



ADVENT CHRISTIAN VILLAGE
AT DOWLING PARK



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HISTORY
MONTH!**

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 6, 2026

Friday	2/6	10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Bible Study—BC Gentle Movement and Self Massage Class—OPR Crafty Crew—CH Activity Room
Saturday	2/7	3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Melissa Vasquez Concert—VC Potluck Supper—RDR
Sunday	2/8	<i>9:40 a.m.</i> <i>11:00 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>VCBI: Unfolding the Great Commission—OPR</i> <i>Evening Service—BC</i>
Monday	2/9	1:00–3:00 p.m. <i>1:30 p.m.</i> 2:00–4:00 p.m.	Connecting Threads Ministry—KC <i>VCBI: The Gospel of Luke—VC Room 5</i> Ceramics—PCS
Tuesday	2/10	8:00 a.m.–12:00 noon <i>8:30 a.m.</i> 10:00 a.m. <i>11:00 a.m.</i> 1:00–3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Sign-ups—OPR <i>Men's Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Model Train Club—CB <i>VCBI: Jesus in Every Book of the Bible—VC Room 5</i> Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Sign-ups—OPR Roaring '20s Theme Dinner—RDR
Wednesday	2/11	8:15 & 8:30 a.m. 9:00–11:00 a.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 10:00 a.m. 1:15 & 1:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bus Trip: Winn-Dixie, Save A Lot & Publix—CH & DH Ceramics—PCS <i>VCBI: Discovering the Meaning and Purpose of Your Life — A Personal Growth Workshop—VC Room 5</i> GSC Monthly Memorial Service—Magnolia Dining Room Bus Trip: Walmart—CH & DH Village Church Annual Meeting—RDR
Thursday	2/12	8:00 a.m.–12:00 noon 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00–3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Sign-ups—OPR Village Artists Guild—KC VCBI: Book of Acts—VC Room 5 Plann Ministry—CMH Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Sign-ups—OPR Member Birthday Party—SMR/DR
Friday	2/13	The Village Cashier will be closed today. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	Bible Study—VC Room 5 Gentle Movement and Self Massage Class—OPR What Does the Bible Say About ...?—DR Crafty Crew—CH Activity Room

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

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

IN LOVING MEMORY

Virginia Robertson (wife of Robbie), who was a resident of Dowling Park North, died Jan. 30. Her memorial information will be provided when available.
 Robert Rohrer (husband of Karen), who was a resident of GSC, died Jan. 18. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room.
 Bobbie Murdock, who was a resident of GSC, died Jan. 16. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room.
 Joseph Barbieri, who was a resident of GSC, died Jan. 14. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room.
 Virginia Dees, who was a resident of GSC, died Jan. 14. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room.
 Sherwood Sawyer (husband of Ruth), who was a resident of Cardinal/Magnolia Terrace, Taylor Commons, Dacier Manor and GSC, died Jan. 11. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia dining room.

NEW MEMBER

Frances Manker of Live Oak has moved to Carter House. Her mailing address is P.O. Box 4057.

MOVE OUTS

Paula Wilson has moved from Dowling House to 5222 169th Road, Live Oak, FL 32060.
 Nancy Lange has moved from Dowling House to 13348 94th Trail, Live Oak, FL 32060.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOODS TRAIL DEDICATION

You may never have heard of the "Woods Trail." It is a trail leading from the main campus to Bixler Memorial Gardens East cemetery. What used to be a bumpy path used mainly by maintenance workers has been smoothed and improved for golf carts and foot traffic. At the halfway point, a seating area complete with pavers and a bench has been established, and grass planted along the trail. The trail improvements were given in memory of Lois Brisbin.

A brief dedication ceremony will be held Friday, Feb. 13, at 2:00 p.m. at the bench area. All are welcome to attend. The trail can be accessed by golf cart or on foot. The entrance is just past the vineyard near the "back entrance" to Park of the Pines.

Cents & Sensibility

-VP of Finance/CFO Michael Willis

AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION SIGN-UP — RENTAL RESIDENTS ONLY —

Tuesday, Feb. 10, and Thursday, Feb. 12
8:00 a.m.–12:00 noon and 1:00–3:00 p.m.
Old Pavilion Room

Florida statutes allow rental residents of homes for the aged to claim a Homestead Exemption on their apartment or home. Claiming this exemption will reduce the amount of Ad Valorem taxes you are charged on your rental property. To file for this exemption you must sign and have notarized an Affidavit for Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Form. These forms MUST be filled out EVERY year. Even if you filled one out last year, you must fill one out again this year to continue to get your exemption. Married couples who reside in the same residence are required to provide both signatures (please come when both spouses are available). These

forms must be submitted to the Property Appraiser's office by Feb. 27, 2026.

Residents of Dowling House, Carter House and Park of the Pines are NOT included.

To assist you in filling out these forms, a member of the Finance Department and a notary will be available in the Old Pavilion Room on Feb. 10 and 12, 8:00 a.m.–12:00 noon and 1:00–3:00 p.m.

If you are unable to come on either of these days, please contact Christina Jones in the Finance Department at 658-5450 no later than Feb. 12 to schedule a date and time to come to the Finance Department in Carter Village Hall.

Klump's Komments

-VP for Independent Living David Klumpenhower

ROARING '20s THEME DINNER

Calling all dames and Dapper Dans. Put on your flapper dresses, slick back your hair, dust off your dancing shoes, and get ready to cut a rug and have a foxtrotting good time. There will be a live band, a full Italian dinner, dancing, and a whole lot of fun that is sure to be the bee's knees. This swell bash will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 10, at 5:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Village Cashier's office until Friday, Feb. 6. The cost is \$18 for members and \$25 for non-members. This bang-up evening promises to be worth every bit of your cabbage, so don't be a drag, and come on out! It'll be the cat's pajamas!



ACV EVENTS

ROARING '20s THEME DINNER Tuesday, Feb. 10, 5:00 p.m. - RDR Members: \$18, Non-members: \$25

You are invited to a Roaring '20s theme dinner on Tuesday, Feb. 10, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the dining room. Costumes are encouraged.

