



ADVENT CHRISTIAN VILLAGE
AT DOWLING PARK



Friendly Neighbor News

Advent Christian Village, Dowling Park, FL 32064

“Where People Enjoy Living”

24/7/365 Assistance/Operator 658-3333	Housekeeping	658-5374
Cashier's Office 658-5343	Environmental Svcs.	658-5155
Copeland Medical 658-5300	Post Office	658-5270
Finance Department 658-5450	Security/Emergency	658-3333
Home Care 658-5460	Shuttle Bus	208-2584

FEBRUARY 21, 2025

Friday	2/21	9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 2:00 p.m.	Veterans' Services—MS <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Sit 'N Stitch—CH
Saturday	2/22	9:15 & 9:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Bus Trip: Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Open House and Horse Show—DH & LAP Gospel Sing—CH Activity Room
Sunday	2/23	<i>9:40 a.m.</i> <i>11:00 a.m.</i> <i>6:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Morning Worship Service—VC</i> <i>Sunday School for All Ages</i> <i>Evening Service—BC</i>
Monday	2/24	<i>10:00 a.m.</i> 1:00–3:00 p.m. <i>1:30 p.m.</i> 2:00–4:00 p.m.	<i>VCBI: Stranger on the Road to Emmaus—OPR</i> Connecting Threads Ministry—KC <i>VCBI: Discipleship Lessons from John's Letters—VC Room 5</i> Ceramics—PCS
Tuesday	2/25	<i>8:30 a.m.</i> 10:00 a.m.	<i>Men's Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Model Train Club—CB
Wednesday	2/26	9:00–11:00 a.m. <i>1:00 p.m.</i> 1:00 p.m. 1:15 & 1:30 p.m. <i>6:00 p.m.</i> 6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Ceramics—PCS <i>VCBI: Jesus in Every Book of the Bible—VC Room 5</i> Bridge Club—OPR Bus Trip: Walmart—CH & DH <i>Prayer Meeting—BC</i> Chancel Choir Rehearsal—VC Easter Cantata Rehearsal—VC
Thursday	2/27	9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. <i>11:00 a.m.</i> 1:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Village Artists Guild—KC Plarn Ministry—Cleo's Meeting House <i>Spiritual Growth Discussion Group—Stephens Ministries Office</i> Dementia Support Group—JKPL Suwannee High School Band Concert—VC
Friday	2/28	8:45 & 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 2:00 p.m.	Bus Trip: Gainesville Shopping—DH & LAP Veterans' Services—MS <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Sit 'N Stitch—CH

BOLD: ONE-TIME AND MONTHLY EVENTS — ITALIC: PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

ACV	Advent Christian Village	CT/MT	Cardinal/Magnolia Terrace	IC	Information Center	POP	Park of the Pines
BA	Butterfield Acres	DH	Dowling House	JKPL	Jo Kennon Public Library	RDR	Rumph Dining Room
BC	Bixler Chapel	DM	Dacier Manor	KC	Keepers Cottage	RV	Smith Riverview Apartments
CB	Chriss Building	DMA	Dowling Manor	LAP	Lake Aquilla Parking Lot	RW	Riverwoods
CH	Carter House	DR	Depot Room	MS	Member Services	SMR	Sawmill Room
CCC	Copeland Community Center	ET	Edgewood Terrace	OPR	Old Pavilion Room	VC	Village Church
CMC	Copeland Medical Center	GSC	Good Samaritan Center	PCS	Polk Ceramics Shop	VS	Village Square

IN LOVING MEMORY

Lucille Ledogar, who was a resident of CH and GSC, died Feb. 17. Her memorial information will be provided when available

Juan Molina (husband of Estrella), who was a resident of GSC, died Feb. 12. His memorial information will be provided when available.

NEW MEMBERS

Ken and Ann Berry of Van, Texas, have moved to ET. Their mailing address is P.O. Box 4486.

ANNOUNCEMENT

*Message from the
President's Office*

-Craig Carter

VP MARK EDQUID TO RETIRE

It is with mixed emotions I share that Vice President for Independent Living Operations Mark Edquid has announced his retirement effective June 30, 2025. Mark has served with distinction as he has helped to see ACV through some very difficult times. Mark has also spent much time reorganizing the departments under his supervision for long-term success.

We will certainly miss Mark as he plans to retire to Indiana, but we wish him well as he embarks on this next chapter in his life. Closer to his official retirement date, a gathering will be held to recognize Mark's contributions to this ministry.

ACV EVENTS



BUS TRIP: FLORIDA SHERIFFS BOYS RANCH OPEN HOUSE AND HORSE SHOW

Saturday, Feb. 22

9:15 a.m. - DH & 9:30 a.m. - LAP

Bus: \$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

We have once again been invited to attend the annual Open House and Horse Show at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch in Live Oak. The bus will arrive in time for the 11:00 Grand Entry at the arena. A barbecue lunch will be served at noon. Tours and other events will take place including a tractor parade.

The bus will leave DH at 9:15 a.m. and LAP at 9:30 a.m. There is a bus fee of \$5.00 for members and \$9.00 for non-members, and the Boys Ranch will cover the cost of entry and lunch for those who ride on the bus. (If you drive yourself or ride in another vehicle, you will have to pay the regular prices for both entry and lunch.) The bus will leave the Boys Ranch by 4:00 to return to ACV by 4:30. Sign up at the IC.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday, Feb. 27, 1:30 p.m. - JKPL

Being a caregiver for a loved one with dementia can be a huge commitment and come with many struggles. Come meet, share and listen to others that share the same challenges.



SUWANNEE HIGH SCHOOL BAND CONCERT

Thursday, Feb. 27, 7:00 p.m. - VC

Thursday, Feb. 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the VC, the Sound of Suwannee Concert Band from Suwannee High School, along with select soloists who participated in a recent solo and ensemble competition, will be performing. The concert is FREE. Come support our local youth. We hope to see you there!

BUS TRIP: GAINESVILLE SHOPPING

Friday, Feb. 28

8:45 a.m. - DH & 9:00 a.m. - LAP

Bus: \$9.00 members, \$16 non-members

A bus trip to Gainesville to shop, eat lunch, and shop some more is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 28. The bus will leave from DH at 8:45 a.m., and then from LAP at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be Dutch treat at a Gainesville restaurant. Bus cost is \$9.00 for members and \$16 for non-members. Please sign up at the IC.



BUS TRIP: COMMUNITY CONCERTS OF LAKE CITY:

FIRST COAST WIND SYMPHONY

Saturday, March 1, 7:30 p.m.

Florida Gateway College

Alfonso Levy Performing Arts Center

149 SE College Place, Lake City

5:45 p.m. - DH & 6:00 p.m. - LAP

Bus: \$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

Now in their 34th year, the First Coast Wind Symphony, with over 50 musicians on stage and directed by founder Artie Clifton, will present a wonderful family concert with music for all ages. This event is included in your ACV season pass, or you may purchase individual tickets by calling (386) 365-8488 or visiting communityconcerts.info. Individual ticket prices are \$29 for adults. The ACV bus fee is \$5.00 for ACV members and \$9.00 for non-members. Sign up at the IC.

