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Treasures at the Museum



In the left photo a Blue Dress Marine uniform is on display at the VFW, which houses the Veterans Memorial Museum, in the right photo VFW Post 10147member Rolland Doerfer, who helps manage the museum, shows a swift boat model in the museum.



The Veterans Memorial Museum keeps uniforms, artifacts, and books chronicling military history. Many items on display are donated. The museum is open by appointment only or Wednesday and Saturday 8 -11 a.m. at the Apopka Community Center/VFW Building, 519 S. Central Ave., Apopka.

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Cheese Biscuits with only 4 ingredients sound delicious and can be frozen

Shrimp Chicken Curry is from What's This Cookin'? recipe was contributed by Mrs. Myrtle Womble who suggests



serving it over hot, steamy rice.

Southern Living's Stir-Fry Pork and

Cashews is delicious. Mrs. Emily Meggett's Collard Greens in her book Gullah Geechee Home Cooking looks like a winner. She says collard greens have a special place in African American culture. I have some news for that fine lady: they have a special place in MY OWN culture, as well! I LOVE collard greens and fix a potful for myself just about every couple of weeks. But if I don't have collards, I use turnip greens. I season my greens with smoked ham, onion, garlic, salt, and a little bit of cayenne pepper. I use a tablespoon of unfiltered apple cider vinegar at the end of cooking. I don't use any sugar or sweetener. I must confess, though, I cheat: I usually use frozen collards. But I do like fresh if I can find them.

Alice Beth Miner, who passed several years ago and who was a dear friend of all Apopkans, shares her Potatoes Del Monico through the Apopka Historical Society's Preserving the Big Potato publication of mostly potato rec-

Fresh Garden Relish from the Progressive Farmer's SOUTHERN Cookbook is superb over turnip greens. I can see this addition of fresh chopped vegetables used with many different vegetable dishes, blackeyed peas included.

Crustless Pumpkin Pie from First Presbyterian Church of Punta Gorda's A Taste of Heaven looks great. And you don't have to roll out the pie crust!

From Stew Pot Favorites of Zellwood, we have a Cheese Biscuits recipe contributed by Mrs. Ruth McGowan.

MRS. MYRTLE WOMBLE'S SHRIMP OR CHICKEN CURRY Recipe from What's Cookin'? **Published by** The Apopka Woman's Club

1/4 cup minced onion 1/2 teaspoon curry powder

3 tablespoons flour 1/4 teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon ground ginger 1 cup chicken broth (or 1 chicken bouillon cube dissolved in 1 cup

1 cup milk

hot water)

2 cups cooked, cleaned shrimp or 2 cups cut-up cooked chicken 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice

Melt butter over low heat in heavy saucepan. Saute onion and curry powder in melted butter. Blend in flour and seasonings. Cook over low heat until mixture is smooth and bubbly. Remove from heat. Stir in chicken broth and milk. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Boil 1 minute. Add shrimp or chicken and the lemon juice. Serve over rice. Makes 4 servings.

STIR-FRY PORK AND CASHEWS **SOUTHERN LIVING'S ALL TIME FAVORITES, 2009**

1/2 pound boneless pork loin, cut into 1/2-inch pieces

3 tablespoons stir-fry sauce 1 tablespoon frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed

1-1/2 teaspoons cornstarch 1 tablespoon vegetable oil 1/2 cup dry-roasted or

unsalted cashews Hot cooked rice

Garnish: green onions

1) Stir together first 4 ingredients. 2) Stir-fry pork mixture in hot oil in a large nonstick skillet 4 to 6 minutes; stir in cashews. Serve immediately with rice. Garnish, if desired. Makes 2 servings. Note: For four servings, use 1/3-cup stir-fry sauce, 1/4 cup vegetable oil, and double all other ingredients. Proceed as directed. Makes 2 servings.

EMILY MEGGETT'S COLLARD GREENS

Recipe from Gullah Geechee Home **Cooking by Emily Meggett** 1 bunch collard greens (1/2 pound) 1 (14-ounce) smoked ham hock 2-1/2 to 3 quarts water **Crushed red pepper** 1-1/2 tablespoon cider vinegar

1 teaspoon sugar, or 2 packages

Nature's Seasons, to taste

1) Wash the collard greens in cold water three or four times to remove any sand or dirt. Pat dry using a paper towel. 2) Strip the collard greens, removing the center stem. Cut the collard greens lengthwise into small, bite-sized pieces. 3) Wash the ham hock. In a large pot, combine the ham hock and water. and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium, then add the greens, covering them in the water. 4) Add crushed red pepper to taste, the vinegar, sugar, and Nature's Seasons to taste. Increase the heat and bring back to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium and cook the greens for at least 2-1/2 hours. After 2-1/2 hours, taste the greens to test flavor and tenderness. Add more Nature's Seasons and cook longer if nec-

ALICE BETH MINER'S POTATOES DEL MONICO Recipe from

Apopka Historical Society's Preserving the Big Potato -A Collection of Potato Recipes

9 medium size red potatoes parboiled

1/2 pound sharp cheddar cheese, grated

1 teaspoon dry mustard

1-1/2 teaspoon salt Dash pepper

Dash nutmeg

1 cup heavy cream

1 cup milk

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Peel and grate potatoes and place in a buttered 1-1/2 quart casserole.

