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## Historical Marker At Casa Feliz Will Raise Public Awareness

Joining the Florida Division of Historical Resources Historical Marker Program, the City of Winter Park and Friends of Casa Feliz dedicated a marker to commemorate Casa Feliz as a historic site.

The Florida Historical Marker Program is one of the division's most popular and visible public history programs. It is designed to raise public awareness of Florida's rich cultural history and to enhance the enjoyment of our historic sites by citizens and tourists. Casa Feliz is one of more than 987 historical markers in the state.

Casa Feliz, or "Happy House" in Spanish, is the signature residential work of noted architect James Gamble Rogers II. Initially known as the Barbour Estate, this Andalusian-style masonry farmhouse was built during the Great Depression for a cost of \$28,000. In 2000, the house was sold and community members raised \$1.2 million in private donations to save the house from demoli-



Photo of historical marker unveiling.

tion, have it moved, and ultimately restored.

On August 1, 2001, Casa Feliz began its threeweek and four-day journey of almost 400 yards, taking 24 hours just to cross Interlachen Avenue alone. The structure was originally located at 656 Interlachen Ave., and in September 2001, settled at its new address 656 N. Park Ave. Restoration work began and the house opened to the public in the spring of 2005. Since then, over 175,000 guests have experienced Casa Feliz via hundreds of weddings, meetings, and other community gatherings.

Casa Feliz has also been recognized with three awards from the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation and was named one of the Top 25 Buildings in the State of Florida by the Florida Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The house was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2008.

access cityofwinterpark.org/historicpreservation to learn more about the city's historic preservation program and how property owners can preserve their historic properties.

# Winter Park Resident Input Requested At Next Transportation **Advisory Board Meeting**

In an ongoing effort to make our city sidewalks and curb ramps more ADA compliant, the Planning & Transportation Department is asking for Winter Park resident input at their next Transportation Advisory Board meeting, Monday, October 17, at 4 p.m. The meeting will be held in Commission Chambers located on the second floor of City Hall at 401 S. Park Ave. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you can participate virtually by accessing cityofwinterpark.org/meetings, or you may send questions or concerns to ADAcoordinator@cityofwinterpark.org.

Please look around your neighborhood and let Planning & Transportation know if there are areas of accessibility concerns on existing sidewalks such as missing truncated domes on curb ramps (example shown in photo), sidewalk sections that have been lifted due to tree roots, and/or major cracks that may interfere with mobility. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Photo courtesy of City of Winter Park. If you'd like to attend the meeting, it will be held on Oct. 17 at 4 p.m. on the second floor of City Hall at 401 S. Park Avenue. Or viewed online at cityofwinterpark.org/meetings.



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## Publisher's Message



Rick Cable

As I'm writing this month's message, we all just battled what I consider to be the most devastating hurricane of my lifetime, and when all the final reports come in,

it might be the most destructive in our state's history. Hurricanes are just a way of life for Floridians, but the record surges, and the amount of rain combined with this slow-moving beast was unimaginable. They are reporting that Orlando received an absurd 15" of rain. The previous daily record was eight inches. My heart goes out to all those who were in Ian's path, especially those on the southwest coast. Please note, we have two more months of hurricane season, so remember to restock your provisions and supplies when you can.

October happens to be my favorite time of year, as it offers cooler weather and some wellestablished events to get out and enjoy.

The most notable event is the 49th Annual Winter Park Autumn Art festival in Central

Park on October 8th and 9th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on both days. This family-friendly event is the only juried fine art festival that exclusively

> features Florida artists and is hosted by the Winter Park Chamber of Commerce.

> > Commissioner Stuart's message also includes a few other great fall activities that you might want to consider. In closing, this month kicks off the

all-important fourth

quarter for our local businesses. Please kindly give our advertisers consideration for your business. Not only are they our friends and neighbors, but they also come together to support the "positive news that matters," and for this we are thankful.

> As always, thank you for reading The Park Press, and we look forward to the great things to come!

Rick Rick Cable Founder/Owner

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### City Commissioner's Message Commissioner Robert F. Stuart, City of Orlando District 3



As we begin October, let me remind you about National Night Out (NNO). This is America's night to give crime and drugs a going-away party. We are celebrating NNO in the City of Orlando on October 4th! By joining us you will help us promote involvement in

crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, and neighborhood camaraderie!

As we celebrate the great fall pastime of football,



join Florida Citrus Sports for their annual event, Feast on the 50, taking place on Thursday, October 6th from 5:30 -8:30 p.m. on the field of Camping World Stadium. This is an event for the whole family. Visit www.

floridacitrussports.com for further details.

October is also a month of great jazz music in Orlando! On Saturday, October 15 from 7-10 p.m., enjoy the Jazz and Blues Stroll through Leu Gardens. Lobos Coffee roasters will be selling a variety of coffee and desserts during the concert! Make sure to buy your tickets in advance to get a special price! Visit www.leugardens.org for more information.



