



ADVENT CHRISTIAN VILLAGE
AT DOWLING PARK

Friendly Neighbor News

Advent Christian Village, Dowling Park, FL 32064 “Where People Enjoy Living”

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

OCTOBER 2, 2026

Friday	10/2	9:00 a.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 10:30 a.m. 12:00 noon 2:00 p.m.	Second Annual Fall Golf Cart Race—Harmony Center <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Gentle Movement and Self Massage Class—OPR Veterans Meeting—DR Crafty Crew—CH Activity Room
Saturday	10/3	9:00–11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Ceramics Shop Open <i>Ignite: Night of Prayer and Praise—BC</i>
Sunday	10/4	<i>9:40 a.m.</i> <i>11:00</i> <i>6:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Morning Worship Service—VC</i> <i>Sunday School for all ages</i> <i>Evening Worship Service—BC</i>
Monday	10/5	1:30 p.m. <i>1:30 p.m.</i> 2:00–4:00 p.m. 4:15 & 4:30 p.m.	Coping with Low Vision—OPR <i>VCBI: Gospel of Luke—VC Room 5</i> Ceramics—PCS Bus Trip: Dine-Out to Rancho Grande—DH & LAP
Tuesday	10/6	<i>8:30 a.m.</i> 10:00 a.m.	<i>Men’s Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Model Train Club—CB
Wednesday	10/7	Extended Hours: Beginning Today, the Lopin’ Gopher Will Remain Open Until 8:00 p.m. Wednesday Nights (Only) 8:15 & 8:30 a.m. 9:00–11:00 a.m. 1:15 & 1:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. <i>6:00 p.m.</i> 6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Walmart—CH & DH Ceramics—PCS Walmart—CH & DH <i>Prayer for Israel—VC Room 5</i> <i>Prayer Meeting—BC</i> Chancel Choir Rehearsal—VC Christmas Cantata Practice—VC
Thursday	10/8	9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Village Artists Guild—KC Plarn Ministry—CMH Member Birthday Party—SMR/DR Live! at Dowling Park: Trio Rodan—VC
Friday	10/9	Deadline to Submit Photos for ACV Calendar Competition <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 10:30 a.m. 1:00–4:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	<i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Gentle Movement and Self Massage Class—OPR Suwannee County Veterans Service—Member Services 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	GSC	PCS	Polk Ceramics Shop	VS	Village Square

IN LOVING MEMORY

Gloria Williams, who was a resident of Lawrence House, died Sept. 25. Her memorial information will be provided when available.

NEW MEMBER

Opal Wells of Jennings, Florida, has moved to Dowling House. Her mailing address is P.O. Box 4256.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Klump's Komments

-VP for Independent Living David Klumpenhower

WEDNESDAY NIGHT EXTENDED HOURS AT THE LOPIN' GOPHER

The Lopin' Gopher is now open until 8:00 p.m. every Wednesday! Stop by after church activities for an evening snack.

Personal-sized pizzas will be a Wednesday night special. A limited selection of hot dogs, fries, onion rings, chicken strips, ice cream treats, and drinks will also be available. We hope to see you there!

RAPID FIBER INSTALLATION BEGINS OCT. 5

Rapid Fiber will begin installation on Monday, Oct. 5. The first phase will focus on homes along Dowling Park Drive across from Camp Suwannee and Taylor Commons. After that area is complete, installation will move to Lawrence House, then Millsite Lane, and then Park of the Pines. Residents will be contacted to schedule installation at their homes.

Medical Moment

-VP for Health Services Keri Hilliard

FLU SHOTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT COPELAND CLINIC

Flu shots are now available at Copeland Clinic for residents and staff. Vaccines will be administered on Mondays from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, or with any regularly scheduled appointment.

According to the CDC, people 65 years and older are at higher risk of developing serious flu complications compared with young, healthy adults. This increased risk is due in part to changes in immune defenses with increasing age. It is estimated that between 70% and 85% of seasonal flu-related deaths have occurred in people 65 years and older, and between 50% and 70% of seasonal flu-related hospitalizations have occurred among people in this age group.

Protect yourself this flu season, and get your flu vaccine at Copeland Clinic.

ACV EVENTS



SECOND ANNUAL FALL GOLF CART RACE Friday, Oct. 2, 9:00 a.m. Harmony Center

ACV members, staff and friends, you are invited to the second annual Fall Golf Cart Race.

You may participate, spectate ... or both.

Join us at 9:00 a.m. at the Harmony Center to register for the golf cart race or to pick your preferred spectating position.

Beginning at 9:30, each participating duo (driver and passenger) will take turns navigating the course in an attempt to finish the quickest. This is a time trial against the clock and not a typical race, and there is one more twist: each driver will be blindfolded, and it will be up to the passenger to verbally tell the driver where to go!

Feel like a winner? Perhaps you just enjoy participating in fun activities with other friendly people. Whatever your reason, we hope you'll plan to join us at the Harmony Center on Friday morning, Oct. 2, for the second annual Fall Golf Cart Race.

POLK CERAMICS SHOP OPEN

Saturday, Oct. 3, 9:00–11:00 a.m.

Come join us at the ceramics shop this Saturday, Oct. 3, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Join us for a morning of fun, and check out the exciting new projects we are cooking up for the holidays. We can't wait to see what you create! All are welcome.

COPING WITH LOW VISION SUPPORT AND RESOURCES GROUP

Monday, Oct. 5, 1:30 p.m. - OPR

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



BUS TRIP: DINE-OUT TO RANCHO GRANDE

Monday, Oct. 5

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

Monday, Oct. 5, the trip bus will be going to Rancho Grande in Madison, Florida. Rancho Grande offers a variety of Mexican and Tex-Mex dishes ranging from \$8.00 to \$20.99. Please sign up at the Information Center.

MONTHLY MEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY

Thursday, Oct. 8, 3:00 p.m. - SMR/DR

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

LIVE! AT DOWLING PARK: TRIO RODAN

Thursday, Oct. 8, 7:00 p.m. - VC

Trio Rodin — featuring David Pedraza, viola, Ciprian Stancioiu, clarinet, and Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano — is an international ensemble whose members hail from Mexico, Romania, and Taiwan. Based in Southeast Florida, these acclaimed musicians have earned numerous awards and perform widely across the U.S. and abroad. They appear regularly with leading regional arts organizations including the Symphony of the



Americas, the Palm Beach Symphony, the Florida Grand Opera, and the Miami City Ballet Orchestra.