In a 1-quart saucepan, combine cheese, mustard, salt, pepper, nutmeg, cream, and milk. Stir over low heat until cheese melts. Pour over potatoes. Do not stir. Bake uncovered 45 to 60 minutes. This can be assembled in advance and refrigerated, covered. Bring to room temperature and bake as

> FRESH GARDEN RELISH **ON TURNIP GREENS** Recipe from

> The Progressive Farmer's **SOUTHERN Cookbook**

3 tomatoes, diced 1 cup chopped celery 1 medium cucumber, peeled,

sliced, and finely chopped 3 tablespoons finely chopped onion 1 medium-sized green pepper, chopped

Salt and black pepper to taste 2 tablespoons French dressing 2 tablespoons vinegar

Mix and chill.

Birmingham serves superb food, many old as well as new recipes. Our favorite there (and we never saw it served elsewhere) is just plain turnip greens topped off by a fresh garden relish. These quantities are for six por-

CRUSTLESS PUMPKIN PIE A Taste of Heaven from **First Presbyterian Church** of Punta Gorda

16 oz solid-pack pumpkin 12 oz evaporated skim milk

2 whole eggs

2 egg whites

3/4 cup sugar

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon allspice 1/4 teaspoon ginger

1/8 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup graham-cracker or vanilla wafer crumbs

1 cup whipped cream

1) Beat pumpkin, milk and eggs until smooth. Mix in sugar, allspice, cinnamon, ginger and salt; stir in crumbs. 2) Spray pie pan and pour in filling. 3) Bake at 325 degrees for 45-55 minutes or until a knife comes out clean. 4) Cool pie on wire rack and refrigerate overnight. Serve with whipped cream.

MRS. RUTH MCGOWAN'S **CHEESE BISCUITS** Recipe from

Stew Pot Favorites of Zellwood

1 pound cheese

1 pound oleo margarine 4 cups flour

1 teaspoon salt

Cut oleo margarine into flour until crumbly or the size of a pea. Add salt and grated cheese. Divide dough and roll to 1/4-inch thick. Cut with small biscuit cutter. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet about 10 minutes at 425 degrees. These will keep in your freezer indefinitely.

NOVEMBER 2023 WEEKLY UPCOMING ONGOING **EVENTS**

SCHOOL STARTED August 10, 2023. Traffic patterns changed. Stormy weather comes and goes! Be careful with your umbrellas. And always watch out for those pedestrians... and ducks. DON'T TEXT WHILE DRIVING - Please! YOU WILL PAY A FINE.

3 tablespoons butter

Children must be five years old on or the Fran Carlton Center.. Call 407before September 1 to start kinder- 703-1642 for information. garten. To enter first grade, a child must be six years old on or before September 1 and must have successfully completed kindergarten (Florida Statute 1003.21). Immunizations must For complete details of all chamber be current.

UNLESS CHANGED: School Start Times for Elementary School & K-8: 8 a.m., Middle School: 9:30 a.m., High school: 7:10 a.m.

City of Apopka's Northwest Recreation Complex, 3710 Jason Dwelley ation Complex, 3710 Jason Dwelley Parkway, Apopka 32712, 407-703- Parkway, 5-7 p.m. 1784. On any given weekend, you can see many, many families in attendance at the beautiful complex setball Fields, Baseball Fields, Multi-Purpose Fields, Sand Volleyball Courts, Outdoor Basketball Courts, Tennis Courts, Walking Trail, Amphitheater, Playground, Concession Stands.

