



Friendly Neighbor News

Advent Christian Village, Dowling Park, FL 32064

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Finance Department	658-5450	Security/Emergency	658-3333
Home Care	658-5460	Shuttle Bus	208-2584

MARCH 8, 2024

Friday	3/8	8:45 & 9:00 a.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	Bus Trip: Valdosta Shopping—DH & LAP <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Bridge Lessons—OPR Sit 'N Stitch—CH
Saturday	3/9	8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Ladies' Breakfast—RDR Men's Fellowship Breakfast—RDR
Sunday	3/10	Daylight Saving Time Begins—Set Clocks Forward One Hour <i>9:40 a.m.</i> 2:00 p.m. <i>6:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Morning Worship Service—VC</i> Coloring Book Time of Fellowship—DH Lobby <i>Evening Worship Service—VC</i>
Monday	3/11	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2:00–4:00 p.m. 5:45 & 6:00 p.m.	Morning Mission Meeting (WHFMS) and Baby Shower for Kris and Kaci Skinner—VC Room 5 Boys Ranch Pen Pals Event—SMR/DR VCBI: Understanding 1 Corinthians—VC Room 5 Ceramics—PCS Bus Trip: Immanuel Lutheran College Choir Concert—DH & LAP
Tuesday	3/12	<i>8:30 a.m.</i> <i>1:30 p.m.</i> 6:30 p.m.	<i>Men's Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> <i>Voice of the Martyrs—OPR</i> Evening Mission Meeting (WHFMS)—OPR
Wednesday	3/13	9:00–11:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:15 & 1:30 p.m. <i>6:00 p.m.</i> 6:30 p.m.	Ceramics—PCS VCBI: The Nine Actions Jesus Takes for You at Salvation—VC Room 5 Bridge Club—OPR Bus Trip: Walmart—CH & DH <i>Prayer Meeting</i> Chancel Choir Rehearsal—VC
Thursday	3/14	9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Village Artists Guild—KC Member Birthday Party—SMR/DR
Friday	3/15	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:15 & 4:30 p.m.	A Study of St. Patrick—SMR/DR Bible Study: The Romans Road—CCC Bridge Lessons—OPR Sit 'N Stitch—CH Bus Trip: Dine-Out to T&T BBQ—DH & LAP



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

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

IN LOVING MEMORY

- Bill Bridge, who was a resident of RW, RV and GSC, died March 4. His memorial information will be provided when available.
- Charlene Hart, who was a resident of CT/MT, DH and GSC, died Feb. 24. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Joanne Mott (wife of Don), who was a resident of DMA and GSC, died Feb. 21. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Dalilah Gimenez, who was a resident of GSC, died Feb. 20. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Ann Howell (wife of John), who was a resident of GSC, died Feb. 19. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- George Mulligan, who was a resident of LH and GSC, died Feb. 18. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Clarke Little (husband of Mary), who was a resident of CH and GSC, died Feb. 17. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m. There will also be a memorial service held for Clarke on April 6 at 11:00 a.m. in SMR/DR.
- Diana Evans, who was a resident of GSC, died Feb. 15. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Virgil Foxx, who was a resident of DH and GSC, died Feb. 15. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Richard Hersey, who was a resident of GSC, died Jan. 25. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Rosa Strumbeck, who was a resident of RW, DM and GSC, died Jan. 21. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Elvena Johnson, who was a resident of DM and GSC, died Jan. 14. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Wilma Cox, who was a resident of ET, DM and GSC, died Jan. 10. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.
- Trecia Wade (wife of Carl), who was a resident of GSC, died Jan. 10. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m.

ACV EVENTS



BUS TRIP: VALDOSTA SHOPPING

Friday, March 8

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

Bus: \$8.00 members, \$14 non-members

The trip bus will be going to Valdosta to visit the mall and surrounding shopping centers on Friday, March 8. The bus will leave from DH at 8:45 a.m. and from LAP at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be Dutch treat at a Valdosta restaurant. Bus fee: \$8.00 for ACV members and \$14 for non-members. Sign up at the IC.

LADIES' BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 9, 8:30 a.m. - RDR

The next ladies' breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 9, at 8:30 a.m. in RDR. The men will be joining us for this meeting. Our speaker will be Rev. Bryce Whiting. He will share his testimony and some life experiences. A special invitation is extended to new residents; we want to meet you! Come join us for a wonderful time of table fellowship.

The cost of the full and delicious breakfast buffet is \$7.00. Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Lopin' Gopher.

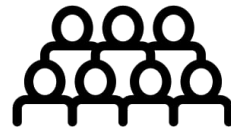


MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 9, 8:30 a.m. - RDR

The next Men's Fellowship breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 9, at 8:30 a.m. in RDR. The ladies will be joining us for this meeting. The guest speaker will be Rev. Bryce Whiting. He will share his testimony and some life experiences.

The cost of the full and delicious breakfast buffet is \$7.00. Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Lopin' Gopher. Come join us for fellowship, prayer, inspiration, and breaking bread together!



BUS TRIP: IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE CHOIR CONCERT

Monday, March 11

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

Grace Lutheran Church in Live Oak

\$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

The Immanuel Lutheran College touring choir of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, will present a concert at Grace Lutheran Church in Live Oak on Monday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m. The Village trip bus will take those interested in attending. The concert is free, and donations will be accepted to help offset the cost of the tour. Contact the IC before Friday, March 8, to sign up.

MEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY

Thursday, March 14, 3:00 p.m. - SMR/DR

Join us for the March member birthday party. Everyone is invited, and ACV members with March birthdays will receive special recognition. See you there!



BUS TRIP: DINE-OUT TO T&T BBQ

Friday, March 15

4:15 p.m. - DH & 4:30 p.m. - LAP

\$3.00 for members; \$6.00 for non-members

T&T BBQ and Southern Home Cooking located in nearby Crossroads is a family-run hometown restaurant. They pride themselves on good Southern cooking and hospitality. They serve sandwiches, burgers, BBQ and fish plates, salads, and more. Prices range from \$8.50 to \$17.99. The bus will leave DH at 4:15 p.m. and LAP at 4:30 p.m. The bus fee for this trip is \$3.00 for ACV members and \$6.00 for non-members. Sign up at the IC.

MARKET DAY

Saturday, March 16, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Village Square

A Village Market Day is scheduled for the morning of Saturday, March 16. Market Day is ACV's version of a

flea market. (If you attended Autumn Fest last fall, Market Day is similar, but not as large.) If you are interested in having a booth at Market Day, call the Village Lodge office at 658-5200.

**BUS TRIP:
SUWANNEE COUNTY FAIR SENIOR DAY**
Tuesday, March 19

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

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

It's time again for the Suwannee County Fair in Live Oak. Annually, the fair opens early one day for Suwannee County seniors to enjoy the exhibits and a free lunch. The bus is scheduled to leave at 10:15 a.m. from DH and 10:30 a.m. from LAP. Sign up at the IC.



GARDEN CLUB MEETING

Tuesday, March 19, 2:00 p.m. - DR

The Garden Club speaker for the March 19 meeting will be Kelly Aue. Kelly is employed by the North Florida Research and Education Center of Suwannee County. This is an IFAS facility, your Florida Land Grant College research center for Suwannee County. Kelly will make us aware of this facility and its purpose. The program is sure to be very informative. So come find out ways this center is making a difference, not only in Suwannee County, but in Florida.

