

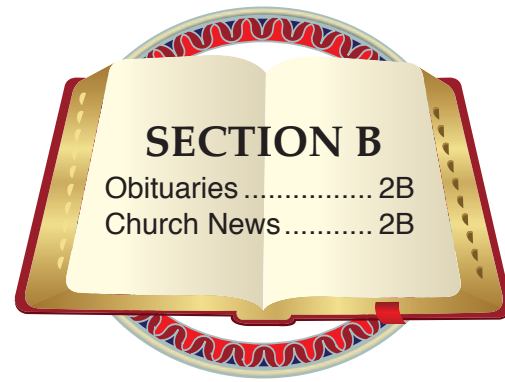
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## The Apopka Chief

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# Lifestyle



## City Hall features photos of wildlife from Lake Apopka

By Teresa Sargeant  
Apopka Chief Staff

There are many different species and landscape views to check out at the popular Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive.

Yet, for those who have never visited the recreational site – or haven't driven through it in quite some time – they can see the wildlife habitat in a series of pictures by 17 local photographers, all on display in the Apopka City Hall atrium from now through the end of April.

The photographers want to thank Mayor Bryan Nelson and City Hall cu-

rator Betty Ann Huntsman for the exhibition opportunity, said Michelle D. Wilson, an Apopka photographer featured in the exhibit.

Wilson's photographs are "Chasing Butterflies," featuring a monarch butterfly, and "Who Spilt the Paint," featuring a painted bunting. She said she "seriously" became a photographer four years ago.

Besides Apopka City Hall, Wilson has exhibited her photos at the libraries in downtown Orlando, Windermere and Winter Garden, as well as at the Harry P. Leu Gardens.

"I think when the drive opened, it inspired me to



"Who Spilt the Paint," (l), is the name of this photograph by Michelle D. Wilson, which shows a painted bunting. Wilson became a serious photographer about four years ago. Shiann Piekarski of Apopka displays her first ever photo and it is of "Mikey", a gator whose opened jaws reveal the tail of its meal, a snake.

learn more (about photography) than just cell phone pictures, actually going out there and using my camera and taking classes and

learning about it," said Wilson, a retired Orange County Public Schools employee. "We're so lucky in Apopka that there are so



many places that are full of nature, that you can just be inspired to do that."

This marks the third time a Lake Apopka Wild-

life Drive photography group has exhibited at City Hall, although it includes

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## Proclamation for Apopka Art & Foliage Festival



The Apopka City Council welcomed the Apopka Woman's Club on Wednesday, March 6. The Council presented the club with a proclamation celebrating the upcoming Apopka Art and Foliage Festival taking place at Kit Land Nelson Park on April 27th and 28th.

## Northwest Church announces build of new facility in Apopka at 30th anniversary event

An Orlando church announced its intentions to build its new facility on a recently purchased plot of land in the northwestern corner of Apopka and then relocate there.

Northwest Church announced the move on Sunday, March 3, at its 30th-anniversary barbecue event, where Apopka Mayor Bryan Nelson attended and spoke.

The celebration began at Northwest Church's current location at 5495 Clarcona-Ocoee Road, Orlando, and then moved outdoors to the new site, 1567 Plymouth Sorrento Road near S.R. 429.

The day included plenty of volunteer-prepared barbecue, comments, a ribbon cutting with Nelson and Northwest Church Executive Pastor Peter Brunton, cake cutting, visits from the Apopka Fire Department, local SWAT team and K-9 units, and activities for kids.

Northwest Church's leadership is enthusiastic about the move to Apopka.

"Our temporary sign on the side of the road says 'We can't wait to meet you Apopka!' and that's how we genuinely feel," Brunton was quoted as saying in



The Northwest Church's 30th anniversary barbecue event, on Sunday, March 3, was where guests and the congregation learned about the church's plans to relocate from its current Clarcona-Ocoee Road site in Orlando to a 15-acre property on Plymouth Sorrento Road in Apopka.



Northwest Church Executive Pastor Peter Brunton (l) and his wife Crystal Brunton, who is on the Northwest pastoral staff, pose with Apopka Mayor Bryan Nelson at the church's 30th anniversary barbecue celebration.

the church's press release. "The story of how we discovered and purchased this

land is truly incredible."

A non-denominational church with more than



A child hangs out on the back of a city of Apopka fire truck at the event.

500 members, Northwest

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## One hundred Women volunteer to build home on Woman's Day

By Teresa Sargeant  
Apopka Chief Staff

One hundred women volunteers will help construct homes for two female homeowners on International Women's Day, which is today, Friday, March 8.

Organized by Lowe's and Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando and Osceola County, the Women Build event will run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Arbor Bend, 1221 S. Washington Ave., Apopka. The program starts at 8:30 a.m. Construction begins at 9.

As part of International Women's Day, Habitat for Humanity and Lowe's will cast light on the affordable housing crisis that women and children are facing worldwide.

Catherine Steck McManus, president/CEO of Habitat Orlando and Osceola, and House District 45 Representative Kamia Brown of Ocoee will be present at the South Apopka event.

"Habitat Orlando and

Osceola believes every family deserves a safe and stable home," Betsy Culpepper, vice president of marketing and communications for Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando and Osceola County, said in an email. "During Lowe's International Women Build Day, we are empowering women through messages of positivity, support and action; encouraging women to join a community of other women; (and) building each other up and raising a hammer to support a critical cause: safe and affordable housing. Together, we will create safe, stable homes globally."

Last year, Habitat for Humanity for Greater Orlando and Osceola County had a two-day Women Build, in which 216 participants raised \$73,000 for the nonprofit.

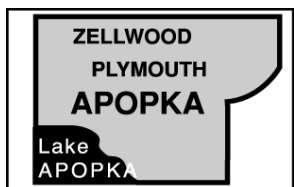
This year, the nonprofit is hosting four Women Build days: March 8 and 9, and May 10 and 11.

Between those four

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## Unusual edible plants, community meetings, Art & Foliage info. in events

Unusual Edible Plants for the Home Vegetable Garden: Learn about the many edible plants and more unusual vegetables that may increase your vegetable garden productivity. Advance registration is required, 9-10:30 a.m., Saturday, March 9. Cost is \$5 per household. Location is the Orange County University of Florida IFAS Extension, 6021 S. Conway Road, Orlando 32812.



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Applications are now available for artists and crafters who wish to enter the 58th annual Apopka Art and Foliage Festival, which will take place Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, April 28, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Kit Land Nelson Park.

