.m. – Avalon Park (13002 Founders Square Drive, Orlando) Shop handmade goods, trendy boutiques, permanent jewelry, vintage-inspired vendors, sweet treats, drinks, and more while enjoying themed photo ops, sunset shopping, and an upbeat atmosphere designed to feel like the perfect summer throwback. Free.

Mexican Folkloric Dance Class
10:30 a.m. – OCLS Southwest Branch (7255 Della Drive, Orlando)
Learn a traditional Mexican dance with the folkloric dancers of Mexico Danza Orlando. Experience the beauty of skirt work, zapateado and dynamic movements in this energetic and interactive class. Free.

Composition in the Field - Photography Workshop
11 a.m. – Greenwood Urban

Wetlands (1411 Greenwood St., Orlando)
You will have fun in the three hour session, learn to shoot strategically, get more interesting photos of the event, and walk away with a foundation to improve your photographs in the future, whether you're traveling, or at a birthday party and everywhere in between. \$155.38.

BLACKBIRD MICROCON
12 p.m. – Ten 10 Brewing (1010 Virginia Drive, Orlando)
MicroCon is a curated selection of local small businesses offering vinyl, comics, books, artwork, handmade crafts, etc. Free.

Christmas in July at The Florida Mall
1 p.m. – The Florida Mall (8001 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando)
Visit Santa in Center Court near the Dining Pavilion every Saturday and Sunday throughout July (1–5 p.m.). Capture a special holiday memory with family and friends while supplies last. Visit Grand Court near MAC 1-4 p.m. on July 18 for a summer-inspired event packed with family fun, entertainment, and seasonal surprises. Free.

Honey Tasting and Made-line Cakes
1:30 p.m. – Harry P. Leu Gardens (1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando)
Come share the diversity of nature's sweetness. Registration includes admission to the beautiful gardens before or after class. Starting

at \$25.85.

An Acoustic Evening with Chuck Magid & Daniel Heitz of Steeln' Peaches
5 p.m. – Judson's Live (445 S. Magnolia Ave., Orlando)
Known for channeling the spirit, soul and improvisational energy of The Allman Brothers Band, Chuck Magid and Daniel Heitz strip things down for a special evening of acoustic music, storytelling and Southern rock-inspired arrangements. Starting at \$23.31.

Bengali 600
8:30 p.m. – Judson's Live (445 S. Magnolia Ave., Orlando)
Orlando's own Bengali 600 is a Central Florida-based Afrobeat band with a big, groovy, brassy soul chased with a side of funky jazz. Starting at \$35.11.

Sunday, July 19

Introduction to Haiku Poetry Workshop
11 a.m. – The Urban Ashram (310 E. New Hampshire St., Suite #700, Orlando)
Slow down, notice more and turn a single moment into Japanese Haiku poetry. \$28.

Growin' Through It Bear Planter Workshop: Family Edition
2:30 p.m. – Jungle Room (2322 Edgewater Drive, Suite A, Orlando)
Create memories and adorable bear planters together at this special Mommy + Me workshop filled with creativity, plants, and fun!



COURTESY OF DR. PHILLIPS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Chuck Magid and Daniel Heitz strip things down for a special evening of acoustic music, storytelling and Southern rock-inspired arrangements.

\$106.50 for one caregiver and child pair.

FIFA Watch Party - Match Day Social
3 p.m. – Noir (861 N. Orange Ave., Orlando)
More than a watch party, this immersive evening blends signature cocktails, thoughtfully designed moments, complimentary ice cream, and the excitement of the world's biggest match in one of Downtown Orlando's most intimate cocktail lounges. Free.

Grant Peeples
2 p.m. – Winter Park Public Library (1052 W. Morse Blvd., Winter Park)
Indoor acoustic music concert featuring Grant Peeples at Winter Park Public Library. Suggested donation \$15.

Monday, July 20

Free Back-to-School Phys-

icals
5:30 p.m. – Orange County Medical Clinic (101 S. Westmoreland Drive, Orlando)
These no-cost physicals are specifically for children and teens without health insurance, removing financial barriers to required school health forms and care. The program is open to uninsured youth from across Central Florida, with no county restrictions. Free.

Tuesday, July 21

Forgotten Broadway
7 p.m. – Judson's Live (445 S. Magnolia Ave., Orlando)
Orlando's top improvisers return to Judson's Live on July 21, 2026, for Forgotten Broadway, a hilarious, audience-driven improv comedy spectacular where no two shows are ever the same. Starting at \$29.50.

Wednesday, July 22

Apopka Foliage Toastmasters
7 p.m. – Apopka Museum (120 E. Fifth St., Apopka)
Toastmasters is a club that allows you to improve your public speaking, listening and leadership skills. We meet most every Wednesday in-person and online. Free.

Thursday, July 23

Community Plant-Based Potluck
6 p.m. – 4Roots Farm Campus (1101 N. John Young Parkway, Orlando)
Throughout the evening, you're invited to share the meal, engage in thoughtful conversation about your plant-based journey, food, sustainability, and the role plant-based choices can play in building a healthier future—for ourselves and our planet. Free with registration.