All are welcome, but we'd love you to think of becoming a Garden Club member. We will meet at 2:00 p.m. in the DR.

MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION MEETING

Thursday, March 21, 2:00 p.m. - RDR

The next regular Membership Association meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, at 2:00 p.m. in RDR. All ACV members are encouraged to attend. One or more of ACV's service coordinators for independent living, Alexis Allen, Emily Peacock and Ashley Scarborough, will update the membership on what services are available through ACV's social services department.

Also taking place at this meeting will be an election to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee: secretary. The nominating committee is putting forth Donna Plant as their nominee. If you would like to nominate someone else, after obtaining permission from the person, please let MS know so that we can have ballots made up before the meeting.



Friday, March 22, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Sawmill/Depot Room

Annually, ACV invites local agencies, health service providers, and various ACV departments to the annual Health & Wellness Fair at ACV. It's time for the next fair. We look to have another good group of exhibitors who will provide the latest educational information on matters of health and wellness including finances, safety, and senior services. There will also likely be health screenings offered by various area health providers. You will have the chance to learn more about the services available in our area.

Have you taken some activity photos at ACV you'd like to share? Send them to mpollina@acvillage.net with a little description. They may be featured on ACV's Facebook page.



Come enjoy a continental breakfast in RDR from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. There will also be door prizes. (Register at the door to enter for a door prize; you do not have to be present to win.)

**BUS TRIP:
SUWANNEE VALLEY QUILT FESTIVAL**
Saturday, March 23

9:30 a.m. - DH & 9:45 a.m. - LAP

Bus: \$9.00 members, \$15 non-members

The Suwannee Valley Quilt Festival is scheduled for Saturday, March 23, in Trenton, Florida. There will be quilts, antiques, tractors, handmade items, and more. The bus is scheduled to leave at 9:30 a.m. from DH and 9:45 from LAP. Sign up at the IC.

EVENTS HERE AND THERE

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

**ANDRÉ RIEU CONCERT:
HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN**
Saturday, March 9, 2:00 p.m. - OPR

Happy Days Are Here Again! is the title of André's first concert after the lockdown. It was recorded in Maastricht, Holland, in 2022 with new musicians in the orchestra, new singers, dancers, and featuring the European Male Choir. Come join us to watch this 2½ hour concert on this coming Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in the OPR. Everyone is welcome.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, March 12 & 26, 10:00 a.m. - CCC
Come and join us for a ladies Bible study at CCC on Tuesdays, March 12 and 26, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Looking forward to meeting all of you.

THE REAL ST. PATRICK

Friday, March 15, 10:00 a.m. - SMR/DR

Tom Spannagle will once again present the story of the real St. Patrick on Friday, March 15, at 10:00 a.m. in SMR/DR. Come hear Tom's dramatic retelling of this very interesting individual — his history, the development of his faith, and how he was so much more important than you might realize.

Dick Grillo will also be in attendance to lead in singing, and snacks will be provided.

JEWISH EVANGELISM PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday, March 19, 6:00 p.m.
10257 River Wood Drive

Our monthly prayer meeting for the salvation of the Jews and for the groups that are sharing the Gospel with them will meet this month on Tuesday, March 19, at 6:00 p.m. We will meet together at the home of John and Sharon Germaine at 10257 River Wood Drive. For



LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

Wednesday, March 6

Chicken Parmesan Wrap with a Cup of Chili

Thursday, March 7

Mozzarella Caprese Made with Fresh Basil, Tomatoes and Balsamic Glaze

Friday, March 8

Chicken and Sausage Gumbo
Served Over Rice

Saturday, March 9

Shrimp Alfredo Linguini with Side Salad
and Garlic Bread

more information call Michael Saunders at (407) 668-6509.

FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCHES ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, March 21–Saturday, March 23

The annual meetings for the Florida Conference of Advent Christian Churches will be held in Dowling Park from Thursday, March 21, to Saturday, March 23.

Thursday, March 21, at 7:00 p.m. the WHFMS will be in charge of a service, followed by refreshments.

Friday, March 22:

8:30 a.m. — Credentials

9:00 a.m. — WHFMS Annual Meeting

Throughout the day there will be various committee meetings for FLCACC.

7:00 p.m. — FLCACC will hold a service (program TBD) at the VC followed by a fellowship time with refreshments.

Saturday, March 23:

8:30 a.m. — Registration for the FLCACC Annual Meeting

9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon — FLCACC Annual Meeting in BC.

These events are for all Advent Christian church members in the Florida Conference. Anyone may attend the programs/annual meeting, but only delegates have a vote at the Annual Meeting. Positions of delegates with voting privileges are limited. If you would like to serve as a delegate for Bixler at the Saturday FLCACC meeting, please contact Cindy Hett at 658-2683 or the church office.



JO KENNON PUBLIC LIBRARY

386-658-2670

Website: srrlib.org

Email: dpark@neflin.org

Monday, Wednesday–Friday 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

JKPL Closed

JKPL will be closed on Friday, March 29, in observance of Good Friday.

Springfest

Join us in celebrating Springfest on March 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the VS. Swing by our booth and spin the wheel for a prize, or let the little ones play Lucky Duck for their own!

Seed Library

Our seed library is full and ready to produce! With a little soil, sunshine and water, you can bring in spring properly by creating your very own “green space”. Whether it’s flowers, herbs or vegetables that you want, we have them. Do you need a book to instruct you? We have those, also. Pick up your three favorite packets, and get started!

ACV Health Fair

Come by the JKPL booth on March 22! Visit with our staff and find out about the many programs that we offer, as well as the many services that you can utilize with your library card. No card? We will be happy to sign you up right at our table!

As the Page Turns

The latest ATPT selection is waiting to be explored. *Dorchester Terrace*, by Anne Perry, is part of her collection featuring Charlotte and Thomas Pitt. In this “haunting story of love and treason” Thomas (now head of Britain’s Special Branch) and his wife, Charlotte, will once again dive into another mystery as he also tries to find the traitor in his department. Grab your copy and get started on what promises to be an interesting read.

Hot Topics

The next topic on the agenda for March 14 and 28 is tax reform. Join the group at 10:00 a.m. prepared to find the best solution to this particular problem.

Vote at the Library

The upcoming presidential preference primary voting will take place in the meeting room at JKPL. Early voting

will be held Saturday, March 9, through Saturday, March 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. During early voting any voter registered in Suwannee County may vote at JKPL. However, on election day, you must be registered in Precinct 9 to vote at JKPL. Election day is Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

Florida is a closed primary election state. Only voters who are registered members of political parties may vote for respective party candidates or nominees for an office in a primary election including a presidential preference primary election. If you have any question, please call JKPL or the Suwannee County Supervisor of Elections (386-362-2616).

Tax Forms at the JKPL

It’s tax time again. If you need tax forms (1040 or 1040SR) or instructions, come by JKPL and pick up a copy. If you need additional forms, we will be happy to print them for you.

Just a Small Collection of Words

“A room without books is like a body without a soul” (Cicero).

Starbooks Café Topic

What is something you’ve always wanted to do but haven’t got around doing?

Weekly JKPL Meetings:		
Starbooks Café	Tuesdays	9:30 a.m.
Crochet Creations	Thursdays	3:00 p.m.
Hot Topics	2nd & 4th Thurs.	10:00 a.m.
Kids Corner	Saturdays	11:00 a.m.



BUS TRIPS

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 Member Services at 658-5400.

