



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
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OCTOBER 4, 2024

Friday	10/4	<i>10:00 a.m.</i> <i>1:00 p.m.</i> <i>2:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> <i>Sit 'N Stitch—CH</i>
Saturday	10/5	5:00 p.m.	Supper Potluck—RDR
Sunday	10/6	<i>9:40 a.m.</i> <i>11:00 a.m.</i> <i>6:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Morning Worship Service—VC</i> <i>Sunday School for All Ages</i> <i>Evening Worship Service—BC</i>
Monday	10/7	9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon 1:30 p.m. <i>1:30 p.m.</i> 2:00–4:00 p.m.	Connecting Threads (Sewing) Ministry—KC Low Vision Support Group—OPR <i>VCBI: Discipleship Lessons from John's Letters—VC Room 5</i> Ceramics—PCS
Tuesday	10/8	<i>8:30 a.m.</i> 4:15 & 4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	<i>Men's Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> Bus Trip: Dine-Out to Mama's Italian Restaurant—DH & LAP Evening Mission Meeting (WHFMS)—OPR
Wednesday	10/9	8:15 & 8:30 a.m. 9:00–11:00 a.m. <i>1:00 p.m.</i> 1:00 p.m. 1:15 & 1:30 p.m. <i>6:00 p.m.</i> 6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Bus Trip: Winn-Dixie, Save A Lot & Publix—CH & DH Ceramics—PCS <i>VCBI: Jesus in Every Book of the Bible—VC Room 5</i> Bridge Club—OPR Bus Trip: Walmart—CH & DH <i>Prayer Meeting—BC</i> Chancel Choir Rehearsal—VC Christmas Cantata Rehearsal—VC
Thursday	10/10	9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Village Artists Guild—KC <i>VCBI: Discovering God's Meaning and Purpose for Your Life—VC Room 5</i> Model Railroad Club—CB Plarn Ministry—Cleo's Meeting House Monthly Members Birthday Party—SMR/DR Live! at Dowling Park: Gateway City Big Band—VC
Friday	10/11	9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. <i>10:00 a.m.</i> <i>1:00 p.m.</i> 2:00 p.m. 2:00–3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Veterans' Service—MS <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> <i>Bible Study—VC Room 5</i> <i>Sit 'N Stitch—CH</i> Tony Harmon Retirement Reception—SMR A Visit to Spain and Portugal—OPR

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

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

IN LOVING MEMORY

- Marile Boston, who was a resident of DH, died Oct. 1. Her memorial information will be posted when available.
- Margaret Gatlin, who was a resident of GSC, died Sept. 26. Her memorial information will be posted when available.
- Arlene Williamson, who was a resident of BA and GSC, died Sept. 24. Her memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 5, at 3:00 p.m. at Daniel's Funeral Home in Live Oak.
- Dottie Cook, who was a resident of CT/MT and DH, died Sept. 19. Her memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 5, at 1:00 p.m., in the VC. She will also be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Dining Room.
- Marjorie Hoffman, who was a resident of DH, DM and GSC, died Sept. 9. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Dining Room.
- William Davidson, who was a resident of GSC, died Sept. 8. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Dining Room.
- Clifford Tusing, who was a resident of GSC, died Sept. 8. He will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Dining Room.
- Nair Maqueda (wife of José), who was a resident of GSC, died Sept. 6. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Dining Room.
- Nancy Cornell, who was a resident of BA and DM, died Sept. 4. She will be remembered at the GSC memorial service on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Dining Room.

ANNOUNCEMENT

*Message from the
President's Office
-Craig Carter*

RETIREMENT RECEPTION TO HONOR TONY HARMON

After serving as the Manager of the Village Grocer for 33 years, Tony Harmon is retiring. He has served faithfully and with grace. To recognize his many years of service, a drop-by reception is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 11, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the SMR. You are invited and encouraged to stop by and wish him well as he embarks on a new chapter in his life.

ACV EVENTS



SUPPER POTLUCK

Saturday, Oct. 5, 5:00 p.m. - RDR

Hi! I am Debbie Snead. My parents live in RV (Lee and Grace Snead), and my aunt and uncle live in POP (Evan and Peggy Spangler). I moved into DH in June from Palmer Lake, Colorado.

James put a notice in the FNN for anyone interested in keeping the potlucks going outside of summer, and I volunteered. So at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5, there will be a potluck set up in RDR. The theme will be "Family Favorites", so if you can, please bring something your families loved to eat.

If you have suggestions for future potlucks please feel free to nab me for a gab fest or leave a note at the IC and ask them to call me. Thanks. I hope to see you there.

COPING WITH LOW VISION SUPPORT AND RESOURCES GROUP Monday, Oct. 7, 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 the nonprofit agency, Lighthouse of the Big Bend, for this monthly support group and meeting.



BUS TRIP: DINE-OUT TO MAMA'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT Tuesday, Oct. 8

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

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

Mama's Italian Restaurant in Perry has opened a new location in Madison, Florida. The menu is the same: all your favorite Italian dishes ranging from \$6.00 to \$29. Sign up and pay the bus fee at the IC to go on Tuesday, Oct. 8.

SEPTEMBER MEMBER BIRTHDAY PARTY Thursday, Oct. 10, 3:00 p.m. - SMR/DR

Plan to join us for the October member birthday party on Thursday, Oct. 10, at 3:00 p.m. in SMR/DR. The theme will be World Sight Day, and the entertainment is being planned with the intent of being just as fun for those with low vision. Everyone is invited to attend; ACV members with October birthdays will receive special recognition.



LIVE! AT DOWLING PARK: GATEWAY CITY BIG BAND

Thursday, Oct. 10, at 7:00 p.m., - VC

Gateway City Big Band has been bringing the smooth and swinging sounds of the Big Band Era to north Florida since 1993. Under the direction of ACV friend Matt Johns, the band continues to echo the sounds of the great big bands of the 1930s and '40s, as well as



JOHNSON'S BAKERY DONUT SALE

**Friday, Oct. 11, starting at 10:00 a.m.
Pick up from the lobby of GSC.
\$2.00 each or \$20 for a dozen.
Glazed only.**



including more modern selections and contemporary arrangements for today's listeners.