COPING WITH LOW VISION SUPPORT AND RESOURCES GROUP

Monday, March 3, 1:30 p.m. - OPR

Our monthly support group brings people with vision loss together to share challenges and celebrate success-



JOHNSON'S BAKERY DONUT SALE

Friday, Feb. 21, starting at 10:00 a.m.

Pick up from the lobby of GSC.

\$2.00 each or \$20 for a dozen. Glazed only.

Order ahead of time, please: 658-5573.

es. The individuals who attend are in all stages of vision loss. Some still have most of their sight, while others have lost their sight completely. Together, they foster a warm, inviting place to help one another overcome barriers to living independent, vibrant lives. Join Wayne Warner from Lighthouse of the Big Bend for this monthly support group and meeting.



SUWANNEE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR
Thursday, March 6, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. - VS

Closed 12:00–1:00 for lunch

Staff from the Suwannee County Tax Collector's office including Suwannee County Tax Collector Sharon Jordan are normally in the VS professional offices on the first Thursday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (closed from 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch). This service will enable you to purchase automobile tags and pay your property taxes. For more information, please contact the Tax Collector's office at 362-2816, or you may visit their website at suwtax.com.



STATE OF FLORIDA:
FLORIDA LICENSING ON WHEELS

Thursday, March 6, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. - VS

The Florida Department of Motor Vehicles FLOW vehicle is coming to Dowling Park. FLOW stands for Florida Licensing on Wheels. For more information you can go to their website, gathergoget.com. FLOW brings the following services directly to the customer:

- Change from out-of-state driver license to Florida license
- Renewals
- Duplicates for lost or stolen license
- Address/name changes ID cards
- Reinstatements
- Emergency Contact Information registration

For driver licenses and ID cards, in order to verify your address, you will need one item from Group A and one item from Group B below. Both items will need to include your physical address.

Group A:

- Deed,
- Mortgage agreement,
- Recent monthly mortgage statement, or
- Rental or lease agreement.

Group B:

- Florida voter registration card,
- Selective service card,
- Florida vehicle or vessel documentation,
- Utility bill dated within the last 30 days,
- Financial statement dated within the last 30 days,
- Paycheck or W-2 dated within the last 30 days,
- Homeowner's or auto insurance policy or bill dated within the last 30 days, or
- Documents issued by federal, state, county or city government agencies dated within the last 30 days.

Residency letters issued by ACV are no longer being accepted.

For your convenience, the department accepts the following payment methods: cash, check, and credit cards.

BUS TRIP:
LUNCH DINE-OUT TO RED LOBSTER
Friday, March 7

10:15 a.m. - DH & 10:30 a.m. - LAP

Bus: \$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

Red Lobster has filed for bankruptcy, and many Florida locations have closed recently. So far, Lake City's Red Lobster has escaped the chopping block, but who knows for how long? Sign up at the IC to enjoy a delicious seafood lunch on Friday, March 7.



EVENTS HERE AND THERE

Events in this section are not sponsored by ACV, even if they take place at ACV.

REVIVAL

Friday–Sunday, Feb. 21–23
Dowling Park Church of God

A revival will be held at Dowling Park Church of God Friday and Saturday, Feb. 21 and 22, at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday morning, Feb. 23, at 10:30. The musical guest will be Big Mo. All are invited.

GOSPEL SING

Saturday, Feb. 22, 1:00 p.m.
CH Activity Room

The fourth Saturday of every month, a gospel sing is held in the CH activity room. Everyone is invited. Bring a friend!

HYSSONGS MUSIC CONCERT

Sunday, Feb. 23, 6:00 p.m.
Bethel Creek Baptist Church, 8945 CR 53

Bethel Creek Baptist Church on CR 53 invites you to come and enjoy the Hyssongs music concert on Sunday, Feb. 23, at 6:00 p.m. Refreshments will be enjoyed after the concert. A love offering will be taken.

FREE SAN MARCO CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT

Sunday, Feb. 23, 7:00 p.m.
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
3976 Hendricks Ave., Jacksonville, FL

You are invited to the next free concert by the San Marco Chamber Music Society. This talented group, which has participated in past Live! at Dowling Park artist series seasons, will perform music by underrepresented composers and will feature harp, flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, and viola. Can't make it in person? Watch live at www.youtube.com/live/9CZQTxN23VM.

FOUR-WEEK BIBLE STUDY:
SECRETS IN THE SAND

The Four Tuesdays of February, 10:00 a.m.
Old Pavilion Room

The four-week Bible study *Secrets in the Sand* will be held the four Tuesdays in February at 10:00 a.m. Gaye Martin will conduct the class. Come and join in studying the map God drew for us in the wilderness.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 10:00 & 11:00 a.m.—CCC
 Ladies Bible Study will meet Tuesdays, Feb. 25 and March 11 and 25, at 10:00 and 11:00 a.m., at CCC. Come and join us for a Ladies Bible Study.

SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS
Thursdays starting March 6
6:00–7:00 p.m. - OPR

Jenny Dickerson-Holloman, who has been teaching a conversational sign language class at JKPL, will lead another class in the OPR Thursday nights from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. beginning March 6. No supplies are needed, but you might want to invite a friend to practice with you between the scheduled classes to polish your skills. No registration is necessary.

VETERANS GATHERING

Friday, March 7, 12:00 noon - RDR

All service members are invited to gather for lunch to eat together on Friday, March 7, at 12:00 noon in RDR. Buy or bring your own lunch. Bring a military memento. Service members can be ACV residents, employees, or area residents. Invite other veterans.

Village Cashier's Office
658-5343
 Monday–Friday • 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.



JO KENNON PUBLIC LIBRARY

386-658-2670

Website: srrlib.org

Email: dpark@neflin.org

Mon., Wed.-Fri. 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Closed Sunday

Weekly JKPL Meetings:

Yoga	Mondays	9:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Starbooks Café	Tuesdays	9:30 a.m.
Crochet Creations	Thursdays	3:00 p.m.
Yoga	Fridays	10:00 a.m.
Kids Corner	Saturdays	11:00 a.m.

2024 tax forms are now available at our front desk.

Mardi Gras at the JKPL

On Fat Tuesday, March 4, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., bring the kids and have some quality family time. We have planned a fun-filled extravaganza of music, crafts, games, food, and drinks that you won't want to miss!

JKPL Photo Contest: Capture Nature's Beauty!

Last chance to enter the contest! Our annual JKPL Photo Contest is coming to a close and we want to see your best shots of nature. All entries must be submitted no later than Feb. 28.

Contest Details:

- Theme: Nature
- Eligibility: Two entries per person (must be original photos taken by the person entering)
- Age Groups: Adult or Youth
- Submission Period: Feb. 1-28
- Photo Size: Physical photos must be unframed and no larger than 5x8 inches.
- Submission Methods: Email your entries to dpark@neflin.org or bring them to the JKPL in person.
- Requirements: Each entry must include the photographer's name and age group (Adult or Youth). No AI-generated or AI-edited photos.

All entries will be displayed at the JKPL, where the community can vote for their favorites. The winning entries will receive prizes!