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

- **March 13, Wednesday a.m.** — No shopping trip.
- **March 13, Wednesday p.m.** — Walmart — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 4:00 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.
- **March 20, Wednesday a.m.** — Walmart — Leave CH at 8:45 a.m. and DH at 9:00 a.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 11:30 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **March 20, Wednesday p.m.** — Save A Lot and Winn-Dixie — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Leave from Save A Lot at approximately 4:00 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m. The bus will drop off at Winn-Dixie on the way to Save A Lot, park at Save A Lot, and pick up at Winn-Dixie on the way home.
- **March 27, Wednesday a.m.** — No shopping trip.
- **March 27, Wednesday p.m.** — Walmart — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 4:00 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

- March 8 — Valdosta Shopping
- March 11 — Immanuel Lutheran College Choir Concert
- March 15 — Dine-Out to T&T BBQ
- March 19 — Suwannee County Fair Senior Day
- March 23 — Suwannee County Quilt Festival

March 24 — Madison Passion Play
March 25 — Dine-Out to Smok'n Pig B-B-Q

MADISON PASSION PLAY

Sunday, March 24

4:15 p.m. - DH & 4:30 p.m. - LAP

\$5.00 members, \$9.00 non-members

Once again, Madison Church of God is presenting the Madison Passion Play over two weekends around Easter. The ACV trip bus will be taking a load to watch the Sunday, March 24, presentation. We must RSVP by March 21, so please sign up before then. Sign up at the IC. There is a bus fee, but no entry fee.

DINE-OUT TO SMOK'N PIG B-B-Q

Monday, March 25

3:30 p.m. - DH & 3:45 p.m. - LAP

\$6.00 members, \$11 non-members

Smok'n Pig B-B-Q in Valdosta uses "the finest quality pork, chicken, and beef to serve you. B-B-Q slow cooked daily with pecan wood ... never dry, always lean and juicy inside." They serve Brunswick stew, seafood, platters, sandwiches, steaks, burgers, and more. And they have a salad bar. Options are as inexpensive as \$8.99. Sign up at the IC.

HOOKED ON HEROES

Saturday, April 6

6:45 a.m. - DH & 7:00 a.m. - LAP

Hooked on Heroes is a local organization that provides a free and fun fishing experience for veterans. The boat captains volunteer their services and boats to provide a good time for participating veterans. Hooked on Heroes provides fishing rods, bait, beverages and lunch.

ACV's bus will depart DH at 6:45 a.m. and LAP at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 6, to travel to Steinhatchee, Florida, to fish. The bus should be back at ACV before 5:00 p.m. Please bring a hat, jacket, sunscreen, and military I.D. There is no bus fee.

We need those who wish to fish to please call MS at 658-5400 by March 14 to be put on the list. Hooked on Heroes needs to know our number of attendees in the next couple of weeks. Please call right away.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

THE VILLAGE CHURCH

Rev. Sam Worley, Senior Minister

Church Office - 658-5344 - P.O. Box 4314

SERMON: "The Struggle"

TEXT: Romans 1:8-17 ESV; Colossians 1:28-2:7 ESV

SPEAKER: Rev. Sam Worley

Vesta Clothey WHFMS Circle will host a baby shower for Kris and Kaci Skinner at their regular meeting on March 11 at 9:30 a.m. in VC Room 5. Their registry is with Amazon. Another option is a gift card.

Florida Conference of Advent Christian Churches will be holding the annual business meeting on Saturday, March 23, at 9:00 a.m. in BC. All church members are eligible to serve as delegates to this meeting. If you would be willing to serve as a delegate please call the church office at 658-5344. The church and the conference appreciate your participation.

The following VC events are happening this week:

Friday, March 8

10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Donald Wrigley (VC Room 5)

Saturday, March 9

8:30 a.m. — Men's Fellowship Breakfast (RDR)

Sunday, March 10

9:40 a.m. — Morning Worship and Baptism

4:00 p.m. — Younger Youth, Instruments

5:00 p.m. — Youth Music

6:00 p.m. — Older Youth, ALIVE

6:00 p.m. — Evening Worship, Rev. Frank Hall (BC)

Monday, March 11

9:30 a.m. — WHFMS Meeting and Baby Shower for Kris and Kaci Skinner (VC Room 5)

1:30 p.m. — VCBI, Donald Wrigley (VC Room 5)
Understanding 1 Corinthians

Tuesday, March 12

8:30 a.m. — Men's Bible Study

6:30 p.m. — WHFMS Meeting (OPR)

Wednesday, March 13

10:00 a.m. — VCBI: The Nine Actions Jesus Takes for You at Salvation, Michael Saunders (VC Room 5)

6:00 p.m. — Prayer Meeting

6:30 p.m. — Choir Practice (VC)

Friday, March 15

10:00 a.m. — A Study of St. Patrick, Tom Spannagle (SMR/DR)

1:00 p.m. — Bible Study: The Roman Road, Michael Saunders (CCC)

MEMBER SERVICES

James Sutter-386-658-5400

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday morning at 2:00. This time of year, we "spring" forward, losing an hour. If you are a church-goer, it would behoove you to set your clocks ahead BEFORE going to bed Saturday night to make sure you don't arrive when church is ending.

Please be aware that we live in a community of those with aging eyes. If you are out and about on foot or on a scooter any time from dusk to dawn, make every effort to be as visible as possible — particularly if you are on or near where cars can be: roads and parking lots. Even if you can see an oncoming car clearly, that doesn't mean the driver can see you clearly. The best option is to wear or carry lights that you can shine at oncoming cars. Another good option is to wear reflective or glow-in-the-dark apparel. If you ride on a scooter, decorate it as well so that it catches the light and gets the attention of drivers.

Drivers, please be extra careful when driving around ACV when it isn't bright and shiny outside. Muted colors can inadvertently camouflage walkers and those on scooters. Take your time, watch for movement, use your high beams and fog lights, and consider rolling down your window so that your ears can perhaps hear what your eyes can't see.

Our goal is to keep everyone safe. We don't want anyone to get hurt, and we don't want anyone accidentally hurting someone else. Let's work together to make ACV as safe as it can be.

Did you attend the Winter Retreat workshop Tuesday morning by Barbara Bertolino on getting your affairs in order prior to your death to make it easier on your loved ones? Whether you did or did not, if you would like a copy of the video recording, contact Tom Peeks.

Member Services Tip of the Week

The deadline for submission of articles or ads for the FNN is noon on Tuesday of the week of the publication, and may be sent by email to fnn@acvillage.net, brought into MS, or left in the FNN box outside the IC.

Scam Tip of the Week: Amazon Scams

The top scam this year is the "Suspicious Activity Scam". The scammer sends you an email or text saying they have suspended or deleted your account due to suspicious activity. They'll want you to verify your account by giving away your login and password or your payment information.

Another scam is the "Fake Order Confirmation" message. It refers to a purchase that you actually didn't make. The scam message says you need to click a malicious link to confirm or cancel the order.

How can you protect yourself against these kinds of impersonation scams? Here are a few tips from Amazon:

- Verify your purchases on Amazon: If you receive a message about a purchase, don't respond to the message or click any link. Instead, log into your Amazon account or go on your Amazon app to confirm the purchases you've made or not made.
- Use Amazon first: No matter what the message or call says, use Amazon's website or app to verify what's going on.
- Don't give away your information: Amazon doesn't ask for payment over a phone call, text or email. It

will only ask for payment through the app or on the website.