Individual tickets can be purchased from the ACV cashier's office and at the event for \$18 (ACV member) and \$26 (non-member), or season passes can be purchased at the cashier's office for \$120 (ACV member) and \$180 (non-member). Those with season passes may also attend the Community Concerts of Lake City free of charge. Call 658-5400 for more information.

A VISIT TO SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

Friday, Oct. 11, 3:00 p.m. - OPR

Take a trip to Spain and Portugal while avoiding the packing, the airport chaos, and the decisions about where to stay or eat! Join Wayne Casey in the OPR on Friday, Oct. 11, at 3:00 p.m. as he takes you on a trip via photos and a few souvenirs. Consider the historical background, the architectural variety, and the stunning creativity of the past and the present. You'll see some of the most fascinating places in Spain and Portugal. Don't miss it!



Saturday, Oct. 12, 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. - VS

Autumn Fest 2024 will be held Saturday, Oct. 12. This day will be full of fun activities for all!

This year's Autumn Fest will include vendors offering handmade items, miscellaneous merchandise for sale, and food. Vendors will be available in the VS from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will also be a local authors exhibit and live music by Dan and Cindi Perron.

Taking part in one or more of the contests — Pumpkin Yummy, Pumpkin Decorating, and Dress Like a Scarecrow — is a great way to get a jump start on the fun. The judging will take place at 10:00 during Autumn Fest, and the winners will be announced at 11:00.

After the Pumpkin Yummy contest entries are judged, the remaining portions will be sold bake sale style. The proceeds will be donated to ACV's benevolence program. There is no limit to the number of entries, and even if you don't want your yummy to be judged, you can still donate something for the bake sale (pumpkin or not).

Make plans to join us for an exciting day. Festivities will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12, in the VS.

If you are interested in being a vendor, call the Village Lodge at (386) 658-5200. Any other questions should be directed to MS at 658-5400.

LADIES' BREAKFAST

Saturday, Oct. 12, 8:30 a.m. - SMR/DR

The next ladies' breakfast will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14, at 8:30 a.m. in SMR/DR. Our guest speaker will be Jan Cuddy, who will share her heart with us. A special invitation is extended to new residents; we want to meet you! Come join us for a wonderful time of table fellowship.

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



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Saturday, Oct. 12, 8:30 a.m. - RDR

The next Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14, at 8:30 a.m. in RDR. Our guest speaker will be Mike Cuddy.

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

BUS TRIP: COMMUNITY CONCERTS OF LAKE CITY: BEACH BOYS TRIBUTE

Saturday, Oct. 12, 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

Sail On is the most booked Beach Boys Tribute in the world! Sail On plays all of the Beach Boys' classic hits, plus some treasures from the band's brilliant extended catalog, recreating the soundtrack to an Endless Summer completely live and in rich detail. This event is included in your ACV season pass, or you may purchase individual tickets by calling (386) 365-8488 or visiting communityconcerts.info. Individual ticket prices are \$29 for adults. The ACV bus fee is \$5.00 for ACV members and \$9.00 for non-members. Sign up at the IC.

MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION MEETING

Thursday, Oct. 17, 2:00 p.m. - RDR

The next regular Membership Association meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 17, at 2:00 p.m. in RDR. All ACV members are encouraged to attend. This month, representatives from the JKPL will talk about all of the services and programs our local public library offers.

If you are interested in serving on the Membership Association Executive Committee next year, speak with any of the current officers: Monica Serlick, Donald Wrigley, Peter Ard, Gaye Martin, or Sue Whitmore, or with the staff liaison, James Sutter.



BUS TRIP: DINE-OUT TO RED GINGER

Friday, Oct. 18

3:45 p.m. - DH & 4:00 - LAP

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

Whether you like Japanese, Chinese or Thai cuisine, you will find something you'll love at Red Ginger in Lake City. And their sushi menu is quite large. Prices range from under \$10 to \$50+. Sign up and pay the bus fee at the IC.

EVENTS HERE AND THERE

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

VETERANS GATHERING

Friday, Oct. 4, 12:00 noon - RDR

All service members are invited to gather for lunch to eat together on Friday, Oct. 4, at 12:00 noon in RDR. Buy or bring your own lunch. Bring a military MEMENTO. Service members can be ACV residents, employees, or area residents. Invite other veterans!

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, Oct. 8 and 22, 10:00 a.m. - CCC

Come and join us for a ladies Bible study at CCC on Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. We will be studying the book of Judges. Looking forward to meeting all of you.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER 5K WALK/RUN

Saturday, Oct. 12, 8:00 a.m.

Live Oak First Federal Sports Complex

This is a rain or shine event (we're praying for sunny skies!), and will not be canceled or postponed.

Registration and check-in start at 8:00 a.m. 5K begins at 9:00 a.m. Children's activities will begin at approximately 10:00 a.m. or when walkers return.

You can register and get information at www.friendsofpcc.com or call Live Oak at (386) 330-2229 or Lake City at (386) 755-0058.



JO KENNON PUBLIC LIBRARY

386-658-2670

Website: srllib.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

We are Open

Power was restored to JKPL on Monday evening. We appreciate all the linemen who are working so diligently to restore power! As of Tuesday, Oct. 1, we are back to our normal operating hours. Modifications have been made to some programs this week, however, all programming will be back to normal next week. A few modifications for this week are:

- Thursday's History of Suwannee County program has been postponed until Nov. 7.
- The painting classes have been rescheduled to Oct. 15.
- The Department of Health classes will begin on Oct. 8.

Books and DVDs that were due during the closure will not accrue fines for the days JKPL was closed.

We hope that you fared well during the storm. If we can assist you in any way as you recover, please let us know — we're here to help!

Peanut Butter Challenge

Spread the word: Throughout October, the JKPL is proud to participate in the Florida Peanut Butter Challenge by serving as a donation drop-off location. This statewide initiative supports local peanut producers while providing much-needed food assistance to those facing food insecurity. Peanut butter is an essential pantry staple due to its high protein content and a long shelf life, making it an ideal item to help those in need. We encourage you to donate jars of unopened, in-date peanut butter, which will be collected and distributed by local food banks.

Department of Health Education Classes

Are you ready to take control of your well-being and learn the steps necessary to maintain a healthy body? On Oct. 8, from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., come join representatives from the Department of Health as they give advice on the changes in nutrition and activity that may reduce your high blood pressure. With the holidays and their many stresses and temptations right around the corner, a little health self-awareness will go a long way!