The Italian buffet will consist of lasagna with a gluten-free option, chicken alfredo, rigatoni and gluten-free penne pasta upon which you can put creamy Alfredo and/or marinara sauce, Italian salad, and garlic knots. During dinner and following, live music will heighten the experience. Dancing and more will follow dinner. Dessert will be served at 7:00.

Tickets are available at the Village Cashier's office during regular operating hours.

Weekly Game Schedule

Monday

1:00 p.m. Scrabble—CMH
 6:00 p.m. Dominoes—CMH

Tuesday

1:00 p.m. Hand and Foot Card Game—CMH

Wednesday

1:00 p.m. Bridge Club—OPR
 2:00 p.m. Bingo—CMH

Thursday

6:00 p.m. Bingo—CH Activity Room



MEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY

Thursday, Feb. 12, 3:00 p.m. - SMR/DR

Join us for the February member birthday party. Everyone is invited, and ACV members with February birthdays will receive special recognition. The Johnson family — Pastor Shawn, Susie, and Rebekah — have prepared a special program for your enjoyment. See you there!

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT ...?

Friday, Feb. 13, 1:00 p.m. - DR

On Friday, Feb. 13, at 1:00 p.m. in the Depot Room, host Robin Buchanan will lead guests Peter Ard and Karen Hall in another What Does the Bible Say About ...? live event.

You are invited to join the discussion and express your opinion on the following questions:

- Our nation was formed after the War of Independence, which was a rebellion against Great Britain. Does the Bible permit such acts?
- Many people today are upset with our leaders. What does the Bible say that Christians can do?
- Philippians 3:10 says, "I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead. I want to suffer with Him sharing in His death." How can a person know this power? Why would someone want to suffer?
- What does the Bible say about gambling?

LIVE! AT DOWLING PARK: AMBER LEE ABBOTT

Friday, Feb. 13, 7:00 p.m. - BC

Amber Abbott, a gospel singer-songwriter from Madison, Florida, is deeply rooted in the traditions of Southern music. Raised in Hamilton County, she began her musical journey singing with her grandfather's bluegrass band and later studied music at the Baptist College of Florida. Over the years, Abbott has released multiple albums, including a gospel collection featuring original songs co-written with her husband, Trent, and her mother, Angie Lee. She leads the praise team at Suwannee Station Baptist Church in Live Oak and is committed to using her music to share her faith and connect with her community.

Individual tickets can be purchased from the ACV cashier's office and at the event for \$18 (ACV member) and \$26 (non-member). Those with season passes may also attend the Community Concerts of Lake City free of charge. Call 658-5400 for more information.



LADIES' BREAKFAST

Saturday, Feb. 14, 8:30 a.m. - SMR/DR

The next ladies' breakfast will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 8:30 a.m. in the Sawmill and Depot rooms. Tickets for the Men's and Women's Breakfasts will still be available for purchase on the day of the event, but we strongly encourage everyone to buy their tickets in advance. This will assist our food service staff in estimating the amount of food to prepare. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. The guest speaker will be Rev. Robin Copeland. 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 \$7.75. Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Lopin' Gopher. Tickets for the Men's Fellowship and ladies' breakfasts will still be available for purchase on

the day of the event, but you are strongly encouraged to buy your tickets in advance. This will assist our food service staff in estimating the amount of food to prepare. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Saturday, Feb. 14, 8:30 a.m. - RDR

The next Men's Fellowship breakfast will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 8:30 a.m. in the dining room. Tickets for the Men's and Women's Breakfasts will still be available for purchase on the day of the event, but we strongly encourage everyone to buy their tickets in advance. This will assist our food service staff in estimating the amount of food to prepare. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. The guest speaker will be Gary Purchase of Butterfield Acres.

The cost of the full and delicious breakfast buffet is \$7.75. Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Lopin' Gopher. Tickets for the Men's Fellowship and ladies' breakfasts will still be available for purchase on the day of the event, but you are strongly encouraged to buy your tickets in advance. This will assist our food service staff in estimating the amount of food to prepare. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Come join us for fellowship, prayer, inspiration, and breaking bread together!

MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION MEETING

Thursday, Feb. 19, 2:00 p.m. - RDR

The next regular Membership Association meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 19, at 2:00 p.m. in the dining room. All ACV members are encouraged to attend. This month's speakers will be representatives of RVICS (Roving Volunteers in Christ's Service), the group of volunteers who visit ACV at least once a year. Come hear about these servants — who they are, why they volunteer, and what they do.

BUS TRIP: COMMUNITY CONCERTS OF LAKE CITY: DUO BEAUX ARTS

Friday, Feb. 20, 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

Experience the husband-and-wife piano duo of Dr. Catherine Lan and Steinway Artist Tao Lin playing classics with four hands on one piano! 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 \$30 for adults. The ACV bus fee is \$5.00 for ACV members and \$9.00 for non-members. Sign up at the Information Center.

BUS TRIP: FLORIDA SHERIFFS BOYS RANCH 68TH ANNIVERSARY

OPEN HOUSE AND HORSE SHOW

Saturday, Feb. 21, 10:00 a.m. - DH & LAP

Buses will provide transportation to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch 68th Anniversary Open House and Horse Show on Saturday, Feb. 21. There will be two buses going. The Ranch will send their school bus to pick up a load, which will depart the Lake Aquilla parking lot precisely at 10:00 a.m. for all folks who don't use any



Friday and Saturday Soup: It's a Surprise!

Friday, Feb. 6

Lunch only: Turkey, Bacon and Provolone Melt on a Croissant with Lettuce, Tomato and Mayo; Served with Chips, \$13.95
All day: 6-ounce Mushroom Swiss Burger with Choice of Side, \$14.95

Saturday, Feb. 7

All day: Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice and Veggie Spring Rolls, \$17.95

mobility devices; it is not handicap accessible. The ACV trip bus will also go for those who need extra help. It will also leave at 10:00, but from Dowling House. The school bus will leave the ranch at 3:00 p.m. to bring everyone back by 3:30 p.m., and the ACV bus will most likely return earlier than 3:00 p.m.