- Be wary of urgency: Scammers will try to create a sense of urgency to persuade you to do what they're asking without you thinking twice about it.
- Don't be pressured to buy a gift card: Amazon will never ask you to purchase a gift card to make a sale or a transaction.

☞ *At the Village Square* ☞

Riverside Gifts

Beautiful Easter plaques with the encouraging words "He is Risen" are now in the shop. There are also tea towels decorated with traditional spring bunnies and Easter eggs. Search for bargains in the jewelry department: spring-themed earrings, sparkly rings, and SNAP jewelry.

You'll find unique crystal plates, candle holders, and bowls throughout the store. These useful items will hold rings, potpourri, and candies in style.

There is a good supply of reading glasses in many colors and styles (+2.50 magnification). Pick up a stylish eyeglass case to keep your glasses clean and protected from scratches.

We have many smaller notebook-sized pads with lined pages and an inspiring message on the cover. Each comes with its own pen with the same message. These fit in most Bible carriers.

The grandfather clock continues to tick and chime beautifully. It would be an outstanding addition to your home or office.

Watch repair and new battery installation is available. Stop by for details.

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

Rustic Shop

Beautiful Easter cards with lovely messages are on sale for \$1.50. There are inspiring cards for family and friends. Other cards are always available, too.

A stunning collection of individual Swarovski crystals is on display in the window. They are available in longer straight pieces and round pendant-style strings. All catch the light beautifully.

Collectors should see the group of vintage cobalt blue medicine bottles with the engraved Squibb Medicine and Milk of Magnesia. There is also an interesting collection of Cricket Cottage by Museum Collections cottage houses and figurines. All have the descriptive tag on the base. The crystal perfume bottles in a satin nest in their box is still available.

If you are looking for a custom-designed gift basket, look no further. Our volunteers will help you fill a unique metal, cloth, or straw basket with goodies you choose (jewelry, soap, figurines, etc.). We also can design a spring wreath of any dimension for your door.

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

Twice Nice Shop

The Twice Nice Shop is closed for renovations until sometime this month.

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

Saturday, March 2, 8:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

We have a beautiful queen bed set (includes side tables, bureau and more). Also, the king bed set is still available.

- Research it: If you get a message or call that strikes you as out of the ordinary, type it into Google or your preferred search engine. See if anyone else has reported a similar situation. You can also look it up on Amazon's website or the Better Business Bureau. There is a scam tracker on the website.
- Contact Amazon: If you're unsure of what's being sent to you, stop engaging completely. Contact Amazon directly through the website or app. Do not use an email or phone number that's in the suspicious message.

Even if you do not have an Amazon account, these same steps work for any online retail store.

ACV ACTIVITY NEWS

VILLAGE ARCHIVES

Millie Griswold, Reporter

Did You Know?

Did you know that the Village Archive collects books written by ACV residents? Would you like to donate your book(s) to the Village Archive? Please drop the book off at the Archive along with a life profile of yourself for Archive files. Or call me at 658-2644 and I'll stop by your home to get a copy. Who knows ... in the future, family and friends may visit the Archive to see your writings.

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 Betsey Ruehl by noon on Monday at 658-1766.

Congratulations to our Feb. 28 winners: 1st high, Lois Williams, and 2nd high, Betsey Ruehl.

Lessons are scheduled for Friday afternoons at 1:00 in the OPR. If you would like to learn how to play bridge or would like a refresher, call Betsey.

VILLAGE LIBRARY

Monday–Friday

10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon & 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Brenda Reas, Reporter

When you come to the Village library and check out a book, have a look at the *free* bookmarks on the table that were made by Jan Cuddy. Each one is unique, and most are humorous. Pick your favorite one to keep or give to a friend.

The Psalms and the New Testament (KJV) in VERY large print are now available for check out three weeks at a time. They are found in the large print, non-fiction section next to the double doors.

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.

MODEL RAILROAD CLUB

George Brisbin, Reporter

Last fall ACV was given a rather large HO scale layout. The layout was a beautiful showpiece at one time but fell into disuse around the beginning of this century. It was stored and forgotten in a barn/storage shed until just after the hurricane when the storage space became needed for other things. The Village turned it over to its newly formed Model Railroad Club for restoration. Every Tuesday the club officially meets from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon to work on this layout. Our progress is slow, but the layout is progressing in the right direction.

We would like to welcome our newest member, Mark Brennen, to the club. Mark recently transferred from POP to RW. Like most of us he has little past experience with model railroads but has a background in electrical systems and their applications. After being shown around the clubhouse, he has volunteered to

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take on the power control systems, both DC and DCC, and bring our layouts to life. We welcome Mark and will support him as he learns a new application to the skills he already possesses.

You are invited to come and see what is happening any Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Who knows, you might become interested in helping restore the "barn find" also. For more information contact George Brisbin at (757) 404-0666.

PEN PAL PROGRAM

A Committee of the Membership Association Monica Serlick, Reporter

The Youth Ranch youth involved in the Pen Pal Program will be here at ACV for a luncheon, bingo party, and walk around Lake Aquilla on March 11 in SMR/DR from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is only for those already involved in the Pen Pal Program. There is no cost for the luncheon.

Pen pals, please collect the letters you have received this school year in order, from the first letter on the bottom to the most recent on top. This is to be ready for April. I will be reviewing letter format to see who has become the most improved writer. The winner will be the recipient of the prepaid shopping card that will be purchased in late April and presented to them at the May Awards Banquet at the FSyr.

If you would like to be a pen pal, please contact me at (386) 330-4865 and leave a message. I will call you back. "Every child deserves a champion — an adult who understands the power of connection and insists that they become the best they can possibly be" (Rita Pierson).

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Rev. Michael Saunders, Reporter

Is God calling you? To be a Stephen Minister is a calling from God. It is a calling to help someone who is suffering or having a struggle of some kind. It is a calling to minister to helping people through prayer and scriptures and listening and loving. This calling also includes extensive training and support.

If you feel this calling in your life, please join us at our next information meeting on Thursday, April 4, at 2:00 p.m. in the OPR. At this meeting you will have the choice to begin the process of becoming a Stephen Minister.

Seek the Holy Spirit's guidance as you consider how God might be calling you to ministry. If God is leading, complete a Stephen Minister application. Once your application is received, you will meet with Stephen Leaders to review the application and answer any questions you may have. If you're selected, you will begin your initial training in September.

God bless you as you prayerfully consider becoming a part of this crucial caring ministry! If you have any questions about becoming a Stephen Minister, feel free to contact ACV Stephen Ministries at 658-5378 and/or stephenministries@acvillage.net.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BUTTERFIELD ACRES

James Sutter, Reporter

Crackerjack was unable to submit an article this week (keep him in your prayers), so I'm filling in.

Congratulations to Traci Nissley on a job well done! Traci was part of this season's Live! at Dowling Park artist series; she provided an incredibly enjoyable hour of classical and sacred music to finish Winter Retreat this past Tuesday night. She played one piece on the organ, four pieces on the piano, four pieces on the French horn, and five solo handbells pieces. For the French horn and solo handbells pieces, Rosemary Humbles accompanied her on the piano. (POP resident Bob Story also participated.) Traci has been practicing for months, and her hard work showed. It was wonderful.