Chair Yoga for Seniors

Wake up and stretch! Join our weekly Monday morning yoga classes at 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Designed to loosen up and strengthen your joints while improving your balance and posture, the Monday sessions are a combination of sitting and standing stretches. If Mondays aren't your style, or you're looking for a little more of a challenge, no worries — join us on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. for the advanced session, which still uses a combination of sitting and standing. Get your body moving in the right direction!

Paint Along with Elizabeth

Let your inner artist loose as you paint a fall pumpkin with a pinecone on a solid color, textured background. Classes will be Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Elizabeth will guide each class with step-by-step instructions, so if you are ready to try your hand at painting, register online or call us at 658-2670.

History of Suwannee County

There will not be a History of Suwannee County program this month. Plan to join us on Thursday, Nov. 7 for the next session.

CPR Training

On Friday, Oct. 11, 1:00–4:30 p.m., the Suwannee County Fire and Rescue will be joining us to teach a skill that could be a real lifesaver! Getting certified to administer AHA Hands-Only CPR (or cardiopulmonary resuscitation) is such a benefit in rural areas. Performing CPR can double the chances of survival for a cardiac

arrest victim by keeping blood flowing to the brain during those crucial minutes before EMS arrives. Pre-registration is required, so call or register online for this program.

Friends of the Library Annual Book Sale

Mark your calendars for an amazing opportunity to find your next great read at The Friends of the Library Book Sale, happening Oct. 10–12 and 14–19 (during library hours) at the Live Oak location. Browse a wide selection of gently used books, including fiction, non-fiction, children's books, and more! Whether you're looking to expand your personal library or discover hidden gems, this sale has something for everyone. Plus, all proceeds go toward supporting our local library programs.

Just a Small Collection of Words

"On the other side of a storm is the strength that comes from having navigated through it. Raise your sail and begin" (Gregory S. Williams).

Starbooks Café Topic

Open discussion and conversation.

Weekly JKPL Meetings:

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



BUS TRIPS

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

WEEKLY LIVE OAK SHOPPING TRIPS

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

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

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

- **Oct. 9 morning — Winn-Dixie, Save A Lot & Publix** — Leave CH at 8:15 a.m. and DH at 8:30 a.m. (new times). Drop off at Winn-Dixie and Save A Lot, and park at Publix. Leave from Publix at approximately 11:15 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **Oct. 9 afternoon — Walmart** — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Drop off at Winn-Dixie and Save A Lot and park at Publix. Leave from Publix at approximately 3:45 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.
- **Oct. 16 morning — Walmart** — Leave CH at 8:15 a.m. and DH at 8:30 a.m. (new times). Leave from Walmart at approximately 11:15 a.m. and return to the Village at noon.
- **Oct. 16 afternoon — Winn-Dixie, Save A Lot & Publix** — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Leave from Walmart at approximately 3:45 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.
- **Oct. 23 afternoon — Walmart** — Leave CH at 1:15 p.m. and DH at 1:30 p.m. Drop off at Winn-Dixie and Save A Lot and park at Publix. Leave from Publix at approximately 3:45 p.m. and return to the Village at 4:30 p.m.

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

- Oct. 8 — Dine-Out to Mama's Italian Restaurant
- Oct. 12 — Bus Trip: Community Concerts of Lake City: Beach Boys Tribute

Oct. 18 — Dine-Out to Red Ginger
Oct. 24 — Dine-Out to Fin & Feathers

DINE-OUT TO FIN & FEATHERS

Thursday, Oct. 24

3:45 p.m. - DH & 4:00 - LAP

Bus: \$6.00 members & \$11 non-members

Where the Ruby Tuesday used to be located in the Valdosta Mall, a new restaurant has opened: Fin & Feathers. Fin & Feathers is one of a small chain of restaurants that began in Atlanta, Georgia. They serve seafood and more ranging from \$15 to \$43. Sign up at the IC.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

THE VILLAGE CHURCH

Rev. Sam Worley, Senior Minister

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

SERMON: "The Hands Around the Table"

TEXT: Matthew 26:20-25 and Luke 22:14-23 NIV

SPEAKER: Rev. Donald Wrigley

The following VC events are happening this week:

All classes scheduled in VC Room 5 will be held in the Children's Suite if the air conditioning is not functioning.

Friday, Oct. 4

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

1:00 p.m. — Bible Study: How to Study the Scriptures, Peter Ard (Room 5)

Sunday, Oct. 6

9:40 a.m. — Morning Worship, Holy Communion (VC)

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

4:00 p.m. — Children's Music (VC)

5:00 p.m. — Alive (Children's Suite)

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

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

Monday, Oct. 7

1:30 p.m. — VCBI: Discipleship Lessons from John's Letters, Donald Wrigley (Room 5)

6:00 p.m. — Youth Handbells Practice

7:00 p.m. — Adult Handbells Practice

Tuesday, Oct. 8

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

6:30 p.m. — WHFMS Meeting (OPR)

Wednesday, Oct. 9

1:00 p.m. — VCBI: Jesus in Every Book of the Bible — The Red Line of Redemption Through the Bible, Michael Saunders (Room 5)

6:00 p.m. — Prayer Meeting (BC)

6:30 p.m. — Choir Practice (VC)

7:15 p.m. — Christmas Cantata Practice (VC)

Thursday, Oct. 10

10:00 a.m. — Discovering God's Meaning and Purpose for Your Life, Paul Cochrane (Room 5)

Friday, Oct. 11

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

1:00 p.m. — Bible Study: How to Study the Scriptures, Peter Ard (Room 5)

Saturday, Oct. 12

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

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Michael Gordon—386-658-5155

Dumpsters have been parked in the grass in front of the red barn on Buck Rogers Drive (across from the outdoor pool). The community is welcome to deposit household garbage in these dumpster. Yard waste is NOT to be deposited in these dumpsters. The dumpsters will be removed Wednesday, Oct. 9, so you have until then.

ACV MARKETING

Michelle Pollina—386-658-5193

Emergency Communications

Hopefully you have been receiving our daily communications since Helene came our way last week. This was our first time with the system during an extended power outage so we have been learning along the way. We have several methods of communication so we hope you are getting at least one of them.