Salmon patties go great with garlic cheese grits and iced tea

Emily Meggett has a recipe for salmon patties in her book *Gullah Geechee Home Cooking*. She says, "Salmon patties are almost identical to French salmon croquettes. It's another example of the French influence on Lowcountry cuisine. Salmon patties are cherished in Gullah Geechee cuisine. People call them salmon patties or salmon cakes. What connects them are the inexpensive ingredients that shape this fried fish cake." *I say:* There is only one of me, so I used one small 6-ounce can of salmon, maybe a 1/2-teaspoon *dehydrated* onion (it gets rehydrated in the salmon juice), one egg, one teaspoon flour, mixed in a tablespoon of breadcrumbs (not toasted!), and maybe a 1/4-cup of EVOO in a stainless-steel skillet. They were *outstanding*! I made four medium-size patties, ate two, and put two in the fridge in a Ziplok.

Beth Walters contributed Evie's Garlic Cheese Grits to First Presbyterian's *Treasures and Pleasures*. It's one of our very favorite cookbooks! The recipe says, "Serves six." Maybe... if you're feeding genteel folk! It's generally 1/4-cup grits per person. Perhaps the eggs, milk, and cheese will make another two cups of food. Anyway, it looks pretty good.

Marinara Sauce is used for so many different dishes, the primary one in my mind being the basis for good old spaghetti and meat sauce or meatballs. Here is a recipe for Classic Marinara Sauce from Lidia Bastianich, adapted by Julia Moskin at cooking.nytimes.com, who says, "Homemade marinara is almost as fast and tastes immeasurably better than even the best supermarket sauce – and it's made with basic pantry ingredients. All the tricks to a bright red, lively-tasting sauce, made just as it is in the south of Italy (no butter, no onions) are in this recipe. Use a skillet instead of the usual saucepan; the water evaporates quickly, so the tomatoes are just cooked through as the sauce becomes thick." This recipe yields 3-1/2 cups, enough for one pound of pasta. Time is 25 minutes.

From *Pot-Pourri of Zellwood*, here is a recipe for bread and butter pickles from Mary Vincent with the note, "Borrowed from Byron McCoy years ago." So, thanks to both of you!

From *The New Low-Country Cooking* written by Marvin Woods, let's try his Iced Tea recipe. He says, "Did you know that iced tea was born at the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair? How it became one of the South's most celebrated drinks isn't really

known. It can be made in several ways. Whether you like it with or without lemon and sugar is completely up to you. Use this recipe as is, or use it as a base, adding or omitting what you like. *Never chill iced tea in the refrigerator, or it will get cloudy.*"

For the times you want to spoil yourself and everybody else around you, here is Butter-Pecan Ice Cream! This flavor is my very favorite, and it might be yours, too! The recipe was contributed by Tammy Sewell of Fort Benning, Georgia, to the 1996 annual publication of *Southern Living's Favorites*.

EMILY MEGGETT'S SALMON PATTIES

Recipe from
Gullah Geechee Home Cooking

INGREDIENTS:
1 onion, grated
2 large eggs
1 (14-3/4-ounce) can pink salmon
1 heaping tablespoon flour
1-1/2 teaspoons seasoning salt, preferably Gold Medal
1/4 cup breadcrumbs, toasted
1/2 cup vegetable oil
DIRECTIONS:
1) In a large mixing bowl, mix the onion and eggs together. Once combined, add the salmon, 1 heaping tablespoon flour, and seasoning salt. Stir well to combine. 2) Divide the mixture into equal portions. The patties should be thick circles – about the size of the palm of your hand, and roughly 1 to 1-1/2 inches thick. 3) Using your hand, take a scoop of the toasted breadcrumbs, and cover each salmon patty with breadcrumbs. 4) In a large cast-iron skillet, heat the oil over medium-high heat. 5) Once the oil is shimmering, working in batches if necessary, drop the patties into the hot oil. 6) Reduce the heat to medium and cook the patties on one side until golden brown, 3 to 5 minutes, then turn and cook until the other side is golden brown. 7) Place on a paper towel to drain. Serve hot.
Note: A pot of grits would go very well with these salmon patties. Makes 6 to 8 patties.

BETH WALTERS' EVIE'S GARLIC CHEESE GRITS

Recipe from First Presbyterian
Church of Apopka, *Treasures and Pleasures*

INGREDIENTS:
1 cup fine grits (cook according to package directions)
1 roll garlic cheese
1 stick butter
Salt to taste

Tabasco sauce to taste
2 eggs, beaten
1/4 cup milk
1/2 pound sharp cheese, shredded
Paprika
DIRECTIONS:

1) Melt garlic cheese in butter. 2) Mix together and season to taste with salt and Tabasco sauce. 3) Mix 2 beaten eggs and 1/4-cup milk together. 4) Stir the melted garlic cheese/butter mixture into the cooked grits. 5) Pour grits mixture into lubricated casserole. 6) Top with shredded sharp cheese and sprinkle with paprika. 7) Bake at 300 degrees for 40 minutes. Serves six.