My mother, Sandra, stayed with Mary Jane and me this week. We invited her up from Orlando so she could enjoy Winter Retreat. Her comment after the comedy show Saturday night was that she had not

laughed that much in a long time. She enjoyed attending the Winter Retreat services, Bible studies, and workshops, and Traci's concert. She also enjoyed reconnecting with Nancy Cornell, with whom she used to board when in town because we didn't have any guest rooms.

CARTER HOUSE

Monica Serlick, Reporter

Please continue to keep all those who are ill, recovering or struggling in your thoughts and prayers.

If you have any news you would like to share with others, please call and give me details.

Many precautions were taken during the pandemic to avoid spreading germs like having only one person handle the sign-in sheet and pen. We are now able to go back to having the sign-in sheet available in the lobby for residents to sign in on their own. Remember that it is the responsibility of each resident to check in every morning by 11:00 a.m. This is your safety and health welfare check. For your benefit, do not sign in the night before. If anything happens and you can't pull the emergency cord, no one will know if you have fallen, etc., until the following day. If you cannot sign in personally, it is your responsibility to call the lobby and ask to be checked in — or to go down to the lobby or send word with a friend when the power is out. It is not up to the volunteer at the desk to call you. You are accountable since you reside in an independent living building.

As we look at safety issues, here is one that is important to note. If you ride a scooter or power chair in the evenings or when it's dark, put your lights on! Many folks ride on the roads rather than sidewalks, and cars cannot see you when it is dark. Please move to the side of the road or get on the sidewalk if you see headlights coming. Some cars or trucks are high and will not see you even if you have small lights on. Make it a habit to drive on the sidewalks, and know where the ramps are so you don't get hurt in an avoidable accident. Be aware of what is going on around you.

We all live in a community that is very oriented to seniors and has several living tiers available to all residents. Independent living, assisted living, and nursing home care. Those who choose to remain in independent living with only some occasional or minor help should remember that when things go wrong, as they inevitably will, it is important to get with the building manager or your social services coordinator to address any issues. It can be very frustrating to feel that you haven't been heard, but if you don't get with management they don't know you have an issue. Venting one's frustrations on social media or to the general public is not how you get assistance. Getting in touch with management will get you help. If you need daily assistance, as an independent person, it is up to you to make the appropriate arrangements. It is very difficult for an individual to give up their independence or freedom, but when being realistic, independent living is not necessarily appropriate for everyone. No other community does as much for their independent residents as our community does. I am blessed to be living at ACV.

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 MANOR & DOWLING PARK NORTH

Charlene Reas, Reporter

I was sorry to learn of the passing of Thomas "Tom" Mann on Feb. 24 in New Hampshire. He is survived by his wife, Constance "Connie" Mann, of 68 years and their three children. No services were mentioned in his obituary.

My brother, Steve Reas, and I learned of the passing of our Aunt Shine in September of last year. Voncile Kirby Modlinger of Freeport, Illinois, lived to be 98 years old — same as her mother, Elsie V. Kirby.

Your reporter is pleased to have her nephew, Nathan Reas, visiting and helping put things back into the renovated Twice Nice Shop at the VS. Look for more information in the future.

Remember our potluck supper on Thursday, March 14, at 5:00 p.m. at Audrey Murray's house, 10033 CR 136 West. Please RSVP to (765) 576-0559 by Friday, March 8. Ham will be provided as well as plates and utensils. Everyone who lives off the campus of ACV is invited to attend — north, south, east or west.

DOWLING HOUSE

Patricia Adele Lyons, Reporter

Grace and peace be to you all, from our father, God, in Heaven through His son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus. Amen.

Don't forget to wish a happy birthday to your neighbor Jan Hendrickson who celebrates on Saturday, the 9th. May you have a blessed day, Jan.

Don't forget to "spring forward" and set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday evening. We go back to Daylight Saving Time on Sunday, the 10th. Yay!

Just some friendly reminders from our Building/Resident Manager, Mr. Jim Powell, concerning rules (and good ole common courtesy):

1) Please do not turn off the AC units in the solariums. There needs to be air circulation to keep them fresh and free of mildew. Also, if you need to prop the door open for easy access to a solarium, when you leave, do not leave the door propped open. Please keep the doors closed.

2) Unwanted/personal items (especially furniture) are not to be put in the common areas without management approval. If you have items you no longer want, donate them to Twice Nice Furniture & More or dispose of them properly (if furniture, call Maintenance for removal).

Any food items in cans or unopened boxes that have good expiration dates can be added to the food pantry in Alexis's office. Do not place any expired/opened food, medications, opened pill bottles (vitamins, etc.), or perishable foods on the tables in the elevator area, lobby, solariums, or laundry rooms.

3) It is every resident's responsibility to check in/call in to the front desk daily, and especially during outages or when the phone lines are down. There is a clipboard at the front desk where residents can sign in whether there are outages or not. The staff and EMTs are limited in checking on so many residents when they are busy trying to deal with phone and/or electrical outages, or actual medical emergencies. So please do your part and check in daily with the front desk so they know you are okay.

4) For folks who have electric scooters, electric chairs, and walkers, please use and stay on the sidewalks and not the roadways. Vehicles may not see you, and there has already been one close incident of car versus electric chair. And for everyone who drives a vehicle behind CH, DH, or anywhere on ACV property — slow down! And remember, the pedestrian always has the right of way at the crosswalks. Golf carts should not be driving on the sidewalk behind DH.

5) No maintenance will be done in any apartment without a Work Request being filled out and turned into the front desk (they have forms). If you have insect problems, let Jim Powell know immediately so he can deal with it ASAP. If you have plumbing or electric problems, report them immediately to Maintenance, and let Jim know as well, especially if you see smoke coming from something electrical, or if water has overflowed in your apartment — it may leak down into your neighbor's apartment below you (has happened) causing further issues. Don't just clean the water up and say nothing; both Maintenance and Housekeeping need to know so it can be checked out and cleaned up properly.

Have a great spring forward weekend, and remember to love with no invitation, forgive with no contemplation, pray with no reservation, and give with no expectation.

EDGEWOOD TERRACE

Sandra Kelly, Reporter

Hello again, ET! Happy birthday to Carole Kueppers on March 4. "The more you praise and celebrate your life, the more there is in life to celebrate" (Oprah Winfrey). Happy birthday to Luci Hine on March 14. "Cherish all your happy moments. They make a fine cushion as we age" (Booth Tarkington).

Don't forget the date! March 23 is the get-together for ET. That includes Millsite Lane, Lawrence House and Taylor Commons. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. in the Youth Lodge at Camp Suwannee. Bring soup, munchies or chili — your choice — and prepare to enjoy a social rendezvous with your neighbors.

What a wonderful time Verna Piper had as she enjoyed a four-day visit with her sons. Jon and his son Jeremy came from Maryland, and Jay flew in from Seattle. Verna kept them busy landscaping her yard and herb bed in the Village Garden, beautifying the area. They all had a great time eating delicious cooking, enjoying fun and games, and creating precious memories.

Carole Kueppers has been busy working in her yard and trying to outwit the squirrels and keep them out of her bird feeders. She's had limited success but has enticed them to at least sample the feast she lays out for them on the severed tree trunk left after the hurricane.

Spring starts on March 19, and Mother Nature is getting a head start. Blossoms pop out overnight. The forest is an evolving landscape of variations of green. The wild plum and the dogwood are glorious explosions of white, and the swamp maple adds eruptions of crimson to the roadsides. The wild trumpet vines curl around fences and tree branches raining yellow carpets. Our village hedges are advancing shades of pink causing our spirits to soar as we ride about. Spring! The very word gives us motivation to look outward and upward, encouraging a lift to our step and a smile to our face.