The cost to ride either bus is \$5.00; sign up at the Information Center in order to ride. You must sign up by Feb. 16.

Those traveling on the buses will be allowed complementary entry and a free ticket for the barbeque lunch. Anyone going in their own car will have to pay the entry fee and will have to buy their lunch.

EVENTS HERE AND THERE

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

HARBINGER BIBLE CONFERENCE Thursday–Saturday, Feb. 5–7

The annual Harbinger Bible Conference South began Thursday, Feb. 5. There is no charge and everyone is invited. The theme of the conference is "A Love Like No Other" and all meetings will be held in the Bixler Chapel. The schedule for the conference is as follows:

Thursday

- 6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship Service with Jeremy Bobis
- 7:00 p.m. - Bakery Buffet in Sawmill/Depot room

Friday

- 10:00 a.m. - Prayer and Praise with Melissa Vasquez
- 10:30 a.m. - Morning Bible Study with Bob Copeland
- 6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship Service with Jeremy Bobis
- 7:00 p.m. - Bakery Buffet in Sawmill/Depot Room

Saturday

- 10:00 a.m. - Prayer and Praise with Melissa Vasquez
- 10:30 a.m. - Morning bible Study with Bob Copeland
- 3:00 p.m. - Concert with Melissa Vasquez (Sanctuary)
- 6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship Service with Jeremy Bobis
- 7:00 p.m. - Bakery Buffet in Sawmill/Depot Room

VETERANS MEETING

Friday, Feb. 6, 12:00 noon - DR

All veterans are invited to attend the next monthly veterans gathering in the Depot Room on Friday, Feb. 6, at 12:00 noon. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to (850) 371-6068 or (850) 672-3303.

MELISSA VASQUEZ CONCERT

Saturday, Feb. 7, 3:00 p.m. - VC

Melissa Vasquez is a worship leader, actress, and creative mentor with a passion for helping others grow closer to God through the arts. She serves as a praise and worship leader at Charis Bible College and teaches in the Film & Production School, specializing in acting and faith-based storytelling. With a professional background in theater, Melissa uses her gifts to inspire, equip, and encourage others to cultivate their creativity for God's glory. Melissa will be giving us a concert on Saturday, Feb. 7, in the Village Church. The concert is free; a love offering will be taken.

POTLUCK SUPPER

Saturday, Feb. 7, 5:00 p.m. - RDR

The next potluck supper will be on Saturday, Feb. 7, at 5:00 p.m. in the dining room. We will only be using the dining room this time. Please bring your dishes before 5:00 p.m. The tables will be prepared by 4:30 p.m.

As you kindly did last time, please write down your dish's ingredients to protect a resident with allergies. She was most grateful!

SOUP-ER SUPPER

**Saturday, Feb. 7, 5:00 p.m.
Cleo's Meeting House**

Edgewood Terrace is hosting a soup-er supper Saturday, Feb. 7, at 5:00 p.m. in Cleo's Meeting House. We

will start serving soup at 5:00, but you can come anytime after that if you would like to visit Suzanne Young, a former Edgewood Terrace resident and Lodge employee. Bring your own mug and spoon. Contact Verna Piper at (386) 208-1967 to RSVP.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

The Lighthouse on CR 250

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Mondays at 7:00 p.m. here in Dowling Park at the Lighthouse, 23594 CR 250.

There is a solution. For information you can call (305) 407-0895.

DEMENTIA CAREGIVER GROUP

Every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

23379 Elmwood Ln. in Riverwoods

Anyone who is a caregiver to a family member with dementia, OR has a family member with dementia in assisted living or skilled nursing care, is invited to a "meet and greet" every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. at Jackie Campbell's home (23379 Elmwood Lane). This is a venting and discussion group to help us realize we are not the only ones out there with these feelings and experiences. Come every week!

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, Feb. 10 and 24, 10:00 a.m. - CCC

We will meet Tuesdays, Feb. 10 and 24, at 10:00 a.m., at Copeland Community Center. Come and join us. The Bible study is the book of Luke. Hope to see you there.

END TIMES BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 18 and 25

10:00 a.m. - OPR

Rev. Bob Copeland will lead an enlightening four-week Bible study focused on the end times titled "Signs of the End and Hope for the Future." This engaging series will take place on the four Wednesdays of February from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Old Pavilion Room.



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.
Scrabble	Wednesdays	10:00 a.m.
Crochet Creations	Wednesdays	3:00 p.m.
Yoga	Fridays	10:00 a.m.
Kids Corner	Saturdays	11:00 a.m.

Dowling Park Library Year-in-Review

Total Items Checked Out: 7,929

Total Programs: 570

Total Program Attendance: 6,786

Thank you to everyone who made 2025 a successful year at the JKPL. If you've driven by but never stopped in, or it's been a while, this is your invitation to come see all that the JKPL has to offer!

Share Your Ideas

We'd love your input as we plan future JKPL programs! Our goal is to offer activities, presentations, and events that reflect the interests and experiences of our community. If there are topics you'd enjoy learning about, hobbies you'd like to explore, or programs you'd like to attend, please share your ideas with us. Stop by the JKPL, call, or send an email to dpark@neflin.org — we look forward to planning with you in mind.

Seed Library

Check out the new seeds in our Seed Library. Now is the time to start tomatoes, peppers, squash, cucumbers, and eggplant in indoor containers. Root vegeta-

bles like carrots, lettuce, and kale can be planted outdoors as long as they are protected from the frost.

Starbooks Café

Everyone is welcome to join us for Coffee & Conversation every Tuesday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.! We'll kick things off with the topic "What piece of advice have you received that you found particularly valuable?"