CLASSIC MARINARA SAUCE

Recipe from *The New York Times*

INGREDIENTS:
1 28-ounce can whole San Marzano tomatoes, certified D.O.P. if possible
1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
7 garlic cloves, peeled and slivered
Small dried whole chile, or pinch crushed red pepper flakes
1 teaspoon kosher salt
1 large fresh basil sprig, or 1/4 teaspoon dried oregano, more to taste
DIRECTIONS:
1) Place tomatoes into a large bowl and crush with your hands. Pour 1 cup water into can and slosh it around to get tomato juices. Reserve. 2) In a large skillet (do not use a deep pot) over medium heat, heat the oil. When it is hot, add garlic. 3) As soon as garlic is sizzling (do not let it brown), add the tomatoes, then the reserved tomato water. Add whole chile or red pepper flakes, oregano (if using) and salt. Stir. 4) Place basil sprig, including stem, on the surface (like a flower). Let it wilt, then submerge in sauce. Simmer sauce until thickened and oil on surface is a deep orange, about 15 minutes. (If using oregano, taste sauce after 10 minutes of simmering, adding more salt and oregano as needed.) Discard basil and chile if using.

BREAD AND BUTTER PICKLES

Recipe contributed by Mary Vincent
"Borrowed from Byron McCoy years ago"

INGREDIENTS & INSTRUCTIONS:
1 gallon firm cucumbers
2 seeded green peppers
Skin 8 small white onions
Prepare 1 quart crushed ice
Place these ingredients in layers in a crock with:
1/2 cup salt (pickling salt)
Cover with a weighted lid, place in

refrigerator for 3 hours or overnight. Drain.
Make syrup of:
5 cups vinegar
5 cups sugar
1-1/2 teaspoons turmeric
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
1/2 teaspoon mustard seed
1 teaspoon celery seed
Add the vegetables. Heat them slowly with very little stirring. Scald; do NOT boil them. Place the pickles in sterile jars and seal at once.

ICED TEA

Recipe from
The New Low-Country Cooking
by Marvin Woods

INGREDIENTS:
6 to 8 tea bags
6 cups boiling water
1/4 cup fresh lemon juice (optional)
1/4 cup granulated sugar (optional)
DIRECTIONS:
Place the tea bags in a large heatproof pitcher. Pour the boiling water over the tea bags. Let stand for 3 to 5 minutes, or longer for stronger tea. Remove the tea bags. Add the lemon, if desired. Stir in the sugar, if desired, until dissolved. Let cool. Pour over ice and serve.

TAMMY SEWELL'S BUTTER-PECAN ICE CREAM

Recipe from
1996 Southern Living All-Time Favorites

INGREDIENTS:
1/4 cup butter or margarine
2 cups chopped pecans
7 cups milk, divided
1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk
2 cups sugar
6 large eggs, lightly beaten
1 (5.1-ounce) package vanilla instant pudding mix
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
DIRECTIONS:
1) Melt butter in a large heavy saucepan over medium-high heat; add pecans, and cook, stirring constantly, 3 minutes or until lightly browned. Drain and set aside. 2) Combine 1 cup milk and next 3 ingredients in saucepan; cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, 5 minutes or until mixture coats back of a spoon. Cool. Stir in remaining 6 cups milk, pudding mix, and vanilla; add pecans, stirring well. 3) Pour mixture into freezer container of a 5-quart hand- turned or electric freezer. Freeze according to manufacturer's instructions. 4) Pack freezer with additional ice and rock salt; let stand 1 hour before serving. Yield: 1 gallon.

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LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
BARTLETT TOWING, INC gives notice that on **08/10/2026** 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. **2006 MAZD JMI1BK323361479772**
Publish: The Apopka Chief
July 17, 2026

NOTICE OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE
Pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585, **Auto Service Orlando LLC**, will sell at public sale for cash the following described vehicle(s) 2011 TOYOTA SIENNA Vin#5TDKK3DC7BS097867 located at lienor's place to satisfy a claim of lien. Lien Amt: \$6,856.00. Sale Date: August 25, 2026 08:00 AM. At Location Address 800 West Landstreet Rd Orlando FL 32824 and phone # 407-956-0278 - # 407-728-2730. Said Vehicle (s) may be redeemed by satisfying the lien prior to sale date. You have the right to a hearing at any time prior to sale date by filing a demand for hearing in the circuit court. Owner has the right to recover possession of the vehicle by posting a bond in accordance with F.S. 559.917. Any proceeds in excess of the amount of the lien will be deposited with the Clerk of Circuit Court in the county where the vehicle is held.
July 17, 2026