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For more info and applications, visit [Apopka-ArtAndFoliageFestival.org](http://Apopka-ArtAndFoliageFestival.org).

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Orange County School Board Member Melissa Byrd is hosting two more community meetings throughout District 7. The meetings are being held at all the local

middle schools and they provide an opportunity for community members to meet the new board member and discuss school issues. Community members are encouraged to find a middle school near them for a meeting to attend. The two events include: March 11 at Sunridge Middle School in Winter Garden, and March 14 at Ocoee Middle School. All meetings start at 7 p.m.



## The Connection Between Generosity and Prosperity

(See verse below)

Throughout the Old Testament, the Israelites are told that if they keep the Law and follow God's commandments, they will be prosperous. The Book of Joshua is clear on this connection: "Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it.

Then you will be prosperous and successful." (Joshua 1:8 NIV) The prophet Malachi tells the Israelites that they are robbing God when they fail to give the full tithe, and God promises to "open the floodgates of heaven" if only the people will "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house." (Malachi 3:10 NIV)

The promise which God makes is that our generosity will be repaid

in full. Jesus summarizes this eternal law of human nature: "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you." (Luke 6:37-38 NIV) The apostle Paul reminds the Corinthians that stinginess and generosity have consequences as natural as the fruits which follow from their seeds:

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously." (2 Corinthians 9:6 NIV)

We should not, however, be generous as an insurance policy or an investment plan. Give from a pure motive to help others, and realize that the reward may be in a different coin, as it were. -Christopher Simon

# Annual spring break revival slated

Greater Faith World Center/Center of Faith, 700 Vick Rd., Apopka, will host its annual spring break revival March 18-20 at 7:30

p.m. each day.

There will be various church youth groups and their choirs in attendance. Each choir will offer a se-

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**PATRICIA ANN GAUTHIER**, 76, Apopka, died Tuesday, February 26. Mrs. Gauthier was born in Webster, Massachusetts. Survivors: daughters, Nancy Carr, Paige McCormac; siblings, James, John, Roger; one grandchild. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

**BETTY MUSSELWHITE**, 76, Apopka, died Monday, February 25. Mrs. Musselwhite was born in Roswell, New Mexico. Survivors: children, Dale, Donnie; siblings, Monroe Sedillo, Ray Torres. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

**ONELLO C. ALFONSO FUENTES**, 88, Apopka, died Tuesday, February 26. Mr. Alfonso Fuentes was born in La Margarita, Cuba. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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## Home improvements can increase home value and return of investment

When granite countertops or shiny, stainless steel appliances beckon homeowners from the display areas of home improvement stores, it's tempting to gear remodeling thoughts toward the items that will add flair and decorative appeal to a home. Even though most improvements add some measure of value, deciding which are the best investments can be difficult.

Return on investment, often referred to as "ROI," varies depending on the project. Frequently, the projects that seem like the best investments don't bring the greatest rate of return, while those that seem like smaller projects bring substantial returns. Real estate professionals routinely weigh in with their expert advice, and homeowners

can couple that advice with Remodeling magazine's annual "Cost vs. Value Index" to reap the greatest financial impact from their renovations.

The following were some of the projects that garnered the greatest ROI.

- Open the door to improvement. Region by region across the United States, installation of a new steel door on the front of a home can have a large impact on the resale value of a property. The ROI ranges from 123 percent at the highest, to 86 percent at the lowest - which is still a considerable investment return for such a simple project. Match the door's style with the style of the house for the best value.

- Turn up the kitchen heat. An attractive kitchen can encourage buy-



*Before remodeling, determine which projects will provide the greatest return on investment.*

ers to overlook some of a home's less attractive components. In the kitchen, replacement countertops, wall color changes, new cabinetry and flooring offer the biggest ROI.

- Dreaming of a new bedroom. Remodeling magazine also points to creating an attic bedroom to increase home value. The ROI of an attic remodel that adheres

to code can garner an 83 percent ROI.

- Home maintenance projects. There's little good to improving the aesthetic appeal and functionality of a home if there are existing structural or maintenance issues, warn experts. Siding replacement, HVAC system repair or replacement, a new roof, and basement dampness prevention solutions can be smarter investments before other flashy remodels. Many buyers have a strict budget for a house, and those buyers may be more likely to buy a house with lit-

tle or no maintenance issues. Such buyers will then upgrade the kitchen or baths themselves, according to Harvard's Joint Center for Housing Studies.

- Worthy window replacement. Angie's List, a home services review and referral resource, has found that the average ROI of new windows is 77 percent. The cost of installation and energy savings tend to offset at around the 10-year point.

If remodeling is on the horizon, homeowners should give strong consideration to ROI before choosing a project.

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## Park Avenue Animal Hospital is not just for dogs and cats

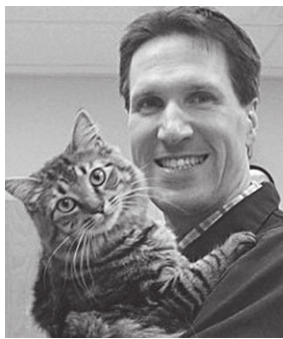
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Veterinary schools expose potential animal doctors to just about every species of animal in the world (except humans!). With such a vast collection of animals to study though, most vet schools lack the capability to include extensive study of exotics in the core curriculum.

There are exotic study courses that can be taken as electives, and vet students can gain lots of real-world experience through internships and study programs. It all starts with a vested personal interest though, and many veterinarians choose to

stick with common species such as dogs, cats, and horses as their primary study.

If you've ever owned a dog or a cat, you know that if your furry friend needs medical care, you can take him to your local vet's office. But what happens when your iguana, parrot or rabbit gets injured? What about when your chinchilla or ferret doesn't feel well?

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# Choose from two recipes to grill or roast tender, juicy steak

This week, you have your choice of two sirloin steak recipes, both from *Paths of Sunshine Cookbook*. The first is Harry's Marinated Sirloin Steak that is for cooking on the grill, and the second is simply Sirloin Steak Roast for roasting in the oven. Both recipes look simple, and the ingredients in the marinades should tenderize the meat.

If you like scallops, try Scallop Oriental from *Cooking with Foliage La Sertoma of Apopka*. The recipe calls for broccoli including florets and stalks. Regarding the broccoli stalks, if you cut off the florets, then peel the stalk with a potato peeler, you have a good bit more of that wonderful vegetable, tender, moist, and tasty, that you might otherwise throw away.