11-mile wildlife drive (complete with directional signs) (opened in 2015) on Lake Apopka shores, by entering from Lust Road off Binion Road, about TER, for birds of prey, 323 Lester a mile south of Camp Wewa in the Plymouth area, for one-way drive, 10 The center is open on Saturdays to miles per hour, with possible wildlife spotting stops. DO NOT FEED THE GATORS - IT MAY CAUSE CLOS-ING OF THE TRAIL If you are stopping, drive will take more than 1 hour. Drive runs by canals used in muckfarming days. The one-way drive exits see a freshwater marsh system and system. The drive is open on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and federal holidays and is controlled by the county. Open during daylight hours only (one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset). Official sunrise and sunset hours can be found online. The road is closed on other days due Masks required. Temperature taken. to ongoing restoration work. The trail

is a 7,000-acre Florida State Park in utes north of Orlando, off Interstate and Longwood. The park also con-River. Address: 1800 Wekiwa Circle, Apopka 32712, open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For information, call 407-884-FRAN CARLTON CENTER OPEN,

for seniors - senior activities at Fran Carlton Center. CALL 407-703-1642 FOR INFORMATION

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at 9:00 a.m. at 11 N. Forest Ave., at

CENTRAL FL CHRISIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, 1806 S Bay St., Eustis, has Fellowship Friday meetings. events, visit cfchristianchamber.com/ events-chamber/. Contact: latrondra@cfchristianchamber.com

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

SATURDAY NIGHT SOOUNDS AT amphitheater at Northwest Recre-

VFW POST 10147 continues to have its fund raising breakfast on ting participating in various organized the fourth, not the third Saturday of sport programs, Amenities at the the month in NOVEMBER ON THE complex include: Soccer Fields, Soft- 18TH, from 8-10 a.m. at 519 S. Central Avenue. Cost is only \$6

> MUSEUM OF APOPKANS, Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 122 E. FIFTH STREET, APOPKA. Managed by Apopka Historical Society. Call 407-703-1624 for info.

> AVIAN RECONDITIONING CEN-Rd., Apopka, hours: 9:30-1:30 p.m., the public, weather permitting. Call 407-461-1056 for information.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

on Jones Road in Zellwood. You will ZUMBA FITNESS CLASS, MON-DAYS 9-10 a.m. 11 N. Forest Ave at wildlife dependent on that type of Fran Carlton Center. Masks not required while exercising, but are when socializing before and after class. Temperature taken on entry. Preregister. Call 407-703-1642 for info.

> CRAFTS & CHATTER: 9:30-12 noon. Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Ave. Pre-register. Call 407-703-1642 for

WEKIWA SPRINGS STATE PARK OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS meets Mondays at 6:30 p.m., Episcopal Apopka, Florida. It is located 20 min- Church of the Holy Spirit, 601 S. Highland Avenue. If you have a problem 4 at exit 94, near Altamonte Springs with food - overeating, anorexia, bulimia – there is a solution for you. For tains the head water of the Wekiva more information, visit OA.org or call Carrie 781-867-1071.

> TOASTMASTERS: Forest Lake Church by Zoom. Time: 7 p.m., Open to everyone interested. For informa-

tion, call 407-761-2943. Club Number: 4899556, District 84, Area D42. Orators of Excellence

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

FOLIAGE SERTOMA CLUB meets ZUMBA FITNESS CLASS, FRIDAYS the first and third Tuesday of each 220 W. Horatio Avenue, Maitland, FL with notice. For info., call City Clerk 407-880-2111 for more information. month, beginning at 11:30-noon, at 1410 Rock Springs Rd., Apopka. Interested communitiy members are encouraged to attend and get acquainted. Meetings have resumed on first and third Tuesdays. Masks are encouraged.

SENIOR CHAIR EXERCISE, 9-10 a.m., 11 N. Forest Ave. at Fran Carlton Center. Masks not required while exercising, but are when socializing before and after class. Temperature taken on entry. Pre-register. Call 407-703-1642 for info

ART CLASS. 9:30-12 noon. Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Ave. Masks required. Temperature taken. Pre-register. Call 407-703-1642 for

WEDNESDAY. NOVEMBER 15

The Altamonte Springs / Apopka VFW POST 10147. is NOW OPEN Wednesday and Saturday Mornings from (TIME CHANGE) 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. for coffee and doughnuts. (other hours by appointment only). 3rd Saturday of the month is VFW's fundraising breakfast, Also, evenings of Tribute music are planned. Call 407-889-8266, or email info@vfwpost10147.com for information. The VFW Auxiliary has been formed and is active as well. Don't forget to visit its excellent Military Museum.

ZUMBA FITNESS CLASS, 9-10 a.m., 11 N. Forest Ave., at the Fran Carlton Center. Masks not required while exercising, but are when socializing before and after class. Temperature taken on entry. Pre-register. Call 407-703-1642 for info...