NOTICE OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE
Pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585, **Auto Service Orlando LLC**, will sell at public sale for cash the following described vehicle(s) 2017 DODGE RAM 1500 SIENNA Vin#1C6RR6GG4HS675909 located at lienor's place to satisfy a claim of lien. Lien Amt: \$8,602.00. Sale Date: August 17, 2026 08:00 AM. At Location Address 800 West Landstreet Rd Orlando FL 32824 and phone # 407-956-0278 - # 407-728-2730. Said Vehicle (s) may be redeemed by satisfying the lien prior to sale date. You have the right to a hearing at any time prior to sale date by filing a demand for hearing in the circuit court. Owner has the right to recover possession of the vehicle by posting a bond in accordance with F.S. 559.917. Any proceeds in excess of the amount of the lien will be deposited with the Clerk of Circuit Court in the county where the vehicle is held.
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Publish: The Apopka Chief
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
Notice is hereby given that on 08/06/2026 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold at public sale at 2441 SOUTH ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL APOPKA FL 32703 for the amount owed on each vehicle to satisfy the lien for repairs, services and storage charges and any administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585. **KNAE25LASK60550889 2019 KIA 11458.38** The name, address and telephone number and public sale location of the repair shop claiming the lien for unpaid charges is: **Lienor Name:** GABE AUTO TECH INC
Lienor Address: 2441 S ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL, APOPKA, FL 32703
Lienor Telephone #: 407-914-5492
MV License #: MV-36491
Location of Vehicles: 2441 SOUTH ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL, APOPKA, FL 32703
The customer or person claiming an interest, or a lien may redeem the vehicle by satisfying the amount due in cash on or before the sale date and time. The customer or person claiming an interest in or lien on a vehicle may file a demand for a hearing with the Clerk of Court in the SEMINOLE County where the vehicle is held to determine whether the vehicle has been wrongfully taken or withheld from him or her. At any time before the date of sale a customer or person of record claiming a lien on the vehicle may post a cash or surety bond in the amount stated on the invoice with the Clerk of Circuit Court, where the disputed transaction occurred.
July 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-002001-O
Division: Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF MICHAEL JOHN GICH NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Michael John Gich, deceased, whose date of death was March 5, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 200 E. Michigan St., Orlando, Florida 32806. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FERTH 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 July 17, 2026.
Personal Representative: Connie Leigh Haywood.
Attorney for Personal Representative: Cynthia E. McGee, Esq., Florida Bar No. 0112083
Email Address: cindi@cmcgelaw.com
238 N. Westmonte Drive, Suite 200, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 R/A address: 238 N. Westmonte Drive, Suite 200 Altamonte Springs, FL 32714
Telephone: 407-234-0695
July 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
File No. 2026-CP-002025-O
IN RE: ESTATE OF

PROBATE DIVISION MARGARET M. THOMAS, Mary Margaret Mitchell Thomas Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of MARGARET M. THOMAS, also known as Mary Margaret Mitchell Thomas, deceased, whose date of death was July 12, 2025; File Number 2026-CP-002025-O, is pending in the Circuit Court for ORANGE County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Room 353, Orlando, FL 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives' 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. 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 PERIOD 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: July 17, 2026.
Signed on June 16, 2026.
HAHNA THOMAS
Personal Representative
325 Park North Court
Winter Park, FL 32789
Mary Merrell Bailey Attorney for Petitioner
Florida Bar No. 541265
Your Caring Law Firm
2323 Lee Road
Winter Park, FL 32789
Telephone: 407-622-1900
Email: Merrell@YourCaringLawFirm.com
Secondary Email: Paralegals@YourCaringLawFirm.com
July 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-1461
Division
IN RE: ESTATE OF DORRETHA C. SMITH Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of DORRETHA C. SMITH, deceased, whose date of death was October 31, 2025, 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 representatives and the personal representatives' 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.
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The date of first publication of this notice is July 10, 2026.
Personal Representatives: HARRIETT W. MCKINNEY 32514 Timberlake Drive Mount Dora, Florida 32757
DORRETHA Y. SMITH 201 Bonhill Drive Fort Washington, MD 20744
Attorney for Personal Representative: KEVIN B. ROSSI Attorney Florida Bar Number: 1018441
Bowen & Schroth, P.A. 600 Jennings Avenue Eustis, Florida 32726
Telephone: (352) 589-1414
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July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA Probate Division
File No.: 2026-CP-001852-O
Estate of:
Thomas T. Hughes Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of **THOMAS T. HUGHES**, deceased, whose date of death was April 11, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for ORANGE County, Florida, Probate Division, File No.: 2026-CP-001852-O, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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The date of first publication of this notice is July 17, 2026.
Personal Representative: HARRIETT W. MCKINNEY 32514 Timberlake Drive Mount Dora, Florida 32757
DORRETHA Y. SMITH 201 Bonhill Drive Fort Washington, MD 20744
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File No.: 2026-CP-001852-O
Estate of:
Thomas T. Hughes Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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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 July 10, 2026.
Personal Representative: Ginger Romano 18664 Bellmore Avenue Orlando, Florida 32820
Attorney for Personal Representative Rhet Frazier, Esq., Florida Bar No. 1000347
R. Frazier Law, PLLC 400 N. New York Ave., Suite 116 Winter Park, Florida 32789
Telephone: (407) 741-3599
Primary Email: rhett@rfrazierlaw.com
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2025-CA-006541-O DIV NO.: 48
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VI
TO: JENNIFER H. ANDERSON
PO BOX 723
PAGELAND, SC 29728-0723
DENNIS L. ANDERSON
PO BOX 723
PAGELAND, SC 29728-0723
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 13, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-006541-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT VI**
Unit Week 24 in Unit 7142, 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 hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 19th day of August, 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 July 13, 2026.
DATED this 13th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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July 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2025-CA-006541-O DIV NO.: 48
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IX
TO: KAIL B. BANKS
1157 WEST 120 NORTH ST GEORGE, UT 84770
CHRISTOPHER J. BANKS
1157 WEST 120 NORTH ST GEORGE, UT 84770
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 13, 206 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-006541-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT IX**
Unit Week 35 in Unit 6325, 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 hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 19th day of August, 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 July 13, 2026.
DATED this 13th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IX
TO: JASON T. YODER
207 FOX HOLLOW RD MUNCY, PA 17756
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-006541-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT I**
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MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II
TO: KIRK C. BRAMWELL
5509 WRIGHT ENDEAVOR DR BOWIE, MD 20720
ANDREA MARIE BRAMWELL
2324 NEES LN SILVER SPRING, MD 20905-4542
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-006541-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT II**
Unit Week 07 in Unit 2301, 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.
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Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II
TO: KIRK C. BRAMWELL
5509 WRIGHT ENDEAVOR DR BOWIE, MD 20720
ANDREA MARIE BRAMWELL
2324 NEES LN SILVER SPRING, MD 20905-4542
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2025-CA-006541-O DIV NO.: 48
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT III
TO: ANDRE JOHNSON
1961 SW 75TH TERRACE PLANTATION, FL 33317
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-006541-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT III**
Unit Week 05 in Unit 5502, 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.
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July 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2025-CA-006541-O DIV NO.: 48
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT I
TO: JASON T. YODER
207 FOX HOLLOW RD MUNCY, PA 17756
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-006541-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT I**
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Plaintiff,
vs.
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NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT I
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207 FOX HOLLOW RD MUNCY, PA 17756
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MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT I
TO: KIRK C. BRAMWELL
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ANDREA MARIE BRAMWELL
2324 NEES LN SILVER SPRING, MD 20905-4542
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At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting

The Apopka Chief

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 7, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT I
8 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: R91941 & R91942 & R91943 & R91944 & R91945 & R91946 & R91947 & R91948) 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 01, 2018 (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 19th day of AUGUST, 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 July 7, 2026.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
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July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et. al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
AS TO COUNT V
TO: CHIZUYO SAKATA, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF CHIZUYO SAKATA, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
SELAUS AND KRAFT
218 WEST FRONT ST,
PO BOX 289
MEDIA, PA 19063-0289
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 7, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT V
8 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 033328 & 033329 & 033330 & 033331 & 033332 & 033333 & 033334 & 033335) 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 01, 2019 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

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DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M.FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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July 10, 17, 2026

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE FOLLOWING TENANTS WILL BE SOLD FOR CASH TO SATISFY TENT-AL LIENS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTES, SELF STORAGE FACILITY ACT, SECTIONS 83.806 AND 83.807. CONTENTS MAY INCLUDE TOOLS, FURNITURE, BEDDING, KITCHEN, TOYS, GAMES, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, PACKED CARTONS, CARS, TRUCKS, ETC. THERE IS NO TITLE FOR VEHICLES SOLD AT LIEN SALE. OWNERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO BID ON UNITS. LIEN SALE TO BE HELD ONLINE, ENDING TUESDAY, August 4, 2026. VIEWING AND BIDDING WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.STORAGETREASURES.COM BEGINNING AT LEAST 5 DAYS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME.
PERSONAL MINI STORAGE APOPKA,
1365 E Semoran Blvd.,
Apopka, FL 32703,
10:00 AM:
705-Michelle Betancourt;

901-Marie Baptiste;
2207-Adam Estrada,
Ginni Marie Estrada,
2000 LWC boat VIN:
OMCS7171J900,
2000 YACH boat trailer
VIN: 4H1001911Y0269616.
July 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2026-CA-005792-O
DIV NO.: 48
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
AMY R. MOSS, et. al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT III
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: THOMAS E. HITE SR.
38760 CONGRESSIONAL LANE
WILLOUGHBY, OH 44094
AND
PAMELA B. HITE
38760 CONGRESSIONAL LANE
WILLOUGHBY, OH 44094
AND
PAMELA B. HITE
1766 E 8TH ST
BROOKLYN, NY 11223-2202
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 III
12 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 022726 & 022727 & 022728 & 022729 & 022730 & 022731 & 022732 & 022733 & 022734 & 022735 & 022736 & 022737) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 3000 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, 2017 (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 7th day of July, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /s/ Lauren Scheidt
As Deputy Clerk
Tiffany Moore Russell,
Clerk of Courts
Civil Division
425 N Orange Ave
Room 330
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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THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
HK#126435.9600/MP119
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-008323-O
DIV NO.: 37
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ROBERT M. SPIELMAN, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
AS TO COUNT II
TO: EUGENE E. SHEEHY, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF EUGENE E. SHEEHY, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
388 BROADWAY
NEWPORT,
RHODE ISLAND 02840
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-008523-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT II
6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 166750 & 166751 & 166752 & 166801 & 166802 & 166803) 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, 2012 (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 13th of AUGUST, 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 July 9, 2026.
DATED July 9, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #129710.0045
MRHC #ORANGE
July 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
Case No. 2026-CP-000637-O
IN RE: ESTATE OF JENSE JERMINIE TORRES JORGE,
NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: JAMES TORRES,
142 Naomi Road,
Orlando, Florida 32822
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Petition for Administration, Petition to Waive Bond of Personal Representative and Notice of Administration has been filed in this court. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on Petitioner's attorney, whose name and address are: David W. Veliz, 630 North Wymore Road, Suite 330, Maitland, Florida 32751 on or before August 11, 2026 and to file the original of the written defenses with the Clerk of this Court either before service or immediately thereafter. Failure to serve and file written defenses as required may result in a judgment or order for the relief demanded, without further notice.
Signed on June 19, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
As Clerk of Court
/s/ Mayra I. Cruz
Mayra I. Cruz
As Deputy Clerk
Probate Mental Health Division
425 N. Orange Avenue
Room 335
Orlando, Florida 32801
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
July 10, 17, 24, 31, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-006541-O
DIV NO.: 48
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JASON T. YODER, et. al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
AS TO COUNT IV
TO: NORA M. MCINTIRE
7137 ARROW WOOD DR
FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22408
JENNIFER MARIE NEWMAN
4728 RIVER CREST CT.
FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22408
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-006541-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT IV
Unit Week 13 in Unit 6127, in GRANDE VISTA CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 19th day of August, 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 July 10, 2026.
DATED this 10th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #110513.2137
MORI #ORANGE
July 17, 24, 2026