History of Suwannee County

The beloved program about our local history is coming back this February! Eric Musgrove will visit the JKPL on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 10:00 a.m. to captivate us with local history! This month will be an introduction to Suwannee County history. If you enjoy his presentations, grab one of Eric's books while you are here: *Reflections of Suwannee County* or *Lost Suwannee County*. Miss a session? Check out the @srrlib YouTube channel and look for the History of Suwannee County playlist.

As the Page Turns Book Club

The next book club meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 2:00 p.m. We will be discussing *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins.

Tech Talk

Have you found yourself unsure how to use technology like phones and computers? Twice each month Jeremy will present on different tech-related topics. The theme for the Tech Talk on Friday, Feb. 6, at 2:30 p.m., will be Android phones.

Valentine's Craft

Make a sweet heart for your sweetheart! This drop-in craft event on Feb. 10 from 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. will feature several DIY Valentine's cards and heart-themed crafts to enjoy! All supplies and some light refreshments will be provided.

UF/IFAS Lunch and Learn

Katherine Allen from the UF/IFAS Extension Office will be at JKPL on Feb. 12 from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. to present *Passing It On: How to Disperse Sentimental Items*. This program kicks off a new monthly Lunch and Learn series hosted by UF/IFAS at the JKPL. Lunch will not be provided, but attendees are welcome to bring their own lunch to enjoy during the presentation.

Paint Along with Liz

Join us Feb. 17 as we do a step-by-step acrylic painting. Enjoy a calming atmosphere and light refreshments as we paint a colorful sunset scene. You provide the canvas (8x10 suggested) — we provide everything else! Both classes are full, but there is a waitlist that we will update closer to the date.

National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled

We are excited to announce a partnership with the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled! Through this partnership, those who are eligible can have access to talking books, descriptive DVDs, braille materials, large print materials, and more! Come in to the JKPL for more information or to get a demo of one of the talking book machines.



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 Information Center 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.

∞ At the Village Square ∞

Shop gift certificates are available in each shop. Bless someone with this special gift!

Riverside Gifts

The jewelry department received a large shipment recently! Rings, clip-on and pierced earrings, bracelets, anklets, and necklaces in many lengths are in! It's also a great time to purchase the zippered jewelry box that is made for traveling.

Women's large straw and wide-brimmed hats make a fashionable statement while keeping the sun off your face.

A new set of sparkly gift boxes has arrived! They would be cute to tuck in a pair of Valentine's Day socks or golfer's socks for a friend or sweetheart.

The new Bible covers are stunning as well as useful. You can also find Bible study workbooks to encourage personal or group studies.

The birdwatching field guides and other guides are available in the Nature section. There are sturdy handmade walking sticks, ACV umbrellas, and gnat nets.

Watch and clock repair and new battery installation for time pieces, car fobs and garage door openers are available at 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

Visit and guess how many little marshmallows are in the jar. You might be the winner of a basket filled with great items.

Collectible pieces from England and Holland, a 1930s Fenton Jadeite green bowl, and an Anchor Hocking Fire King bowl are just some of the lovely items on display. There is a deluxe book holder floor stand and sets of 12 glasses with weighted bases.

Valentine's Day is right around the corner. Choose a basket filled with lovely items to give to your sweetheart or friend. There are still some bud vases available.

Currently no alterations are being accepted.

Watch and clock repair and new battery installation for time pieces, car fobs and garage door openers are available at 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

Walk down the little alley in the Village Square to shop in this unique shop that has low prices on all its clothing for everyone. Check out the sweaters, jackets, coats, hats, winter-weight nighties, PJs, bathrobes, and slippers. The Children's Department has many low-priced and high quality items.

The Book Nook is stocked with games, puzzles, CDs, DVDs, cookbooks, and craft books. There are Bible studies, nonfiction, and fiction books for all ages. **The half-price sale in the very collectible books continues.**

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

23353 CR 250 • 658-5871

For pick-ups, call Larry at 386-678-1219

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

Saturday, Feb. 7, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

It's still winter, so be prepared. We can warm you up for only \$2.00. There are lots of jackets, sweaters and sweats. To keep you warm all night, we have a good supply of jammies and bathrobes. See you soon!

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 move to the regular list.

Only one scooter or power chair per regular Wednesday shopping trip will be allowed.

- **Feb. 11 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.
- **Feb. 11 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.
- **Feb. 18 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.
- **Feb. 18 afternoon — Winn-Dixie, Save A Lot & Publix** — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Drop off at Winn-Dixie and Save A Lot, park at Publix. Leave Publix at approximately 3:45 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.
- **Feb. 25 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.
- **Feb. 25 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.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

THE VILLAGE CHURCH

Rev. Sam Worley, Senior Minister

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

SERMON: "The Messiah is Found"

TEXT: John 1:35-51 NIV '84

SPEAKER: Rev. Sam Worley

The **Christina Baker WHFMS** group will meet Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Old Pavilion Room. This is a change from our regular meeting time due to a scheduling conflict. The program being shared is "A Tiny Seed, a Powerful Deed." Everyone is invited to attend.

The **Annual Church Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rumph Dining Room. Annual Report booklets, coffee, and dessert will be available when you enter. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

The following Village Church events are happening this week:

Friday, Feb. 6

10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Bob Copeland (Room 5)

Sunday, Feb. 8

9:40 a.m. — Sunday Morning Worship Service (Church)

11:00 a.m. — VCBI: Unfolding the Great Commission, Tom Spannagle (Old Pavilion Room)

11:00 a.m. — Sunday School

4:00 p.m. — Regeneration (Church)

5:00 p.m. — Alive! (Church)

6:00 p.m. — Evening Service, Rev. Gene Peters (Chapel)

Monday, Feb. 9

1:30 p.m. — VCBI: Book of Luke, Mike Cuddy (Room 5)

7:00 p.m. — Adult Handbells

Tuesday, Feb. 10

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

11:00 a.m. — VCBI: Jesus in Every Book of the Bible, Michael Saunders (Room 5)

Wednesday, Feb. 11

10:00 a.m. — VCBI: Discovering the Meaning and Purpose of Your Life — A Personal Growth Workshop, Paul Cochrane (Room 5)

7:00 p.m. — Village Church Annual Meeting (RDR)

Thursday, Feb. 12

10:00 a.m. — VCBI: Book of Acts, Michael Saunders (Room 5)

Friday, Feb. 13

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

Saturday, Feb. 14

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

VILLAGE CASHIER'S OFFICE

Lynn Mabey—386-658-5343

The Village Cashier's office will be closed Friday, Feb. 13.