Pokemon Extravaganza

Join us on Tuesday, Feb. 25, at 4:30 p.m. as we celebrate all things Pokemon! This month in 1996, the iconic franchise was born as a set of role playing games on Gameboy. Since then, it has entertained generations with its cartoons, manga, trading cards, and (of course) more video games. Bring the family and enjoy Pokemon-themed games and snacks, and leave with some goodies and trading cards!

Dementia Support Group

If you are a caregiver or relative of someone suffering from dementia, join Ginger Calhoun on Thursday, Feb. 27, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. as she gives support and resources to help you navigate through these difficult times and gives a heads-up on what to expect next. Get expert advice to deal with the current issues and prepare for the future. Don't struggle on your own ... come in and get the assistance you need.

SHINE Medicare Counseling

Do you need advice or assistance in working through your Medicare enrollment paperwork or checking

eligibility for the program, as well as other programs that are relevant to senior services? On Monday, Feb. 24, between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m., representatives from SHINE will be available to help with your questions. No need to struggle through on your own; come in and ask the experts. Call to schedule an appointment or walk in.

Elvis Is in the Building

Don't miss your chance to see the spectacular collection of Elvis Presley memorabilia at the JKPL! Thanks to a generous loan from Beth Faerber, we have everything that an Elvis connoisseur would enjoy taking a peek at, as well as two different life-sized posters. Come in, take a look, and get your photo taken with the King! Elvis will be leaving the building at the end of the month — don't miss out!

As the Page Turns

Get a jump on the new book club selections for the March meeting! The two novels to choose from are written by New York Times bestselling author Anne Perry and full of suspense and political intrigue. *Death in Focus* follows the adventures of Elena Standish during the time following WWI, and *A Question of Betrayal* the beginning of WWII. These novels are sure to stimulate a great discussion at the March 6 meeting.

American Sign Language Class

Jenny Dickerson-Holloman will teach conversational sign language on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6:00 p.m. No supplies are needed, but you might want to invite a friend to practice with you between the scheduled classes to polish your skills! Call the library for more information. Registration is suggested, but walk-ins are welcome.

CareerSource

CareerSource of Florida is dedicated to helping Floridians find jobs. Are you or is someone you know looking for work? Come talk to a CareerSource of North Florida representative on Thursday, Feb. 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. No appointment is needed. CareerSource can help with job search, career and training services, and more.

Starbooks Café

Every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at Starbooks Café, a diverse group of people get together to drink coffee and try to find the answers to life's many mysteries. You are welcome to join them and enjoy an hour and a half of in-depth conversation. On Feb. 25 bring in a photo album for a "show and tell" about the things that you did with your best friends!

Just a Small Collection of Words

"My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together" (Desmond Tutu).



BUS TRIPS

No eating or drinking, and no open food or drink containers on either of ACV's buses. The only exception is plain water. Thank you for your cooperation.

If you wish to ride the ACV bus on these trips, you must contact the IC in person or by phone at 658-3333 to sign up. Please be considerate of those who have allergies and limit your use of perfumes, aftershaves, and colognes when riding the bus.

WEEKLY LIVE OAK SHOPPING TRIPS

There is no charge for Village members to participate in the regular weekly Live Oak shopping trips. If you have questions, call MS at 658-5400.



Chili all week. Chicken and Sausage Gumbo Friday and Saturday.

Friday, Feb. 21

Lunch only: Prime Rib Philly Cheesesteak with Homemade Chips \$14.95

All day: Shrimp Scampi over Linguini with Garlic Toast \$17.95

Saturday, Feb. 22

Beef Stew over Egg Noodles with Fresh Biscuit \$17.95

Please remember to bring your own bags on the weekly shopping trips to assist in keeping everyone's purchases separate.

Those who sign up for a weekly shopping trip will be put on the waiting list if they sign up for the same trip the following week. If seats remain available, those on the waiting list will be moved to the regular list.

- **Feb. 26 afternoon — Walmart** — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 3:45 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.
- **March 5 morning — Walmart** — Leave CH at 8:15 a.m. and DH at 8:30 a.m. Leave Walmart at approximately 11:15 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **March 12 morning — Winn-Dixie, Save A Lot & Publix** — Leave CH at 8:15 a.m. and DH at 8:30 a.m. Drop off at Winn-Dixie and Save A Lot, park at Publix. Leave Publix at approximately 11:15 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **March 12 afternoon — Walmart** — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Leave Walmart at approximately 3:45 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

- Feb. 22 — Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Open House
Feb. 28 — Gainesville Shopping
March 1 — Community Concerts of Lake City: First Coast Wind Symphony
March 7 — Lunch Dine-Out to Red Lobster
March 10 — Dine-Out to Brown Lantern

BUS TRIP: DINE-OUT TO BROWN LANTERN IN LIVE OAK Monday, March 10

4:15 p.m. - DH & 4:30 - Lake Aquilla

Bus: \$3.00 members, \$6.00 non-members

The ACV bus will be traveling to the Brown Lantern restaurant for supper on March 10. The Brown Lantern offers many American classics such as salads, burgers, steaks, chicken dishes, and seafood. Prices range from under \$5.00 to almost \$30. Bus cost is \$3.00 for members and \$6.00 for non-members. Please sign up at the IC.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

THE VILLAGE CHURCH

Rev. Sam Worley, Senior Minister
Church Office - 658-5344 - P.O. Box 4314

SERMON: "Magnificent"

TEXT: 1 Timothy 6:3-16

SPEAKER: Rev. Michael Saunders

Creation Arts Camp 2025: Creation Arts Camp will be Monday-Friday, June 9-13, with an Art Show on Friday evening. For those who may be new to ACV, Creation Arts Camp it is our alternative to VBS. We provide a place for elementary age children to learn of God's love and salvation, as well as explore the arts, the gifts God has given us, and how our gifts can be used for His glory. We are lining up classes and teachers for this year. Do you have a talent or love for visual, performing, culinary, or creative skills you can teach? Do you have an hour and half a day to volunteer during Arts Camp? Please contact Traci Nissley or Randy Lamb at the VC at 658-5344 to find out more information.

The following VC events are happening this week:

Friday, Feb. 21

10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Mike Cuddy (Room 5)

Sunday, Feb. 23

9:40 a.m. — Morning Worship (VC)

11:00 a.m. — Sunday School Classes for All Ages

4:00 p.m. — Regeneration

5:00 p.m. — Alive

5:00 p.m. — Youth Meeting (Lighthouse)

6:00 p.m. — Evening Service, Doug Nichols (BC)

At the Village Square

Riverside Gifts

This shop has gifts for friends, family and yourself! Browse the departments to find the perfect card and gift for a loved one.

Calendars are now on sale for half price — choose from pocket-, book-, or wall-size.

We have two new books that are perfect for ACV residents, offering room-by-room strategies for maximizing home space and tackling clutter.

Some of our unique gifts include a double-sided Easter lawn flag, a ceramic Noah's ark LED nightlight with a misting essential oil diffuser, large and small gnomes, crib bumpers, plug-in nightlights, and mugs for teachers. We also have tote bags in a variety of sizes and colors.

Our grandfather clock would be a stunning addition to any home. Stop by to see and hear this beautiful timepiece. We also have wall clocks and table clocks.