Leu Gardens presents Jazz'n Blues Concert on Saturday, October 15 from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m

This year, the College Park Jazz Fest will take place on November 5th. This event started twenty years ago, and it is one of College Park's most beloved traditions. Expect to dance through College Park while supporting local shops! For more information, visit www.collegeparkmainstreet.com.

As we get into the Halloween spirit, here are a couple of safety tips to encourage a fun and safe Halloween night:

- Know your children's route.
- Take a flashlight.
- Be sure costumes, shoes, and treat bags don't pose any risks or hazards.
- Remind kids not to enter strangers' homes or
- Be sure to inspect all treats before allowing kids to eat them.
- Remember drivers have a hard time seeing people, especially at dusk.
- Never cross the street between parked cars.
- Watch open flames from jack-o-lanterns as they can catch costumes and long wigs on fire.

It is also important to ensure that your home is safe and accessible to trick-or-treaters. As adults, there are some very simple things we can do to make the evening safe for everyone:

- Turn on your porch light.
- Move lit jack-o-lanterns off the porch where kids get bunched up when trick-or-treating in
- Remove objects from your yard that might present a hazard.
- Drive slowly all evening as you never know what may suddenly cross your path.
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity to the police (non-emergency number, 321-235-5300).
- Keep in mind the effect that all the visitors might have on your family pets and keep them away from the front door if they seem overwhelmed.

Once again, thank you for your support and for taking the time to do your part in helping keep our community safe and healthy. Happy Halloween and Happy Fall to you and your family!

# Taking Cancer Care to the Next Level in Winter Park



**Now Accepting New Patients** To schedule an appointment, call 407-821-3567. Our nationally recognized oncology team at AdventHealth Winter Park is focused on improving the quality of life for our community.

As our Cancer Institute continues to grow, we're proud to welcome Rajesh Sehgal, MBBS, MD, MBA, FACP, our new director of oncology, to the team!

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## Winter Park Mayor's Message Mayor Phil Anderson



### Welcome To "Florida Fall"

When I lived in Chicago, this is when we pulled the heavy coats out of the closet and set out the snow shovel. Here in Florida, we are still in swim suits and drinking iced tea! I love Chicago, but I prefer the

iced tea in October.

At City Hall, this is also the time of year we finalize our budgets for the next fiscal year, October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. We look at our priorities. We look at our revenues. We always make sure the budget is balanced. Our city team does an amazing job fitting all the pieces together.

With a strong post-COVID recovery, our expectation for Fiscal Year 2023 is good. The city continues to deliver the great high-level services and facilities that help make Winter Park such a great place to live and work.

I am pleased to report the city is in great financial shape. In spite of a competitive job market and some rising costs, stronger than expected revenues are fully absorbing those costs.

Our budget reflects our priorities as a community:

• A commitment to public safety with the best police and fire departments and fastest response times in the region. We continue to adjust our compensation to be competitive. In this fiscal year, we are using existing funds to invest in a notable piece of firerescue equipment: a new 100-foot ladder truck expected to be delivered in the first quarter of 2024.



- A commitment to high quality public services and the people that make it possible. We have made retaining and recruiting team members a priority.
- Investment in our neighborhoods and projects that address traffic. We are working with our state and regional transportation departments to design and aggressively pursue federal and state funds for solutions to traffic and safety improvements.
- Investment in our parks, lakes and trees. The next stage of creating the new park at Denning Drive and Orange Avenue is well underway. And we expect to finalize the improvements to Martin Luther King, Jr. Park later this year.
- A commitment to support our world-class, non-profit partners, like the Winter Park Library, as they deliver great opportunities for Winter Park families.
- Evaluation and investment in our cityowned utilizes to make them more efficient

and sustainable. For example, we are working with consultants evaluating our power company to find ways that make our energy costs lower using more solargenerated power to replace more expensive sources of energy.

We are fortunate to have a great team, a rebounding economy, and a desirable real estate market to deliver a balanced budget. And in spite of post-COVID uncertainties, these revenues and our city's effective expense management during the challenging pandemic, allow us to balance the budget without reaching into our \$19 million of financial reserves - truly something to celebrate.

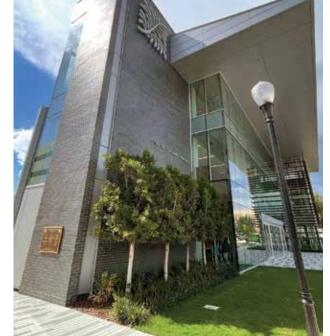
I am proud of our city's team and my fellow commissioners as we all work together to deliver the services you expect. The team works hard to make it all come together. I would ask you to give a nod of thanks to our city workers the next time you see one of our crews hard at work. And please, let us know if there are opportunities to improve.

Thank you for the privilege to serve our beautiful city,

Phil Anderson

## **Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation Celebrates Completion** Of New Flagship Office Building





Images courtesy of the Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation.

The Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation's newly completed flagship office building officially opened September 15 at 199 S. Knowles Ave. at the corner of Welbourne Avenue in downtown Winter Park.

Known formally as "The Edyth," the 14,500 square foot, one-of-a-kind, Class A+ office building was designed by the architectural firm of SchenkelSchultz. The Edyth will house the Foundation's headquarters in the 6,000 square foot top floor, with the Alfred I. duPont Trust occupying the second-floor tenant suite. The first floor boasts a spacious and versatile

meeting center for use by the Foundation and invitees for special events and meetings.

Orlando-based Jack Jennings & Sons was the general contractor on the project.

Hold-Thyssen, Inc. a full service commercial real estate firm, has been named the management representative. Robert P. Hold, Principal at Hold-Thyssen, said Associate Vik Mahadeo is leading his firm's management team for the Foundation's building, covering all responsibilities from facilities management, coordinating systems maintenance, vendor relations and scheduling routine maintenance and repairs.

The Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation, which was reincorporated in Winter Park in 1973, is a private grant making institution creating innovative civic solutions to help people help themselves.

Hold Thyssen, Inc. provides commercial property brokerage and leasing and management services to institutional and private investor clients nationwide. The 40-year-old firm's current management portfolio includes more than 100 commercial properties throughout the United States.

## Orlando Launches New Program To Reduce Crime And Enhance Safety

The City of Orlando and Orlando Police Department (OPD) launched their latest effort to leverage state-of-the-art technology and collaborations with businesses and residents to keep Orlando safe. The new program, Orlando Connect, aims to integrate city-owned cameras and privately-owned cameras together to transform the way police officers can respond to, solve, and deter crime.

"As a future ready city, we are always looking at how we can leverage emerging technology in a way that benefits our residents and businesses," said Mayor Buddy Dyer. "This new program does just that, while also furthering our efforts to keep Orlando safe in the everchanging world we live in."

Currently, Orlando Connect operates with a network of more than 1,100 city-owned cameras located throughout the city. The video feeds are unified into the OPD's Crime Center and can be accessed live by officers on their cellphones and laptops to assist them in responding to public safety situations before they even arrive on scene, increasing safety, efficiency, and effectiveness for officers and the community.

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Orlando Connect operates a network of more than 1,100 city-owned cameras located throughout the city. Photo courtesy of City of Orlando.



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## Orange County Commits Up To \$4.4 Million To Ensure Access To Internet

With up to \$4.4 million in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), Orange County will ensure that all homes have access to high-speed internet. Currently, several rural residential properties - located in South Apopka and East Orange County - have no access to the modern fixed broadband infrastructure necessary to participate in online employment, education, telehealth opportunities, services and more. On Tuesday, August 30, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved a proposal from Charter Communications Holdings, better known as Spectrum, to provide the infrastructure for the project to include installation, marketing, and educational programming made possible by the federal funding. Spectrum will also make a significant investment in the project.

"It is public-private partnerships like this that allow Orange County to move forward," said Orange County Mayor Jerry L. Demings. "We are providing equitable access to our rural residents and bridging the digital divide that exists because of a lack of infrastructure."

Continued Demings, "High-speed internet access is not a luxury. In the year 2022 and beyond, it is a necessity. Global connectedness brings vital services including telehealth, education, and access to information that proved critical during the pandemic. I'm pleased that we will soon be able to say that 100% of Orange County is connected by broadband."

Upon completion of contractual negotiations, Spectrum is expected to break ground to lay fiber optics cable before the end of the year. Residents with homes located in the affected rural areas are expected to have fixed broadband access in 2023 and 2024.

This project will be led by the newly named Chief Innovation & Emerging Technologies officer, Simone Babb.



Photo: Simone Babb.

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Residents and businesses can now join the program by registering their cameras and/or integrating their systems to channel their privately-owned security camera footage directly to officers, to access when necessary.

"The ability this integrated system has to expand the eyes of the police department, with

capability to access both public and private camera feeds, is a game-changer for fighting and deterring crime," said Chief Eric D. Smith of OPD. "The program will not only give our officers the latest tool in tech-

nology to fight crime with, but will also help expedite the gathering of evidence, ultimately leading to swifter capture of criminals."

Businesses and residents interested in joining the program have two options – to register or to integrate their cameras. Registering a camera lets officers know where private security cameras are located and provides contact information to assist with getting video footage when needed to investigate a crime. The integrated feature allows a business or resident to share their live video feeds directly from their cameras to police, allowing them to immediately access them in the investigation of criminal activity.

Called by some as the "neighborhood watch of the 21st century," similar programs in Atlanta and Minneapolis have seen great success with resident and business engagement, preventing and solving crimes and helping assist vulnerable citizens.

The program has strict guidelines that are in accordance with current and

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applicable law, to uphold all privacy laws and ensure there are no violations of any individual's civil rights. For example, the program will only accept video feeds from private cameras that are located where the public has access to be, and there is no expectation of privacy related to that space. Additionally, the department has developed a robust policy to govern the program and ensure the cameras are only accessed during public safety incidents and that no private video feeds are recorded.