Recorded Line. We add a new message to the emergency message recording daily, usually later in the afternoon. As a reminder, that phone number is (386) 208-1770.

Email. We send an email to members and staff, usually daily, with updates. Without power you won't see emails on your desktop computers, but if you have a phone or tablet you should be able to receive email using your data plan. When you're in an area with no internet it often helps to turn off wifi in your Settings, and then your data works better. You can also come to the Phillips Center, where our free wifi, "Village Guest", was working. There is no password required, and you can use that to check email.

Phone Call. This time we did phone calls only (no texts) to all landlines and mobile phones of members. Many of you have cordless or other electric-powered phones so your landlines weren't working and you did not receive the call. (You can get a corded landline phone for use during power outages at our local Walmart for \$10.88 while supplies last. These are also frequently for sale at thrift shops, and on Amazon there are models for \$15-\$20 as well.) The system uses caller ID 658-3332; please put this in your Contacts so you will recognize it when it shows up, and you'll know to answer. If you don't answer, it will leave a voicemail. If you do not have voicemail activated, it will try three times to reach you.

Digital Signage. The screens in Phillips Center continue to work even when the power is out elsewhere on campus, and we posted each day's message on those. We also posted the menu of all three meals being served in RDR every day.

Member Website. The home page of www.ACVMembers.net was updated every day with the latest message and the menus. Most people should be able to access this using their cell phone data plan when internet is down.

We will be introducing a new mobile app for your phone or tablet very soon, and that will give us another way to keep in touch!

Cell Phone Charging

Space was at a premium for charging cell phones during the power outage. We are looking at additional ways to provide this service to our members without crowding the IC. Please always remember that your phone charges most efficiently when you are not using it; putting it in airplane mode also helps it charge faster.

To help you through any future power outages (hopefully not related to more hurricanes!), we have ordered a few portable power banks that you can try out to see how they work with your device. These are 10,000 mAh models that can charge two devices at one

Village Cashier's Office

Monday–Friday

10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

658-5343



**River Landing Bistro is
scheduled to REOPEN
Friday, Oct. 11.**

time (cell phone, tablet, watch, airpods, even battery-operated fans). A flyer with the full description is available at the table between the library and IC in the Phillips Center. We expect to have these on Friday. If you would like to order one you can add your name to the list; they are \$10 each.

Volunteers Needed for Candy Carnival

Do you have Halloween spirit and enjoy seeing kids dressed in their costumes? I'd love one or two volunteers to help me pass out candy to the kids at the Live Oak Candy Carnival on Saturday, Oct. 26, 5:00–9:00 p.m. at the Suwannee County Coliseum. I'll be there to set up and pack up at the end; I just need some help when the mad rush of kids come! Contact me at 658-5193 or mpollina@acvillage.net. Thanks!

MEMBER SERVICES

James Sutter—386-658-5400

The vaccine clinic originally scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 1, has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 22. We ask that, even if you had a timeslot set for Oct. 1, please call and schedule a time for Oct. 22. If you have already filled out of the consent form, you do not need to fill out another form.

Autumn Fest is only one week away. Yes, we are still planning to have the annual event on Saturday, Oct. 12, at the VS. Everything will begin at 8:00 a.m. and run through 1:00 p.m. There will be vendors selling a variety of wares, live music by Dan and Cindi Perron, a local authors exhibit, and more. Please plan to attend.

If you are a local author and would like to be part of the local authors exhibit, call MS.

We will have three contests at Autumn Fest. The first is a pumpkin yummy contest. The second will be a pumpkin decorating contest. The third will be a "dress as a scarecrow" contest. See the flyer toward the end of this FNN for details.

A number of volunteers will be needed that day. If you are willing to volunteer, please call MS. We need people to help with the bake sale and with parking.

Nov. 2, we are planning to have both a chili and soup cook-off and an ACV's Got Talent contest. We will need a minimum number of participants in order to have these events. If you are interested in participating, please call MS. The proceeds from these events will go to ACV's benevolent fund.

Member Services Tip of the Week

Medicare open enrollment begins Oct. 15 and ends Dec. 7. During this time, people can review and change their Medicare coverage, including Part D prescription drug plans, which will take effect on Jan. 1 of the following year.

Scam Tip of the Week:

Sweepstakes and Lottery Scams

Imposters claiming to be with the Governor's Office, Attorney General's Office or a private law firm will call or email a potential victim and tell them they have won the Publisher's Clearing-house sweepstakes, a foreign sweepstakes or a foreign lottery. Victims are told they need to pay customs duties or taxes before the winnings can be sent to them. Legitimate sweepstakes do not require you to pay anything to receive the prize you have won. If you are told that you must pre-pay taxes, you are probably being scammed. Taxes can either be withheld from a cash award or, more commonly, are reported by the company to the IRS, and you declare the prize on your annual tax return. Also, know that participating in a foreign lottery is against federal law.

If you believe you are the victim of a scam, file a complaint with the Attorney General's Office online at www.myfloridalegal.com or by phone at 1-866-9-NO-SCAM. You may also file a complaint with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, which acts as the State's consumer complaint clearing-house, at www.floridaconsumerhelp.com. (Source: The Florida Attorney General's Office)

Volunteer Opportunities

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

1. Lunch deliverer for shut-ins. Meals are prepared by the dining room and picked up prior to 11:00 to be delivered to each shut-ins' door.

2. Outdoor beautification volunteer. Volunteers are needed to help Environmental Services beautify ACV's grounds by weeding flowerbeds, etc.
3. Village archives attendant. More attendants are needed to help at the Brooks Archive.

ACV ACTIVITY NEWS

CONNECTING THREADS MINISTRY

Esther Bruckel, Reporter

The Sewing Center in KC will be open Monday, Oct. 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. There will be a variety of things to do. Drop in to see how you can help, or bring your own project. We look forward to connecting with you.

GARDEN CLUB

Gary Kueppers, Reporter

We are beginning our annual sales of pecans. Look for a flyer or other notice of how to purchase pecans, cashews and peanuts. For more information, contact Gary Kueppers at gkuep1945@windstream.net or 658-6442.