We offer watch and clock repair, as well as new battery installation, all at very reasonable prices.

658-5771. Open Wednesday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Rustic Shop

Now on display: two large sets of fine China: The Friendly Village by Johnson Brothers, a service for eight with extra serving dishes; and Classic Heritage Green, a 63-piece gold-rimmed set.

A vintage Pfaltzgraff teapot in cream with a blue design holds at least two cups of tea — perfect for your next gathering — is for sale. Capture the moment with a Swarovski Argento crystal frame or one of the smaller frames on sale this week.

We have quilts and knitted/crocheted blankets beautifully displayed in the room overlooking the Suwannee River. Chairs are available for guests to sit, relax, and admire the craftsmanship.

We also offer clothing repairs and alterations. Please wash all items before bringing them in for repairs, and attach your name and phone number to the bag.

Watch and clock repair and new battery installation are available at very reasonable prices.

658-5273. Open Wednesday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Twice Nice Shop

Ladies' slacks, jeans, and tops are still just **\$2.00 each!** Blouses come in long-sleeve, short-sleeve, and sleeveless styles, with an excellent selection of sizes and colors. We also have purses and wallets for both men and women.

This week, men's trousers are **half-price** — pair them with a belt and shirt to complete your look.

In the Kids' Corner, children's clothing is just **\$1.00 each!**

Our shoe department features a wide variety of men's and women's shoes, slippers, and sneakers — all at unbeatable prices.

In the Book Nook, paperback and hardbound fiction books are still **buy one, get one free** — stock up for these cooler days and wintry nights!

The game selection remains strong, with bingo, Scrabble, trivia, and more. Find them near the jigsaw puzzles.

658-5271. Open Wednesday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

On CR 250

Twice Nice Furniture & More

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Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 1, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 24

10:00 a.m. — VCBI: The Stranger on the Road to Emmaus, Ken Randolph (OPR)
 1:30 p.m. — VCBI: Discipleship Lessons from John's Letters, Donald Wrigley (Room 5)
 6:00 p.m. — Youth Handbells
 7:00 p.m. — Adult Handbells

Tuesday, Feb. 25

8:30 a.m. — Men's Bible Study (Room 5)

Wednesday, Feb. 26

1:00 p.m. — VCBI: Jesus in Every Book of the Bible ..., Michael Saunders (Room 5)
 6:00 p.m. — Prayer Meeting (BC)
 6:30 p.m. — Choir Practice
 7:15 p.m. — Easter Cantata Practice

Thursday, Feb. 26

11:00 a.m. — Spiritual Growth Discussion Group, Michael Saunders (Stephens Ministries Office)

Friday, Feb. 27

10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Tom Spannagle (Room 5)

VILLAGE CASHIER'S OFFICE

Lynn Mabey—386-658-5343

The Village Cashier's Office will be closed Thursday and Friday, Feb. 27 and 28.

VILLAGE GROCER

Jordon Harmon—386-658-3130

The Grill Team will be at the VS Saturday, March 1. Make your order for smoked ribs, Boston butts, sausage, and Brunswick stew at the Village Grocer.

MEMBER SERVICES

James Sutter—386-658-5400

Thursday, Feb. 27, all ACV management staff members will be participating in a staff retreat from 9:30 until 3:00. Be aware that many staff members will not be available during that time.

Last Friday, Ann Carpenter, Donna Carr and Steven Heintz joined me in a game of Bunco. Bunco is a game of chance; there is no strategy, so it is very relaxing. What you roll is what you roll. As we started rolling the sixth and final round, it looked like one of the men was going to win the game as Steven had won three rounds, and I had won two. Donna pulled out ahead in the sixth, but even if she won the round, since Steven had three wins, he would win overall. What we didn't count on was that Donna rolled a Bunco — four sixes — and not only won the round, but won the game as that was the only Bunco rolled the entire time, and the player who rolls the most Buncos in the six rounds wins. What a surprising and fun ending!

I have scheduled another Bunco party for Friday, March 14. I hope you will consider playing. We would love to have more people involved. Up to 12 can play at a time, and if more than that sign up, there can be substitutions at the start of each round. Watch the FNN for when to call to sign up.

February Member Birthday Party

Once again, SMR/DR was the scene for the monthly member birthday party. We were skillfully entertained by a Valentine's Day singalong lead by Dick Grillo on his guitar. We had a beautifully crafted Valentine's cake and ice cream as refreshments.

We were blessed to have 23 persons with February birthdays present, and a total of 84 in attendance. Six guests won door prizes: Beth Bauer, Carolyn Wadsworth, Penny Wrigley, Carole Rainsberger, Charlene Reas and Carl Daniels. The oldest birthday guest was Beth Faerber, and the youngest was Glynn Dasher. Both received a fresh fruit basket prepared by the Village Grocer.

Member Services Tip of the Week

ACV takes resident safety very seriously. If you live in RV, DH, WG or CH, you are required to check in each morning. That way, we can check on anyone we don't hear from. Some of you who live in other parts of the campus pair up to keep an eye on each other, which we encourage.

An option for those who don't live in one of the apartment buildings is the Reassurance Caller Program.

If you participate in the Reassurance Caller Program, a volunteer will call you each day to make sure you are OK. There is no charge for this service, and you can cancel at any time. If you are interested in participating, speak with your service coordinator.

Scam Tip of the Week: Tech Support Scam

Scammers may call you directly on the phone and pretend to be representatives of a tech company. They might even spoof the caller ID so that it displays a legitimate support phone number from a trusted company. They'll probably ask you to install applications that give them remote access to your device. Using remote access, these experienced scammers can misrepresent normal system messages as signs of problems.

Scammers might also initiate contact by displaying fake error messages on websites you visit, displaying support numbers and enticing you to call. They may also put your browser in full screen mode and display pop-up messages that won't go away, apparently locking your browser. These fake error messages aim to scare you into calling their "technical support hotline".

When you engage with the scammers, they can offer fake solutions for your "problems" and ask for payment in the form of a one-time fee or subscription to a purported support service.

Microsoft's tips for staying safe:

- Microsoft does not send unsolicited email messages or make unsolicited phone calls to request personal or financial information, or to provide technical support to fix your computer. If you didn't ask us to, we won't call you to offer support.
- If a pop-up or error message appears with a phone number, don't call the number. Error and warning messages from Microsoft never include a phone number.
- Microsoft will never ask that you pay for support in the form of cryptocurrency like Bitcoin, or gift cards.
- Download software only from official Microsoft partner websites or the Microsoft Store. Be wary of downloading software from third-party sites, as some of them might have been modified without the author's knowledge to bundle malware and other threats.
- Use Microsoft Edge when browsing the internet. It blocks known support scam sites using Microsoft Defender SmartScreen. Also, Microsoft Edge can stop pop-up dialog loops used by these attackers.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering at ACV in the following opportunities or in any others, please come to MS to fill out an application.

1. **Outdoor beautification volunteer.** Volunteers are needed to help Environmental Services beautify ACV's grounds by weeding flowerbeds, etc.
2. **CH front desk attendants.**
3. **Grape vineyard workers.** Volunteers are needed to help maintain ACV's small vineyard located across Dowling Park Dr. from PCS.
4. **Lunch deliverers.** Individuals are needed to deliver a lunch or two a few times a week to shut-ins across campus.