DINING SERVICES

Arlene Yow—386-658-5260

Planning to make a salad at the Tuesday salad bar in the dining room? Advance tickets are now available at the Lopin' Gopher to help you skip the line and get to the salad bar easier and faster.

MEMBER SERVICES

James Sutter—386-658-5400

Member Services Tip of the Week

A reminder for pet owners: When walking your dog on Village property, it is your responsibility to clean up after your dog by properly disposing of pet waste. Pets are not allowed in any dining venues at the Village. These areas include River Landing Bistro, Rumph Dining Room, and Lopin' Gopher/Horton's Landing. Your cooperation in following these rules is appreciated.

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.

TV2

In next week's episode of *What the Bible Says About ...*, the following questions are answered:

- Why doesn't God just do away with evil in the world?

- How long were the days of creation in Genesis?
What the Bible Says About ... airs Monday at 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 p.m., Wednesday at 2:30 and 9:30 p.m., and Saturday at 10:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Member Benefit of the Week

ACV members receive a 10% meal discount at Rumph Dining Room, Lopin' Gopher deli, and River Landing Bistro when they present their membership badge. Sales tax is also removed at the dining room and the Lopin' Gopher for on-campus members with their ID. This discount is for members only, and is not extended to their guests.

ACV ACTIVITY NEWS

BRIDGE CLUB

Dottie Stone, Reporter

The Bridge Club meets on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the Old Pavilion Room. If you would like to play, please call me at (352) 316-5161 by noon on Monday.

Congratulations to our Jan. 28 winners: 1st high was Dottie Stone, and 2nd high was Jim Varnell.

CONNECTING THREADS MINISTRY

Monday, Feb. 9, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Keepers Cottage

The Connecting Threads Ministry will meet Monday, Feb. 9, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Keepers Cottage.

CRAFTY CREW

Fridays, 2:00-4:00 p.m. - CH Activity Room

Sue Donnelly, Reporter

This Friday we'll be making two simple gifts that we can give to friends and loved ones for Valentine's Day. You can try these crafts out or bring along your own projects to work on — or do both!

The little bears we made last week were a hit and caused many to stop by to admire their cuteness. They were "bearly" an inch and a half high, and just adorable.

See you there! If you have questions contact Sister Maria Ann at sistermariaann2002@yahoo.com or Sue Donnelly at SueWDonnelly@gmail.com.

VILLAGE LIBRARY

Monday-Friday

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

Brenda Reas, Reporter

Four audiobooks on CD have recently been added to our New-to-Us section. Two of them are by Robin Jones Gunn: *Sisterchicks on the Loose!* and *Sisterchicks in Sombreros*. The other two are by Neta Jackson: *Yada Yada Prayer Group* and *Come to the Table*.

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 Old Pavilion Room and Information Center. 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

The next pick-up date is **Friday, Feb. 6**. Get your letters to the Information Center or Carter House desk before 11:30 a.m. Remember to keep the letters you receive.

The 68th Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches Open House and Horse Show is Friday, Feb. 20, through Sunday, Feb. 22. There will be two buses going from ACV on Saturday, Feb. 21. The Ranch will be sending their school bus to pick up a load, which will depart the Lake Aquilla parking lot precisely at 10:00 a.m. for all folks who don't use any mobility devices; it is not handicap accessible. The school bus will leave the ranch at 3:00 p.m. to bring everyone back by 3:30 p.m.

The ACV bus will also go for those who need extra help. That bus will most likely return earlier than 3:00 p.m.

The cost to ride either bus will be \$5.00, and you must sign up at the Information Center in order to ride.

Those traveling on the buses will be allowed complimentary entry and a free ticket for the barbeque lunch. Anyone going in their own car will have to pay the entry fee and will have to buy their lunch.

Sign up until Feb. 16, so I can let them know how many are coming.

Folks going on their own, in the past, were charged a one-time cost of \$10-per-car entry for the weekend and \$5.00 for Saturday's barbeque lunch.

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.

"Belief creates the actual fact" (William James).
"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts" (Winston Churchill).

STEPHEN MINISTRIES

Darleen Hinrichs, Reporter

Frequently Asked Questions

The 50 hours of training is nearly over for our Stephen Minister trainees. The trainees will each be commissioned in March and will be ready to be paired with a care receiver. But there is a process that must happen before they begin meeting with a care receiver.

A care receiver (someone that is going through a difficult time emotionally or spiritually) is recommended to Stephen Ministries or they may request it themselves. They fill out a simple form and are interviewed by a Stephen Leader. If it is determined that this type of care is appropriate for their situation, they are assigned to one of the available Stephen Ministers and the Stephen Minister contacts them to set up the first meeting.

From there, the two meet in person once a week for an hour. The Stephen Minister listens and is present with the care receiver as they work through the struggle. These meetings continue for as long as the care receiver's need continues.

Please pray specifically for the trainees that will soon begin ministry and for to whom they will minister Stephen on.

Stephen Ministries is a worldwide Christian ministry of trained lay people who provide confidential one-to-one emotional and spiritual support to care receivers who are going through some of the most difficult days of their lives. The goal of ACV's Stephen Ministries is that no one at ACV will hurt alone. This is another way ACV seeks to express Christ's love to those we serve. Please keep Stephen Ministries and all involved on your prayer list. Questions? Call 386-658-5358 or speak to a Stephen Leader: Robin Copeland or Darleen Hinrichs. (Michael is on sabbatical.)