SENIOR CHAIR EXERCISE. 10-11 a.m., Billie Dean Community Center, 225 M.A. Board St., . Masks not required while exercising, but are when socializing before and after class. Temperature taken on entry. Pre-register. Call 407-703-1642 for info

ment Review Committee) meets every Wednesday at 9 a.m.-10 a.m. (or as long as necessary) at City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka. Check for the online version. BRIDGE CLASS. 9:30-12 noon. Fran

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MUSEUM OF APOPKANS, Open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 12 noon-5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 122 E Fifth St. 407-703-1642

Center, 3101 E. Semoran Blvd.. Doors open at 5 p.m., and the early bird game starts at 6 p.m. For moreinfo, call 407-660-8811. TOASTMASTERS: still meeting every WEDNESDAY, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., by zoom. For more information, call 407-765-2629 or visit www.Apop-

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

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SENIOR CHAIR EXERCISE, 9-10 a.m., 11 N. Forest Ave., at the Fran Carlton Center. Masks not required while exercising, but are when socializing before and after class. Temperature taken on entry. Pre-register. Call 407-703-1642 for info.

ROTARY CLUB OF APOPKA - For information, call 407-415-6588. Call for updated information on meetings and location.

MUSEUM OF APOPKANS, Open from noon to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-noon. 120 E Fifth St. Call 407-703-1624 for info.

ZUMBA FITNESS CLASS, 9-10 a.m., 11 N. Forest Ave., at the Fran Carlton Center. Masks not required while exercising, but are when socializing before and after class. Temperature taken on entry. Pre-register. Call 407-703-1642 for info

UPCOMING EVENTS Miss Apopka Scholarship Pageant,

Saturday, December 2, 7 p.m., at Apopka High School. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. VFW Post 10147 has fund raising

from 8-10 a.m., 519 S. Central Av-ONGOING EVENTS Central Florida Railroad Museum, 101 S. Boyd Street, Winter Garden, is open Tuesday-Saturday, 11-3 each

week excluding holidays. For info,

call 407-656-0559. . Must see.

407-703-1704. Agenda and minutes Beef 'O' Brady's in The Back Room, a like-minded goal to lose weight. No of meeting can be found online. Once posted, check for any revisions by meds. Call 407-580-0897 for more Tuesday at 5 p.m. before the meeting FOLIAGE GARDEN CLUB OF APOP-KA, meets the first Thursday of each month, September through May, at 10 a.m. at the Billy Dean Community Center at Alonzo Williams Park, 225 M.A. Board St., Apopka. Contact: apopkafgca@gmail.com EARLY BIRD BINGO at Bahia Shrine

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ly/2ABrmsb, and are normally held

PLANT CLINIC in Apopka is open on Tuesdays. Do you have problems with your plants or lawn? Let a Master Gardener help. Orange County homeowners can bring their questions and samples to UF/IFAS Extension Master Gardener volunteers at the UF/ IFAS Mid-Florida Research Education Center (MREC), 2725 Binion Road, Apopka 32703, 9-12 for homeowners. Tuesdays. 1-4 p.m. commercial. Free. 407-254-9200 .

KIWANIS CLUB OF APOPKA IS now meeting MONTHLY on the 3rd Tuesday at 8 a.m. at Seacoast Bank, 345 E Main Street, Apopka. Contact 407-464-4606 for information

BROWN BAG LUNCH - Third Saturday of each month, Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit at the corner of Highland and 6th St., Apopka, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., offer to all who come a brown bag lunch. In addition, men's volunteers. There are a number of opsocks, flip flops, stuffed animals, some clothing, children's books and pet food which is donated by My Pet World, Apopka, may be available. If interested in volunteering, call Debbie at 407-620-5081 for information.

APOPKA FOLIAGE TOASTMAS-TER'S CLUB, Monday, 7 p.m., on Zoom, Apopka. 407-765-2629.

NWOC FFA Alumni - Monthly meetings (usually the 4th Monday evening in a month during the school year) are open to anyone. (Looking for more information)

MUSEUM OF APOPKANS, 122 E 5th Street, Hours open: Wednesay to Friday. from noon-5 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m... Admission is free. breakfast Saturday, November 18, Contains displays and information about Apopka's history, and has history books for sale. Monthly meetings of Apopka Historical Society are normally held on a Sunday afternoon. For more information, go to www.theapopkamuseum.com.

> THE APOPKA ELKS LODGE 2422 meets first and third Tuesdays of

month, 201 W. Orange. For more information, call 407-886-1600 or email apopkaelks@aol.com Bar Bingo evcaring members, education, and re- the first Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., and ery Monday night at 7 p.m. promptly. third Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the City GFWC APOPKA WOMAN'S CLUB gins at 9:00 a.m. - meeting ends at Council Chambers, City Hall, 120 E. meets at First United Methodist 10:15 a.m.. Come to its NEW location Main St., Apopka. Subject to change Church, 201 N. Park Avenue. Call

> APOPKA GARDEN CLUB - meets the first Tuesday each month at First United Methodist Church, 201 S. Park Ave., September through May. For information, call Kathy 407-886-6970.