Individual tickets can be purchased from the ACV cashier's office and at the event for \$20 (ACV member) and \$30 (non-member), or season passes can be purchased at the cashier's office for \$110 (ACV member) and \$150 (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' AND MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
BREAKFASTS**

Saturday, Oct. 10, 8:30 a.m.
Ladies: SMR/DR, Men: RDR

The next ladies' and Men's Fellowship breakfasts will be held on Saturday, Oct. 10, at 8:30 a.m. The speakers will be Debbie Hoffman for the ladies and Alston Kelley for the men. Come for fellowship, prayer, and breaking bread together.

The cost of the full and delicious breakfast buffet is \$7.75. Tickets are purchased at the Lopin' Gopher. Tickets for these 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.

MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION MEETING
Thursday, Oct. 15, 2:00 p.m. - VS

The next regular Membership Association meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 15, at 2:00 p.m. in the dining room. All ACV members are encouraged to attend. The guest speaker will be Judge Arthur Lawrence of Riverwoods. Arthur is finishing his term as member representative on the ACV Board of Directors this year. He plans to talk about his time on the Board to share how the Board helps shape our lives at ACV. Come for the information; stay for the sweet treat.

MYSTERY THEATER THEME DINNER
Thursday, Oct. 15, 5:00 p.m.
Camp Suwannee Pavilion
\$10 Members, \$20 Non-members

Whodunit? Step into an evening of intrigue at an interactive mystery dinner where every guest becomes a detective! Listen closely as the suspects act out the story, collect clues along the way, then cast your vote for who you think did it. Watch Craig Carter, Keri Hilliard, David Klumpenhower, Sam Worley, Darleen Hinrichs, and Emily Peacock bring the colorful cast of suspects to life — but remember, anyone could be guilty. Add to the fun by coming dressed as a favorite character from a book, movie, or other entertainment. Bring your sharpest sleuthing skills, follow the evidence, and see if you can solve the mystery before the final reveal!

The fall-theme menu will include salad, butter-nut squash soup, chicken pot pie, pork loin, baked apples, cranberry walnut rice, and pumpkin, apple and rhubarb pie.

Pick up your tickets at the Village Cashier's office. Bus transportation will be available to and from the event.

**BUS TRIP: COMMUNITY CONCERTS
OF LAKE CITY: GAINESVILLE POPS**
Friday, Oct. 16, 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

Thirty-five top musicians present a feast of favorite patriotic music and more. Modeled after Boston Pops, Gainesville Pops employs traditional concert band

instrumentation to provide clarion treble and rumbling, feel-it-in-your-chest bass.

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. Sign up at the Information Center if you'd like to ride the bus.

EVENTS HERE AND THERE

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

VETERANS MEETING

Friday, Oct. 2, 12:00 noon - DR

All veterans are invited to attend the next monthly veterans gathering in the Depot Room on Friday, Oct. 2, at 12:00 noon. Lunch will be provided.

DP ASTRONOMY GROUP MEETING

Monday, Oct. 5, 6:30 p.m. - VC Room 5

Come one, come all. Learn about what is happening in the night sky for the coming month. With cooler weather and more clear nights, we will be announcing some telescope observation evenings in the near future!

On Oct. 6 there will be a lunar occultation; the moon will pass in front of Jupiter starting at 4:10 a.m. with Jupiter reappearing at 5:05 a.m. This is always a sight to see. Also, the nights of Oct. 21-22 will be the peak of the Orionids Meteor Shower. Steve Reas will be out in the field if the sky is clear!

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

WHO: Jackie Campbell

WHAT: Caregiver Support Group

WHEN: Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. (time change)

WHERE: 23379 Elmwood Lane in Riverwoods

WHY: Because everyone needs to talk to someone

HOW: With your presence

If you are a caregiver of any kind, you are welcome to attend our weekly meet and greet with other caregivers. This is a discussion group where we share experiences, learn from another, give encouragement, and realize that we are not alone. What is said here stays here. We are a friendly bunch and would love for you to join us.

WALKING WITH GOD MINISTRY
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Join us at Lake Aquilla on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. as we focus on improving our health and strengthening our relationship with Christ.

We gather for fellowship, enjoy a brief devotion-al based on Walking Through the Seasons of Life, and then walk, stroll, or roll at our own pace.

In the event of inclement weather, we will meet at the Lopin' Gopher and walk indoors.

Bring a friend or come on your own. Either way, we'd love to have you join us! We will continue meeting through Nov. 16.

Even if you're unable to participate in the walk, feel free to meet us in the parking lot for the devotional and fellowship time. We always welcome cheerleaders and encouragers!

BEEF COOKING 101

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Interested in learning more about selecting, preparing, and cooking beef? Join Beef Cooking 101 on Oct. 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Participants will learn:

- The history of the cattle industry
- Different cuts and qualities of beef
- Beef preparation methods
- Kitchen safety and proper handling techniques
- Rubs versus marinades
- Flavor profile taste testing

Best of all, the class includes taste testing, and participants will get to take home what they make.

The cost is \$25 per person, and registration is limited to 25 participants. For more information, contact Erin Jernigan at erinj1295@ufl.edu or Kate Wheeler at nrgkate@ufl.edu, or call (386) 362-2771.



Don't miss this opportunity to expand your cooking skills and enjoy a hands-on culinary experience!

BIBLE STUDY
Wednesdays in October
9:30 a.m. - OPR

Unlocking the deep history of scripture has never been more rewarding. Join teacher Mike Cuddy in the Old Pavillion Room Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for The Great Bible Quest: How We Got Our English Bible in the Old Pavilion Room throughout October to connect with peers and trace the incredible journey of God's Word through the centuries. Seating is available.

PRAYER FOR ISRAEL

The monthly meeting to pray for Israel will be on Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 5:30 p.m. in VC Room 5. All those interested in praying for the salvation of Jewish souls, for those missionaries who are laboring for the purpose of Jewish souls coming to Jesus as Savior, for Biblical mission organizations reaching out to the Jewish people, and for the peace of Jerusalem are welcome to attend.