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BUTTERFIELD ACRES

Jack "CrackerJack" Dixon—386-658-2113

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths" (Proverbs 3:5, NKJV).

From the JAX FAX desk: The answer to last week's JAX FAX riddle is Green Bay, Wisconsin. Until the early 1900s, cheap mail-order publications were the economical wipe of choice. In 1935, however, a Green Bay paper producer developed a method of "linenizing" paper, which made toilet paper both softer and splinter-free — earning Green Bay the title of toilet paper capital of the U.S.

I have found that once you give some people an inch, they think they are a ruler! When you think about it, you can't change the direction of the wind, but you

can adjust your sails. What baffles me most is this: If necessity is the mother of invention, how does so much unnecessary stuff get invented?

From the JAX FAX desk: In 1869, the corncob pipe was invented in a Midwestern U.S. state. To this day, only one company still produces corncob pipes. Can you name the city and state where it is located?

While checking birthdays, I noticed that Linda DiBenedetto celebrates her special day on Feb. 22. We wish you a wonderful birthday!

If you always tell the truth, you have nothing to worry about — even in your forgetful days. Be true to yourself, and never forget who is in charge. Isaiah 40:28–31. God bless.

CARTER HOUSE

Monica Serlick—386-330-4865

We have two birthdays to report as we head into Valentine's Day. Our best wishes go out to Pat Moseley on Feb. 14 and Glynn Dasher on Feb. 15. "Another adventure-filled year awaits you. Welcome it by celebrating your birthday with pomp and splendor. Wishing you a very happy and fun-filled birthday" (shutterfly.com)!

Let us continue to pray for those who are sick or recovering from surgeries or treatments. You are in all our thoughts and prayers.

We would also like to extend a very warm welcome home to our newest residents: Ted Rowell on the second floor and Francis Manker on the fourth floor. When you see them out and about, be sure to offer a few words of welcome. It's always nice to be acknowledged and to know you are seen by your neighbors. Don't be shy; say hi!

Spending more time indoors during this cold weather had me listening to some favorite music from the 1960s, when the song "Respect" came on. Originally written by Otis Redding in 1965, it was Aretha Franklin's rhythm and blues version that reached No. 1 on the Billboard Top 100 in 1967. She once said, "I think it's quite natural that we all want respect — and should get it." That got me thinking about how often 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 cost nothing to share with everyone around you: respect, consideration and kindness. The most important of these is respect, because when you give it, the other two naturally follow. Too often, we reserve these actions for strangers because we want to make a good impression, but we should treat those we interact with daily the same way.

We live in a Christian community like no other. It takes many people, across many departments, to keep things running smoothly. The staff of ACV is an integral part of providing the environment you enjoy each day. It is never appropriate to be rude or demeaning. Please remember to be respectful, considerate and kind as they work tirelessly to serve you. To all ACV staff: You are appreciated — thank you!

Peace to everyone, and remember: kindness starts with you.

Finally, please be respectful of other residents and visitors. Do not confront anyone if you believe they are violating ACV rules or policies. If you see something out of the ordinary or inappropriate, contact the IC at 658-3333 and report it. This is your home — if you see something, say something.

DOWLING HOUSE

Cora Huckaba—850-464-7113

"Lord, you will show me the path of life. In your presence is the fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore" (Psalm 16:11).

I would like to share a few updates from Dowling House. It is currently very quiet, as many neighbors have temporarily relocated to stay with family or in the Lodge while the elevator is being repaired. We expect things to remain quiet for several weeks until repairs are complete and everyone returns home.

It has been exceptionally cold lately. While some may enjoy the freezing temperatures, I am definitely looking forward to warmer days. Despite the cold, I enjoyed a wonderful visit from my grandchildren from Sarasota. We spent our time playing games, and I am happy to report that I managed a big win in our final round. My great-grandsons also brought me a lovely gift — a crocheted vase with sunflowers. Thank you, Riley and Owen.

Because of the wind and cold, Scoots and I have been unable to visit GSC recently. Please continue to keep our neighbors who are facing health challenges in your prayers. Prayer truly changes situations.

I am also preparing for the upcoming Roaring '20s event. Unfortunately, the costume I ordered did not fit after a three-week wait, so I am now exploring other options. It will be a delight to see everyone dressed as flappers and enjoying the evening. Start planning now — it promises to be a fun time!

At home, I have been keeping busy with craft projects, including pinecone flamingos and paper towel tube creations, and I hope to attend the next formal craft class. I also noticed that Mary Jo enjoyed a lovely visit with her daughter last week, and it was a pleasure to see them spending time together.

I'll leave you with a short story. A man named Dave was teaching his dog to fetch. When he threw a stick into the water, the dog walked across the surface to retrieve it instead of swimming. Rather than admiring the miracle, a bystander remarked, "Hey, your dog can't swim," completely missing the point. Sometimes we mistake miracles and blessings for ordinary things. Don't miss the miracles in your life.

I did miss going out to eat with my family recently — I was just plain tired. My "get up and go" got up and went, my "up and at 'em" was hiding, and all I wanted to do was go back to bed.

Until next week, walk with your head held high, smile often, and be proud of who you are.

EDGEWOOD TERRACE

Verna Piper—386-208-1967

"Some people grumble that roses have thorns; I am grateful that thorns have roses" (Alphonse Karr). It's all in how you look at things.

You don't look a day older, Tommie Tuten. We apologize for missing your birthday on Feb. 2. Jerry Hotmire will be celebrating on Feb. 9. You probably know the secrets to staying young: Live honestly, eat slowly, lie about your age, and keep breathing.

I hope you have added this Saturday evening to your to-do list. Suzanne Young is back and visiting ACV, and Edgewood Terrace is planning a soup-er supper at Cleo's Meeting House. Soup will be served beginning at 5:00 p.m., but feel free to come anytime afterward to visit with Suzanne. Anyone with a mug and a spoon is welcome. I would appreciate a call if you plan to attend — I would hate to run out of soup! Please call (386) 208-1967.