Red-Skinned Potato Chips with olive oil and rosemary sounds divine. This one little potato in the recipe might be an appetizer for one... (me). We thank the Apopka Historical Society for sharing this recipe with us from their *Preserving the Big Potato*.

*Cooking with Foliage La Sertoma of Apopka* shares a vegetable dish called Zucchini Donatone. The sauce can be prepared the day before you want to bake it.

Cucumber season is coming soon, so you can be ready with Ann Hlinak's recipe for making Crispy Pickle Slices. This tasty recipe is found in *Sharing Our Finest Cookbook*, kindly shared by Apopka Citizen Police Alumni Association.

We have Bran Muffins from *The New York Times NEW Natural Foods Cookbook*, by Jean Hewitt.

**HARRY'S  
MARINATED SIRLOIN STEAK**  
**Recipe from Florida Federation of  
Garden Clubs,  
Paths of Sunshine Cookbook**  
**2/3 cup soy sauce**  
**Juice of one lemon**  
**1/2 teaspoon black pepper**  
**1/2 teaspoon dry mustard**  
**1/3 cup red wine**  
**1 tablespoon cooking oil**  
**3/4 teaspoon garlic powder**  
**1-1/2 teaspoons flavor enhancer**  
**1-1/2 inch thick sirloin steak**



Mix all ingredients. Place sirloin in plastic bag. Pour marinade over sirloin and seal bag. Place on flat surface. Marinate in refrigerator for 2-1/2 to 3 hours, turning every 30 minutes. Remove steak and grill to your taste. Remove from grill and cut into serving portions.

**SIRLOIN STEAK ROAST**  
**Recipe from Florida Federation of  
Garden Clubs,  
Paths of Sunshine Cookbook**  
**1 clove garlic**  
**5 to 7 pounds sirloin steak, 4 inches thick, boned and tied**  
**1 cup beef stock**  
**1 cup catsup**  
**1/2 cup steak sauce**  
**1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce**

Sliver garlic clove and insert in roast in several places. Sear meat on both sides in roasting pan. Combine remaining ingredients. Pour over roast. Baste the roast several times during cooking in a 375-degree oven for 1 to 1-1/2 hours.

**SCALLOP ORIENTAL**  
**Recipe from Cooking with  
Foliage La Sertoma of Apopka**  
**1 pound calico or bay scallops,**  
**fresh or frozen**  
**2 tablespoons lemon juice**  
**2 tablespoons soy sauce**  
**1/2 teaspoon garlic powder**  
**2 tablespoons vegetable oil**  
**1 cup thinly sliced broccoli (florets and stalks)**  
**1 cup thinly sliced cauliflower**  
**1 cup thinly sliced fresh mushrooms**  
**1/2 cup green onions, cut into 1-inch lengths**  
**1 tablespoon vegetable oil**  
**2-1/2 tablespoon vegetable oil**  
**3/4 cup water**  
**1 teaspoon salt**  
**1/2 teaspoon pepper**  
**3 cups chow mein noodles**

Thaw scallops if frozen. Rinse scallops with cold water to remove any remaining pieces of shell particles. Cut large scallops in half. Combine lemon juice, soy sauce and garlic. Pour over scallops. Let marinate while preparing vegetables. In wok, heat oil and add broccoli, cauliflower, mushrooms and green onions. Stir fry 4 minutes at 300 degrees. Remove vegetables to a warm platter. Add remaining table-

spoon of oil to wok, if necessary. Drain scallops; reserve marinade. Place scallops in wok. Stir fry for 1 to 2 minutes or until scallops are opaque. Add vegetables to scallops in wok. In a small bowl, combine corn starch with water, salt, pepper and reserved marinade; mix well. Add to scallops and vegetable mixture and stir only until broth is thickened. Serve over chow mein noodles. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

**RED-SKINNED POTATO CHIPS  
WITH ROSEMARY**  
**Recipe from  
Apopka Historical Society's  
Preserving the Big Potato –  
A Collection of Potato Recipes**  
**1 red potato, about 3 ounces**  
**Rosemary to taste**  
**Olive oil cooking spray**  
Scrub potato, and then pierce several times with fork. Microwave on high for two minutes. Potatoes will still be firm. Slice thinly. Mist with olive oil cooking spray. Spread across grill, overlapping as little as possible. Grill 6-7 minutes. For moister fries, skip microwave. Slice potato a bit thicker, and grill 27-30 minutes.

**ZUCCHINI DONATONE**  
**Recipe from Cooking with  
Foliage La Sertoma of Apopka**  
**1 pound can Italian peeled tomatoes**  
**1 6-ounce can tomato paste**  
**1 tablespoon finely chopped onion**  
**1 teaspoon celery salt**  
**1 teaspoon sugar**  
**1 teaspoon garlic salt**  
**1 small jar pimento, chopped**  
**1 green pepper, finely chopped**  
**2 pounds zucchini**  
**1 bay leaf**  
**1 cup Italian bread crumbs**  
**2 slices of Mozzarella cheese**

Chop tomatoes and combine with the next eight ingredients. Simmer slowly for 1 hour. This may be done the day before and refrigerated. Wash zucchini, but do not peel. Cut into half-inch thick slices. Saute for 5 minutes in melted butter laced with garlic salt, turning once. Drain and put into a 1-quart casserole. Remove bay leaf from sauce and pour over zucchini. Evenly sprinkle Italian bread crumbs over top, placing slices of Mozzarella cheese over the crumbs. Bake in a 400-degree preheated oven for 30 minutes. Makes 8

servings.

**ANN HLINAK'S  
CRISPY PICKLE SLICES**  
**Recipe from Apopka Citizen Police  
Alumni Association,  
Sharing Our Finest Cookbook**  
**10 medium cucumbers**  
**4 cups vinegar**  
**8 cups sugar**  
**5 tablespoons salt**  
**2 tablespoons pickling spice**

Well worth the effort!! Place whole cucumbers in large pot. Use stainless steel, glassware, or unchipped enamel; other metals may react and cause color and taste changes. Cover cucumbers with boiling water. Let stand until following day. Repeat this procedure three more days. On fifth day, slice cucumbers. Combine and boil the vinegar, sugar, salt and spices. Pour over sliced cucumbers. Stir. On sixth day, simply stir cucumbers two or three times. On seventh day, separate cucumbers from liquid; drain liquid into pot. Bring liquid to a boil. Add pickles. Bring to boil. Remove from heat. Bottle. Best to use thin, dark-skinned cucumbers.