IN CIRCUIT COURT,
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
Case No. 2022-CP-001181-O
IN RE: ESTATE OF OSWALD BYRON NATHANIEL JONES, Deceased.
NOTICE OF ACTION-CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE OF PROCESS-PROPERTY
TO: LORNA S. QUAMINA
JONES a/k/a
LORNA Q. JONES
7860 Horse Ferry Road
Orlando, Florida 32835
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Petition to Determine the Interest of Lorna Quamina Jones in the Estate of Oswald Byron Nathaniel Jones has been filed in the above styled cause relating to the following property:
ALL PROPERTY REAL AND PERSONAL IN THE ESTATE OF OSWALD BYRON NATHANIEL JONES
You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Julius L. Williams, Esq., the petitioner's attorney, whose address is 1950 Lee Road, Suite 100, Winter Park, Florida 32789, on or before July 27, 2026, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.
The date of first publication of this notice is the 26 day of June, 2026.

DATED on June 23, 2026.
TIFFANY MOORE
RUSSELL
Clerk of Court
By: /s/ Carissa Bundy
Deputy Clerk
Probate Division
425 N. Orange Avenue
Room 335
Orlando, Florida 32801
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2010-CA-16889-O
WALDENLIFE PENSION CAPITAL, LLC,
PLAINTIFF
JASON LIVINGSTON;
HARRY'S HAUL, LLC
a Florida corporation;
MELINDA LIVINGSTON,
DAVID FINKELSTEIN, ESQ.,
DEFENDANT(S)
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I, John W. Mina, as Sheriff of Orange County, Florida, under and by virtue of a Judgment and Writ of Execution, therein issued out of the above entitled court in the above styled cause, dated the 3rd day of March, 2025, and have levied upon the following described property located, and being in Orange County, Florida, to-wit: **2016 LAND ROVER LR4,**
VIN: SALAG2V68GA798852
& 2014 AUDI Q5, VIN:
WA1FLA6P6EA041198. VEHICLE MAY BE SEEN THE DAY OF THE SALE BETWEEN THE HOURS 10:00 A.M. TO 10:30 A.M. AT ACE WRECKER, 5601 SOUTH ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL, ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32809. SOLD AS IS AND WITH NO WARRANTY. SOLD SUBJECT TO ALL TAXES AND LIENS OF RECORD. PURCHASER TO PAY FOR BILL OF SALE.

as the property of the above named defendant, MELINDA LIVINGSTON, and that on the 18th day of August, 2026, beginning at ten thirty o'clock in the forenoon or soon there-after on said day at **ACE WRECKER, 5601 SOUTH ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL,** in Orlando, Orange County, Florida. I will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder at hand for cash on demand the above described property of said defendant, to satisfy said Judgment and Writ of Execution. Prospective bidders may register the day of the sale between the hours 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Ace Wrecker, 5601 South Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, Florida 32809. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Eric Nieves, Special Access Sales Coordinator, not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at Orange County Sheriff's Office, 425 North Orange Avenue, suite 240, Orlando, FL 32801. Telephone: (407)836-4570; If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.
JOHN W. MINA,
AS SHERIFF
Orange County, Florida
BY: SGT. NORBERTO GONZALEZ
As Deputy Sheriff
July 17, 24, 31, August 7, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-006989-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 34
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$4,105.25 IN U.S. CURRENCY
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT
TO: VAGNER SOARES DE ALMEIDA
26014185 H-4C-20
P.O. BOX 4970
ORLANDO, FL 32802
and all others who claim an interest in \$4,105.25 in U.S. Currency, which was seized on or about the 18th day of May, 2026, at or near Regions Bank, Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court.
I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 2nd day of July, 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@ocsofl.com
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
AS TO COUNT VII
TO: CHIZUYO H. SAKATA, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF CHIZUYO H. SAKATA, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
SELAUS AND KRAFT
218 WEST FRONT ST,
PO BOX 289
MEDIA, PA 19063-0289
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 6, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT VII
12 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: AY9220 & AY9221 & AY9222 & AY9223 & AY9224 & AY9225 & AY9226 & AY9227 & AY9228 & AY9229 & AY9230 & AY9231) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 3000 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 AUGUST 19, 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 July 7, 2026.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #126435.9550
MORI #ORANGE
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
AS TO COUNT VIII
TO: ANGELA D. COOPER
3039 MCKINLEY LANE
SANFORD, FL 32771
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 6, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT VIII
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: B92640 & B92641 & C63417 & C63418) 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, 2023 (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 19th day of AUGUST, 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 July 7, 2026.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #126435.9551
MORI #ORANGE
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et. al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION
AS TO COUNT X
TO: RUBEN DARIO HURTADO MOLINEROS
CARRERA 55#13
OESTE 44 APTO 101
CALI, 76045
COLOMBIA
MARIA TERESA HERMANN CASTILLO
CARRERA 55#13
OESTE 44 APTO 101
CALI, 76045
COLOMBIA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 6, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT X
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: DE6344 & DE6345 & DE6346 & DE6347) 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 April 01, 2022 (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 19th day of AUGUST, 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 July 7, 2026.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #126435.9553
MORI #ORANGE
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et. al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
AS TO COUNT VI
TO: FRED CAMPBELL III, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF FRED CAMPBELL III, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
3400 PARKSIDE DRIVE
BALTIMORE, MD 21214
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 6, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT VI
4 Interests (number