To join the Orlando Connect program and register or integrate camera systems, residents and businesses can go to Orlando.gov/orlando-connect.

For businesses located in the Downtown CRA there is also a grant program, Safety Awareness for Everyone (S.A.F.E.), that can assist with the purchase of security cameras (as well identification scanners and metal detectors) to help further participation in the Orlando Connect program and enhance safety in the downtown core. For more information on S.A.F.E., please visit https://www.downtownorlando.com/Business/Incentives/S.A.F.E.-Program.



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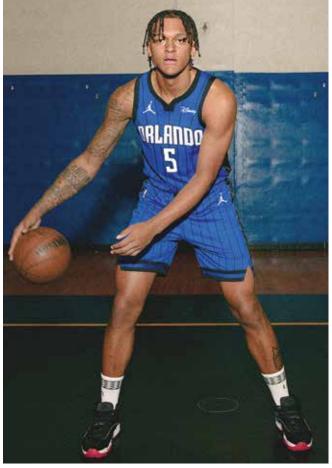
## Orlando Magic Unveil Statement Edition Jersey For 2022-'23 Season

Inspired by legends, the Orlando Magic unveil its new Statement Edition uniform. The uniform features the team's primary blue color and black pinstripes as a tribute to fan-favorite moments created by those Magic legends. The black star pattern cascades along the sides, paying homage to the uniforms from 1998-2003. The Magic's Statement Edition is a modern twist on a Magic classic, stars and pinstripes.

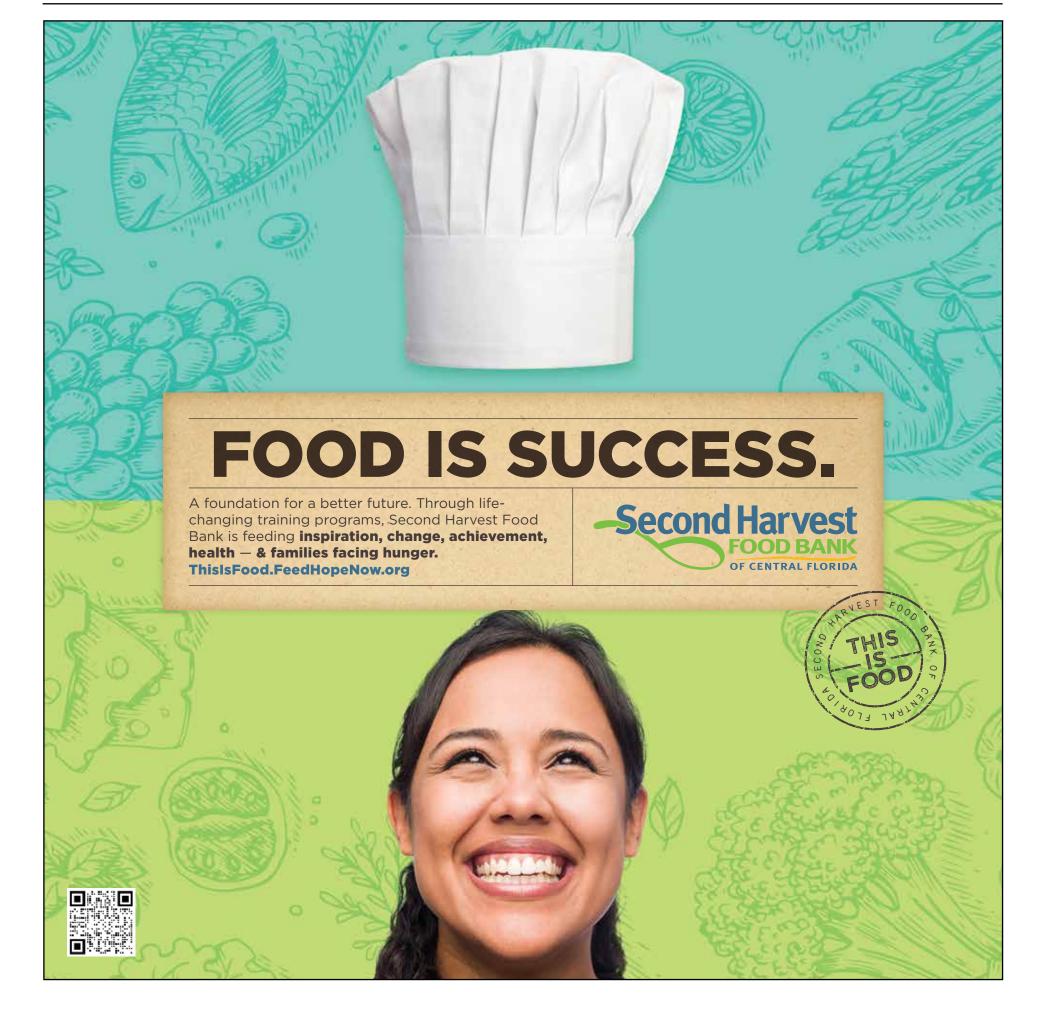
The uniform will debut during the 2022-'23 Magic season at the Oct. 22 home opener against the Boston Celtics. The team will wear the Statement uniform at ten home games this season. This is the third out of four uniforms in the Magic's collection this season. The team's other uniforms include Icon, Association, and a soon to be unveiled City Edition. The uniforms were developed through a collaborative effort between the NBA, its players, and Nike.