**BRAN MUFFINS**  
**THE NEW YORK TIMES  
NEW NATURAL FOODS  
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**1 cup whole bran cereal**  
**2 cups whole wheat flour**  
**1/4 cup non-fat dry milk powder**  
**3 tablespoons baking powder**  
**1/4 teaspoon salt**  
**1 cup milk**  
**1/3 cup honey**  
**1/4 cup vegetable oil**  
**1/2 cup raisins**

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. 2. Combine the bran, flour, dry milk, baking powder, and salt in a large bowl. Mix together the milk, honey, and oil and stir into the dry ingredients until just moistened. 3. Stir in the raisins and spoon into well oiled 2-1/2 inch muffin tins until two-thirds full. Bake for 12 minutes or until browned. Cool on a rack. **Yield:** Eighteen muffins.

Previous recipes can be found online at [www.theapokkachief.com/recipes](http://www.theapokkachief.com/recipes)  
Please email your recipes to: [news@theapokkachief.com](mailto:news@theapokkachief.com).

March		EVENTS ★ ★ WEEKLY ★ ★		UPCOMING ★ ★ ONGOING ★ ★ EVENTS	
<p><b>OCPS - SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION.</b> Traffic patterns have changed. Stormy weather comes and goes! Be careful with your umbrellas. And always watch out for those pedestrians. School zones are in force, even if lights are not flashing.</p> <p><b>DON'T TEXT WHILE DRIVING - Please!</b></p> <p>Children must be five years old on or before September 1 to start kindergarten. 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 be current.</p> <p><b>City of Apopka's Northwest Recreation Complex,</b> 3710 Jason Dwellay Parkway, Apopka 32712, 407-703-1784. On any given weekend, you can see many, many families in attendance at the beautiful complex setting participating in various organized sport programs. Amenities at the complex include: Soccer Fields, Softball Fields, Baseball Fields, Multi-Purpose Fields, Sand Volleyball Courts, Outdoor Basketball Courts, Tennis Courts, Walking Trail, Amphitheater, Playground, Concession Stands.</p> <p><b>11-mile wildlife drive (complete with directional signs) (opened in 2015) on Lake Apopka shores,</b> by entering from Lust Road off Binion Road, about a mile south of Camp Wewa in the Plymouth area, for one-way drive, 10 miles per hour, with possible wildlife spotting stops. <b>DO NOT FEED THE GATORS - IT MAY CAUSE CLOSING OF THE TRAIL.</b> If you are stopping, drive will take more than 1 hour. Drive runs by canals used in muck-farming days. The one-way drive exits on Jones Road in Zellwood. You will see a freshwater marsh system and wildlife dependent on that type of 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 to ongoing restoration work. The trail is 11 miles long..</p> <p><b>WEKIWA SPRINGS STATE PARK</b> is a 7,000-acre Florida State Park in Apopka, Florida. It is located 20 minutes north of Orlando, off Interstate 4 at exit 94, near Altamonte Springs and Longwood. The park also contains the head water of the Wekiwa River. Address: 1800 Wekiwa Circle, Apopka 32712, open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For information, call 407-884-4311..</p> <p><b>FRIDAY, MARCH 8</b> <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 9</b> <b>SUNDAY, MARCH 10</b></p> <p><b>APOPKA FAIR</b> sponsored by Rotary Club of Apopka and City of Apopka continues today beginning at 5 p.m., at Kit Land Nelson Park, and continues on</p>	<p>Saturday and Sunday</p> <p><b>Zumba Seniors Fitness Class,</b> MONDAYS and FRIDAYS 9:00 a.m., at Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Avenue. Call 407-703-1642 for information.</p> <p><b>Beginning Racewalking Program:</b> 5:00 p.m. - 5:55 p.m., at the Orange County Parks' Magnolia Park, 2929 Binion Rd., Apopka. The program is for people age 12 and older, and is free. Pre-registration is required by calling 407-886-4231. For park information, visit <a href="http://www.orangecountyparks.net">www.orangecountyparks.net</a>.</p> <p><b>Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays at 6:30 p.m.,</b> Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, 601 S. Highland Avenue. If you have a problem with food – overeating, anorexia, bulimia – there is a solution for you. For more information, visit OA.org or call Laura 407-484-7736 or Ginger 407-832-5772.</p> <p><b>Toastmasters:</b> Every Monday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., in the Museum of Apopkans, 122 E 5th St, Apopka, FL 32703. For more information, (Number changed) call 407-765-2629 or visit <a href="http://www.Apopkat toastmasters.org">www.Apopkat toastmasters.org</a>.</p> <p><b>Toastmasters: Forest Lake Church</b> Room 9, 515 Harley Lester Lane, Apopka, Florida 32703. Time: 7 p.m., Open to everyone interested. For information, call 407-761-2943. Club Number: 4899556, District 84, Area D42. Orators of Excellence.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY, MARCH 12</b></p> <p><b>Walk and Talk:</b> 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m., at Magnolia Park. Call 407-886-4231 for more information.</p> <p><b>PLANT CLINIC at UF Mid Florida Research Center,</b> 2725 Binion Rd., Apopka, every Tuesday, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. with rotating Master Gardener clinicians to evaluate your plant specimens. For information, call 407-254-9200 or visit <a href="http://orange.ifas.ufl.edu/reshort/">orange.ifas.ufl.edu/reshort/</a></p> <p><b>Art Class:</b> 9:00 a.m., at the Fran Carlton Center, 11 N. Forest Ave., Apopka. For more information, call and leave message for Nancy McDonald at 407-703-1631.</p> <p><b>SECOND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH:</b> The American Cancer Society group discussion on prostate cancer is held at the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce building, 180 W. Main St., Apopka, at 6:30 p.m., and is open for anyone who is interested in the subject or who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. It is free. For more information, call 407-341-1826.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13</b></p> <p><b>Apopka/Altamonte Springs VFW Post 10147</b> meets every Wed. morning at 519 S. Central Avenue, Apopka, from</p>	<p>8:30-10 a.m. New members are always welcome. Call 407-889-8266, or email <a href="mailto:info@vfwpost10147.com">info@vfwpost10147.com</a></p> <p><b>Zumba Seniors Fitness Class,</b> WEDNESDAYS at 8:00 a.m. at Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Avenue. Call 407-703-1642 for information. Classes also held on Mondays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>City of Apopka DRC (Development Review Committee)</b> meets every Wednesday at 9 a.m.-10 a.m. at City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka.</p> <p><b>TOPS Chapter #646.</b> (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), TOPS, a non-profit organization, will help you reach a weight goal with support from friendly, caring members, education, and rewards. Each Wednesday a.m. - weigh-in begins at 8:45 - meeting ends at 10:30. Come to 9635 Bear Lake Road, Apopka, to meet with others who have a like-minded goal to lose weight. No products, no specific diet to follow, no meds. Call 407-312-7123 for more information.</p> <p><b>Cards &amp; Bridge:</b> 9:30 a.m. for SENIORS. Come and join the fun, or bring in some friends and start your own. Call 407-703-1631 for information.</p> <p><b>Crafts &amp; Chatter and Board Games,</b> 9:30 a.m. for SENIORS. This is an informal gathering of senior adults who enjoy playing board games, cards or creating projects. Call 407-703-1631 for information.</p> <p><b>Tiny Tales - Rhyme Time for You and Baby:</b> At 10:15 a.m., lasts approximately 15 min. every Wed. For infants birth to 18 months, OCLS North Orange Branch.*</p> <p><b>Toddler Time:</b> At 10:45 a.m., every Wed., Especially for children ages 18 to 36 months and lasts approximately 20 minutes. OCLS North Orange Branch.*</p> <p><b>Storybook Fun for Your Little One:</b> At 11:15 a.m. every Wed. Recommended for children ages three to five. The programs are free and last approximately 30 minutes. OCLS North Orange Branch*.</p> <p><b>EARLY BIRD BINGO</b> at Bahia Shrine Center, 3101 E. Semoran Blvd.. Doors open at 5 p.m., and the early bird game starts at 6 p.m. For more info, call 407-660-8811.