SHEAA BENNETT, Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION
To: CLAVON BENNETT
8202 NEMOURS PKWY,
ORLANDO, FL 32827
To: SHEAA BENNETT
8202 NEMOURS PKWY,
ORLANDO, FL 32827
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action for breach of contract has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on John A. Morey, Esq., of the Morey Law Firm, P.A., the Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 250 N. Orange Ave., Suite 1220, Orlando, FL 32801, on or before 30 days from the first date of publication and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
DATED on June 25th, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell,
Clerk of Courts
CLERK OF THE
CIRCUIT COURT
/s/ Lauren Scheidt
Deputy Clerk
Civil Division
425 N Orange Ave
Room 350
Orlando, Florida 32801
Circuit Court Seal
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-008323-O
DIV NO.: 37
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff,
vs.
ROBERT M. SPIELMAN, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT III
TO: EDGARDO DANIEL ORDERIQUE LUPERDI
URB. CHALLAPAMPA E2.
CERRO COLORADO
AREQUIPA 000000
PERU
ROSSANA GRICELDA OLIVEROS SALAS
URB. CHALLAPAMPA E2.
CERRO COLORADO
AREQUIPA 000000
PERU

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 9, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-008523-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT III
16 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: G47333 & G47334 & G47335 & G47336 & G47337 & G47338 & G47339 & G47340 & G47341 & G47342 & G47343 & G47344 & G49546 & G49547 & G57131 & G57132) 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, 2015 (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 13th day of AUGUST, 2026 online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on July 9, 2026.
DATED July 9, 2026
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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OUR FILE #129710.0046
MRHC #ORANGE
July 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-005760-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 34
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$2,046.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT
TO: DYLLAN BOATMAN
314 WILMER AVE.
ORLANDO, FL 32811
and all others who claim an interest in \$2,046.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY, which was seized on or about the 15th day April 2026, at or near 314 Wilmer Ave., 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 29 day of May 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@ocsofl.com
July 10, 17, 2026

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
Case No. 26CV153
Case Classification Code 30301 - Money Judgment
K&A File #26-00567-1
PUBLICATION SUMMONS REI ENGINEERING INC
4080 N 20TH AVE
WAUSAU, WI 54401
Plaintiff
vs
PHILLIP J CASTLEBERG
1344 LONGHILL DR
APOPKA, FL 32712
MANAWA COMMUNITY NURSING CENTER
400 E 4TH ST
MANAWA, WI 54949
Defendants
You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff, REI ENGINEERING INC, has filed a lawsuit and/or other legal action against you. Within forty (40) days after July 3, 2026, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the Court whose address is:
Waupaca County Clerk of Court
Waupaca County Courthouse
811 Harding St
Waupaca, WI 54981
the Plaintiff's attorney whose address is:
Kostka & Associates, LLC P.O. Box 1519
Wausau, WI 54402-1519
You may have an attorney help or represent you. If you do not demand a copy of the Complaint within forty (40) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. This communication is from a debt collector.
DATED: June 23, 2026
KOSTKA & ASSOCIATES, LLC
Attorneys for the Plaintiff
Timothy L. Kostka
State Bar No. 1000258
P.O. Box 1519
Wausau, WI 54402-1519
P: (715) 845-1805
July 3, 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007841-O
SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., Plaintiff,
vs.
CARMEN AQUINO A/K/A CARMEN M. AQUINO; ROBERTO AQUINO BARRETO; FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et.al., Defendant(s).
RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 27, 2026 and an Order Granting Plaintiff's Ex-Parte Motion to Cancel and Reschedule Foreclosure Sale dated June 30, 2026, entered in Civil Case No.: 2025-CA-007841-O of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., Plaintiff, and CARMEN AQUINO A/K/A CARMEN M. AQUINO; ROBERTO AQUINO BARRETO; FIFTH THIRD BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 N/K/A STURGEON TIMOTHY, are Defendants.
TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL, The Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com, at 11:00 AM, on the 24th day of August, 2026, the following described real property as set forth in said Judgment, to wit:
LOT 1, BLOCK B, SKY ACRES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK V, PAGE 37, PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA.
If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. If you fail to file a timely claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After the funds are reported as unclaimed, only the owner of record as of the date of the Lis Pendens may claim the surplus.
If you are a person with a disability who needs special accommodation, you are entitled to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the address or phone number below at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving an official notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
ADA Coordinator
Orange County Courthouse
425 N. Orange Avenue,

Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, 32801
(407) 836-2303
DATED: July 2, 2026
/s/ Brian L. Rosaler
By: Brian L. Rosaler
Florida Bar No.: 0174882.
Attorney for Plaintiff:
Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire
Popkin & Rosaler, P.A.
1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard
Suite 400
Deerfield Beach, FL 33442
Telephone: (954) 360-9030
Facsimile: (954) 420-5187
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Published in:
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July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2023-CC-023642-O
ARBORS AT MEADOW WOODS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
STEPHEN SMITH, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Amended Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 29th day of June, 2026 and entered in CASE NO.: 2023-CC-023642-O, of the County Court in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein Arbors at Meadow Woods Homeowners' Association, Inc., is Plaintiff, and Stephen Smith is the Defendant, I will sell to the highest and best bidder at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com/ at 11:00 A.M., on the 10th day of August, 2026, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:
Lot 185 of Arbors at Meadow Woods, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 95, Page(s) 19-23, of the Public Records of Orange County, Florida.
This property is located at the street address of: 15493 Willow Arbor Circle, Orlando, FL 32824
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 2 day of July, 2026.
Shipwash Law Firm, P.A.
225 S. Swoope Avenue, Suite 110
Maitland, FL 32751
Phone: (407) 274-9913
Telefax: (407) 386-7074
BY: Tennifer M. Shipwash, Esq.
Florida Bar No.: 617431
Primary email address: tshipwash@shipwashlegal.com
Secondary email address: tsantiago@shipwashlegal.com
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IV
TO: JIMENA VALENCIA ARCOS
AV 3C #61N-14
CALI-VALLE DEL CAUCA
760045
COLOMBIA
ALVARO VALENCIA SALAZAR
AV 3C #61N-14
CALI-VALLE DEL CAUCA
760045
COLOMBIA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 7, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT IV
16 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: DW9046 & DW9047 & DW9048 & DW9049 & DW9050 & DW9051 & DW9815 & DW9816 & DW9817 & DW9818 & DW9819 & DW9820 & DW9821 & DW9822 & DW9823 & DW9824) 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, 2023 (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 19th day of AUGUST, 2026, online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on July 7, 2026.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2026-CA-005792-O
DIV NO.: 48
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff,
vs.
AMY R. MOSS, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT I
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: AMY R. MOSS
6890 RIVER RD #27
COLUMBUS, GA 31904
AND
AMY R. MOSS
7676 CHRISTIAN LN
FORT BENNING, GA 31905-9668
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
8 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: N52318 & N52319 & N52320 & N52321 & N52322 & N52323 & N52408 & N52409) 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 November 01, 2016 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).
AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.
DATED on this 7th day of July, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /s/ Lauren Scheidt
As Deputy Clerk
Tiffany Moore Russell,
Clerk of Courts
Civil Division
425 N Orange Ave
Room 350
Orlando, Florida 32801
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP
200 S. Orange Avenue,
Suite 2600
Orlando, Florida 32801
Ph. (407) 244-5198
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
HK#126435.9599/MP119
July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT III
TO: JAMES D. DAVIS III
450 EAST CHURCH LANE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19144-5873
TANISHA R. DAVIS

450 EAST CHURCH LANE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19144-5873
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 7, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT III
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: AL1237 & AL1238 & AL1239 & AL1240) 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 September 01, 2019 (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 19th day of AUGUST, 2026, online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on July 7, 2026.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-007570-O
DIV NO.: 40
MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM R. JOBBINS, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XI
TO: JOHN F. GILLIGAN, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF JOHN F. GILLIGAN, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT
634 NORTHERN OAKS DR
GROVELAND, IL 61535
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 6, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007570-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT XI
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: FA0408 & FA0409 & FA0410 & FA0411) 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 Amended and Restated MVC Trust Agreement dated August 22, 2019, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a. MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, Page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida (Trust Memorandum). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2024 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).
AND
5 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: 293811 & 293812 & 293813 & 293814 & 142914) 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 Amended and Restated MVC Trust Agreement dated August 22, 2019, 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, 2021 (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 AUGUST 19, 2026, online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on July 7, 2026.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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July 10, 17, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No.: 25-DR-16860 O
Division: 38
Zitlalli E. Zaragoza-Villanueva
Petitioner
and
Juan C. Delgado Gonzalez
Respondent.
2nd Amended NOTICE OF ACTION FOR Dissolution of Marriage (no child or financial support)
TO: Juan C. Delgado Gonzalez
3026 Queens Gate Rd
Orlando Fl 32818
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Zitlalli E. Zaragoza-Villanueva, whose address is 1121 Sheeler Ave Apopka Fl 32703, on or before 8-13-26, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 425 N Orange Ave Orlando, Fl 32801, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.
WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
DATED: 6-23-26
Tiffany M. Russell
Clerk of Court
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: Keydrah Gumbs
Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **Sticky Sharp** with a mailing address of 505 Chatham Ave Apt 153, Orlando, FL 32801 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: JP Sharpening Services LLC
July 17, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **Shop The Dept**, with a mailing address of 14375 Southern Red Maple Dr., Orlando, Florida 32828 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Tais Souza Alonso Kikumori
July 17, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **Open House Media Group**, with a mailing address of 7817 Crosswater Trail C2101, Windermere, Florida 34786 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Hazmat Support Group LLC
July 17, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **CarryWell**, with a mailing address of 9143 Boggy Creek Road, Orlando, Florida 32824 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Haul Masters LLC
July 17, 2026

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