Spring also means that time is about to revert to DST again. Sunday, March 10, we spring forward to set our clocks ahead one hour. The official change time is 2:00 a.m. but who stays up to reset their clocks? Besides, who can actually see their clocks at 2:00 a.m.? My vision is blurred for at least an hour until I wipe the sleep from my eyes and begin to awaken. So, I change mine on Saturday night as I suspect you do also. DST was created to enhance the use of daylight and reduce the use of artificial lighting, but I've always felt like it just gave me more time to be outside enjoying the sunlight.

Thoughts to ponder: "Age is a high price to pay for maturity" (Tom Stoppard). "Old age comes at a bad time" (San Banducci). "The idea is to die young as late as possible" (Ashley Montagu). "Life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer you get to the end, the faster it goes" (anonymous).

GOOD SAMARITAN CENTER

AND DACIER MANOR

Bruce Arnold, Reporter

In John 2:13-22 we see Jesus coming into the temple and driving out the money changers and the merchants. Jesus did this out of a righteous anger, a great zeal for the Lord God! Jesus had come to Jerusalem, like many others, for the observance of Passover, the annual remembrance of God's great deliverance of His people from Egypt. It was on this Passover night, that the angel of death passed over the houses that were marked with the sacrificial blood of the lambs that had been slain.

As Jesus and many others came to Jerusalem for Passover, there was a need for lambs, and even cattle, goats and doves, as well as the temple currency in order to transact the purchase of what was needed. All these things were vital, they were necessary, and yet as Jesus came to the outer courts of the temple, all he could hear was the bleating of sheep, the lowing of cattle, the shouts of those who were providing all that was necessary for the Passover to be remembered.

Isn't it strange to think that in trying to make a very important event to be possible, Jesus came and disrupted the whole thing and drove them all out! This

may cause us to think about how we go about seeking to do God's work today.

I was happy to attend the Sunday night service at the VC this past Sunday and hear Rev. John Tate speak. In his sermon, Pastor John made the statement that many things we seek to accomplish in our churches, we accomplish without the help of God! We think we have this church stuff so well memorized that we rush ahead of God and carry out all sorts of work without God's help. As Jesus saw the money changers and merchants, he knew what they were doing — they were providing a way for people to be able to observe a very important day. Yet, it was all being done in the wrong place!

I wonder if Jesus came to our churches today, would he have a desire to take up a whip and drive out all that is being done "in His name", or would he feel welcome to worship? I have been challenged to be sure that I don't let my plans supersede God's plans. Perhaps we all could be challenged to ask ourselves why we do what we do, or don't do, in our churches. Let the church be a place of prayer and worship, and God will do great things!

On Thursday, Feb. 29 (our bonus day for February this year!), Ken Randolph came to GSC to share our morning devotions. Ken has a heart for the Lord and for people! Thanks, Ken, for taking time to come and share with us!

Sunday, March 3, kicked off Penny Crusade for our morning worship service at GSC. Residents from GSC and DM joined to worship the Lord in the Magnolia dining room as we viewed a brief video where we learned about the country of India and the Advent Christian work there. Each week for the next five weeks we will continue to learn and be encouraged to pray for our brothers and sisters in India. We received an offering for Penny Crusade of \$13.56. We encourage each person to contribute in whatever way they can. Pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, half dollars and any size bills are received, and we will send this offering to the Advent Christian General Conference when Penny Crusade concludes.

On Monday, March 4, Ellie Foerste struck again! The food truck arrived with delicious lasagna! We had a choice of veggie or meat, along with salad, roll and cookies. We sure appreciate how you appreciate all of us at GSC!

GSC will have a memorial service on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room. Family, friends, staff and residents are invited to attend as we remember and give thanks for the lives of Wilma Cox, Elvena Johnson, Rosa Strumbeck, Richard Hersey, Trecia Wade, Virgil Foxx, Diana Evans, Donald "Clark" Little, George Mulligan, Ann Howell, Dalilah Gimenez, Joanne Mott and Charlene Hart.

I was asked recently if I have any more Giant Print KJV Bibles. I do have a case of Bibles that are available for anyone who needs one, at no charge, thanks to Alms Ministry, Inc. in Fort White, Florida. I also have a number of used Bibles in various versions (translations) for anyone who needs one. Contact me at (386) 249-2792 or barnold@acvillage.net.

Don't forget to lose an hour of sleep on Saturday night this week! Set your clocks ahead, and make sure you wake up at 2:00 a.m. to do it, otherwise it just wouldn't be right. I heard once that Daylight Saving Time is like taking a length off the top of your blanket and adding it to the bottom to make it longer! Oh well, enjoy the "longer" days!

RIVERWOODS

Betsey Ruehl, Reporter

I am keeping the column short this week as I prep for the event on Thursday. More than 80 residents in RW are expected to enjoy the Winter Social on March 7. With the theme of "World Book Day" we were curious to see who came as a character. More next week on "who" showed up. We have so many excellent cooks, the food is sure to be enjoyed by all.

We recently had a few days of lights flickering in the neighborhood. Ellen Livingston shared that the number for SVEC to report a general problem with

electricity is 1-800-447-4509, and select #3. To report a power outage on the weekend call 1-800-752-0025.

Keep all your neighbors who are confronting health issues in your prayers.

"You cannot help people permanently by doing for them, what they could and should do for themselves" (Abraham Lincoln). "Any man who thinks he can be happy and prosperous by letting the government take care of him had better take a much closer look at the American Indian" (Henry Ford).

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:

Each ACV member has membership privileges at the CCC at no additional charge. The facility boasts both indoor amenities — heated lap pool that is handicap accessible, a Jacuzzi, weight machines, stationary bicycles, treadmills, billiard room, game room, and reading room — and outdoor amenities — lighted tennis court, shuffleboard courts, horseshoe pits, screened pavilion, and a brand new bocce ball court.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

VCBI IN APRIL

The next course offering for the Village Church Bible Institute will begin April 7. Please join us. You can sign up in the VC office or with Michael Saunders at (407) 668-6509.

- Mondays, 10:00 a.m. — "Understanding I Corinthians" (VC Room 5)
- Sundays, 11:00 a.m. — "How Can I Accurately Interpret New Testament Books?" (OPR)
- Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. — "Pictures of Theology", Studies in Revelation (VC Room 5)
- Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. — "A New and Living Way", Hebrews 10:20 (CCC)
- Fridays, 1:00 p.m. — "The Road Romans" (CCC)

TERRY & PHYLLIS KLITZKIE'S 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

You are invited to Phyllis and Terry Klitzkie's 50th wedding anniversary party on Saturday, April 6, at 3:00 p.m. in RDR. We will honor God and enjoy music, fun and tasty food until 5:00 p.m. No gifts, please. Your attendance will be your gift to them for being their loving friends here in ACV. If possible, please RSVP with Phyllis or Terry in person, at 658-2130, or by mail to 22961 102nd Trail, Live Oak, FL 32060 by Friday, March 22, so we can provide an estimated guest count for the caterer.

BOB COPELAND'S NEWEST BOOK

Bob Copeland's newest book has been released exclusively on Amazon in Kindle format. Titled *Saints on Vacation While Sinners Are Perishing*, this little gem delivers a powerful message, urging us to wholeheartedly and passionately devote every single moment of our lives to serving Jesus.