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY, MARCH 14</b></p> <p><b>Walking Club:</b> SENIORS 8:00 a.m. City of Apopka. Will meet at Magnolia Park. Call 407-886-4231 for information.</p> <p><b>AARP DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS,</b> Thursday, March 14, from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Fran Carlton Center, 11 N. Forest Avenue. \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Must bring membership card for discount. Bring bag lunch. Certificate will be given for insurance company.</p>	<p><b>Chair Exercise Class</b> for seniors, 9 a.m., Fran Carlton Center, 11 N Forest Avenue, Apopka. Call 407-703-1784.</p> <p><b>ROTARY Luncheon Meeting,</b> 12:00 Noon. Meetings are at the <b>Apopka Community Center/VFW Post 10147, 519 S. Central Avenue.</b> For information call 407-415-6588.</p> <p><b>Motorcycle Night:</b> 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. at Porkie's BBQ, 256 E. Main St., Apopka. Every Thursday night will feature drawings, prizes, trophies and just plain showing off. For information, call 407-880-3351</p> <p><b>UPCOMING EVENTS.</b></p> <p><b>MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST</b> will be held on Thursday, May 2, in the Community Center/VFW Post 10147, 519 S. Central Ave. Theme for National Day of Prayer: John 13:34, which says, "Love one another. Just as I have loved you." Tickets will be on sale soon.</p> <p><b>ONGOING EVENTS</b></p> <p>City Council meetings are normally held the first Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., and <b>third Wednesday at 7 p.m.</b> in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 120 E. Main St., Apopka. All meetings open to the public. <b>Subject to change with notice.</b> For info., call City Clerk 407-703-1704. <b>Agenda and minutes of meeting can be found online. Once posted, check for any revisions by Tuesday at 5 p.m. before the meeting.</b></p> <p>The <b>FOLIAGE SERTOMA CLUB</b> normally meets the first and third Tuesday of each month, beginning at 11:45-noon, at Beef 'O' Brady's in The Back Room, 1410 Rock Springs Rd., Apopka</p> <p><b>"COOKIES AND MILK WITH A COP</b> (Storytime, Too") every third Saturday of the month at North Orange Branch Library, 1211 E. Semoran Blvd., Apopka, 11:00 a.m. This event is sponsored by APD and McDonald's located at 233 E. Main St.</p> <p><b>BROWN BAG LUNCH</b> - Third Saturday of each Month at Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit at the corner of Highland and 6th St., Apopka, from 10 am.-1 p.m. All are welcome to come and be fed with those who would like to share in a brown bag lunch. In addition, men's socks, flip flops, stuffed animals and children's books among other things will be offered. For information, call 407-703-4223</p> <p><b>COFFEE WITH A COP</b> is scheduled Sat., from time to time at McDonald's on 233 E. Main Street. Meet with Apopka Police Chief Michael McKinley and other officers to discuss matters of concern to you, and enjoy a cop of coffee.</p> <p><b>The Altamonte Springs/Apopka VFW</b></p>	<p><b>Post 10147</b> is located at 519 S. Central Avenue, Apopka. <b>Every third Saturday of the month, breakfast (sponsored by the Rotary Club of Apopka) is served for \$6 each from 8-10:00 a.m.</b> The post is open Wednesday and Saturday Mornings from <b>(TIME CHANGE)</b> 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. (other hours by appointment only). All members and families are urged to attend. Those who have served in any branch of the military, during any war or conflict, and who may be interested in becoming a member, are also urged to attend. Call 407-889-8266, or email <a href="mailto:info@vfwpost10147.com">info@vfwpost10147.com</a> Auxiliary is being formed.</p> <p><b>NWOC FFA Alumni</b> - Monthly meetings (usually the 4th Monday evening in a month during the school year) are open to anyone. You do not have to have been a member of FFA, nor is it necessary to have a child in an FFA chapter. <b>All that is required is a desire to help these young people, both for FFA and 4-H.</b> For information, contact <a href="mailto:nwocffaa@gmail.com">nwocffaa@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Volunteers Needed</b> - The Debbie Turner Cancer Center needs volunteers to help in the office Monday thru Friday from 10-4. Help for an hour or two would be great. Administrative portion is moving to office next door in a couple of weeks. Call Joann at 407-880-2111 or 407-920-2882 cell.</p> <p><b>Museum of Apopkans, 122 E 5th Street,</b> Hours open: Tuesday through Friday, 1:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. Contains displays and information about Apopka's history, and <b>has history books for sale.</b> Monthly meetings of Apopka Historical Society are normally held on a Sunday afternoon. For more information, call 407-703-1707.</p> <p><b>The Apopka Elks Lodge 2422</b> meets first and third Tuesdays of month, 201 W. Orange. For more information, call 407-886-1600 or email <a href="mailto:apopkaelks@aol.com">apopkaelks@aol.com</a>.</p> <p><b>GFWC Apopka Woman's Club,</b> meets at First United Methodist Church, 201 N. Park Avenue. Call 407-880-2111 for more information.</p> <p><b>Foliage Garden Club</b> - meets the first Thursday of each month, at 9:30 a.m., at the Museum of Apopkans, 122 E. 5th St., Apopka, September through June.</p> <p><b>Apopka Garden Club</b> - 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.</p> <p><b>Music at Magnolia recorder classes</b> begin on Mondays from 3:30-4:15 p.m. and intermediate classes are held on Wednesdays 11:15 a.m.-noon and 2:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m. at 2929 S. Binion Rd. (Hwy 437), Apopka. The classes are open to all ages. The cost is \$2 per person per class. If you are a novice,</p>	<p>or are interested in learning to play the recorder, call 407-886-4231</p> <p><b>City of Apopka Planning &amp; Zoning</b> - usually the second Tuesday of the month. <b>5:30 p.m.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Bridge Games and Classes:</b> 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 <a href="http://lakeduplicate.com">lakeduplicate.com</a>.</p> <p><b>Hospital Health Course Offered:</b> The Living Healthy Program at Florida Hospital Apopka designed to help those with chronic diseases such as high blood pressure, arthritis, diabetes, cancer and more. Call 407-625-7048 to learn more about free chronic disease self-management courses.</p> <p><b>Computer Classes in both English and Spanish:</b> Available daily or weekly at OCLS North Orange Branch.* Classes are: Computer Basics, Excel, Word Resume Writing, Email for Seniors, ELLIS English Lab, Word, Online Job Searches, Power Point, Internet, Open Lab, How to use a mouse and keyboard, etc. Call OCLS North Orange Branch* for more details.</p> <p><b>Habitat Volunteers:</b> Go to <a href="http://www.habitatseminoleapopka.org">www.habitatseminoleapopka.org</a>, click on volunteers. There are a number of opportunities available at the Restores. Call <b>407-696-5855</b> or 407-880-8881 to sign up for information.</p> <p><b>"Open Heart Kitchen":</b> The Golden Years Senior Ministry of St. Paul AME Church will sponsor a soup kitchen, on the third Monday of every month, from noon-4:00 p.m., at the Church at 1012 S. Park Ave., Apopka. For more information, call 407-889-4464.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>*(OCLS) Orange County Public Library North Orange Branch Address: 1211 E. Semoran Boulevard, Apopka 436 (Semoran) and Thompson Road. <a href="http://www.oclsinfo.com">www.oclsinfo.com</a>. To reserve a space, call 407-835-7323.</p> <p>**Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce, 180 E. Main St., Apopka. For more info, call 407-886-1441.</p> <p><b>COMMUNITY EVENTS</b> <b>CALENDAR INFORMATION</b> <i>For community events, fund raisers, and non-profit organizations.</i> <b>Send info: fax 407-889-4121, or email <a href="mailto:ads@theapokkachief.com">ads@theapokkachief.com</a></b> <b>Subscribe to The Apopka Chief</b> <b>E-Edition or Home Delivery</b> Call 407-886-2777 or Visit the Web site: <a href="http://www.theapokkachief.com">www.theapokkachief.com</a> <b>In County: \$30 with E-edition, or \$25 for just postal delivery.</b> <b>Out-of-County: \$35 with E-Edition. or \$30 for postal delivery.</b></p>