The new Statement jerseys can be preordered now through the Orlando Magic App sponsored by Verizon.

Photos of Paolo courtesy of Orlando Magic.







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### A Taste Of Nostalgia

The Winter Park Playhouse, Central Florida's professional musical theatre, continues its 20th Anniversary Series with a nod to simpler times in the musical comedy *Sh-Boom! Life Could Be A Dream* running now through October 16, 2022.

Performances are Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Friday and Saturday matinees at 2:00 p.m. and select Wednesday and Sunday matinees at 2:00 p.m. Two preview performances are scheduled for Thursday, September 22 at 7:30 p.m. and Friday, September 23 matinee at 2:00 p.m.

Get launched into Doo-Wop heaven with this high-energy musical that will have you longing for the days of American Bandstand, The Twist and perfect 4-part harmonies. The L.A. Times says, "Go! Spectacular! Affectionate and clever - a rousing good-time musical!"

Winner of the Los Angeles Drama Critics Best Musical Award, *Sh-Boom! Life Could Be A Dream* features over 25 hits from the 1950's and early 1960's including "Tears On My Pillow," "Runaround Sue," "Unchained Melody," "Earth Angel," "The Glory of Love" and many more!

The professional cast includes Russell Stephens (*Christmas My Way*) and Playhouse mainstage newcomers Adam Fields, Olivia LaBarge, Ryan Petty and Chase Williams.

Tay Anderson will direct and choreograph and Playhouse Musical Director Christopher Leavy will music direct. The Playhouse band will accompany with Mr. Leavy on piano, Sam Forrest on percussion, John Wilkins on keyboard and Ned Wilkinson on multiple instruments.

Ticket prices are \$46 evenings, \$43 senior evenings, \$39 matinees, \$22 preview performances, \$20 students and theatrical industry professionals. Group discount rates for 10 people or more are available. Student rush "\$10@10" offers \$10 tickets (for students ages 15 to 25 years) 10 minutes prior to a performance when seats are available. Mask wearing is currently optional at the theatre.

To purchase tickets for *Sh-Boom! Life Could Be A Dream* at The Winter Park Playhouse call the box office at 407-645-0145 or visit online at www. winterparkplayhouse.org.

### Central Florida Community Arts Announces New Board Members

Central Florida Community Arts (CFCArts) addedthree new members to its board of directors: Lynette Jackson, Jack Feivou, and Esu Ma'at.

With CFCArts continuing to expand and see ongoing success within the community, it's important to include individuals on the board who share a strong passion for the arts, the community, and its people, from various backgrounds and walks of life. All board members are elected for a three-year term and can be re-elected for an additional three years.

Lynette Jackson is a native Floridian with a passion for traveling, music, fashion, and food. Jackson has over 16 years of banking experience with Chase Bank, where she is now a community manager, and 20 years of experience in financial services.

In line with CFCArts, Jackson believes in having an impact and driving change in the lives of others. She is a mentor and life coach for young girls and serves on several community boards and organizations. She received the "Community Builder" award from Community Star for her work in the Central Orlando area.

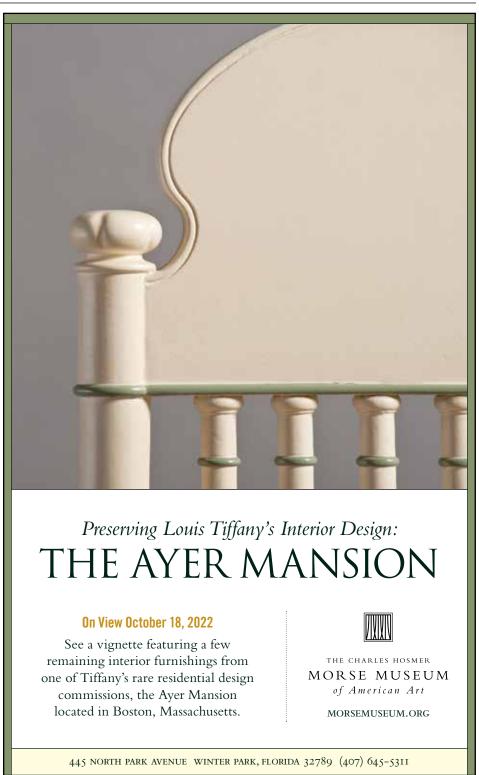
"I'm extremely excited to serve on the CFCArts board!" Jackson said. "It allows me the opportunity to marry my love of music and the arts with my personal responsibility of giving back to the Central Florida community."