ACV ACTIVITY NEWS**BRIDGE CLUB**

Betsey Ruehl, Reporter

The Bridge Club meets on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the OPR. If you would like to play, please call me at 658-1766 or Dottie Stone at (352) 316-5161 by noon on Monday.

We really need more bridge players. We are at the point where we now have to ask two players to sit out each week. If you need a refresher or want to learn bridge or Mahjong call me at 658-1766. Bridge lessons will be given on Fridays, Feb. 21 and 28, at 2:00 p.m. in the OPR.

Congratulations to our Feb. 19 winners: 1st high, Jim Varnell, and 2nd high, Cindy Hett.

CONNECTING THREADS MINISTRY **Esther Bruckel, Reporter**

The sewing center at Keepers Cottage will be open on Monday, Feb. 24, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Come and help with a group project, no sewing skills needed, or bring a project and enjoy the fellowship.

VILLAGE LIBRARY **Monday–Friday**

10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon & 1:00–3:00 p.m.
Brenda Reas, Reporter

If you are a fan of the TV show *Everybody Loves Raymond*, you will be happy to know that a set of all nine seasons has been donated to our library. We also have some new-to-us paperbacks ready for check out.

We have an audiobook section, paperback rack, and many movies and TV series on DVD for check-out. Magazines can be borrowed without being checked out; just return them when you finish looking at them.

Please have your ACV ID badge available when you come to check out books and DVDs. We are located in the Schoolhouse Room between the OPR and IC. Our drop box is located around the corner across from the restrooms (beneath the bulletin board), and you may return books and DVDs there at any time.

PEN PAL PROGRAM

A Committee of the Membership Association
Monica Serlick, Reporter

Note: The next letter pickup date is **Friday, Feb. 21**. Make sure you write to your pen pal and get your letters to the IC well before noon.

The bus for the FSyr Open House is leaving on Saturday, Feb. 22, from DH, at 9:15 a.m. and from LAP at 9:30 a.m. This event is held in the fields on their campus. The ground is not level and might be a problem for some folks with walkers or power chairs.

IMPORTANT: The ACV pen pals meeting and luncheon scheduled for March 4 has been postponed. The new date is Friday, March 14. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m., and the luncheon with our pen pals will start at 11:15 a.m. There is no charge for the pen pals for this luncheon.

I am looking for new pen pals to take on two students. Should you want to become a pen pal, please contact me at (386) 330-4865 and leave a message. I will call you back. If you haven't done this before, it can be very rewarding to know you have an impact on a child's future.

Thank you everyone for encouraging and inspiring the youth of our future generations. "I am not a product of my circumstances. I am a product of my decisions" (Stephen R. Covey).

"One of the differences between some successful and unsuccessful people is that one group is full of doers, while the other is full of wishers" (Edmond Mbiaka).

STEPHEN MINISTRIES **Robin Copeland, Reporter**

Here is what our Stephen Ministers are learning this week in their second-to-last session before commissioning. Pray for their continued growth — and pray for those who might begin receiving care from them in the coming weeks.

Session Seventeen — How to Make a First Caring Visit: As commissioning draws near, this class summarizes everything our Stephen Ministers have learned so far and applies it to getting their first caring relationships off to a strong, healthy start.

Our Stephen Ministers are here to care for you! If you are in need of confidential, one-to-one Christian care — or if you have a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative who might benefit from this kind of care — talk to one of our pastors or Stephen Leaders.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BUTTERFIELD ACRES

Jack "CrackerJack" Dixon, Reporter

"For the LORD your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness.

With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs" (Zephaniah 3:17 NLT).

BA is excited to announce three covered dish dinners scheduled for 2025! Mark your calendars for Friday, March 21; Friday, July 25; and Friday, Nov. 14, all starting at 5:30 p.m. We will gather in the Harmony Center for these delightful evenings. These dinners are a wonderful opportunity to connect with neighbors and enjoy great food together. Don't miss out on the fun — save these dates!

I had a big surprise the other day in Tallahassee. Barbara and I are entertaining thoughts of purchasing another vehicle as our current one is almost 10 years old and pushing 160,000 miles. Our thoughts are that we have had a minivan for so long, it would be nice to purchase a nice four-door sedan. So we went to a Chevy dealer and found out they stopped manufacturing the Impala in 2020, and now the Malibu is the biggest sedan in their line.

(The 1958 Impala convertible was the most produced, and it sold for a mere \$2,750. Today if you are lucky enough to find one at an auction, it will cost well over \$100,000.)

Ford stopped making full-size cars in 2019. All the domestic auto makers are in the SUV and truck business. We are being forced to purchase a foreign model if we are looking for a sedan. So we have gone back to our knees and are asking God what He has in store for us. He always comes through for us, and we are firm believers in "let go, let God."

We are looking for some books on CD to listen to. If you have any that you are tired of, please let me know.

The way this reporter for the neighborhood is supposed to work is y'all are supposed to contact me with news around BA so I can let the rest of the Village know what's happening in BA. The only problem with that is nobody contacts me! My number is 658-2113, and my email is jackwdixon@gmail.com. If you have anything of interest or newsworthy please give me a shout and I will pass it on.

I have found that among the things you wear, your expression is the most important. In all the speeches I have made, I always kept three things in my mind as I start — I remember the three "be"s: be sincere, be brief, and be seated. As I look back over life, I realize, at times like these, there have always been times like these.

From the veranda of our humble abode overlooking the ever-so-smooth and dust-free 102nd Trail in BA: Remember God gave you two eyes and one tongue, so you could see twice as much as you say — and never forget who is in charge. Isaiah 40:28–31. God bless.

CARTER HOUSE **Monica Serlick, Reporter**

We have no anniversaries or birthdays to celebrate this week.

Please continue to pray for those who are sick and in recovery from surgeries or treatments as they are restricted in their activities. "May you desire to be healed. May what is wounded in your life be restored to good health. May you be receptive to the ways in which healing needs to happen. May you take good care of yourself. May you extend compassion to all that hurts within your body, mind, and spirit. May you be patient with the time it takes to heal. May you be aware of the wonders of your body, mind, and spirit and their ability in returning you to good health ... May you keep hope in your heart. Amen" (*Out of the Ordinary* by Joyce Rupp from womansday.com).

Our weather recently has been alternating between hot and cold. That's pretty normal for this time of year. Many are anxious to get out and enjoy our campus and trails. Please be aware that some construction and repair projects are ongoing, and you need to be mindful of caution tapes and hazard signs. Highsmith Park sidewalk from the road downhill has been repaired and transitions smoothly down into the park. The white walking path in the woods, along the river, is not safe at this time due to erosion and other hazards.

The other day I was listening to some of my favorite music from the sixties and the song "Respect"

came on. It was originally written by Otis Redding in 1965, but it was the Aretha Franklin rhythm and blues version that became No. 1 on the Billboard top 100 in 1967. She said, "I think it's quite natural that we all want respect — and should get it." This led me into thinking about how often many people forget that everyone deserves to be treated in a civil manner.