CITY OF APOPKA PLANNING & ZONING - usually the second Tuesday of the month. 5:30 p.m. City Council Chambers, City Hall, 120 E. Main St., Apopka. All meetings open to the public. Subject to change with notice. For info., call David Moon, 407-703-1739.

BRIDGE GAMES AND CLASSES: Every Monday and Friday morning at 9:15 a.m., at the Lake County Duplicate Bridge Club, 510 W. Key Ave., Eustis. For more information, call 352-315-9934 or visit lakeduplicate.com.

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*Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce, 180 E. Main St., Apopka. For more info, call 407-886-1441

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Obituaries

JACKI K. KIFER, 77, of Apopka, Rianna Vasquez and dearest Florida passed away on October 30, 2023. Ms. Kifer was born on April 13, 1946 in Elberfield, Indiana BELLA LETICIA GAYBOR RIZZO, to the late Arkel and Bernice Kifer. Ms. Kifer is preceded in death by her brother Archie Kifer. She is survived by her longtime partner Larry Soloman; children Teri (Billy) Brockenbrough and Jay Davis; siblings Bruce Kifer and Patty Holland; 4 grandchildren as well as her great granddaughter.

BELLA LETICIA GAYBOR RIZZO, 66, of Apopka, Florida passed away on October 23, 2023. Mrs. and Jesus O Anchundia; siblings Rizzo was born on July 15, 1957 in Guayaguil, Ecuador. Mrs. Bella is preceded in death by her parents Efrain A Gaibor and Bella R Rizzo; son Jose Antonio Anchundia; as well as her brother Gabriel Gaibor. She is survived by her loving husband Antonio J Anchundia; children Omar A Anchundia, Oscar A Anchundia, Olger J Anchundia and Jesus O Anchundia; siblings Carlos Gaibor. Rosa Gaibor. Hector Gaibor and Ana De Jesus Gaibor; 6 grandchildren; as well as in-law's Alda Aguilar and

friend Yesenia Rios

66, of Apopka, Florida passed away on October 23, 2023. Mrs. Rizzo was born on July 15, 1957 in Guayaquil, Ecuador. Mrs. Bella is preceded in death by her parents Efrain A Gaibor and Bella R Rizzo: son Jose Antonio Anchundia; as well as her brother Gabriel Gaibor. She is survived by her loving husband Antonio J Anchundia; children Omar A Anchundia, Oscar A Anchundia, Olger J Anchundia Carlos Gaibor, Rosa Gaibor, Hector Gaibor and Ana De Jesus Gaibor; 6 grandchildren as well as in-law's Alda Aguilar and Rianna Vasquez.

See Obituary on page 8A

Marnie Lee Williams

Marnie Lee Williams, 51, Apopka, passed away on Tuesday, October 17. Born July 16, 1972, to parents James Boyd and Martha Slonaker, in Shrieveport, LA, she had a brother Clint Boyd. Marnie married Donnie Williams in May of

She graduated with a BS in psychology from Auburn University and a masters in Clinical Psychology from University of Central Florida. At both Auburn and UCF, she was Summa Cum Laude.

Marnie worked at Center for Drug Free Living/Aspire Health for 23 years, and finished her career as Senior Vice President of Prevention Services.

Survivors are children: Benjamin (wife Valeria) and Luke Williams; grandchildren Jetson Williams, parents: father Jim (wife Helen) Boyd and mother Martha Slonaker, and brother Clint (wife Mary) Boyd.

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Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit

It may seem odd that the very first of the beatitudes bestows a blessing on the poor in spirit and promises that the kingdom of heaven is theirs (Matthew 5:3).

Should we not seek spiritual riches rather than spiritual poverty?

One chapter later we are told to store up treasure in heaven, for "where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21).

The blessing for the poor in spirit is not meant to denigrate spiritual treasures but rather to elevate the spirit of poverty and humility.

Jesus says repeatedly that he did not come to call those who are already saved, but rather to save the lost. The healthy do not need a doctor, but the sick do. We would do well to

remember here that the scribes and Pharisees were paradigms of virtue, rich in spirit and proud of their piety, but, didn't seem to need or heed Jesus's message.

Jesus had vastly more to offer the weeping adulteress who was thrown at His feet than he did to her accusers.

And He had more respect for the impoverished widow who humbly put her two small coins in the temple treasury than the wealthy who made a show of putting in larger amounts.

God loves the poor, and those who are poor in spirit even more, so we should count it a blessing when we are feeling lowly and humbled.