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Closed Saturday & Sunday

What's Happening Each Week:

Chair Yoga, Level 2	Mondays	9:00 a.m.
Chair Yoga, Level 1	Mondays	10:00 a.m.
Starbooks Café	Tuesdays	9:30 a.m.
Preschool Storytime	Wednesdays	10:00 a.m.
Scrabble	Wednesdays	11:00 a.m.
Crochet, Knit & Stitch	Wednesdays	2:30 p.m.
Kids Corner Activities	Thursdays	4:30 p.m.
Chair Yoga, Level 1	Fridays	10:00 a.m.

Planning to Vote in the November Election?

Oct. 5 is the deadline to register to vote for the Nov. 3 General Election. Register online at SuwanneeVotes.com or contact the Suwannee County Supervisor of Elections at (386) 362-2616 for assistance. Don't wait until the last minute; make sure your voter registration is up to date! Early voting is Oct. 24–31 daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Annual Great Pumpkin (Rock) Hunt!

The 6th Annual Great Pumpkin Hunt began Oct. 1 throughout Dowling Park! Small, two-inch to three-inch rocks, painted like jack-o'-lanterns and other fun Halloween icons, have been hidden in the area. Each rock has "Return to Jo Kennon Public Library for a prize!" printed on the back. Bring your pumpkin to the JKPL for a piece of candy, a bookmark, or a sticker! To make it fun for everyone, participants are limited to one prize per person per day. The rocks are hidden at the Village Square and outside other local businesses in Dowling Park. Join the hunt through Oct. 31!

Cryptids Scavenger Hunt in the JKPL

For the month of October, spooky cryptids are haunting the JKPL! What is a cryptid? A cryptid is an animal or creature that people claim exists and report seeing, but science has never proven it is real. Come learn about

these creatures of folklore, and see if you can find all the cryptids in the JKPL to earn a cryptid hunter button!

Tech Talk

Whether you're dreaming of a weekend getaway, planning a cruise, or mapping out your next big adventure, the internet has tools that can make travel planning easier. Join Jeremy for Tech Talk on Friday, Oct. 2, at 2:30 p.m. to learn how to use digital maps, book hotels and transportation, and find helpful online resources for your journey. Come discover how a little technology can help you plan with confidence and enjoy the journey!

Now Showing:

Goosebumps: The Haunted Mask

Get in the spooky spirit and join us on Oct. 9 at 4:00 p.m. for a showing of *Goosebumps: The Haunted Mask*! Enjoy the chills and thrills, complete with popcorn and drinks. The show is rated TV-Y7 for frightening scenes.

2027 Medicare & You Handbook

The 2027 *Medicare & You* booklets are now available at the JKPL! Medicare Open Enrollment begins in October, and SHINE appointments are available for assistance with Medicare questions and coverage options. During Open Enrollment no walk-in appointments are seen. Call the JKPL to schedule your appointment today! Do you or someone you know need the handbook in Braille? We have several free copies available at the JKPL.

Save the Date

Oct. 12 — Mystery Between the Lines: Blackout Poetry
Oct. 13 and 15 — Painting with Liz (registration required)
Oct. 22 — Paranormal Investigators



BUS TRIPS

- Bus transportation is limited to ACV members, ACV staff, and Lifestyle Club members.
- No eating or drinking on any ACV bus. (Exception: plain water)
- No open food or drink containers on any ACV bus. (Exception: plain water)
- Contact the Information Center in person or by phone at 658-3333 to sign up for bus trips.
- Limit your use of perfumes, aftershaves, and colognes when riding the bus.

WEEKLY LIVE OAK SHOPPING TRIPS

- Rider limit is restricted to eight in-seat passengers and one scooter.
- Bring your own shopping bags.
- Those who sign up for a weekly shopping trip will be put on the waiting list if they sign up for a trip the following week.
- Only one scooter or power chair per regular Wednesday shopping trip will be allowed.

Upcoming Shopping Trips:

- **Oct. 7 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.
- **Oct. 7 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.



Friday & Saturday Soups: Chef's Choice

Friday, Oct. 2

All day: Hearty Beef Stew with Baked Biscuit
Lunch Portion: \$12.95 • Dinner Portion: \$16.95

Saturday, Oct. 3

All day: Spaghetti with Two Meatballs and Garlic Toast, \$16.95

- **Oct. 14 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.
- **Oct. 14 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.
- **Oct. 21 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.
- **Oct. 21 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.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

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

MESSAGE: "The Cost of Redemption"
TEXT: 2 Samuel 24:18–25, 1 Peter 1:13–21 NASB95
SPEAKER: Rev. Donald Wrigley

**The following Village Church events
 are happening this week:**

Friday, Oct. 2
 10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Donald Wrigley (Room 5)

Saturday, Oct. 3
 6:00 p.m. — Ignite: Night of Prayer and Praise (BC)

Sunday, Oct. 4
 9:40 a.m. — Worship Service (VC)
 11:00 a.m. — Sunday School for all ages
 4:00 p.m. — Regeneration (VC)
 5:00 p.m. — Youth (Lighthouse)
 6:00 p.m. — Evening Service, Bob Copeland (BC)

Monday, Oct. 5
 1:30 p.m. — VCBI: Gospel of Luke, Donald Wrigley (Room 5)
 6:30 p.m. — Handbells Rehearsal (VC)

Tuesday, Oct. 6
 8:30 a.m. — Men’s Bible Study (Room 5)

Wednesday, Oct. 7
 5:30 p.m. — Prayer for Israel (Room 5)
 6:00 p.m. — Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
 6:30 p.m. — Chancel Choir Practice (VC)
 7:15 p.m. — Christmas Cantata Practice (VC)

Friday, Oct. 9
 10:00 a.m. — Bible Study, Tom Spannagle (Room 5)

Saturday, Oct. 10
 8:30 a.m. — Men’s Fellowship Breakfast (RDR)

Upcoming events:
Discussion Bible Classes
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. - VC Room 5
Rev. Michael Saunders, Teacher
 Oct. 14: Acts 17 - Victory Through the Word
 Oct. 21: Acts 18 - Victory Over Fear
 Oct. 28: Acts 19 - Victory Over Darkness

MEMBER SERVICES
James Sutter–386-658-5400

This past Tuesday, Sept. 29, Vice President for Independent Living Operations David Klumpenhower held another very informative Donuts with David. As usual, printouts have been available at the Information Center for those who would like them. Electronic PDFs of the slides are also accessible online on the home page of the ACV Members website (www.acvmembers.net) and also in the Resources section of the ACV Members app.