## AMMS medical students visit orthodontics office



The Medical Skills and Services students from Apopka Memorial Middle School had the opportunity to visit Smile Concepts Orthodontics office on Wednesday, March 6. Dr. Keisha Alexander and her staff are active Partners in Education for AMMS. Students learned about different medical professions within the office such as Orthodontist, Dental Assistant, Administrative Assistant, Patient Care Coordinator, Treatment Coordinator, and Practice Administrator. They also gained knowledge about medical equipment used in the office. Students were able to see first-hand how impressions and molds are made of a patient's teeth.

## JDog Junk Removal has ribbon cutting



JDog Junk Removal celebrated its ribbon cutting on Friday, March 1. Pictured are, (front, l-r), Chamber ambassador Derek Ryan; Apopka Mayor Bryan Nelson; Chamber ambassador Leanne Fleischer; Chamber assistant Holly Jordan Condrey; JDog owners, Dustin Meyer and Travis Malchow; Chamber ambassador Doug Bankson; Chamber President Robert Agrusa. Back, Chamber Chairman-Elect Brent Hill; Chamber ambassador Chad Creech; and Chamber ambassador Deborah Perez.

## Apopkan makes Dean's List

Jonathan Elicier of Apopka was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2018 semester at Newberry College, according to a February 28 press release.

Elicier is a sports medicine major.

Students receiving recognition on the dean's list at Newberry College had to

achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale during the semester.

A total of 379 students earned Dean's List honors for the fall semester.

Located in Newberry, S.C., Newberry College is a private, residential, co-educational college with a diverse student population.

## Student makes President's List

Amy Levesque of Apopka has been named to the president's list for excellence in academics at Georgia Southern University, according to a March 1 press release.

Georgia Southern University recently recognized approximately 1,850 students on the fall 2018 president's list. To be eligible for the president's list, a student must have at least

a 4.0 grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 hours for the semester.

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/R2 institution founded in 1906, offers 141 degree programs serving nearly 26,500 students through nine colleges on three campuses in Statesboro, Savannah and Hinesville, Ga. and online instruction.

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# BUSINESS PROFILE

Your Guide To Local Businesses

## Local Apopka attorney Patrick Smith offers estate-planning services

Attorney Patrick Smith, a partner at The Law Offices of Joseph F. Pippen Jr. & Associates, is here to help individuals, families, and corporations plan and prepare for the many changes that life brings. Attorney Smith combines his knowledge in the fields of estate planning, corporations, and charitable giving with true care and concern for his clients. He finds creative solutions for clients in the areas of estate planning, estate and trust dispute resolution, planning for special needs beneficiaries, and charitable gift planning.

Attorney Smith's work is differentiated by his level of service and attention to detail. His technical and analytical capabilities and problem-solving approach are unique among many attorneys.

Attorney Smith's approach to estate planning is to charge flat fees for any estate planning documents instead of using a "billable hours" system. For example, a will costs \$75, a durable power of attorney \$95, a living will \$50, and a Non-Tax Trust Package \$695. He is also willing to review estate planning legal documents and provide

a consultation free of charge.