FROM BAGS TO BEDS

The first time I read the word "plarn" in the FNN, I thought it was an error. I joined the plarn group because getting the homeless off the cold hard ground seemed like a fantastic idea. I was told police officers distribute the mats as needed, but then I wondered ... How much is enough? Is there ever a point at which

they no longer need mats? Since taking over Verna's role, I was asked this question also, so I know I am not the only one that wondered this.

I felt I could not be an inspiration to others as to their vital role in creating the plarn mats and pillows if I did not learn more of the need. I now do plarn with a satisfying feeling that I am helping others in their time of need.

The beds do not only go to homeless. Disasters happen all the time. Hurricane Idalia was our encounter with disaster. The plarn beds and pillows are on hand for people that become displaced due to disasters. Since no one can predict a disaster, beds and pillows are stockpiled to be on hand when they are needed. The mats are used locally, in other states, and overseas — wherever they are needed. See how important you are?!

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 12, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon.

Linda Warner (Douglas)

BOCCE COURT IS READY FOR USE

The bocce court located in front of CCC is ready for use by all CCC members. Users will need to sign for the keys at the CCC desk. There is a key to the box that holds the bocce balls, cups for measuring, and pegs for the scoreboard. This box is next to the court. There is also a key to the storage door at the tennis court, which holds a rake for smoothing out the court if needed. Inside the bottom of the box is a battery-powered blower for blowing leaves off if necessary. The battery is in the fitness center and needs to be returned after use.

There is also a sheet at the CCC desk to sign up for reserving the court for a particular day and time. Monday mornings are reserved for an established bocce group. There will also be a signup sheet for those who would like to find others to play a game with. A sheet with rules will also be available. When CCC is closed, keys will be available at the IC. You will need to sign for them there as well.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Judy Hatch at 658-2833. Be sure to leave your name and number so that she can call you back if necessary.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Wendy B. Meyer, CFP®, CRPC®, CDFA®, financial advisor with Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC 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.

HAIR CROPPERS

Springtime special: per request we are offering a special hand and foot massage session for \$45. Call or text (386) 205-3791 and schedule an appointment! Thank you for choosing Hair Croppers.

SQUARE CUTS AND MORE

**Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m.**

Call (386) 647-6240 for an appointment.
Kindly give 12–24-hour notice for cancellations
or extra charges will apply.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is now making appointments. You can make your appointment at First Baptist Church of Dowling Park. Volunteers will be at First Baptist Church of Dowling Park on Saturdays during income tax season to assist people who make less than \$75,000 per year.

VITA volunteers make tax returns simple. Any help you can give would be appreciated for this calling. For information, contact Jim Broten at (386) 209-6831 or JMB013@live.com.

NANCY HARRISON, CPA

Nancy Harrison, CPA will be holding office hours — by appointment only — for meeting with tax clients and for document drop off on the following dates: March 5 and 19, and April 2 and 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Clients should contact Nancy at (386) 249-2944, (850) 212-6799 or nfharrisoncpa@gmail.com to make an appointment.

Nancy welcomes any tax questions you might have either by phone, text (850-212-6799 only) or email.

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: March 8 and 22; April 12 and 26; May 10 and 24. To make an appointment, please call Leigh Ann Cannon at (386) 755-1334, Ext. 117.

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: When is Shred-it coming back for a community day?

A: The next Shred-it community day has been scheduled for May 15. We will have more details in future FNNs.

THANK YOU

I am so sorry that I have taken so long to say thank you to everyone who helped to make our 2024 Harbinger Bible Conference the best one we have ever had so far! I want to say thank you with all my heart for everyone who participated in making this Bible Conference happen. Everything that is done for this conference is done by volunteers. All the planning and logistics, tech stuff, printing, and everything else — including all the baking — is all done by volunteers. We are so thankful and grateful for all of you and your faithful ministry to us. I am also grateful to our speakers and musicians who come to us for no charge. We give them an honorarium from the evening love offerings but they are willing to come for no honorarium at all. God is so good to give us, His servants, to minister to us. We are also grateful for the support and help of the VC and ACV. They are a blessing to us as well.

I am happy to report that we had the largest attendance we have ever had at this conference; we had the most musicians and special music, we had three speakers instead of two to bring the Word of God to us, and we had a whole lot of food. In almost every way it was the best Harbinger Conference we have had so far. So we praise the Lord and thank everyone involved. May God bless every person for their faithful ministry to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Michael Saunders for the Board of
Harbinger Bible Conference

Thank you most sincerely for all the birthday cards and personal happy birthday wishes. May God bless you all. Warmest regards.

Errol Gillette

Thanks to my friends and neighbors for their love and attention poured recently on me on another birthday. It was special in many ways. May God pour His blessing on you all.

P.S.: My lovely Valentine's Day rose lasted two weeks. Special thanks to all involved.

Eleanore Catarious

In June 2023, joined by my husband of 44 years, Donald Clarke Little, we were graced to move into this wonderful Village. Little did I know that only eight

months later I would become widowed and forced to cope with all aspects of life on my own. But in God's wonderful plan, He knew the proper timing of everything, because He knew that I would stand a better chance of survival with awesome friends and caring leaders here at ACV. I am convinced that your prayers — for Clarke while at GSC, and for me during that time and especially after his death — gave me the strength to cope. Your cards, words of encouragement, cooked meals, memorial gifts in Clarke's name, help with delivering my mail, and the many ways in which you have shown love, is deeply appreciated, and I thank God for allowing me to benefit from His deep love that motivates you every day. I only wish that Clarke would have had time to enjoy more of your kindhearted love for your fellow residents.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart, dear friends. Family and friends are encouraged to join me on April 6 at 11:00 a.m. in SMR/DR to celebrate the life of Clarke and enjoy a light meal together. To help me reserve adequate space and food, please RSVP to (386) 205-5674, (863) 273-4397 or edalgreen@outlook.com by March 23.

Mary Little

Thank you to everyone who came to the youth car wash on Saturday, and for your generous donations. We were able to raise enough money to pay for all new costumes. The youth look forward to sharing with you the musical, *O Chicken of Little Faith*, on Mother's Day.

VC Youth

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. Only ACV members and staff may advertise here. Ads run for two weeks.

FOR SALE: 10896 Redbud Lane. 2 bed, 2 bath mobile home in POP. This was my home for 20 years. It awaits someone else to enjoy this homey mobile with the best neighbors in ACV. Please come and take a look; there's plenty of room and storage. \$35,000 negotiable. Call my son, Steve, at 386-688-2233 or Dot at 207-651-2281.**