Christopher Simon

But those who wait on the Lord Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint. Isaiah 40:31

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

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The Center is the first of its kind in the Orange County Community to help citizens who either don't have a lawyer or cannot afford one. The services provided are not based on income.

The Self Help Center will assist only with the following case types:

- * Family Law (excluding restraining orders); Child Custody/Child Support; Divorce; Paternity
 - * Small Claims
 - * Residential **Evictions**
- * Location of the Orange County Courthouse is 425 North Orange Ave., Suite 340 (3rd floor), Orlando, FL 32801
- * Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Services include: Form completion assistance, and Notary and copy services

* Virtual Attorney Consultations

Attorney consultations are available and may be scheduled in 15-minute sessions, for up to 1 hour per day, per person. The cost for an attorney consultation is \$1 per minute.

The Self Help Center is a collaborative partnership between the Orange County Bar Association and the Clerk's Office. All attorneys are referred by the Orange County Bar Association. Note, the attorneys that provide legal assistance at the Self Help Center cannot represent you in court.

Attorney consultation fees must be paid at the time the appointment is scheduled. Refunds will not be issued for cancelled or missed appointments – no exceptions. Once set, appointment times may not be changed. Attorney consultation appointments cannot be made nor conducted by telephone.

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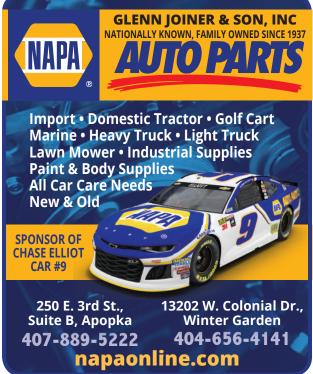




GENERAL SERVICE: AUTO-BASICS

Auto technicians say the key to keeping vehicles running well - today and down the road - is routine maintenance. Yet many drivers tend to stall when it comes to keeping up with some everyday autobasics. A recent survey by the Car Care Council found 25% of cars had low or dirty engine oil, 13% had low or contaminated brake fluid, 18% had dirty air filters, 17% had inadequate cooling protection or low coolant levels, 16% needed new windshield wiper and 27% had low or contaminated washer fluid, 18% needed new belts. Overall, 89% of vehicles were in need of at least one service or repair.

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bituaries

MARILYN "LYNNE" ALDERMAN, 89 of Apopka died on October 23, 2023. Her greatest joy was raising her 11 children. She retired from Seminole County Schools where she worked for many years as a school bus driver. Lynne was a devoted Roman Catholic and member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church since 1972. She was born in Cleveland, Ohio. Survivors: daughters, Sherrie (Walter Golston), Julie (David Hebert), of Apopka, Traci, of Spring Hill, TN and sons, Daryl (Laura), and Shawn of Apopka, Robert (Maricel) of Casselberry, and Jody (Miriam) of Virginia Beach, VA., 13 grandchildren, 6 step-grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, great nieces and

nephews, great-great nieces and nephews

GRACE VIRGINIA HOGAN, 77, of Apopka, Florida passed away on November 5, 2023. Mrs. Hogan was born on December 15, 1945 in Bonifay, Florida. She is preceded in death by her loving husband Oscar Hogan and son Phillip Hogan. She is survived by her children David Hogan, Gale Smallwood, Tina (Roger) Smallwood and Lisa Smallwood; grandchildren Michelle, Steven, D.J., Jessica and Ryan; 8 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren

MARGARET R SIKES, 79, of Zellwood passed away on Wednesday, November 1, 2023. She was born on October 25, 1944. In Amherst, Virgina Married to Gene Sikes on June 8, 1965. She was a great Mom and was a wonderful Mimi to

her grandchildren and greatgrandchildren whom absolutely adored! She is survived by her husband, Gene Sikes, her daughter Deanie (Bruce) Halverson, her grandson's Michael(Angela) Halverson, Brandon(Amber) Halverson, 2 great grandsons, Henry & Hudson Halverson. sister, Suzanne(Jack) Parmentier and brother, Charles Brockenbrough. She is predeceased by her brother Bill Brockenbrough and his wife

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Married to Gene Sikes on June 8, 1965. She worked at the Zellwood Post office for most

of her career and became postmaster in 1983. She retired at the end of 1999.

She loved to spend time with her family and enjoyed writing poetry. She even published a book called "Maggie Ray's Poetry One Century to Another". She was a Christian with the sweetest disposition and was such

a kind person. She was loved so much by her family, a great Mom and was a wonderful Mimi to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren whom she absolutely adored!

She is survived by her husband, Gene erson, Brandon(Amber) Halverson, 2 great grandsons, Henry & Hudson Halverson. sister, Suzanne(Jack)Parmentier and brother, Charles

Brockenbrough. She is predeceased by her brother Bill Brockenbrough and his wife Barbara.