Would you like help hanging your outdoor Christmas lights? If you would prefer others to climb ladders and navigate shrubs to deck your home with holiday cheer, call me at the number above. We will arrange for volunteers to visit your home sometime in

November. You supply the decorations and hanging materials; we will provide the ladders, tools and labor.

The deadline to submit digital photos as entries for the ACV calendar contest is Oct. 9. You can email them to jsutter@acvillage.net.

ACV has filed a complaint with the FCC concerning Kinetic/Windstream’s recent practices to retain customers at ACV. We may be required to provide specific dates when service has been turned off (phone and/or internet), and information concerning demanding phone calls that have been received. If you are willing to relay your personal experiences, please call me so that I can have the information on hand if needed.

We have tried to relay all the information concerning Kinetic and Rapid Fiber as clearly as possible, but many people are still struggling to understand what is happening. Allow me to present it again with the hope that it will help clarify the situation.

∞ *At the Village Square* ∞

Shop gift certificates are available in each shop. Bless someone with this special gift! Your purchases at any of these shops help support ACV.

Riverside Gifts

Fall garden flags are in. They’re the perfect way to greet your friends and neighbors from your yard or front door. We also sell the hangers.

While you’re thinking fall, make your home festive with our seasonal fall décor. As the weather cools, a cup of your favorite hot beverage will feel so good. We have a delightful assortment of encouraging and humorous mugs. Everyone knows coffee tastes better in a favorite mug!

As always, our selection of jewelry, watches and purses offer the perfect finishing touch to your outfit.

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

Fall is officially here. The Rustic Shop has everything to make your home ready for the season. We have a lovely, 73-piece set of Corelle Ware in the rare butterfly gold design. This design has been discontinued and will increase in value the longer you keep it.

The weather is getting cooler, and we have scarves to keep you warm or to give as a gift. Come browse for more treasures!

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

Need a fresh fashion for fall or even a costume for an upcoming party or dramatic role? Twice Nice is a treasure trove of outfits of all kinds, complete with accessories. Shopping resale is environmentally friendly, and the prices cannot be beat.

While you’re here, don’t miss the book nook inside Twice Nice. Browse our shelves for the most reasonably priced cookbooks, novels, and Christian living books around. We have several copies of the No. 1 best-selling book of all time! We will give you this life-changing book at no cost. (Bibles are always free at Twice Nice.) Pick up a new translation for yourself, or give one to a friend.

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

∞ *On CR 250* ∞

Twice Nice Furniture & More

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

Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
 First Saturday of the month, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

For the purposes of this article, when I refer to “the apartments,” I mean Carter House, Dowling House, Wilson Gardens, and Lawrence House.

Kinetic/Windstream has been ACV’s landline phone service provider for decades and has also provided internet service. These services were delivered to ACV homes, apartments, and office buildings through copper telephone lines. Kinetic recently completed the installation of new fiber-optic cables along ACV roads to provide faster internet service. The existing copper lines will soon be deactivated (date unknown), and Kinetic will then provide service exclusively through its fiber-optic network.

To continue providing service to a home, Kinetic must connect that home to the fiber-optic cables buried along the roads. Because this requires homeowner permission, Kinetic has been actively encouraging — often forcefully — residents to authorize those connections. Kinetic understands that once Rapid Fiber becomes available, some residents may choose to switch providers, so the company is working hard to retain existing customers.

Rapid Fiber has also installed fiber-optic infrastructure on campus. After meeting with both companies, ACV chose to partner with Rapid Fiber. As a result, Kinetic will no longer serve as ACV’s landline and alert-system carrier. Rapid Fiber will assume that role, and all homes other than the apartments will be required to be connected to the Rapid Fiber network for alert-system service.

Rapid Fiber will need to enter each home and install a router that will carry the emergency alert and fire alarm signals from your home to the Information Center, eliminating the need for a Kinetic landline for those purposes. Once your installation is complete and you have been notified that the transition can occur, you will no longer need a Kinetic landline.

Once Rapid Fiber is connected to your home, there will be a \$35 monthly charge (per household) on your ACV bill. For most residents, this amount will be less than what they currently pay Kinetic for landline service, which will be disconnected. This fee covers ACV’s maintenance of the alert line and modem. You may choose whether or not to connect a telephone to the line.

Another service covered by the \$35 monthly fee is a new pendant alert system, which will be implemented after every home, apartment, and office building has been connected to Rapid Fiber. A separate company has agreed to sell alert pendants that will operate through the Rapid Fiber network across campus.

This means that if you are wearing a pendant and need assistance anywhere on campus, whether in your home, at a friend’s home, at the Copeland Community Center, on the trails, or even at the cemetery, you can press the button and your GPS location will be transmitted to first responders so they can quickly locate and assist you.

The cost of the pendants has not yet been determined. More information will be provided at a later date.

Once Rapid Fiber has been installed in your home, it will serve as your landline provider and as the conduit through which alert signals (pull cord, fire, and alert pendant) are delivered to the Information Center. If you wish to subscribe to internet service, you may choose Rapid Fiber, Kinetic, or Verizon, which provides home internet service without using fiber-optic cables. Internet service itself remains optional.

Residents of the apartments will not be required to pay the \$35 monthly fee because their pull-cord and fire alert systems are already connected directly to the Information Center and will not require a Rapid Fiber connection. However, if you choose to have a landline and/or an alert pendant, you will be responsible for the \$35 monthly charge associated with those services.

Because Kinetic will not be connecting the apartments to its new fiber-optic network, Kinetic is not an internet-service option for apartment residents. Apartment residents may subscribe to Rapid Fiber or explore alternatives such as Verizon Home Internet.