Jackson joins the board of directors with Enchant Christmas' Vice President of Production and Executive Producer Jack Feivou. Feivou began his career in entertainment as a production manager for conventions and special events at Walt Disney World. In his first year, he managed over 200 events. Over the next four years, he also produced marketing events for WDW and Disney Cruise Line in Orlando and New York.

Feivou – a lifelong lover of dance – was given the opportunity to be the director of artistic operations and chief operating officer with the Boston Ballet. There, he worked closely with the artistic and executive directors and ran the company's production and daily operations."I am excited to join the board of CFCArts and be able to share my passion and experience with this wonderful community arts organization," Feivou said.

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### in the garden by Stephen and Kristin Pategas



Stephen & Kristin Pategas

## **Fertilize Wisely**

Lakes, rivers, and springs are critical natural resources. Unfortunately, leaching from septic tanks and stormwater runoff increases with development which can add more pollution into our waterways. Storm-

water runoff can carry excess nutrients and pollutants from fertilizers, oils, sediments, and litter. Yards that are improperly fertilized can also contribute to the pollution of our waterways. This happens when irrigation overspray or even rainfall moves excess fertilizers from walkways, driveways, and streets into storm drains and ultimately to our waterways.

Stressed waterbodies exhibit a degradation of water quality from increased nutrient production that reduces dissolved oxygen where fish and other aquatic species become stressed or die. An increase in algal growth can lead to reduced sunlight for beneficial aquatic plants to survive. Organisms that depend on this habitat suffer, such as the case with manatees starving from lack of beneficial aquatic plants to feed upon. This eutrophication process, which turns waterbodies into swamps, can occur naturally, however is accelerated through human activities. Improper fertilization practices are one which can be reduced with best practices by simply fertilizing wisely.

Many communities have created ordinances to protect water quality and valuable aquatic resources, including the City of Winter Park in 2020. Orange County recently strengthened their original fertilizer ordinance, taking effect on June 1, 2022, and includes all of the county. Key points include:

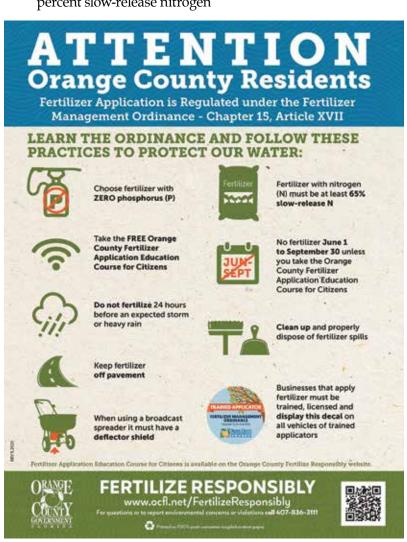
- All areas of property covered by lawn, turf, and landscape plants are subject to the fertilizer ordinance
- Fertilizers containing phosphorus (P on the fertilizer label) are prohibited unless a soil test shows deficiency
- Fertilizers containing nitrogen (N on the fertilizer label) must contain 65 percent slow-release nitrogen

- Limit each application to 1-pound total nitrogen per 1000 square feet not to exceed 3 lbs. of total nitrogen per year
- Deflector shields must be in place when broadcast spreaders are used next to streets, inlets, ditches, conveyances, and waterways
- No fertilizer or grass clippings shall be deposited on streets, driveways, or in storm drains
- No fertilizer shall be applied within 15 feet from waterways
- No fertilizer shall be applied when the National Weather Service issues an advisory for a severe thunderstorm, flood, tropical storm, or hurricane

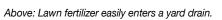
No fertilizer containing nitrogen (N) or phosphorus (P) may be applied in all areas of Orange County from June 1 through September 30, unless you comply with one of the following:

- 1. Non-contractor (aka residential) fertilizer applicators must have annual proof of training via completion of the online Orange County Fertilizer Application Education Course for Citizens.
- 2. Contractor (aka commercial) fertilizer applicators must have a valid FDACS Limited Fertilizer Applicator's License or proof of completion of Green Industries Best Management Practices (GI-BMP) within the previous three years.

Considering there are hundreds of thousands of properties in Orange County where fertilizers are being applied, a small change in current practices can make a big difference for the health of our lakes and waterways. For more information, search for "Orange County fertilizer ordinance" and from there, find links to the education course, contactor links, and the ordinance.









Above: Get Hooked on Clean Storm Drains - inlets are sometimes artistically labeled to remind people that whatever



Above: Stormwater headed into a storm drain carries pollutants including fertilizer residue.