VILLAGE LIBRARY

Monday–Friday

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

Brenda Reas, Reporter

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

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

PEN PAL PROGRAM

A Committee of the Membership Association Monica Serlick, Reporter

The next letter pick-up and delivery date is Friday, Oct. 4. Make sure you write to your pen pal and get your letters to the IC before noon. The youth will then get your letters that afternoon or by Monday. The next trip to the Ranch will be for the Christmas banquet. I will post more information as soon as I have it. If you want to become a pen pal, please contact me at (386) 330-4865 and leave a message. I will call you back.

"Every child deserves a champion — an adult who understands the power of connection and insists that they become the best they can possibly be" (Rita Pierson).

STEPHEN MINISTRIES

Robin Copeland, Reporter

Here is what our Stephen Ministers are studying this week. Please lift them up in your prayers as they continue to learn to care in Jesus' name.

Session Five: Distinctively Christian Caring (Part 2). This is the second of two sessions on this topic, as Stephen Ministers explore how Christian caregivers have something distinctive that they can offer that other caregivers cannot provide: God's unconditional love and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. In this session our Stephen Ministers will specifically practice and discuss the use of prayer, confession and absolution, and the Bible in caregiving relationships.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BUTTERFIELD ACRES

Jack "CrackerJack" Dixon, Reporter

"Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross and follow me'" (Matthew 16:24 NLT).

Here we go again with the weather systems teaching us that Mother Nature can really get our

attention when she wants to. We question why when we see the reports from areas like Asheville, N.C., with all the destruction and devastation. We can only pray for those poor people, and if possible send articles of clothing, food and supplies. We have for the most part been blessed with a small amount of the damage we could of have had if it had wobbled to the east instead of the west. Thank you, Jesus.

This is an announcement to update the information in last week's FNN in regards to Arlene Williamson, who passed away a week ago. Because of storm damage to Westside Baptist Church, Arlene's celebration of life service will be at Daniels Funeral Home, 1126 Ohio Drive North, on Saturday, Oct. 5, at 3:00 p.m.

Everybody seems to be in a hurry to get the yard cleaned up. I say pace yourself, or hire someone to do it for you. We senior citizens for the most part (yours truly included) have no business climbing ladders and trees to get the job done unless it's obstructing the right of away or fallen on something. For crying out loud it will be there tomorrow.

Please be extra cautious hiring contractors. MS is issuing identification to those they have been approved. Do not be a victim of fraud.

First voice: "How do you feel this morning?"
Second voice: "Fine". First voice: "Sorry, I guess I dialed the wrong number!" It is better to understand little than to misunderstand a lot!

From the veranda of our humble abode overlooking the ever-so-smooth and dust-free 102nd Trail: Remember, as long as your conscience is your friend, never mind about your enemies, and never forget who is in charge. Isaiah 40:28-31. God bless!

CARTER HOUSE **Monica Serlick, Reporter**

When you see these folks out and about, don't forget to wish them well for their special day. We wish a blessed and happy birthday to Penny Frye on Oct. 3, Richard Gillette on Oct. 5, Janet King on Oct. 8, and Louise Grant on Oct. 11. "May the joy that you have spread in the past come back to you on this day. Wishing you a very happy birthday!" "Your life is just about to pick up speed and blast off into the stratosphere. Wear a seat belt and be sure to enjoy the journey. Happy birthday" (shutterfly.com)!

Please continue to keep those who are struggling with personal issues and those feeling under the weather in your prayers.

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

We have weathered another very severe hurricane this past week. God has truly blessed us in the Village — keeping us safe, with no injuries reported, and for that alone we should be and are very grateful. Psalm 46:1-3, says, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. Though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quack with their surging."

Quora.com quotes, "If you never go anywhere but where Christ leads the way, you need not be afraid of storms, for they will beat upon him more than upon you."

Please remember that the hurricane season runs till the end of November. Remain prepared for possible further storms. During power outages, emergency outlets are few and are intended for durable medical equipment as a first priority. Extensions with multiple phones, tablets, laptops and gaming electronics should not be left unattended. If someone needs to charge any medical equipment they are within their rights to unplug your devices to charge their units. They may or may not plug your device back in.

It is unacceptable to plug in and hang out playing games on your devices to pass the time of day and thereby stop others from having an opportunity to charge their devices or phones. Let's start being more considerate of all the other people who have to access the limited number of charging stations.

Remember to be respectful of other residents and visitors. Please do not confront anyone if you think they are violating any of ACV's rules or policies. If you see anything that you believe is out of the ordinary or

∞ At the Village Square ∞

Riverside Gifts

Once again beautiful birds on lightweight metal sticks have flown into this shop. These lifelike birds can be put in planters, beside your name on your apartment door, etc.

Lightweight scarves are on display beside the autumn-themed earrings. There are also anklets, rings, bracelets, pins and necklaces to grace every woman.

If you want to hunker down and read, search in the Book Nook for Diane and David Munson's very exciting mysteries. They have written books for teens and adults. Pick up one or more pairs of reading glasses with their +2.50 magnification to have on hand. There are glass cases, too.

Have you chosen one of the small notebooks with its pen to keep in your car or walker? The Bible verse of "Pray about everything, worry about nothing" is an excellent reminder.

Birthday cards for specific years are always available in the stationary department. There are ACV notecards, beautiful flower notecards, and humorous cards.

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

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

Rustic Shop

Vintage jewelry (earrings, bracelets, brooches and necklaces) is an inexpensive way to dress up a women's outfit. Men's tie bars, tie tacks, and tie chains are available.

There are so many dish sets from which to choose: Chanticleer, Hull US, and many choices in stoneware colors. There are also cutlery sets, serving utensils, and silverware sets. Ask the friendly clerks to help you choose the best ones for you!

The 100th Anniversary ACV Cookbook is still on sale for a great price. Browse through the one on display to find the recipes from yesteryear that you loved.

A quick reminder: There is an awesome display of cards for all occasions at \$1.00 each.

Clothing repairs and alterations is a service that we provide. Bring in your bagged items with your name and phone number attached.

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

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

Twice Nice Shop

The change-over to autumn colors is not just happening on trees. We have beautiful blouses, dresses, skirt sets, and sweaters in fall colors. Men, come see the handsome shirts, jackets, and sport coats in the expanded Men's Department. The prices for all of these are incredibly low!

In the Book Nook, all Christian books, including devotionals and study guides, are BOGO through Oct. 11.