RIVERWOODS

Patty Gianceski—386-658-2024

According to Punxsutawney Phil, we will have six more weeks of winter. My Cajun cousin says that calls for another big pot of gumbo! While the cold may discourage some of us from getting outside to exercise, it's good to remember that "motion is lotion." If we want to keep our joints moving, we need to find indoor activities to keep us active. Try googling seated exercises for seniors for some helpful ideas.

River Birch Lane recently held its Ugly Mug ceremony. Participant Janet Groene reported, "Ancient tradition calls for passing the mug to the newest person on that street." Ted and Gay Crownover, who moved there in June, received the mug and its legend from Elaine Brennan. They are now responsible for passing it on to the next new resident in a gala ceremony involving "the sacrifice of much chocolate." Sounds like fun!

The February HOA board meeting will be held Thursday, Feb. 26, at 2:00 p.m. in the Copeland Community Center.

"As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him" (Psalm 103:13).

 **Remember to Wave** 

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

WATTS UP WEDNESDAYS

A Suwannee Valley Electric Cooperative representative is in the Village Square professional offices the fourth Wednesday of every month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Residents can pay their bill or ask questions about their service. No appointment is necessary. Call (386) 330-5672 for more details.

HAIR CROPPERS

At Hair Croppers we strive to build a space where beauty is curated, not rushed. We are a full-service salon with exceptional results.

Need a New Year's reset? Unwind, refresh and renew without leaving your community. Enjoy our spa day, where expert beauty services meet a tranquil, spa-like escape. Upcoming spa days is Saturday, Feb. 7, by appointment. Call or 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 Village Square professional offices: Feb. 6 and 20, March 6 and 20 and April 10 and 24. To make an appointment, please call Leigh Ann Cannon at (386) 755-1334, Ext. 114.

FIRST FEDERAL BANK

Float further with First Federal Bank's Visa credit cards, designed to keep your goals within reach. Proudly serving Dowling Park as your trusted community bank.

Located at 11035 Dowling Park Drive in the Village Square, the Dowling Park branch is open (lobby and drive-through) Monday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., and Friday, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Our Interactive Teller Machine (ITM), where our highly-trained tellers can assist you with transactions that go beyond the standard ATM transactions, is open Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

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 Village Square professional offices. Call (850) 973-8888 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

SQUARE CUTS AND MORE SALON **Open Monday, Tuesday & Thursday** **12:15 to 7:00 p.m.**

Open Friday 12:15 to 6:30 p.m.

Square Cuts and More Salon specializes in all your hair care needs. Everything from shampoo and sets to perms, color, highlights, and specialty cuts like razor clipper, precision, regular men's, and women's cuts.

Ladies, we also do waxing as well! For appointments please call or text Amy at (386) 647-6240. Kindly give a 12–24 hours notice of cancellation. For any chemical service like perms, colors and highlights please give a 48-hours notice of cancellation, or extra charges will apply.

Walk-ins are welcome, but all great hair happens by appointment. I appreciate your business.

VERIZON

Verizon representatives come to the Village Square professional offices the third Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. They are available to answer questions about their products; offer technical support; perform account analysis; streamline your account; add new lines; and sell upgrades, home internet, and devices.

TAXES PREPARATION

A team from Tina Singletary, CPA in Mayo, Florida, will be at the Village Square once a week until Tax Day to allow area residents to meet with a tax expert and have their taxes filed. The dates they will be in the profes-

sional offices at the Village Square are as follows: Feb. 12, 19, 26; March 3, 12, 19, 26, 31; and April 9 and 13. They will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

RIDE-ABOUT

If you're interested in utilizing the Ride-About (ACV's red, 10-passenger golf cart) for a tour or pleasure ride, call Member Services at 658-5400.

THANK YOU

My grateful thank you, one and all, for your above and beyond care. God bless each one.

Carolyn Ward

MISCELLANEOUS

FOUND: Pink and silver tumbler with purple straw. Found at Carter Village Hall. Contact Catherine at 658-5110.**

LOST: Wrist watch in or near the gym. If you find it, please call Ken Wood at 386-208-2061.**

FREE: Firewood. You'll need to come pick it up; I don't have a way to deliver it. Call Bruce Arnold at 386-249-2792 or email barnold@acvillage.net.**

FOR SALE: Two dining room chairs, dark wood, with a ladder back. Barely used. Asking \$100 each. Contact Laura at 386-658-3119.*

FOR SALE: 5x8 black metal utility trailer, one new tire, and the others are in good condition. Overall good condition. Asking \$750. Call Ted at 941-209-9203.*

FREE TO A GOOD HOME: Pedro is a pure bred chihuahua (no paperwork), approximately 3 years old. He is fully house broken and potty trained. Looking for a responsible, loving home for him. Contact Miriam at 386-205-2936.*

FOR SALE: New heavy duty and extra large four-wheeled scooter. Came from the VA. Needs a battery. Please call to make offer at 386-678-1802 or see Kathy at IC.*

VILLAGE BOOKWORM

The Seven Dials Mystery is a classic detective novel by Agatha Christie that combines suspense, intrigue and light humor. The story begins when a group of young people play a practical joke on a friend by placing eight alarm clocks in his room. When one of them later dies under mysterious circumstances, what began as a joke turns into a dangerous investigation. The focus soon shifts to a secret organization known as the Seven Dials, whose members are linked to political intrigue and criminal conspiracies.

Lady Eileen "Bundle" Brent, an intelligent and adventurous young woman, becomes the central investigator. Unlike Christie's more famous detectives, such as Hercule Poirot or Miss Marple, Bundle is an amateur sleuth who relies on curiosity, courage and sharp observation. Her determination leads her into risky situations as she uncovers hidden identities, coded messages and betrayals. The novel is fast-paced and blends mystery with romance and humor.