A memorial service will be held Monday, November 13TH.

Viewing will be held from 11:30 to 12:30, followed by the funeral at 12:30 at Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home, 90 Weathersfield Ave, Altamonte springs, FL

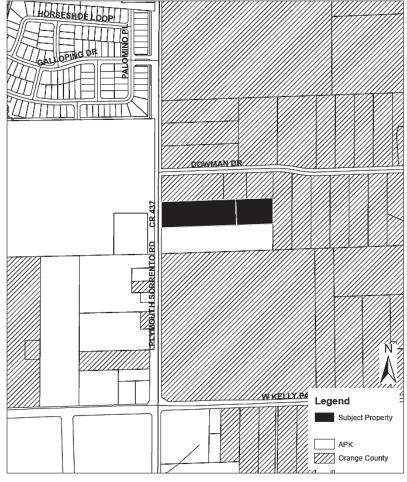
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ORDINANCE NO. 3032

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE APOPKA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF APOPKA; CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM COUNTY RURAL TO CITY MIXED-USE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PLYMOUTH SORRENTO ROAD AND DOWMAN DRIVE, OWNED BY SNP PROPERTIES, LLC, COMPRISING 5 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE



Parcel Identification Numbers: 07-20-28-0000-00-030 and 07-20-28-0000-00-070 Contains: 5 +/- acres

Notice is given that the City of Apopka Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider Ordinance No. 3032 at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 East Main Street, Apopka, Florida on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November</u> 14, 2023 beginning at 5:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

FURTHER NOTICE is given that a public hearing for Ordinance No. 3032 will be held by the City of Apopka City Council at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on Wednesday, December Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 beginning at 1:30 P.M., and Wednesday, January 3, 2024 Or as beginning at 7:00 P.M. or soon thereafter.

inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

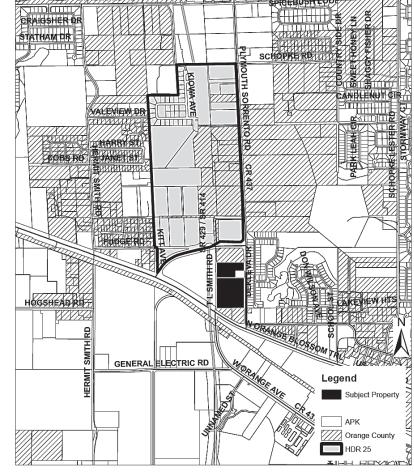
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CHANGE OF ZONING

CITY OF APOPKA

Florida Statutes and the Apopka Code of Ordinance, Part III, Land $\underline{\textbf{P.E}}$ has made an application, in accordance with Florida Statutes Development Code, Article II, Section 2.4.7.B, that $\underline{\textbf{DENNY SHIVER}}$ has $\overline{163}.3187(c)$ and the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land made an application to the City of Apopka Planning Commission and Development Code, Article II, Section 2.4.7(B) to the City of Apopka the City Council for a CHANGE IN THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION Planning Commission, and City Council for a REZONING OF PROPERTY.

> ORDINANCE NO. 3038 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING FROM C-C (COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL) DISTRICT AND T (TRANSITIONAL) DISTRICT TO PD (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT) DISTRICT, FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED WEST OF PLYMOUTH SORRENTO ROAD, NORTH OF U.S. 441, AND EAST OF SR 429; COMPRISING 13.04 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND OWNED BY GARY D CHARLTON LIVING TRUST, PEGGY G CHARLTON LIVING TRUST 1/2 INT AND GARY D CHARLTON LIVING TRUST 1/2 INT; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



Parcel Identification Number(s): 06-21-28-7172-08-050 and 06-21-28-7172-08-040 Contains: 13.04 +/- Acres

Notice is given that the City of Apopka Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider Ordinance No. 3038 at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 beginning at 5:30 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible.

FURTHER NOTICE is given that a public hearing for Ordinance No. 2830 will be held by the City of Apopka City Council at its regularly scheduled meetings in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City soon thereafter as possible.

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

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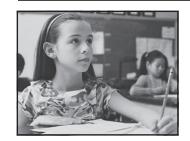
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Media specialist is finalist for OCPS Teacher of Year



Lovell Elementary School's Media Specialist, Kathryn Gunter, was named one of the top five finalists for OCPS Teacher of the

Mrs. Gunter has been at Lovell Elementary School for 28 years and is the heart of the school. She is the person staff and students know they can count on and who will always be there to listen and guide. Mrs. Gunter has worked hard to make the media center the heart of the school at Lovell Elementary. She has taken on a good book. Mrs. Gunter's the role to support our safety patrol, gifted students, and tutoring program. She ida Power Library School

has brought back Student Council and the National Elementary Honor Society because she wants every student to have the opportunity to be successful and for those successes to be recognized and celebrated.