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

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Open Saturday, Oct. 5, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Check out our medical assistance area. We have wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, raised toilet seats, canes, crutches, bed protectors, and personal hygiene supplies. We have an awesome mobility scooter with all the bells and whistles!

inappropriate, please contact the IC at 658-3333 and report it. They will ensure someone is sent to check things out. This is your home; IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!

DOWLING HOUSE

Patricia-Adele Lyons, Reporter

Welcome to October. We have three birthdays to celebrate: Jolene Jump on the 1st; Mary Francis Cone on the 2nd; and local author, Ethel Stenzel, on the 6th. (If you haven't read Ethel's book, you should; it is a great witness.)

Philippians 2:3-5: "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus ... "

During, and especially after this storm that just passed, I was reminded of this scripture. It teaches us to consider others' needs more important than our "wants" in an attitude of humility. Humility is thinking of yourself "less". Your focus shouldn't be on "you" and what "you" want; it should be on others and what they need in trying times. It is to be people-centered rather than self-centered. Consideration is thoughtful regard for others — abiding by the rules to keep peace in trying times, and being sensitive by respecting what others might be experiencing both physically or mentally during the storm, and especially after the storm has passed when they just need to rest and recover from it all.

Have a blessed weekend.

EDGEWOOD TERRACE

Linda Warner, Reporter

Wow! Three times in 13 months! In case you don't know what I'm talking about, it's Idalia, Debbie and Helene. Three very powerful women. I don't know many people, and I don't get around ACV a lot, but I have not heard of any local fatalities or serious injuries due to any of the storms. Thank you, Lord.

When I moved to ACV in April 2023, I was told we don't get hurricanes here. I was beginning to think I was a jinx, or the hurricanes followed me here, but there are a few other neighbors that feel the same way because they moved in at about the same time I did. I don't really think it's a jinx — just a little joke — although hurricanes are no joking matter. Nobody can control Mother Nature.

I wondered why hurricanes always happen when it's so darn hot. I would rather throw more blankets or clothes on me than to deal with the heat and humidity. Thinking about it, I answered my own question. Hurricane season runs from June to November.

I have heard Helene was bigger and stronger than Idalia. We, at ACV, experienced more damage from Idalia than from Helene. Idalia left me with two holes in my roof, while Helene just broke a flower pot. I have seen downed trees, trees on houses, and telephone poles snapped off. I'm certainly not saying that Helene was not destructive. Usually once a hurricane hits land it begins to weaken. Helene weakened some but still managed to cause death and destruction across Georgia and North Carolina.

Roy's restaurant in Steinhatchee, a restaurant that has been on ACV's dine-out list, was damaged by Idalia. I visited Roy's after Idalia. They restored the restaurant and reopened. Once again, Roy's sustained a lot of damage from Helene, but they vow to reopen once again. How many times can they be hit by hurricanes before insurance will not cover them or the premiums get too high? They have been resilient so far.

Looking at Georgia and North Carolina, we can see homes and businesses destroyed, flooding, downed trees and utility poles, mud slides, and so much more. I saw on the news that the communities are pulling together to help one another. It touches my heart to see people helping people, but it makes me wonder why it takes a disaster to see this compassion for our neighbors? I pray we all recover and rebuild. God bless.

GOOD SAMARITAN CENTER AND DACIER MANOR

Bruce Arnold, Reporter

In the first 11 verses of Psalm 37, we see the phrase "do not fret" repeated three times. First concerning evil people, then when evil men succeed in their ways, and finally with a warning of what happens when we fret. With the presidential election approaching, just about a month away, we can do well to heed these three words.

Many of the political advertisements I've seen and heard are full of negativity concerning the opponent. People seem to be fretting over the possibility of a candidate they don't like being elected in November.

We've seen the attempted assassination of one of the candidates recently, which I believe is the result of what Verse 8 says, "do not fret, it only leads to evil." As children of God, we must be aware and concerned about our society, and we need to be commendable citizens. When we fret and worry, it only leads to trouble. In this crucial time, let's show that we trust in God, and His truth. Let us vote accordingly and not fret over what may or may not happen! Make it your desire to not fret. Ask the Lord to help you to trust in Him, whatever takes place on election day.

Nancy West, a resident at GSC, shares the following after Hurricane Helene: "I have always been afraid of hurricanes. Idalia did a lot of damage, not only physically, but emotionally. I have had trouble sleeping since then. During Helene, my nurse gave me something to help me sleep better. I talked to my daughter during the storm, and she kept me calm until the nurses could come and take my bed out into the hall. I was the last one that was put to bed. When I woke up the next morning, I was in my bed, in my room, and breakfast was on the table in front of me, and my stuffed animals were next to me. I am thankful for the good care I have at GSC. They kept me calm during this storm."

A DM resident shared how grateful she was for Crystal at 2:00 a.m. letting them know it was safe to return to their rooms.

There will be a memorial service at GSC on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10:00 a.m. in Magnolia Dining Room. We will remember Robert Bland, Nancy Cornell, Nair Maqueda, William Davidson, Clifford Tusing, Marjorie Hoffman and Dottie Cook.

MEMBER BENEFITS

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

This week's member benefit of note:

Free shuttle bus transportation around campus and to a few local off-campus locations is available to both on- and off-campus members. Call 208-2584 to schedule a pick-up.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

HURRICANE HELENE RESOURCES

Crisis Cleanup Hotline

If you need help cleaning up damage from Hurricane Helene, call 1-844-965-1386 to ask for help. Crisis Cleanup will connect you with volunteers from local relief organizations, community groups, and faith communities who may be able to assist with muck out, trees, tarping, and debris removal. All services are free, but service is not guaranteed due to the overwhelming need. This hotline will remain open through Friday, Oct. 11. This hotline cannot assist with social services such as food, clothing, shelter, insurance, or questions about FEMA registration.

 **Remember to Wave** 

Florida Baptist Disaster Relief

Florida Baptist Disaster Relief may be contacted by calling (904) 253-0502, texting Helene to 27123, or emailing fldrresponse@gmail.com.

Hope Florida

If you need help recovering from Hurricane Helene, call 1-833-GET-HOPE for free assistance and resources such as food, household goods, debris removal, and in some cases, travel trailers. Hope Navigators stand ready to listen and help. Visit hopeflorida.com/get-help/helene.html for more information.