Rapid Fiber plans to offer a cable television and streaming package in the near future. Negotiations are still underway, so no guarantees can be made at this

time. If an agreement is reached, the service will replace ACV’s current cable offering.

One advantage of choosing Rapid Fiber for internet service is that billing questions, service requests, and technical-support calls will be handled through ACV. If ACV staff cannot resolve an issue, a Rapid Fiber technician can typically respond the same day or by the next business day. Residents who choose other providers will need to work directly with those companies for support, including AI operators, difficult customer service representatives, and technicians who may take days to respond.

If you are interested in trying Rapid Fiber internet service, an interest form is available through Member Services.

If your Kinetic service has already been disconnected, whether phone or internet, ACV cannot intervene on your behalf to restore it. You are encouraged to contact Kinetic directly to discuss restoration options. If restoring service requires an upgrade, be sure to ask about all associated charges and confirm whether a contract is required. Understanding those details now may help you avoid complications if you decide to switch providers later.

If you would like assistance contacting Kinetic, you may schedule an appointment with your service coordinator.

We have been informed that Rapid Fiber may begin connecting homes as early as next week. If you have seen the installation map, including the one displayed near the Information Center, you know that work is expected to begin in Edgewood Terrace first. From there, crews will move to Park of the Pines and then continue throughout the community. The project is expected to be completed no later than next spring, although Rapid Fiber anticipates finishing sooner.

One final note: If you wish to keep your current landline number (your 658 number), do not cancel your Kinetic service or allow it to be disconnected. Rapid Fiber can transfer your number only while it remains active. Once the number has been disconnected, Rapid Fiber will no longer be able to move it to its system.

If you have further questions, feel free to call me.

Member Services Tip of the Week

Please remember to wear your ACV name tags when you go on any ACV bus trip. The identification information would be of help in case of any emergency. For that matter, it would be good to wear it at all times.

Scam Tip of the Week: County Records/Deed Scam

Order forms from County Records Office, LLC out of Tampa, Florida, offering to send copies of recorded deeds for a \$98 or some similar amount service fee are being received. These forms are a scam.

In Suwannee County, the Official Records Division of the Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller is responsible for maintaining property records, such as deeds, mortgages, liens, notices of commencement, declarations of condominiums, judgments, and plats. The documents are categorized based on name, document type, recording date, consideration amount, parcel ID, and address.

With the indexing information above, these records can be accessed online through the county’s Official Records Search database (<http://records.suwgov.org/landmarkweb>), where document images can be viewed and printed with an Adobe Reader.

Aside from the online method, copies of records can be requested by visiting the office at 200 South Ohio Ave. in Live Oak or by submitting a mail-in request along with the requirements and associated fees. Fees include \$1.00 per page for copies and \$2.00 per document for certification. Additional charges may apply for services like mailing. For the complete fee structure, payment methods, and further details on obtaining records, contact the office at (386) 362-0500.

Member Benefit of the Week

Members needing transportation to medical appointments may pay to have a Village employee drive them using a Village vehicle. This is called medical transportation. Fees vary by location. Those with questions or

who are ready to schedule a trip should call the Information Center at 658-3333. Some low-income individuals may qualify for financial assistance; check with your service coordinator.

TV2

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

- Some Christians do not celebrate Christmas. Why wouldn’t they? Isn’t it in the Bible?
- Can you explain Matthew 12:36, “But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.”?
- In Rev. 12:7 there is a war in heaven. Was that something that already happened, or is it going to?
- How should Christians select leaders in a secular society? God chose them in the Old Testament. The New Testament only addresses religious leaders. What is important? Party platform? What they say and have done?

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.

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 Sept. 23 winners: 1st high was Dottie Stone, and 2nd high was Cindy Hett and Dottie Stone.

CONNECTING THREADS

Connecting Threads will not meet until further notice.

CRAFTY CREW

Fridays, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Carter House Activity Room

Each week craft lovers gather to work on a variety of interesting projects. It’s a relaxing time of sharing our creativity and enjoying fellowship. Come join us, and get in on the fun!

For any questions contact Sister Maria Ann at sistermariaann2002@yahoo.com or Sue Donnelly at SueWDonnelly@gmail.com.

GARDEN CLUB

**Friday and Saturday, Oct. 2–3
2:00–4:00 p.m.**

All hands on deck! We’re scheduling the Community Garden Hands-on days for Friday and Saturday, Oct. 2–3. Start time is at 8:00 a.m. or earlier for the early risers. These days are NOT for working on personal beds. These days are workdays for the community areas of the garden. Water and snacks will be provided.

The Garden Club is happy to bring you a presentation on Food Preservation at this month’s meeting. ACV’s own Cindy Beaver will make the presentation at our Oct. 20 meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the Depot Room. The meeting is open to anyone in ACV. Hope to see you there.

VILLAGE LIBRARY

Monday–Friday

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

Brenda Reas, Reporter

Mysteries, romances, westerns, books on Christian living, cookbooks and childrens’ books await at our library. There is also a sale cart with books in good condition at excellent prices.

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 please return them when you finish looking at them.

Please have your ACV ID badge available when you come to check out books and DVDs. We are located in the schoolhouse room between the OPR and IC. Our

drop box is located around the corner across from the restrooms (beneath the bulletin board), and you may return books and DVDs there at any time.

MODEL RAILROAD CLUB

Ron Oberg, Reporter

The Model Railroad Club meets every Tuesday, 10:00–11:00 a.m., in the Chriss building. All ACV members are welcome. We have something for everyone. We are currently working on a 250 layout with a round house where the trains are worked on. With Christmas coming we can advise concerning gifts for all ages. Come visit some Tuesday.

PEN PAL PROGRAM

Cathy Oberg, Reporter

The next pickup date is Friday, Oct. 2. Please have your letters at the Information Center before 11:30 a.m.

Monday, Nov. 16, the students and teachers will visit here at ACV for the annual luncheon in the Sawmill and Depot rooms. Please advise the Information Center or me if you will attend. They will arrive around 11:15 a.m. and stay until about 2:15 p.m. We will have lunch, play bingo, and spend some time walking around Lake Aquilla. If you need more information, feel free to call me at 658-3237 or (574) 229-8402.