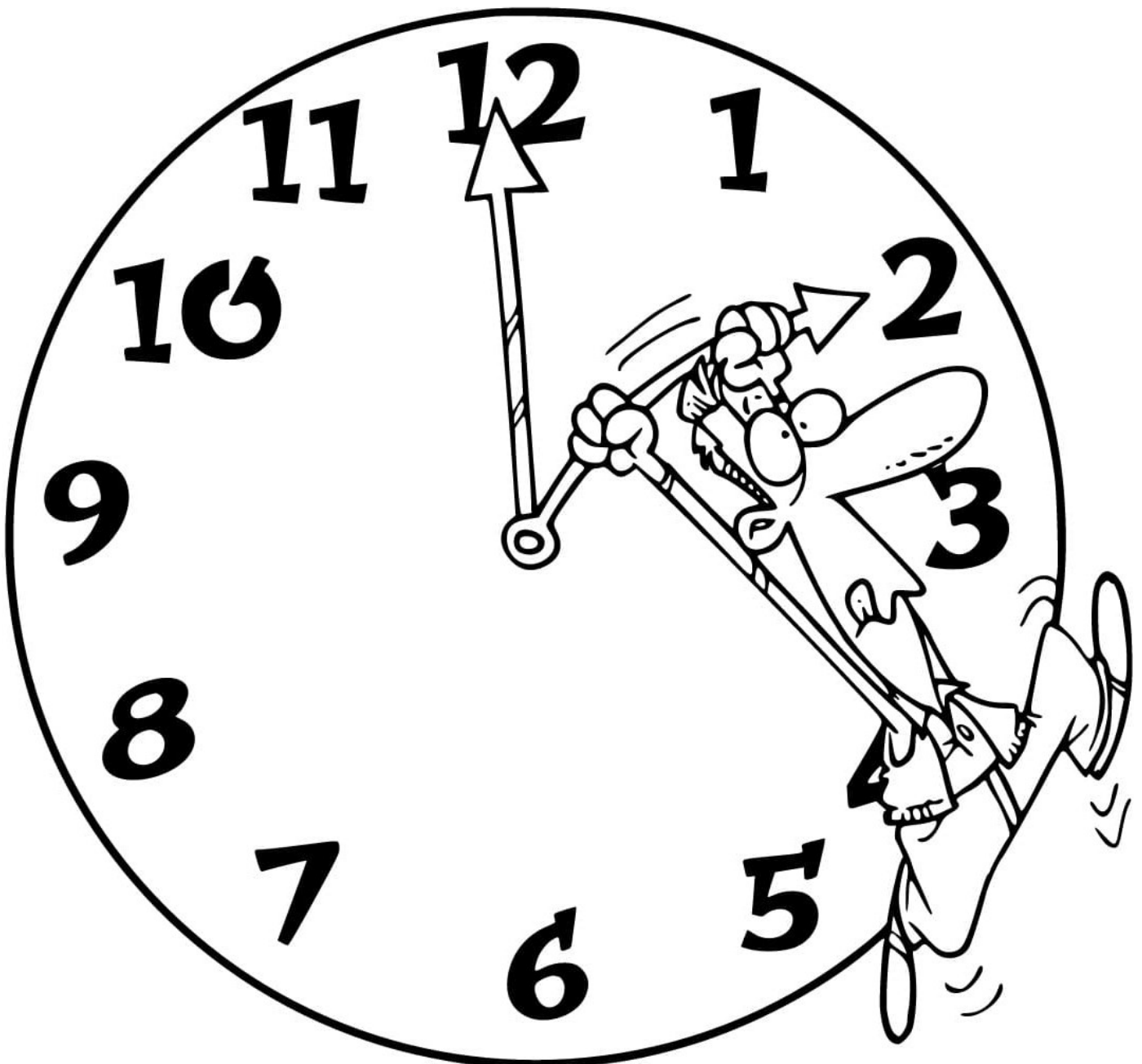
IN NEED OF: Cotton fabric and acrylic yarn for a person that is making clothing protectors and lap throws for GSC. Contact Sister Maria Ann at 658-2115.**

FOR SALE: Candy apple red EWheel scooter. Very good condition. A few dings and scratches but they are hard to see. Has windshield, roof, new lithium ion batteries, charger, new tires, rearview mirror, 3 speed switch, headlights, tail and hazard lights, turn signals, reverse, horn, battery indicator, twist throttle, adjustable seat, arm rest, trunk, and owner's manual. Please call Gary Hildreth at 352-250-6871.*

YARD SALE: 10641 Dowling Park Drive, March 16, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Porch table with 6 chairs, brand new twin mattress and box springs, dresser with mirror, and other miscellaneous items. Jan, 208-2716.*

FOR SALE: Garmin Drive 61 GPS with power cord and new battery (installed). Small scratch on screen (not noticeable when on). \$30. Call Bill at 386-209-2587.*

FREE: HP ink 902, 903, 904 and 905. Contact me. I will give you the set since I no longer have the printer that uses these cartridges. Call Ann at 386-208-2764.*



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This Week's Verse:

And when you draw close to God, God will draw close to you ...

Let your hearts be filled with God alone.

James 4:8

*Delivery available to on-campus ACV members only

March 8–15, 2024

FRIDAY, 3/8

- \$2.53 Soup:** Lobster Bisque
- \$6.44 Entrées:** GF Baked Catfish, GF Garlic Butter Shrimp, Oven Roasted Chicken, Fried Catfish
- \$1.21 Sides:** Mixed Greens, Brussels Sprouts, Cold Salads, Baked Beans, Fruit, Cheesy Grits, Plain Grits, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
- \$2.76 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

SATURDAY, 3/9

- \$2.53 Soup of the Day**
- \$7.59 Whistle Stop Special:** Mojo Pork BBQ Sandwich, Coleslaw, Potato Salad, Assorted Desserts, Fountain Drink

SUNDAY, 3/10

♪ Piano music provided by Joan Wittman. ♪

Lunch Buffet

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

- Entrées:** GF Roast Beef, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Fried Chicken
- Sides:** Prince Edward Vegetable Blend, Honey Glazed Carrots, Side Salad, Fruit, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
- Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

MONDAY, 3/11

- \$2.53 Soup:** Soup of the Day
- \$6.44 Entrées:** Liver and Onions, Italian Sub Sandwich (Ham, Turkey and Salami) with Chips
- \$1.21 Sides:** Lima Beans, Three Bean Salad, Cold Salads, Fruit, Brown Gravy, Rice
- \$2.76 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

TUESDAY, 3/12

- \$7.70 Special:** Salad Bar
- \$6.44 Entrées:** St. Louis-Style Pork Ribs, Country Fried Steak with White Gravy
- \$1.21 Sides:** Broccoli, Cauliflower, 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

March 8–15, 2024

WEDNESDAY, 3/13

\$2.53 Soup: Soup of the Day

\$6.44 Entrées: Stuffed Peppers, Fried Chicken

\$1.21 Sides: Cabbage, Green Beans, Cold Salads, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Fruit

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

THURSDAY, 3/14

\$6.44 Entrées: Chicken and Broccoli Quiche, Beef Tips

\$1.21 Sides: Okra and Tomatoes, Corn, Cold Salads, Fruit, Baked Potato

\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

FRIDAY, 3/15

\$2.53 Soup: Clam Chowder

\$6.44 Entrées: GF Baked Catfish, GF Garlic Butter Shrimp, Stuffed Peppers, Fried Catfish

\$1.21 Sides: Mixed Greens, Beets, Cold Salads, Fruit, Baked Beans, Cheesy Grits, Plain Grits, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy

\$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.

RIVER LANDING BISTRO LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

Wednesday, March 6

Chicken Parmesan Wrap with Cup of Chili

Thursday, March 7

Mozzarella Caprese made with
Fresh Basil, Tomatoes and Balsamic Glaze

Friday, March 8

Chicken and Sausage Gumbo Over Rice

Saturday, March 9

Shrimp Alfredo Linguini with Side Salad and Garlic Bread



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Sat. & Sun: 11 am–1:30 pm



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Mon–Fri: 7:30–10 am | 2:30–7 pm

Sat: 7:30–10:00 am | 3–7 pm



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Fri–Sat: 8–10:30 am | 11 am–8 pm