Points of Distribution

Food, water, ice and tarps are available at the Dowling Park Church of God, the Live Oak Mall, Hatch Park in Branford, McAlpin Community Center, and Wellborn Community Center. All locations also have comfort stations (bathroom, shower and laundry).

SNAP Update

Current SNAP recipients who lost food due to Hurricane Helene can apply for food replacement. To learn more, visit myflfamilies.com/Helene.

NINAN SWORDS ROGERS'S NEWEST BOOK

Ninan Swords Rogers's latest book, *The Backyard Horse Owner's Manual*, is now available for check-out at the ACV library (across the hall from the IC). New and potential horse owners will benefit from this book of personal experience.

FROM BAGS TO BEDS

Linda Warner, Reporter

Three weeks away from plann! Two weeks I hope were a pleasant time off. The third week, well, we all know that was not pleasant. I hope all were safe during the hurricane. As for the after effects, thank the Lord we were not without power longer. Electricity and running water are two things that most Americans take for granted until we do not have them. How many times have you gone into a room and flipped the switch expecting the lights to come on? When the power comes back on, I always expect my whole house to be lit up.

I am hoping to get back on schedule. If ever there is a question on whether we're going to meet or not, do not hesitate to call me at (904) 484-8796. Hope to see you on Thursday at Cleo's Meeting House, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon. Thank you for your support and understanding.

VIRTUAL MEDICARE CLASSES

Register for one or more of the following Zoom classes by visiting <https://agingresources.org/events/> and clicking on the corresponding header.

- Oct. 7, 10:00–11:30 a.m.: Navigating Medicare.gov
- Oct. 9, 12:00–1:00 p.m.: Medicare Open Enrollment Q&A
- Oct. 24, 1:00–2:30 p.m.: Long Term Care Planning
- Oct. 30, 7:00 p.m.: Medicare Open Enrollment Q&A

ART GALLERY EXHIBIT

Chuck Eckel, Reporter

Marie Brown is the featured artist in the Art Gallery exhibit. Some of her vibrant paintings are displayed in the Art Gallery between the Lopin' Gopher and the RDR.

Marie recently moved to ACV from south Florida and joined the Artists Guild, but has painted and designed professionally for 30 years in the sign industry. She only recently has brought this experience into the world of art. She paints in a variety of mediums, but prefers watercolor.

Color is the essence of Marie's work. She specializes in animals, particularly horses and dogs. Each painting glows with a technicolor-like vibrancy. Her paintings are light hearted, playful and fun. Sometimes she paints a purple Corgi or a pink horse!

Marie was born in Georgia and raised in Texas. It was in Texas that she got experience in rodeos. As a young lady, she competed in bull riding and barrel racing! She also competed in horse shows and championship dog shows. As a matter of fact, she had a Top 10 corgi.

LEGAL SERVICES

The law firm of Robinson, Kennon & Kendron, P.A. will see clients by appointment only from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the following dates in the VS professional offices: Oct. 11 and 25, and Nov. 8 and 22. Dec. 6 and 20. To make an appointment, please call Leigh Ann Cannon at (386) 755-1334, Ext. 117.

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

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

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

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

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

RIDE-ABOUT

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

ACV QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do you have a question about the Village you think others would also like to ask? Submit your question to MS, and we will do our best to find out the answer for you and publish it here.

Q: I have some unused MRE heaters because I ate the meals cold or used my microwave to heat them. What do I do with the unused MRE heaters?

A: Please go ahead and activate any unused MRE heaters (one at a time) as directed on the packaging. After a heater has been used properly, it can be thrown in the garbage. For example, if you ate the Chef 5 Minute Meals, keep the heating pad in the plastic bag, mix and pour in the activation liquid, fold under the end of the bag (about 1/3 of the way down), put the bag on a heat-resistant surface, and wait. After about 20 minutes, pierce the bag with the tip of a knife to release any remaining steam, and throw the bag and heater in the trash.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the miracle workers in Dining Services. They worked diligently when the menu suddenly changed to get the food prepared. I was especially grateful when the menu changed from hamburgers to something that I could actually eat. Thank you.

Marge Reach

MISCELLANEOUS

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

FOR SALE: A Journey So Lite Scooter, blue, like new, used once in Gainesville Mall. Will sell for \$800. Contact Lew at 334-200-6331.**

FOR SALE: Whirlpool frost-free 16 cu. ft. upright freezer. Like new. On sale now at Lowes for \$649; new is about \$1,000. Asking \$450. Contact Monica at 386-330-4865 and please leave message.*

Prices 10/04–10/10



THE VILLAGE GROCER

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

GROCERY

Bush's Dark Red Kidney Beans	16 oz.	\$ 1.29
T-Smart Bathroom Tissue	4 rolls	\$ 1.29
Swanson Chicken A-La-King	10.5 oz.	\$ 2.39
Carnation Coffee Mate (non-dairy)	6 oz.	\$ 2.69
Mt. Olive Bread & Butter Stacker Pickles	16 oz.	\$ 3.99
Musselman's Apple Juice	64 oz.	\$ 4.79
Yoo-Hoo Chocolate Drink, 6 pack	12 oz.	\$ 4.99
Blue Plate Mayonnaise	16 oz.	\$ 4.99

DAIRY

Chobani Yogurt, all varieties	5.3 oz.	\$ 1.29
Move Over Margarine	10 oz.	\$ 1.99

PRODUCE

Large Baking Potatoes	each	\$.99
Baby Peeled Carrots	per lb.	\$ 1.49

FROZEN

Sara Lee Pound Cake	10.75 oz.	\$ 4.29
Stouffer's Dinners, all varieties	16 oz.	\$ 5.49

MEAT

Eckrich Meat Franks	12 oz.	\$ 1.29
Lean Pork Tenderloins	per lb.	\$ 3.49
Gwaltney Thick Sliced Bacon	12 oz.	\$ 3.99
Boneless Bottom Round Roast	per lb.	\$ 5.49
Lean Beef Cubed Steak	per lb.	\$ 5.99
Dutch Farms Breakfast Sandwiches	15 oz.	\$ 5.99
Seabest 51/60 Cooked Shrimp	12 oz.	\$ 5.99

CHEESE OF THE WEEK

American Cheese — \$6.29 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:

Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed,
for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

*Delivery available to on-campus ACV members only

Oct. 4–11, 2024

FRIDAY, 10/4

- \$6.44 Entrées:** Baked Rotisserie Chicken
\$1.21 Sides: Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Hot Vegetables
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

SATURDAY, 10/5

- \$2.53 Soup**
\$7.59 Whistle Stop Special: Loaded Baked Potato (Butter, Sour Cream, Chili, and Cheese), Soup, Fresh Biscuit, Assorted Desserts, Fountain Drink

SUNDAY, 10/6

NO LUNCH BUFFET

- \$6.44 Entrées:** Pork Loin BBQ Ribs, Fried Chicken
\$1.21 Sides: Macaroni and Cheese, Baked Beans, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Hot Vegetables, Cold Sides
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

MONDAY, 10/7

- \$2.53 Soup:** Broccoli Cheese
\$6.44 Entrées: Western Omelet Quiche, Liver and Onions
\$1.21 Sides: Cheesy Cauliflower, Cream Style Corn, Cold Salads, Fruit, Mushroom Rice with Gravy
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

TUESDAY, 10/8

- \$7.70 Special:** Salad Bar
\$6.44 Entrées: Grilled Cheese with Fire Roasted Tomato Bisque Soup, Country Fried Steak with White Gravy
\$1.21 Sides: Butter Beans, Honey Glazed Carrots, Fruit, Potatoes Au Gratin, Cold Salads
\$2.76 Desserts: Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

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

GF=Gluten-Free NSA=No Sugar Added

Rumph Dining Room Midday Dining Menu

Oct. 4–11, 2024

WEDNESDAY, 10/9

- \$2.53 Soup:** Garden Vegetable
- \$6.44 Entrées:** Two Slices of Pepperoni or Supreme Pizza, Fried Chicken
- \$1.21 Sides:** Succotash (Lima Beans and Corn), Four Bean Salad (Green, Waxed, Red Kidney, and Garbanzo Beans), Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Cold Salads, Fruit
- \$2.76 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

THURSDAY, 10/10

- \$6.44 Entrées:** Vegetable Lo Mein, Pepper Steak Stir Fry
- \$1.21 Sides:** Bermuda Vegetable Blend (Green Beans, Carrots, Peppers, and Broccoli), Garlic Spinach with Tomatoes, Lumpia Spring Rolls, Cold Salads, Fruit
- \$2.76 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts

FRIDAY, 10/11

- \$2.53 Soup:** Clam Chowder
- \$6.44 Entrées:** GF Baked Fish, GF Garlic Butter Shrimp, Tuscan Ravioli, Fried Catfish
- \$1.21 Sides:** Mixed Greens, Beets, Baked Beans, Cold Salads, Fruit, Cheesy Grits
- \$2.76 Desserts:** Assorted Regular and NSA Desserts



RUMPH DINING RM. \$8.85 WEEKDAY VALUE PLATE

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



River Landing Bistro is scheduled
to REOPEN Friday, Oct. 11.

Ann & Quinton
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658-5259

Mon–Fri: 11 am–1 pm
Sat. & Sun: 11 am–1:30 pm

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658-5259

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



658-5777

Wed–Thurs: 11 am–2 pm
Fri–Sat: 8–10:30 am | 11 am–8 pm

Autumn Fest 2024

Saturday, Oct. 12
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Village Square

Vendors • Food • Fun • Live Entertainment



**Pumpkin
yummy
contest.**
**Who can make
the best
pumpkin
baked good?**

Participants should drop off their baked goods at the Village Lodge office by 9:30 a.m. Oct. 12. Judging will take place at 10:00 a.m. All of the baked goods will be sold in a bake sale to benefit ACV benevolence.



**Pumpkin
decorating
contest.**
**Dream it,
carve it,
paint it,
make it ...**

Participants should drop off their entry at the Village Lodge office by 9:30 a.m. Oct. 12. Judging will take place at 10:00 a.m. Entries will be moved to the Lopin' Gopher art gallery following Autumn Fest.



**Dress as a
Scarecrow
contest.**
**Can you be the
scarecrow
outstanding
in their field?**

Participants should be at the Village Square in their costume by 10:00 a.m. Oct. 12. Judging will take place soon after 10:00 a.m. Winners will be announced at 11:00 a.m., after which costumes may be changed.



**Local authors
exhibit.**
**Meet them,
buy their books,
ask your
questions.**



**Live music —
Christian,
folk, and
'40s-'70s
10:00-1:00.**

***Call the Village Lodge at 658-5200 for booth rental.
Rental rates: \$15 for Village members and staff.****

*\$10 fee if ACV provides a table and chairs.

The page is framed by a decorative border of black and grey leaves and pumpkins. Two large pumpkins are positioned at the top corners, and two more are at the bottom corners. The background is filled with a dense pattern of smaller leaves.

Autumn Fest 2024

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Friday, Oct. 11

8:00a–5:00p Pumpkin Yummy Contest and Pumpkin Decorating Contest entries may be dropped off at the Village Lodge office (not required; may be dropped off before 9:30am Oct. 12).

3:00pm Village Square parking lot will be closed for setup.

Saturday, Oct. 12

6:30a–8:00a Vendors set up

8:00am Autumn Fest opens:

- ❖ Wares vendors: handmade kitchen items, soaps, greeting cards, artwork, crafts, ceramics, nuts, car air fresheners, rock and paper art, canned goods, Scentsy, plants, quilted items, t-shirts and tumblers, Avon, wreaths, stained glass, hats, antiques
- ❖ Information booths: political candidates, Suwannee Valley Humane Society, Hope Florida
- ❖ Food vendors: baked goods, sour dough, fudge, cheesecake, honey
- ❖ Local authors exhibit

8:00a–9:30a Pumpkin Yummy Contest and Pumpkin Decorating Contest entries may be dropped off at the Village Lodge office. Dress Like a Scarecrow Contest entries should arrive at 10:00am.)

9:00am Presentation of the flags by JROTC members, and the singing of the national anthem by Joe First

10:00am Live music by Dan and Cindi Perron begins (runs through 1:00pm) — contemporary Christian, folk, and '40s–'70s era music

10:00am Contest judging begins

11:00am Contest winners announced

1:00pm Autumn Fest closes

We hope to see you there!