STEPHEN MINISTRY:

You Don’t Have To Walk Through It Alone

Darleen Hinrichs, Reporter

Have you ever needed to talk about something deeply painful with someone, only to have them respond with advice, share a similar experience, or offer a Bible verse? Most people who respond this way have good intentions and genuinely want to help. Sometimes, however, what we need most in a difficult season is simply someone who will listen and be present with us.

The Bible is our guide for living, but there is a time for sharing scripture, and there is a time to simply listen. When someone is hurting, a verse offered at the wrong moment may unintentionally leave them feeling judged or even more alone.

That’s one reason Stephen Ministry is so valuable, and why Stephen Ministers go through extensive training. Our current trainees are already learning and practicing skills they will use in their caring relationships, with listening and empathy at the very core.

Perhaps the most important part of each training session comes after discussing the lesson, when the trainees pair up to practice what they have learned with one another. The practical experience helps solidify the lessons in a way no lecture ever could. The amazing group is growing closer together as they train and minister to one another with the skills they are developing.

Stephen Ministries is a Christian ministry of trained lay people who provide confidential, one-to-one emotional and spiritual support during difficult seasons of life. The goal of ACV’s Stephen Ministries is that no one at ACV will hurt alone. This is one way ACV seeks to express Christ’s love to those we serve.

Please keep Stephen Ministries in your prayers. For more information, speak with a Stephen Leader (Robin Copeland or Darleen Hinrichs) or call 658-5358.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BUTTERFIELD ACRES

Carroll Polk—386-208-4538

So far no one has stepped up to the plate and agreed to be the FNN reporter for Butterfield Acres, so I will try to share news on a temporary basis.

Mark your calendars. Our fall potluck get-together will take place on Thursday, Nov. 19, at the Harmony Center. The Polks and Paula Lucas will be the organizers of the event, but we need more helpers. If you are able and willing to help, please let us know.

Remember to uphold your neighbors in prayer.

CARTER HOUSE

Mary Gamble—334-790-9066

I hope you have all had a blessed week!

We have two birthdays to celebrate this week: Penny Frye on the 3rd and Janet King on the 8th. We wish both of you a very happy birthday and many more to come!

Want to know what's happening around ACV? Be sure to read the FNN each week. We hope to see you at some of our upcoming events!

How about this recent cool snap? Did you enjoy it? I know I did! Fall can't get here soon enough. Speaking of fall, have you noticed how beautiful our buildings look? The fall decorations are wonderful. Thank you to all the ladies who helped make them look so festive. Everything looks beautiful!

Like many others, I attended the Rapid Fiber Information Meeting. Representatives from ACV, Suwannee Valley Electric, and Rapid Fiber shared a great deal of information about the fiber-optic installation project. A map showing the planned installation schedule throughout ACV was provided, and Carter House is currently expected to receive service in April 2027. Additional informational meetings will be held in the future, and I encourage everyone to attend if possible.

Did you attend any events this past week?

If there is anything you would like to see included in this column or share with the community, please contact me by phone no later than 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. You may also leave your information at the Carter House front desk, and I will pick it up.

Please continue to watch out for one another and keep each other in your prayers. We never know what someone else may be going through.

"Never blame any day in your life. Good days give you happiness, bad days give you experience, and the worst days give you a lesson" (Sukhraj S. Dhillon).

Thanks, everyone, and have a blessed week!

DOWLING HOUSE

Cora Huckaba—850-464-7113

Good morning, neighbors. Today is Oct. 1. We are getting closer to chilly weather. I pray the Lord God will walk beside you and find favor in your life.

I do not have any news pertaining to Dowling House to share. Help me out for next week!

EDGEWOOD TERRACE

Cathy Oberg—574-229-8402

Good morning, neighbors.

I hope everyone is enjoying the cooler mornings as much as I am. I love the beautiful sunrises and sunsets, along with that first hint of crispness in the air.

Happy birthday to Bill Storey on the 8th! May this next chapter of your journey be filled with peace, happiness, and abundant blessings.

A few friends and I gathered on the basketball court near the Harmony Center on Saturday evening to view the Harvest Moon. Long before we could see it, its bright glow was shining through the trees. Once the moon rose above the treeline, the view was spectacular!

Then the race was on to be the first to spot a planet. "I see it ... oh wait, that's an airplane!" I'm not sure who spotted it first, but once it became clearly visible, we were reminded what an amazing universe God has created. Seeing another planet with the naked eye felt like witnessing a small miracle.

Now that the weather is becoming more pleasant and people are spending more time outdoors, be sure to read your entire FNN each week. Take a look at the many activities and events available throughout ACV. There's truly something for everyone, regardless of your interests.

So let's get involved, participate, and enjoy time with friends and neighbors. Hibernation season is over! Enjoy autumn!

GOOD SAMARITAN CENTER AND DACIER MANOR

Bruce Arnold—386-658-5550

In Galatians 3:23–25, Paul explains that before we placed our faith in Jesus Christ, we were held captive by

the law. God never intended for the law itself to provide salvation. Long before the law was given, He had already established His covenant with Abraham. Those who lived from Abraham's time until the coming of Christ were justified by faith.

The law was given to teach us the difference between right and wrong and to show us our need for a Savior. Its purpose is to point us to Christ, who takes away our sin. When Scripture speaks of sin, it is not only referring to the wrong things we do. The biblical meaning of sin is "missing the mark." No matter how hard we try to be perfect or keep every part of the law, we will eventually fall short.

The good news is that we can look to Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. Though He was without sin, He took our sins upon Himself so that we could receive forgiveness. Because of His sacrificial death on the cross, those who trust in Him are forgiven. Through faith in Jesus Christ, we are adopted as children of God.

Monday through Thursday, residents gather for devotions in the Magnolia Dining Room at GSC. Following devotions, the Activities Department, led by Latoria, Christina, and Kiersten, offers a variety of activities, including Today in History, crafts, indoor gardening, Library Talk, and even beach-ball games that provide a little exercise and a lot of fun. Now that cooler weather has arrived, residents are also enjoying time outdoors on the porch and taking advantage of the fresh air.