### pop culture detours by George McGowan

## A Fantastic Music Find And A Television Sequel Have My Attention

When is a sequel? Or just a continuation of an ongoing story? In the case of the Amazon Prime TV series "Bosch" it is when the main character changes occupations. The initial Bosch series ran for seven seasons on Amazon and featured the hard-boiled police detective Hieronymus "Harry" Bosch, played by the great Titus Welliver, as a world-weary jazz-loving old-school cop who bent the rules to his own moral code ("Everybody counts or nobody counts") while solving murders for the Hollywood homicide division of the LAPD.

The series was based on the novels of Michael Connelly and created and produced by Eric Overmyer, a TV writer who had worked on some of the earliest examples of "Peak TV" such as "St. Elsewhere,"



"Homicide: Life on the Street," and "The Wire." So, obviously the bloodlines for Bosch are very strong. The series delivered on these expectations with thrills and intrigue, and it caused this viewer to limit its intake to only two episodes at a time lest he (and his wife) were to fall into a very timeconsuming binge.

So, imagine our delight when it was announced that there would be a sequel to this series, with the very unimaginative name of "Bosch: Legacy" but with the promise of having its main character return as a private investigator while his daughter joins the LAPD as a new rookie. The new series has completed its first season, this time airing on a streaming service called "Freevee" but still available on Amazon TV, only now with moderately annoying commercial breaks. And it has been announced that it will return for a

> second season! Which it had better have, because the first season ended on a major cliffhanger. The sequel delivers on its legacy, pardon the pun, and continues to put Bosch and his daughter in the midst of bad things happening to good people.

While we lose the give and take between Bosch and his LAPD colleagues, we gain a new and groovy high-tech wizard assisting Harry with the gadgets he needs to gather his intel, and more airtime for new officer Maddie Bosch (the equally great Madison Lintz) as she learns the ropes of

police work and demonstrates just how much she is exactly like her father. Tune in if you like a highquality police procedural with characters you will love to root for.

Speaking of people to root for, I discoveredthrough the power of Spotify's algorithm- a band with which I was not familiar, named "The Delines." This band, led by songwriter Willy Vlautin and vocalist Amy Boone, has their latest album named "The Sea Drift" filled with characters down on their luck and seeking answers in this crazy old world. Boone's vocal style is perfectly suited to the words written by Vlautin, who also happens to also be a moderately-successful novelist in his own right. The tunes lean toward southern folk-rock but include perfect swatches of muted trumpet to emphasize the world-weariness of the song's characters. The music and lyrics combine in a most interesting way - allowing us to feel the plight of the characters but somehow appreciate their perseverance and celebrate their humanity. The Delines are a fantastic band, and all of their albums are worth many listens.



## live meaningfully by Ayesha G. Shenk, M.A.

Fall In Love With Fall

Pumpkin patches are everywhere, there's just a touch of coolness in the air and more than enough fall festivities to spare!

So... poetry may not be my greatest calling. But autumn just gets my nostalgia brewing.

I went to high school in a small town outside of Boston. Every year, come October, we'd begin planning for the Topsfield Fair. This wasn't just any fair, mind you, this was the best of teenage splendor circa 1993. I'm talking fried dough, unsafe carnival rides, cool weather to cuddle with your crush, and exhaustion of the very best kind.

The Topsfield Fair represented more than

just a fall festival. It represented belonging, a sense of wonder, innocence found and the opportunity to just be a kid when hormones and pressures and angst populated most of the rest of the calendar days.

I look around now as our eldest daughter is applying to college and our son is navigating the brutal unconsciousness of eighth grade, and I think about how much simplicity that

time had and how little I was able to appreciate it. Life was not nearly as complicated as I believed it to be (nor nearly as complicated as it seems to be for kids now) and, try as I may, I still couldn't get out of my own way (and head) enough to just be blissful and enjoy my fleeting

youthful abandon.

I remember my dad trying to implore me to recognize that being young and soaking up all the goodness



of these years was "the best job ľd ever have."

I recall my mom telling me I needed to "take myself less seriously." (Apparently I've always been a bit of a deep thinker.) But you just don't know what you don't know. And life has a way of consuming you in the given moment.

It takes a lot... sometimes a lot of pain unfortunately... to wake us up and force perspective into our lenses. It's pretty rare even as we get older for us not to be sucked into whatever the trial or tribulation of the moment. But every once in a while, the temperature is just right, the aromatic cocktail of mulled spices and burning wood weaves its way through the air, and life becomes just a bit simpler for the

I believe fall has this kind of potential magic. It may not look or smell as traditionally

> autumnal in Florida, but this time of year offers a small intersection between the madness of summer and the blur of the holiday season.

October gives us the opportunity to just revel in the joy of being alive, 'playing' outside (research shows that grownups need a hearty dose of play to be healthy as well as children), planning your next adventure, or picking out the perfect pumpkin.

So, this October, I implore you to open your windows, put down your phones, plan a day at the fair, cuddle with your chosen crush... Fall in love with fall and find vourself in the moment.