Attorney Smith also hosts seminars for the elderly to inform them of their legal rights, and donates large portions of his time to do legal work for churches and non-governmental organizations. And, he is a frequent speaker on estate planning and charitable gift planning.

His concern for people extends beyond his current client base. He hosts a weekly radio show called "Ask an Attorney," where he answers any and all legal questions for free, frequently inviting guests such as other attorneys, financial planners, CPAs, and other professions to add their expertise to the show. The show airs at 8 a.m. Saturday mornings on 90.3 FM and 1520 AM.

Even further beyond the legal world, Attorney Smith is contributing to his community. He is currently on the regional board of directors for the American Red Cross, and his personal donations to other organizations include Covenant House and the South Lake High school baseball team.

Attorney Smith is also the author of a book, **The Florida Estate Planning Hand-**

*Attorney Patrick Smith will review your current estate planning legal documents and provide a consultation free of charge.*

book, which strives to explain estate planning simply and intelligently for everyone. He prides himself on bringing peace of mind to those concerned about their future by helping them prepare for significant life events. In addition, Attorney Smith also practices in charitable giving.

If you'd like to see how you might protect your estate and your rights, call Attorney Patrick Smith at 407-464-0881 to schedule your complimentary initial

consultation today.

More information about Attorney Smith can be found at Pippen & Associates' website at [www.attypip.com](http://www.attypip.com). His office is conveniently located at 175 E. Main St., Suite 111, Apopka.

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# The Rotary Club of Apopka is offering scholarships to AHS or WHS seniors

The Rotary Club of Apopka Scholarship provides financial assistance to an Apopka High School or Wekiva High School senior who plans to attend a college, university, or technical school.

The scholarship will be awarded directly to the school the recipient plans to attend, and enrollment will be verified. There will be up to five \$1,000 scholarships awarded.

Eligible applicants must: (1) be a citizen of the United States or a legal resident; (2) be a high school senior residing in the Apopka area; (3) attend a college, university, or technical school; (4) provide two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, administrators, or business leaders; (5) write an essay of not more than 300 words that explains applicant's understanding of the Rotary Four-Way Test and how it is incorporated into applicant's life; (6) list any leadership positions or participations in church, community or volunteer organizations; (7) list all awards received; (8) list any past involvement with Rotary or any Rotary-related organizations; (9) provide a fully completed Rotary Club of Apopka Scholarship Application Form, and (10) have a grade point average of a minimum 2.5.

The Rotary Four-Way Test states: Of the things we think, say or do: Is it the Truth? Is it Fair to all concerned? Will it build Good Will and better friendships? Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

The application process will open on Monday, March 11, and all applications must be sent to P.O. Box 7, Apopka, 32704, and be received by April 15. Individuals selected will be notified by email not later than April 30, and each recipient will have seven days to acknowledge receipt. Recipients will be invited as guests and must attend a weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Apopka that is held on Thursdays at noon at the VFW Community Center, 519 S. Central Avenue to formally accept the scholarship.

Applicants must follow instructions and complete the form in full. For information and to download forms, go to [apokkarotary.com/scholarship](http://apokkarotary.com/scholarship).

# Church: Larger campus will include event and community spaces

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Church is currently in the planning stages for the development of the land and first phase of its building project.

In November 2018, Northwest Church purchased a 15-acre property at Plymouth-Sorrento Road with the goal of building a larger church campus. This facility will include event and community spaces, a

preschool/daycare, a new dance studio, and a music school – all of which will be open to the public.

In the press release, Brunton pointed out how his church's name – Northwest – is "the perfect fit" for the new location, in the northwest corner of Apopka. The existing Northwest Recreation Complex is right down the road from the site. Northwest has been the church's name for decades.

# Obituaries: Mrs. Burks was born in Mississippi

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**ROD M. LEMASSON**, 70, Apopka, died Thursday, February 28. Mr. Lemasson was born in Ft. Myers. He was retired from Citrus Central. Survivors: wife, Bonnie; children Jenny Gaughf, Rod; three grandchildren. Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home, Apopka.

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**JEANETTE KATHERINE BRAMLITT**, 63, Apopka, died Monday, March 4. Mrs. Bramlitt was born in DeFuniak Springs. Survivors: children, Dana Chase, Brian; siblings, Jan Felkins, Joyce Leow, Buddy Cosson, Francis Cosson; four grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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**JULIAN "CUATE" GARCIA**, 29, Apopka, died Sunday, March 3. Mr. Garcia was born in Chicago, Illinois. Survivors: mother, Julia Cordero; fiancé, Yasmin Cantero; children, Jose, Joel, Jacqueline; siblings, Juan M. Orona, Jose Campos, Priscilla Martinez, Yolanda, Stephanie, Josefa Barron. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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**ANNIE LOU BURKS**, 93, Apopka, died Tuesday, February 26. Mrs. Burks was born in Lee County, Mississippi. Survivors: children, Cynthia L. Savage, Sharon F. Pickron, Sandra M. Jones, Sarah A. Pickron; sister, Faye Turpen; 18 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; 16 great-great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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**AUDREY ANN ELVER**, 90, Sorrento, died Monday, March 4. Mrs. Elver was born in Janesville, Wisconsin. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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# Build: Habitat for Humanity is overseeing construction on affordable housing in the area

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dates, 400 women – 100 per build day – are expected to participate.

Lowe's International Women Build Day 2019 is part of an international event in which hundreds of women volunteers are gathering in 18 communities in the United States, Canada and India.

Volunteers will help

build or repair a total of 30 homes in these three countries. Since 2008, Lowe's has supported Habitat's Women Build program in the United States.

Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando and Osceola County is overseeing construction of Arbor Bend, which will have featured 34 homes upon completion this year.

Orange County has

dedicated \$1.6 million including land and infrastructure for Arbor Bend and Juniper Bend, a nearby South Apopka subdivision that Habitat for Humanity of Seminole County and Greater Apopka is constructing. When completed, Juniper Bend will have 24 houses.

Together, the 58 single-family homes will bring affordable home owner-

ship to local families in the place formerly known as Hawthorne Village.

Participants in a Habitat homeownership program go through, on average, a two-year process that includes applying for an interest-free mortgage loan, contributing 200 to 400 hours of sweat equity in Central Florida communities, and attending 17 homeowner courses.

# Photos: Observing wildlife teaches patience

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some of the same photographers from before past exhibits. A contest was held through the Lake Apopka North Shore Wildlife Drive Group Facebook page to select the photographers that would show their work.