We recently lost the beautiful redbud tree outside the Dogwood patio, and the area looks a little bare without it. We are considering options for planting another tree. However, from what I've seen with the redbud trees at my own home, there is a chance that new shoots may emerge and grow into a healthy tree once again. Time will tell!

God is good all the time. Thank you to everyone who faithfully prays for the residents and staff of GSC and Dacier Manor.

RIVERWOODS

Patty Gianceski—386-658-2024

Greetings from a comfortable porch with a pretty meadow view.

The HOA Board held its monthly meeting on Thursday, Sept. 24.

Under new business, the Annual Homeowners Association Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 1:00 p.m. in the Sawmill and Depot rooms. Additional information and announcements will be mailed to homeowners in early December.

Donna Plant reminded residents that automatic bill payment is no longer available following the transition to Yellow Rose Association Services. Homeowners who wish to pay multiple months in advance may continue to do so; however, please submit one check for the total amount rather than separate checks for each month.

The board voted to renew its mowing contract with North Florida Property Solutions. Members also discussed possible changes to both the frequency and scope of mowing services.

There will be no HOA Board meeting in October. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 5 at 1:00 p.m. At that time, the proposed 2027 budget will be discussed.

David Klumpenhower addressed several questions concerning the partnership between ACV and Rapid Fiber Internet. He clarified that the fee for the emergency call system is \$35 per home, not per person. He also explained that a modem box will be installed in each residence.

Please remember that we are blessed to live in Advent Christian Village. Our HOA Board members volunteer their time and effort to help ensure that our community operates smoothly and efficiently. Their dedication is greatly appreciated. If you need to communicate with a board member regarding HOA business, please do so during regular business hours.

"All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16–17).

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BOB COPELAND’S NEWEST BOOK

Bob Copeland has released his 24th book, now available on Amazon in paperback and Kindle versions. The book is titled *Making Sense of and Finding Purpose in Your Pain* with the subtitle *Looking Up When Life Gets You Down*. Bob shares his thoughts on the new book: “I am very excited about this little book. I hope and pray that it helps many people come to terms with their pain, hurt, and struggles, and helps them find meaning and purpose in whatever type of pain that they are experiencing.”

NUTS! NUTS! NUTS!
Verna Piper, Reporter

The Village Community Garden Club is once again selling a variety of nuts. The nuts are here! Look for an order form in this FNN, fill it out, and either put it in the mail or bring it to my home and pick them up immediately. Early shoppers get first picks. You can contact me at (386) 208-1967 or 658-3753. My address is 11052 Dowling Park Drive in Taylor Commons. I am available most days from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. (closed Mondays), or you can call for other times.

ART GALLERY EXHIBIT

Chuck Eckel shares his beautiful watercolor and acrylic paintings in the Art Gallery area near the Lopin’ Gopher. He focuses on landscapes including favorite birch trees, sailing ships, and iconic travel scenes.

Chuck started painting 15 years ago under Lynn Stevens in the Village Artists Guild. He has been inspired and coached by his wife, Peggy. Art classes at North Florida College in Madison, Florida; in Boone, N.C.; and at St. George Island, Florida, have been important in his development. Interaction with fellow and new members in the Village Artists Guild richly adds to his experience as a painter. He recommends taking a journal on trips to sketch, take notes, and paint observations. This can be inspirations for painting in your studio when you get home.

HAIR CROPPERS

I’m excited to introduce my Signature Hand Ritual at Hair Croppers and am looking for ACV employee models to experience the treatment while I create social media content that showcases the full experience.

The Signature Hand Ritual is a mindful treatment designed to restore balance through touch and self-care. It includes hydration, improved circulation, gentle exfoliation, and therapeutic massage to soothe the nervous system while revitalizing the hands, nails, and cuticles.

To accommodate busy work schedules, I am offering a special Mini Signature Hand Ritual: 15 minutes for \$20.

My goal is to give ACV employees the opportunity to experience one of our spa services without having to be away from work for an extended period or use most of their lunch break. At the same time, I’ll be able to create quality content featuring the service. Upcoming spa days are Saturday, Oct. 3; Tuesday, Oct. 6; Tuesday, Nov. 11; and Saturday, Nov. 7 by appointment only.

Come relax, reset, and give your hands the care they deserve. Model spots are limited!

To book your experience, call or text Danielle at (386) 205-3791.

For Saturday appointment confirmations, please call Brenda at (386) 249-1323.

We look forward to helping you look and feel your best. Reserve your appointment today!

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: Oct. 9 and 23, Nov. 6 and 20, and Dec. 4 and 18. To make an appointment, please call Leigh Ann Cannon at (386) 755-1334, Ext. 114.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Drug or alcohol problems? If you or a loved one is having a problem, help is available. Call (305) 407-0895 for more information.

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.

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.

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, and regular men’s and women’s cuts.

Ladies, we 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.

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.

THANK YOU

Thank you, Eric Demotta, for plugging all of my appliances back in and everything including the phones and TV. You put everything back where they were. I want to give you my humble thanks for a good job!

Christine O’Brien

MISCELLANEOUS

NEEDED: If anyone still receives magazines, would you please recycle them by sending them to GSC? We can use them.**

WANTED: Want to bless someone? Do you have a spare working 32” flat screen TV you would like to donate? We need 8 to 20 gently used or new TVs for our Good Samaritan residents that can’t afford one. Call Michele at 658-5175 to arrange pickup if needed.**

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NURSING FUNDRAISER FOR CARRIE STEELE, LPN

**You could win
one of two very large baskets
containing fall décor,
Scentsy sprays, candy, lotion,
body scrubs, and more
OR
a harvest-decorated
woman's hat.**

**Tickets are \$5 for 1 or \$25 for 6.
See Nicole at GSC or Rebecca in HR.
Closes Monday morning, Oct. 5.
Drawing will be Monday afternoon.**

ACV COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB

2026 PECAN SALE

The proceeds of this sale provide supplies and materials for the community gardens.

Please fill out your information and select the quantity of items you wish to order.

All bags are one pound size.

NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

ADDRESS: _____

QUANTITY	STOCK # AND DESCRIPTION	PRICE/BAG
_____	05500 Mammoth Pecan Halves	\$12.00
_____	05600 Large Pecan Pieces	\$12.00
_____	05750 English Walnut Halves & Pieces	\$12.00
_____	05775 Whole Jumbo Cashews	\$12.00
_____	05925 Praline Pecan Halves	\$12.00
_____	05050 Deluxe Mixed Nuts	\$12.00
_____	05625 Chocolate Amaretto Pecans	\$12.00
_____	05620 Peanuts Chocolate Double Dipped	\$12.00

_____ Quantity Total TOTAL: \$ _____

**Send completed order forms to Verna Piper at P.O. Box 4494,
Advent Christian Village.**

Checks are to be made out to: ACV Community Garden Club.

Prices effective 10/02–10/08



THE VILLAGE GROCER

Monday–Saturday • 9:00 am–6:00 pm • We deliver at 2:00 p.m. every day!* 658–3130

GROCERY

Arm & Hammer Baking Soda	16 oz.	\$ 1.50
Mazola Corn Oil	24 oz.	\$ 4.80
Vigo Plain Breadcrumbs	8 oz.	\$ 1.60
Hershey's Chocolate Syrup	24 oz.	\$ 5.80
Starkist Chunk Light Tuna in Water	5 oz.	\$ 1.50
IGA Tomato Sauce	15 oz.	\$ 1.10
Kings Hawaiian Sweet Rolls	24 oz.	\$ 6.50
Kraft Thousand Island Dressing	16 oz.	\$ 6.00

DAIRY

Blue Bonnet Margarine	16 oz.	\$ 2.20
4 Grain Cage Free Brown Eggs	24 oz.	\$ 4.00

PRODUCE

Fresh Mango	each	\$ 3.00
Red Salad Onions	per lb.	\$ 1.70

FROZEN

Hunsty Vegetable Spring Rolls	40 oz.	\$ 8.50
Mary B's Biscuits	26 oz.	\$ 4.50

MEAT

Chicken Leg Quarters	per lb.	\$ 1.30
Boneless Ribeye Steaks	per lb.	\$18.00
Lean Baby Back Ribs	per lb.	\$ 4.50
Armour Lunch Makers	2 oz.	\$ 1.20
Boar's Head Beef Hotdogs	12 oz.	\$ 6.50
SeaBest Swai Filets	16 oz.	\$ 5.00

CHEESE OF THE WEEK

American Cheese — \$5.20 per lb.

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR ROTISSERIE CHICKEN

Full chicken - \$7.00; Half chicken - \$4.00

CALL 658-3130 - Order by 11:00 am; pick up after 2:00 pm

This Week's Verse

... let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

Hebrews 12:1

*Delivery available to on-campus ACV members only

Oct. 2–9, 2026

FRIDAY, 10/2

- \$6.95 Entrées:** Fried Catfish, Teriyaki Catfish, Kalua Pork, Hush Puppies
\$1.40 Sides: Roasted Pineapple and Peppers, Cucumber and Carrot Namasu, Hawaiian Macaroni Salad, Sweet Potato Hash with Coconut Butter, Jasmine Rice
\$3.00 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

SATURDAY, 10/3

- \$8.50 Whistle Stop Special:** Beef Sliders, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Assorted Desserts, Fountain Drink

SUNDAY, 10/4

Lunch Buffet

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

- Entrées:** Fried Chicken, Scrambled Eggs, Crispy Potato Latkes, Roasted Root Vegetable Hash, French Toast Casserole, Lox and Herb Cream Cheese Tartlets
Sides: Maple-Glazed Apple-Sage Sausage Links, Small Glazed Ham Bites, Chicken Rounds, Fresh Berry Parfaits, Cucumber Dill Salad, Fruit and Cheese Skewers, Pastries and Mini Croissants, Antipasto
Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

MONDAY, 10/5

- \$2.75 Soup:** Homemade Potato and Bacon
\$6.95 Entrées: Kielbasa and Sauerkraut, Pierogies (Onions and Butter)
\$1.40 Sides: French Fries, Creamed Carrots and Peas, Tomato and Sweet Onion Salad, Spinach with Strawberries and Feta
\$3.00 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

TUESDAY, 10/6

- \$8.50 Special:** Salad Bar
\$2.75 Soup: Homemade Chicken Noodle
\$6.95 Entrées: Turkey Bacon Club on a Croissant, Glazed Ham with Pineapple
\$1.40 Sides: Fruit Salad, Baked Potato Bar, Broccoli Cheese Melt Casserole, Marinated Cucumbers and Onions
\$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

Oct. 2–9, 2026

WEDNESDAY, 10/7

- \$6.95 Entrées:** Fried Chicken, Hamburger Steaks with Mushrooms and Onions on the Side
- \$1.40 Sides:** Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Savory Glazed Carrots, Stewed Tomatoes, Baked Apples, Butter Beans and Ham, Carrot Raisin Salad, Creamy Pea Salad
- \$3.00 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

THURSDAY, 10/8

- \$2.75 Soup:** Homemade New England Clam Chowder
- \$6.95 Entrées:** Chicken Paprikash, Beef Goulash
- \$1.40 Sides:** Buttered Noodles, Roasted Potatoes, Creamed Spinach, Cucumber Salad with Dill and Sour Cream, Marinated Beet Salad
- \$3.00 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

FRIDAY, 10/9

- \$6.95 Entrées:** Fried Catfish, Pecan-Crusted Baked Catfish
- \$1.40 Sides:** Hush Puppies, French Onion Dip Chicken Thighs, Cheese Grits, Mixed Greens, Corn Pudding, Coleslaw, Superfoods Slaw
- \$3.00 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

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RUMPH DINING RM. \$9.75 WEEKDAY VALUE PLATE

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



LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

Friday and Saturday: Chef's Choice

Friday, Oct. 2

All day: Hearty Beef Stew with Baked Biscuit
Lunch Portion: \$12.95 • Dinner Portion: \$16.95

Saturday, Oct. 3

All day: Spaghetti with Two Meatballs and Garlic Toast,
\$16.95



658-5259

Mon–Fri: 11 am–1 pm

Sat. & Sun: 11 am–1:30 pm



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Sun: 7:30–10 am | 3:30–7 pm

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