With my gratitude 'til the next time... Be Well; Live Meaningfully. Ayesha

Photos from Topsfieldfair.org

### schools



Grandparents Celebrated at St. Charles On Wednesday, September 14, 2022 nearly 400 Grandparents/ friends and students celebrated Grandparents' Day, an annual favorite, at SCBCS. The morning started with Mass at St Charles Borromeo Catholic Church with Fr. Ralph Duwell and Fr. Nathan Soliven. Our guests enjoyed a special performance by our kindergarten and first graders. Grandparents/ friends then joined their students to enjoy refreshments in the Social Hall, followed by classroom visits. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to show off their school to some of the most important adults in their lives.

Thank you to the many parents who vol-

unteered for this special event and helped with setup, food service and clean up. Thank you to Aramark for catering and to Lifetouch for capturing the occasion with individual family photos.

Grandparents/friends play a critical role in the upbringing and education of their grandchild(ren). Many students would not be able to receive a Catholic education without the help and guidance from their grandparents. We would like to thank them for their legacy of love, wisdom and sacrifice. Thank you to all who have traveled near and far to join us on this special day. For information about SCBCS please visit, www. stcharlesschoolorlando.org.



Above: Three generations of the Elias family.



Above: Dr. Rodriguez, Principal, with the Johnson/Hildebrand family

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Sharing Jackson and Feivou's passion for leadership is Orlando Magic's Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, Esu Ma'at. Ma'at has worked closely with the Magic's executive team and their social justice task force to implement an impactful DEI strategy, making a powerful impact on the organization and the Central Florida community.

An artist and an athlete, Ma'at grew up in a family steeped in arts and culture. His father was a jazz pianist, and his mother was the curator of the Schomburg Center for Research

in Black Culture. Since attending the School of Performing Arts in New York and completing degrees in economics and sports management, Ma'at has held many different roles in diversity and equity. Before joining the Orlando Magic, he created and led the United States Tennis Association (USTA) Eastern Diversity and Inclusion department. He also served on the advisory board for the All-In Diversity Project, a London non-profit organization focusing on DEI indexing and worldwide standards.

"As a lifelong enthusiast, the arts are near and dear to my heart," Ma'at said. "Through board service and participation, I look forward to contributing to the growth and vitality of the local arts movement; in particular, making programs more accessible to local underresourced communities."

# protection and service by Jim Whitman, Winter Park Police Department

## It Is A Big Deal!

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Although we know the term "domestic violence," we police officers, have learned that many people are unaware of what that term means. According to Florida State Statute, domestic violence means any assault, aggravated assault, battery, aggravated battery, sexual assault, sexual battery, stalking, aggravated stalking, kidnapping, false imprisonment, or any criminal offense resulting in physical injury or death of one family or household member by another family or household member.

Now, that is a lot of information contained in that definition and it assumes that you know some of the definitions of some key terms such as "family or household member." The State of Florida defines family or household member as spouses, former spouses, persons related by blood or marriage, persons who are presently residing together as a family or who have resided together in the past as if a family, and persons who are parents of a child in common regardless of whether they have been married. With the exception of persons who have a child in common, the family or household members must be currently residing or have in the past resided together in the same single dwelling unit.

So, based on the above definition, two adult brothers who live together and get into a fight could get charged with battery (domestic violence) but, if you rent a room out to a stranger for several months and then you and the roommate get into a fight, that would result in a "battery" charge and not be (domestic) as the relationship does not meet any of the aforementioned qualifiers. One point that people often have difficulty understanding is that if a couple live together, have a child together, the relationship ends and one moves out of the shared domicile, the charge of battery (domestic violence) still applies, if they were to get into a fight, despite no longer residing together.

Unfortunately, domestic violence affects more than just the spouse or partner. Often times, people who commit the acts of domestic violence against their spouse or partner have also exhibited violent acts against children that they have in common, or their pets. Some of the signs a person may be in an abusive relationship include: making excuses for



injuries, suddenly exhibiting low self-esteem, seemingly always having to "check in" with their partner, skipping work or planned social engagements,

wearing clothes that are out of season to cover bruises or marks.

If you are a victim of domestic violence, realize that it is not your fault. If it is an emergency, call 911. Often times, you may be unsure what to do. Go to a friend's house or a business and use their phone to call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE (1-800-799-7233) or if local, the Harbor House crisis line at 407-886-2856 and let them help. If you are not in immediate danger, make a plan. Pack a bag with your important papers and medications, along with cash, and keep it at a friend's house. When the time is right, put your plan into action, know where you are going and the route you will take. Only let your closest friends and family know where you are located and let them know not to share that information with anyone.

If you suspect someone is a victim of domestic violence, say something to them. Even if you are not sure, something made you think about it and that may be just enough to help a victim out. This is not a time to spare someone's feelings. Although they may be embarrassed, tell them your observations, let them know you are there to help, and assist them in any way necessary. Provide them with the National Domestic Violence Hotline or Harbor House Crisis Line and assure them that you will support any choice they make.

After all, domestic violence is a big deal!



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