The movie is now streaming on Netflix, but, as is almost always the case, the book is much better. You can find a copy in our Village library, which is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Do you have a book you would like us to review? Contact sgermaine720@gmail.com.

God loves you

Prices effective 2/06-2/12



THE VILLAGE GROCER

Monday-Saturday • 9:00 am-6:00 pm • We deliver at 2:00 pm every day!* 658-3130

GROCERY

Swans Down Cake Flower	32 oz.	\$ 5.50
C. Shelby's Chili Mix	3.3 oz.	\$ 3.50
Success Boil in Bag White Rice	7 oz.	\$ 2.00
Lil Dutch Maid Saltines	16 oz.	\$ 2.50
StarKist Pink Salmon	14 oz.	\$ 5.00
Folgers K-Cups	3 oz.	\$ 9.00
French's Honey Mustard	12 oz.	\$ 4.00
Mott's Apple Juice	64 oz.	\$ 5.20

DAIRY

Blue Bonnet	16 oz.	\$ 2.00
Coffee Mate Coffee Creamer	32 oz.	\$ 6.30

PRODUCE

Bagged Baking Potatoes	each	\$ 4.00
Fresh Broccoli Florets	per lb.	\$ 5.00

FROZEN

Pepperidge Farm Cakes	19.6 oz.	\$ 7.20
Steam of the Crop Broccoli Florets	12 oz.	\$ 2.30

MEAT

Lean Beef Stew Meat	per lb.	\$ 7.50
Boneless Beef Chuck Roast	per lb.	\$ 9.00
Lean Ground Chuck	per lb.	\$ 6.80
Lean Boneless Boston Butt	per lb.	\$ 3.00
Hormel Black Label Bacon	16 oz.	\$ 6.50
Nathan's Beef Franks	12 oz.	\$ 5.00

CHEESE OF THE WEEK

American Cheese — \$5.00 per lb.

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR ROTISSERIE CHICKEN

Full chicken \$9.99, Half chicken \$5.99

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

This Week's Verse

... for the joy of the Lord is your strength
Nehemiah 8:10

*Delivery available to on-campus ACV members only

Feb. 6–13, 2026

FRIDAY, 2/6

- \$2.75 Soup:** Shrimp Corn Chowder
\$6.95 Entrées: GF Baked Catfish, GF Boiled Shrimp, Pork Loin, Battered Fried Cod
\$1.40 Sides: Mixed Greens, Pickled Beets, Corn, Cold Salads, Fruit, Cheese Grits, Mashed Potatoes
\$3.00 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

SATURDAY, 2/7

- \$2.75 Soup:** Broccoli Cheese
\$8.50 Whistle Stop Special: Grilled Cheese with Tomato Bisque Soup, Croutons, Five-Way Vegetables, Fruit, Assorted Desserts, Fountain Drink

SUNDAY, 2/8

♪ Piano music provided by Joan Wittman. ♪

Lunch Buffet

Members \$14.00 | Non-Members \$20.00 | Beverage Included

- Entrées:** Broccoli & Cheese Stuffed Chicken, Beef Stew, Fried Chicken
Sides: Prince Edward Vegetable Mix (Green and Waxed Beans, and Carrots), California Normandy Blend, Fried Apples, Cold Salads, Fruit, Macaroni and Cheese, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

MONDAY, 2/9

- \$2.75 Soup:** Cook's Choice
\$6.95 Entrées: Mojo Pork Roast, Philly Chicken on Hoagie Roll, Liver and Onions
\$1.40 Sides: Garlic Okra and Tomatoes, Cauliflower, Cold Salads, Fruit, Fried Peaches, Baked Sweet Potatoes, Rice Pilaf
\$3.00 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

TUESDAY, 2/10

- \$2.75 Soup:** Cook's Choice
\$8.50 Special: Salad Bar
\$6.95 Entrées: Thai Chicken Curry, Country Fried Steak with Country Gravy
\$1.40 Sides: Broccoli, Five-Way Vegetables (Carrots, Green and Lima Beans, Peas, and Corn), Cold Salads, Fruit, Rice with Cilantro, Mashed Potatoes
\$3.00 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: \$2.35.

GF=Gluten-Free NSA=No Sugar Added

Rumph Dining Room Midday Dining Menu

Feb. 6–13, 2026

WEDNESDAY, 2/11

- \$2.75 Soup:** Beef Vegetable
- \$6.95 Entrées:** Pork Carnitas Tacos, Fried Chicken
- \$1.40 Sides:** Cabbage, Bermuda Vegetable Blend (Green Beans, Broccoli, Carrots, Red Peppers), Cold Salads, Fruit, Potatoes au Gratin
- \$3.00 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

THURSDAY, 2/12

- \$6.95 Entrées:** Hungarian Chicken Paprikash, Cheeseburger
- \$1.40 Sides:** Honey Glazed Carrots, Beets, Cold Salads, Fruit, Baked Potato
- \$3.00 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

FRIDAY, 2/13

- \$2.75 Soup:** Italian Wedding Soup
- \$6.95 Entrées:** Chicken Cordon Bleu, Shrimp Scampi
- \$1.40 Sides:** Asparagus, Cheesy Cauliflower, Cold Salads, Fruit, Pasta Alfredo Sauce
- \$3.00 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts



RUMPH DINING RM. \$9.75 WEEKDAY VALUE PLATE

Includes 1 entrée, 2 sides, bread,
and a fountain drink.



LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

Friday and Saturday: TBD

Friday, Feb. 6

Lunch only: Turkey, Bacon, and Provolone Melt on a
Croissant with Lettuce, Tomato and Mayo;
Served with Chips, \$13.95

All day: 6-ounce Mushroom Swiss Burger
and a Choice of Side, \$14.95

Saturday, Feb. 7

All day: Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice
and Veggie Spring Rolls, \$17.95

Ann & Quinton
Rumph
DINING ROOM

658-5259

Mon–Fri: 11 am–1 pm

Sat. & Sun: 11 am–1:30 pm

THE LOPIN' GOPHER
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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