If you see yourself as a caring person who loves to give, here are three things that will cost you nothing to give to everyone around you: respect, consideration and kindness. The most important of these is respect because when you give that, you automatically give the other two. Most of the time we utilize these actions with strangers because we want to make a good impression on them; but we should always remember to treat everyone we deal with on a daily basis this way.

We live in a Christian community like no other, anywhere in this nation. It takes a lot of people in many different departments to keep things going. The staff of ACV is an integral part of providing you with the wonderful environmental experience that you enjoy daily. It is not appropriate to be rude or demeaning to them. Remember to be respectful, considerate and kind to all of them as they work tirelessly to ensure you are served and provided for daily. To all of the ACV staff, YOU ARE APPRECIATED. THANK YOU!

Peace to everyone and remember, KINDNESS STARTS WITH YOU.

Remember to be respectful of other residents and visitors. Please do not confront anyone if you think they are violating any of ACV's rules or policies. If you see anything that you believe is out of the ordinary or inappropriate please contact the IC at 658-3333 and report it. They will ensure someone is sent to check things out. This is your home, IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!

DOWLING HOUSE

Patricia-Adele Lyons, Reporter

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service" (Romans 12:1-2).

We celebrated three birthdays this week: Alisa Staats and Inez Wilkerson on the 13th, and Frank Hreha on the 14th. We all wish you a happy and a very blessed birthday.

On Feb. 4, Celeste Cook was blessed with a visit by her only daughter, Belinda, and her husband, James McKenzie. They had lunch with Celeste's sister, Sybil, and her husband, Erroll. They had lots of fun, laughter, and shared updates on relative's activities.

On Feb. 8, Celeste was blessed with a visit from her son, Asron Dax, and his daughter, Aslyn Marie. They went to Live Oak to enjoy classic pizza then on to Walmart to shop. Lots of laughter and fun!

When we die to ourselves, we make room for God's presence, God's will, and God's glory to shine through us to our family, our friends, and the community in which we live.

In a world that constantly pulls us toward temporary pleasures and self-gratification, true fulfillment is found in the surrender of our earthly desires for God's eternal purpose.

Join together, and dive into the power of sacrifice, the beauty of obedience, and the freedom that comes from choosing Christ over the world.

I will no longer be the DH reporter. If you are interested in taking over this article, contact MS.

Have a blessed weekend.

EDGEWOOD TERRACE

Cathy Oberg, Reporter

Good morning. Just when it seems spring is around the corner, Mother Nature says, "Look at the calendar! Winter is not over quite yet!"

Happy birthday to Linda Varnell and Sandra Hooter on the 21st, and to Ronnie Beckham on the 24th. May the coming year bring you health, happiness, and abundant blessings.

Did you know that ET consists of Lawrence House, Millsite Lane and Taylor Commons, as well as the cluster homes between Taylor Commons and 250? We are organized (we try to be) with officers. We

collect annual dues of \$5.00 per person. We have made donations to ACV for hurricane relief, Camp Suwannee scholarships, and other projects brought to our attention. We meet quarterly with potlucks, ice cream socials, cookouts, and fun events. Our main event is a Christmas potluck with a grab-bag gift exchange and a very brief meeting to elect officers, if necessary. If you have any questions or concerns, or want to pay your dues, contact Gary Kueppers at (386) 249-9992. He will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Mark your calendars for March 29, at 1:30 p.m. We will meet at Cleo's Meeting House on the corner of Dowling Park Drive and Myrtle Bixler Lane for desserts and games. We have a variety of games at Cleo's: Scrabble, Boggle, cards for Hand and Foot, decks of cards, Phase 10, dominoes and jigsaw puzzles, or you may bring your favorite game with you to share. Let's have an afternoon of fun, laughter and great desserts. Not everyone needs to bring a dessert, but if you would like to please call me at (574) 229-8402 and let me know what you're bringing.

Please continue checking on your neighbors. This is so important, and with colder weather here again, most people tend to stay in. So if you don't see them for a day or two, please give them a call. If they don't answer, please don't give up. Try again later, and if things seem suspicious, call the IC for help. We need to watch out for each other!

GOOD SAMARITAN CENTER AND DACIER MANOR

Bruce Arnold, Reporter

Ephesians 5:21 encourages us to submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. After this Paul continues to encourage wives to submit to husbands, husbands to love their wives, children to obey parents, parents to train and nurture their children, servants to obey their masters, and masters to treat their servants fairly. In 5:32 we read that this is all a mystery. But then he explains that this is how our families and relationships mirror our relationship with Christ. God desires for his children — believers in Jesus Christ — to get along, to treat each other well, in order that we show people who we belong to: we belong to God's family. It's no wonder then that Satan seeks to attack families, tear them apart, and to bring tension into the workplace. As God's people, we are called to imitate God (Eph. 5:1), and this means we are to imitate him in every aspect of our lives, so we can show to unbelievers the mighty and loving God we serve.

Joe First came to help us celebrate February birthdays on Tuesday the 11th. He played the piano and accordion, and sang as well. He brought us news that the "New Pickers" will once again start coming around to be with us on a regular basis.

Valentine's Day was last Friday, and kings and queens were chosen for each court. Sherwood and Ruth Sawyer were chosen from Magnolia, Fred Sponcil and Georgeann Phillips were chosen from Dogwood, and James Harvin and Susan Dean were chosen from Camellia. Handmade cards were also brought from second graders at Springcrest Elementary in Live Oak, and AARP donated roses for all to enjoy!

On Sunday afternoon the residents at GSC were blessed by the St. Paul's Lutheran Choir from Niceville, Florida. Handbells and an ensemble joined the singers as they gave praise to the Lord!

Wayne Casey came by on Monday the 17th and brought some books for our residents to enjoy. We observed "Love your Pet Day" as well, and people brought photos of their pets to share with us.

I recently received several used Bibles, all in very good condition: two New Living Translation, two English Standard, and one *The Message* by Eugene H. Peterson. If you'd like to obtain one, please contact me at barnold@avillage.net, or call (386) 249-2792.

RIVERWOODS

Betsey Ruehl, Reporter

I constantly search for things to put in the newsletter that I believe are appropriate for homeowners. I am grateful to those who give me tidbits to share. Please continue to keep me informed of what is important to you.

We have lived here for just about four years and are still getting to know our neighbors. We shared some goodies and quality time with a couple we have only known through brief encounters. I encourage newcomers and those who have been here a while to do the same. You will find out that we all have something in common.

Often, my column is based on information I find on the internet. I just came across an article that stated if you hang your wet clothes inside your home to dry, you may cause mold to form in that area. Be alert for black spots on the walls or surfaces and corners of the room.

For those who spend some time outdoors, did you know that crickets can tell you what the temperature is? As temperatures drop, chirps get slower. Count the number of chirps in 14 seconds and add 40 to it. That is the temperature.

The RW Social Committee is getting ready to plan an event in March. Let me or another committee member know if you prefer an appetizer/dessert event, a dinner, or a luncheon. Send an email to betseywr@yahoo.com, or call 658-1766.