This is the first exhibit Shiann Piekarski of Apopka ever displayed her photography. Her work is "Mikey," featuring an up-close shot of a gator. Its opened jaws reveal the tail of its meal, a snake.

"I pulled over where no cars were behind me, and I stopped and had taken a few pictures of the little gator. He kind of moved his mouth, and I thought, 'It looks like he has something in his mouth.' All of a sudden, he opened his mouth and tried to swallow the snake and I got the shot."

She said she often seeks "interesting action shots" such as birds in flight.

Piekarski's mother, an amateur painter, has always advised her to look at things through an artist's eye. "She would point out things to me that maybe I wouldn't notice. Once you got a camera in your face and you frame it out, you start seeing things differently. I always feel like

I'm shooting through my mother's eyes. She taught me how to look at things a little more artistically."

A person doesn't have to be a professional photographer to enjoy the wildlife drive, Wilson said.

"It's kind of like a no-judgment zone," Wilson said. "You get young mothers out there, taking their kids out there. You get elderly or older people out there who need to take their car, and it's a great opportunity for people from all walks of life, and people of all ages to go out there and learn from each other and explore. You don't have to be a professional photographer to go out there. You can just go out there and learn."

One thing Wilson has learned from her time at Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive is how to cultivate patience.

"I don't know how to explain it other than to say to become better, you have to learn that it takes a lot of time to sit and watch and observe the wildlife, and it really helps you to learn patience in your own life, and helps to de-stress and it's good for overall mental health."

Piekarski, who co-owns an Apopka web design and Internet marketing company with her husband,

said the wildlife drive is the result of the Lake Apopka North Shore cleanup efforts. Her youngest childhood memories are that of the Ocklawaha River, fishing with her family. Lake Apopka is the headwater of the river, thus having created some issues with the Ocklawaha River, which is a tributary of St. Johns River.

"It's important that we keep continuing to clean the water, because it wasn't that many years ago that there was a mass killing of white pelicans landing on the lake. No one ever fig-

ured out what killed them," Piekarski said. "If something happens, and the water is polluted again or if it hadn't been clean, all the nature there wouldn't be there for us to be seen. That part is important to me."

The Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive is a one-way 11-mile drive that starts at Lust Road and ends on Jones Road in Orange County.

The drive is open Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and federal holidays between sunrise and sunset and closed other days for restoration efforts.

Here are the Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive photographers whose work is featured in the March-April 2019 Apopka City Hall exhibit:

Alan Dart  
Andria Hoag  
Mary Lander  
Kathy Johnson  
Michelle Nardone  
Angela Turlington  
Karen Havling  
Jennifer Hew  
Byron Osborn  
Lynn Marie Folts  
Michelle Wilson  
Terrell Havling  
Liz Kearley  
Shiann Piekarski  
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**Rod M. Lemasson**

March 16, 1948 - February 28, 2019


Rod M. Lemasson, 70 of Apopka, FL passed away on Feb. 28, 2019. He was born in Ft. Myers, FL on March 16, 1948. Rod retired from Citrus Central after 30 years of service. He loved to play golf but the joy of his life was his beloved family. Rod is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Bonnie; his children: Jenny Gaughf and Rod Lemasson and his grandchildren: Belle Gaughf, Maryann Lemasson and Roddy Lemasson.

As per Rod's wishes, all services will be private family services. Arrangements entrusted to Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home, Apopka.



**Ronald Blake Woodham**  
*April 27, 1983 - February 13, 2019*

The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to all those who have supported us during this time of loss.



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### CLUES ACROSS

1. Iranian village

6. Duct

9. Holds potatoes

13. Plant of the goosefoot family

14. Spoken in Cameroon

15. Students' rights document (abbr.)

16. Skin lesion

17. Went over the airwaves

18. Nestle malt drink

19. Rockets' point guard

21. Developed the polio vaccine

22. Businessmen

23. Animals have it

24. Atomic number 58

25. Cycles/second

28. Japanese classical theater

29. Slow nocturnal primate

31. Used in a play

33. One that breaks apart

36. Yellow-fever mosquitos

38. Bag-like structure in a plant

39. Simple wooden shoe

41. Leeches

44. Tide

45. Fathers

46. Decay

48. Returned material authorization (abbr.)

49. The Golden State (abbr.)

51. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand

52. Unique garments

54. True firs

56. One who's not on time

60. Angry speech

61. Young children

62. About aviation

63. This (Spanish)

64. Earns a perfect score

65. People of Ghana

66. Founding member of The Grateful Dead

67. Of she

68. Genus of lichens

### CLUES DOWN

1. Variety of pear

2. Curved symmetrical structure

3. A demon in some cultures

4. Cricket frogs

5. Atomic #45

6. Abnormal bone joint

7. Cain and \_

8. Unhappy

9. Dogooder

10. Most babies need \_ \_ when they eat

11. Abdominal pain suffered by babies

12. Monetary unit

14. Tendency to suffer from a particular condition

17. Genus of flowering plants

20. It comes up some days

21. Koran chapters

23. In support of

25. One who crunches numbers

26. A type of school

29. Tears

30. Not influenced by drugs

32. Forms a boundary

34. Touch quickly and gently

35. Stray

37. A period between solar and lunar eclipses

40. Third-party access

42. A very large body of water

43. Infections

47. It might be due to nerves

49. Hall of Fame ballplayer Rod

50. Belittle

52. Type of sword

53. Makes very wet

55. One-time Peruvian money

56. A shoe typically has one

57. Not nice

58. Sea eagle

59. Civil Rights figure Parks

61. Humbug

65. A precious metal (abbr.)

Solutions to the Crossword Puzzle are found on page 8B of this newspaper

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## Self-Help Credit Union opens



A Self-Help Credit Union branch office was opened February 22 with a ribbon cutting. Holding the large scissors is Geannina Hiraldo, branch manager. Next to her is Sister Ann Kendrick of the Sisters of Notre Dame of Apopka, which began the financial institution as Apopka Community Trust Federal Credit Union.

## Beazer Homes holds ribbon cutting



A ribbon cutting for the Lakeshore of Wekiva development built by Beazer Homes was held Friday, March 1, at 694 Primrose Willow Way, Apopka, just off Sandpiper Road. Holding the large scissors are: Jeff Wochner, Beazer Homes division president, (l); and Apopka Mayor Bryan Nelson.

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## Puzzle Solution

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