Mrs. Gunter has creat-

ed a student-centered place where students love to go and learn. She has interactive centers set up for students to partake in. There are many critical thinking questions that she challenges the students with. When you go into the library you may see students participating in a Makerspace activity, completing a task on the LEGO wall, coding with robots or sitting together and looking through innovative ideas has also led her to pursue the Flor-



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Award, which recognizes outstanding school library

Our students love our media center and it is all because of Mrs. Gunter.

The OCPS Teacher of the Year winner will be announced at the Stellar Awards on February 2, 2024, at the Rosen Shingle

Creek Resort in Orlando.

Message from your Principal

We are off to a great start to the school year. One way to help your child be successful in math is to practice their math facts with them. For K-2, it is making sure students know their addition and subtraction facts. For grades 3-5 it is multiplication facts. Knowing these facts helps our students with the harder levels of math they will encounter this year. Another important activity is to have your child read every night. Making this part of their nighttime ritual will instill good habits. It is also nice for them to hear you read. They are never too old to hear you read them their favorite stories.

What a great time we had celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. Our Character Parade was on October 31, when we dressed up as our favorite storybook characters. Spending time together helps us to Lovell Up, Wildcats! Game On!

House News: Congratulations to the House of Meraki for winning the September monthly House Challenge and earning a Slime Party!

National Teach-In Day is on November 16. This is an opportunity for community members and parents to speak with our students about their careers, hobbies, or just to share their favorite book. If you are interested in presenting please call the office to speak to Mrs. Rojas.

Counselor's Corner: October was Drug Prevention Month. Character Resiliency Trait is Responsible Decision-Making.

Lovell's Love Pantry is almost out of food and no longer has funding for the food pantry. Please help us to replenish our stock. If you are not struggling and wish to give back to the community, please bring in nonperishable items to the school so that a family in need can be fed. A box will be placed outside the cafeteria doors before school each morning for donations

Parents we need you! Please volunteer with Lovell. You can help out in places like the cafeteria during lunch duty, classrooms, etc. It does not need to be a daily commitment. We would be glad to have your help even one day. Sign up now at ocps.samaritan.com, click on ADDitions volunteer, sign up with Lovell Elementary.

Cafeteria News: October 31 they were served bat shaped chicken nuggets.

November 6 was Lovell Up Monday, when you wear. your favorite game shirt and jeans to show your support in being ALL IN this year!

Hispanic Heritage Month was celebrated

By Mhina Jackson Trinity Christian School

In America for years, there have been many unique diversity celebration months. One of them has been Black History Month, Asian American Pacific Islander Month, Native American Month, and Hispanic/Latino Heritage

month.

Hispanic Heritage Month was created by President Lyndon B. Johnson. It was created to essentially recognize and celebrate the fascinating, historical stories of the Hispanic/Latino community. It was originally introduced by Congressman George E. Brown of California in 1968 to be a week-long observation. Then the tradition was later extended to 30 days by President Ronald Reagan on August 17, 1988.

In addition to celebrating diversity and culture months, the most recent has been Hispanic and Latino Heritage Month. In



Dishes of foods such as the ones pictured were examples of several ways that helped to celebrate the Hispanic Heritage Month.

Heritage Month starts each year from September 15 to October 15. It was created to help properly recognize and specifically contribute to celebrating the Hispanic and Latino community and their influence in this coun-

amazing ways to participate and celebrate. One of the many ways is finding something fun, and vibrant-

the United States, Hispanic ly exciting to do with your

family locally near you. In the city of Apopka on September 16, there was an array of fun things to do like children's art contests, Hispanic/Latino dancers and performers, and cultural food.

In downtown Mount There's a variety of Dora, there was a Viva La Vida Festival and a celebration at the Mount Dora Center for the Arts and the Las Palmeras Cuban restaurant. In the city of Eustis, there was a celebration of Hispanic and Latino soldiers to acknowledge the appropriation of other cul-

Also in the city of Orlando there is a hosted art exhibition featuring a variety and a multitude of dominoes games. There will also be authentic handmade Domino pieces featured by Domino USA. There will also be local visual artists flaunting off their stunning art. This incredible exhibition has been open since September 8 until November 13 at the Terrace Gallery at the Orlando City Hall. So you readers definitely don't want to miss this sublime event.

In conclusion to the Terrace Gallery Art Exhibition, you definitely don't want to miss Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer along with District 2 Commissioner Tony Ortiz when they host the city of Orlando's annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration.

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