"Happiness is not made by what we own. It is what we share" (Jonathan Sacks). "A cat is an ordinary pet in the sight of those who don't know what it takes" (Niliflash). "If having a soul means being able to feel love and loyalty and gratitude, then animals are better off than a lot of humans" (James Herriot).

MEMBER BENEFITS

ACV offers a variety of programs and services to its members under the membership program. Members pay a monthly fee to provide supplemental support for this array of services and programs, meeting many of the varied needs of its members, as well as providing the opportunity to live his or her life to its fullest potential and highest level of independence. Some services you may not need today, you may well find important or essential in the future, and your financial participation makes it possible for your neighbor to have access to the services they need now.

This week's member benefit of note:

The IC provides a number of services to members, such as wake-up reminders and appointment reminders. They are also a 24-hour family member contact.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PREVENTING FIRES

Please, people of the Village and visitors — please don't throw your cigarette butts on the road side. Our grass is dry, and I'm sure you don't want to start a fire like in California and lose our beautiful community. Only we can prevent fires

NANCY HARRISON, CPA

Nancy Harrison, CPA is holding office hours to meet with residents who would like her to prepare their income tax return. She will be meeting at the Professional Offices in the VS on the following dates: March 6 and 20, and April 3 and 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

She will be happy to answer any questions you have anytime. Her phone number is (850) 212-6799, her email is nfharrisoncpa@gmail.com, and her fax is (855) 899-6404.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program will be offered Saturdays through April 12. Taxes will be prepared for free, but cookies are always appreciated. Call First Baptist Church of Dowling Park at 658-2360 for an appointment.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) grant program is an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) initiative in the U.S. that supports free tax preparation service for the underserved through various partner organizations.

VITA service helps low- to moderate-income individuals (\$67,000 annually per household), persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited English speakers file their taxes each year. IRS awards matching funds to partner organizations throughout the country.

For more information call Jim Broton at (386) 209-6831, or email jmb013@live.com. Thank you for your assistance.

FREE DENTAL CARE

The Florida Baptist Convention Mobile Dental Mission will be at First Baptist Church Live Oak (401 W Howard Street) on Saturday, Feb. 22, to screen for free dental care (extractions and fillings only). The Mobile Dental Mission serves adults who live in Florida, have no dental insurance, and whose income does not exceed 200% of the poverty limit (15,060 for a one-person household; \$20,440 for a two-person household). If you would like to be screened for possible free dental care in March, visit First Baptist Church Live Oak. Screening will be first come, first served beginning at 8:30 a.m.

FREE FOOD GIVEAWAY

This month, Second Harvest resumed delivering produce to Dowling Park Church of God the first and third Tuesdays of the month. The truck is scheduled to arrive at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome, and no one will need to get out of their vehicle. They have asked that the shuttle bus *not* come because of probable wait times — however, anyone who comes in their own vehicle is welcome to pick up food for more than one family.

HAIR CROPPERS

Facials are here to stay! Facial Day will be on the first Saturday and Tuesday of each month. So, Saturday, March 1, and Tuesday, March 4, will be Hair Croppers facial day in March! Text (386) 205-3791 to schedule an appointment!

LEGAL SERVICES

The law firm of Robinson, Kennon & Kendron, P.A. will see clients by appointment only from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the following dates in the VS professional offices: Feb. 21, March 7 and 21, and April 4 and 18. To make an appointment, please call Leigh Ann Cannon at (386) 755-1334, Ext. 117.

SQUARE CUTS AND MORE SALON Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and most Fridays

12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m.

Square Cuts and More Salon specializes in all your hair care needs. Call (386) 647-6240 for appointments. Kindly give 12–24 hours notice for cancellations or extra charges will apply. Walk-ins are welcome, but all great hair happens by appointment. I appreciate your business. Thank you, Amy Hancock.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Wendy B. Meyer, CFP®, BFA®, financial advisor with Pivotal Wealth Planning is at the Village on the third Wednesday of every other month (February, April, June, August, October and December) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the VS professional offices. Call (850) 973-8888 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

RIDE-ABOUT

If you're interested in utilizing the Ride-About (ACV's red, 10-passenger golf cart) for a tour of some kind, call MS at 658-5400.

ACV QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do you have a question about the Village you think others would also like to ask? Did you see something curious or hear something you'd like confirmed? Submit your question to Member Services, and we will do our best to find out the answer for you and publish it here. You must include your name with the question because follow-up information may be necessary.

Q: Quite often, on TV2, there is music from a large church. What is the name and location of the church?

A: When there is extra time in the schedule between programs on TV2, we sometimes schedule music portions from *Love Worth Finding* episodes. All of the *Love Worth Finding* episodes were recorded at Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee.

We also schedule slideshow videos made by Fred Sapp, a former Advent Christian pastor who died in 2016. Fred loved to sing, and he enjoyed creating the videos with captions that we still show on TV2. Sometimes, his daughter, Karen, sings with him.

THANK YOU

In the middle of much sorrow, our Father sends great comfort (II Corinthians 1). Thank you ACV for being the arms and feet of Jesus while we walk through the death of our daughter. Your cards, calls, visits, hugs, food and prayers have ministered to us and brought peace. Thank you for your love and support.

Sharon and John Germaine

I suffered a serious injury that hospitalized me for a month. Peggy and I are blessed to be covered with prayers, cards, and visits by this caring ACV community. This meant so much to us, and we praise the Lord for His healing. I am now finishing outpatient therapy at our wonderful CMC. After that I plan to continue to exercise at the CCC under the guidance of its knowledgeable director. Thank you all for your God-inspired expressions of love for us.

Chuck Eckel

MISCELLANEOUS

PLEASE NOTE: All submissions to the FNN must have a name attached. If you prefer to not have your name included with the listing in the FNN, indicate that on the submission. Ads may be dropped into the box near the IC, or emailed to fnn@acvillage.net. Only ACV members and staff may advertise here. Ads run for two weeks.

FOR SALE: Enjoy your retirement in this 16x66 mobile home in ACV POP. Two bedrooms with walk-in closets, two full baths, laundry room, eat-in kitchen, and spacious living room. Enclosed porches on front and back. Wheelchair ramp and covered carport. Recent roof repair. Skirting needs to be replaced/repared. Asking \$6500. Must be approved as an ACV member. Inquiries, call or text 774-270-3823.**

FOR SALE: Solid oak oval dining table, double pedestal with four chairs, great condition, \$25. Solid oak China cabinet with glass doors, great condition, \$250. Set of China from Portugal, wild flower design, \$60. Contact Elaine at 423-802-0279.*

PET SITTER WANTED: For twice weekly afternoon care for Freckles, a sweet-natured spaniel, 7 months, loves people and short walks; paper trained. Owner will provide small metal crate, wee paper, and treats. Fee is negotiable. Contact Diane at 850-570-3604.*

FREE: A sturdy corner computer table with shelf, and a Craftsman push mower with leaf bag, as is. Call 386-658-1164.*

BEGIN AND END

Each phrase below is a clue for an answer that begins and ends with the same letter.

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| 1. The coldest continent | 16. 12:00 PM exactly |
| 2. A sum paid to shareholders | 17. Worn by babies while eating |
| 3. A part of a TV series | 18. A spinning object |
| 4. Detects objects using waves | 19. A small pastry, often fruit-filled |
| 5. A polite address for a woman | 20. Long epic stories or legends |
| 6. A high-speed vehicle on a track | 21. A grandmother or Indian flatbread |
| 7. The largest U.S. state by area | 22. A small chirping sound |
| 8. The study of data analysis | 23. A short sound made by a horn |
| 9. To direct someone for information | 24. Performances done alone |
| 10. A fizzy drink or a sudden sound | 25. A blue-green color |
| 11. A small boat for one person | 26. The land of the free |
| 12. A common word for mother | 27. A condition with low red blood cells |
| 13. A common word for father | 28. A Caribbean island nation |
| 14. An exclamation of amazement | 29. To make bigger |
| 15. Raised to god-like status | 30. A small stand for selling items |

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Fresh Celery	each	\$ 1.89
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Stouffer's French Bread Pizza	11 oz.	\$ 4.79
Butterfinger Ice Cream Bars	12 oz.	\$ 6.79

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Whole Chickens	per lb.	\$ 1.79
Gwaltney Great Dogs	16 oz.	\$ 2.19
Lean Boston Butt Roast	per lb.	\$ 2.29
Sugardale Applewood Sliced Bacon	12 oz.	\$ 3.59
Boneless Shoulder Roast	per lb.	\$ 5.99
Seabest Swai Fillets	16 oz.	\$ 6.99

CHEESE OF THE WEEK

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** Call 658-3130. Order by 11:00 a.m. for 2:00 p.m. pick-up! **

This Week's Verse:

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy ... it is not rude,
it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered,
it keeps no record of wrongs ... Love never fails.

Corinthians 13:4, 5, 7

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Social Security Administration: 1-800-772-1213 or www.ssa.gov
Florida Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) at your local AAA: 1-800-963-5337
Federal Trade Commission: 1-877-382-4357 or www.ftc.gov

Report Money Transfer Scams

MoneyGram: 1-800-666-3947
Western Union: 1-800-448-1492
Green Dot: www.moneypack.com
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FBI’s Internet Crime Complaint Center: www.ic3.gov
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U.S. Postal Inspector: 1-877-876-2455 or www.postalinspectors.uspis.gov
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Report / Detect Check Fraud Scams

Postal Money Order Verification System: 1-866-459-7822
Florida Attorney General: 1-800-966-7226 or www.myfloridalegal.com
National Consumers League Fraud Center: www.fakechecks.org

Report Fundraiser / Charitable Scams

Florida Attorney General: 1-800-966-7226 or www.myfloridalegal.com
Better Business Bureau: 1-703-276-0100 or www.bbb.org/us/charity
National Association of State Charities: www.nasconet.org

Protect Yourself Against Scams

Get Your Free Credit Report Annually: 1-877-322-8228 or www.annualcreditreport.com
Sign-up on the “Do Not Call” List: 1-888-382-1222 or www.donotcall.gov
Seniors vs Crime Project: 1-800-203-3099 or www.seniorsvscrime.com

Report Telemarketing and Healthcare Scams

- Medicare: 1-800-633-4227 or www.medicare.gov
- SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Program: 1-800-963-5337 or www.floridashine.org
- Federal Trade Commission: 1-877-382-4357 or www.ftc.gov
- Do Not Call List: 1-888-382-1222 or www.donotcall.gov
- Seniors vs Crime Project: 1-800-203-3099 or www.seniorsvscrime.com

Feb. 21–28, 2025

FRIDAY, 2/21

- \$2.53 Soup:** Shrimp Corn Chowder
\$6.44 Entrées: GF Baked Fish, GF Boiled Shrimp, Chicken Fajita in a Soft Tortilla, Fried Catfish
\$1.21 Sides: Mixed Greens, Three Bean Salad, Baked Beans, Cold Salads, Fruit, Cheese Grits
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

SATURDAY, 2/22

- \$2.53 Soup of the Day**
\$7.59 Whistle Stop Special: Philly Chicken Sandwich, Pasta Salad, Onion Rings, Assorted Desserts, Fountain Drink

SUNDAY, 2/23

♪ Piano music provided by Joan Wittman. ♪

Lunch Buffet

Members \$12.63 | Non-Members \$17.81 | Beverage Included

- Entrées:** Ham, Spaghetti with Meatballs, Fried Chicken
Sides: Prince Edward Vegetable Medley, Corn, Side Salad, Fruit, Macaroni and Cheese, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

MONDAY, 2/24

- \$2.53 Soup:** Soup of the Day
\$6.44 Entrées: BBQ Pork, Liver and Onions
\$1.21 Sides: Okra and Tomatoes, Cauliflower, Baked Beans, Cold Salads, Fruit, Rice
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

TUESDAY, 2/25

- \$7.70 Special:** Salad Bar
\$6.44 Entrées: Burger Patty on Side Salad, Beef Burger on Bun, Country Fried Steak with Gravy
\$1.21 Sides: Five-Way Vegetables, Three Bean Salad, Cold Salads, Fruit, French Fries
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

NOTE: Prices listed are the retail cost per item. ACV members who present their ID badge at the cash register will receive a 10% discount. Menu is subject to change. Individual beverage cost: \$1.30.

GF=Gluten-Free NSA=No Sugar Added

Rumph Dining Room Midday Dining Menu

Feb. 21–28, 2025

WEDNESDAY, 2/26

\$2.53 Soup: Soup of the Day

\$6.44 Entrées: Bacon Vegetable Quiche, Fried Chicken

\$1.21 Sides: California Normandy (Carrots, Cauliflower, Broccoli and Zucchini), Cabbage, Cold Salads, Fruit, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

THURSDAY, 2/27

\$6.44 Entrées: GF Chicken Alfredo, Chicken Parmesan

\$1.21 Sides: Green Beans, Succotash (Lima Beans and Corn), Cold Salads, Fruit, Pasta Noodles, Garlic Bread

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

FRIDAY, 2/28

\$2.53 Soup: Clam Chowder

\$6.44 Entrées: GF Baked Fish, GF Boiled Shrimp, Pork Loin, Fried Catfish

\$1.21 Sides: Mixed Greens, Beets, Baked Beans, Cold Salads, Fruit, Cheese Grits

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts



RUMPH DINING RM. \$8.85 WEEKDAY VALUE PLATE

Includes 1 entrée, 2 sides, bread,
and a fountain drink.
For premium entrée, add \$2.30.



LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

Chili all week

Chicken and Sausage Gumbo Friday & Saturday

Friday, Feb. 21

Lunch only: Prime Rib Philly Cheesesteak with
Homemade Chips \$14.95

All day: Shrimp Scampi over Linguini with Garlic Toast
\$17.95

Saturday, Feb. 22

Beef Stew over Egg Noodles with Fresh Biscuit \$17.95



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Mon–Fri: 11 am–1 pm

Sat. & Sun: 11 am–1:30 pm



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Sun: 7:30–10 am | 3:30–7 pm

Mon–Fri: 7:30–10 am | 2:30–7 pm

Sat: 7:30–10:00 am | 3–7 pm



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Wed–Thurs: 11 am–2 pm

Fri–Sat: 8–10:30 am | 11 am–8 pm