

Around The Area

Annual Kiwanis Pancake Day Saturday, Dec. 12

The Kiwanis Club of Ocala will host a drive-thru only Pancake Day Fundraiser, Saturday, Dec. 12, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Eighth Street Elementary School, 513 SE 8th St. Follow the directional signs leading to the two drive-thru pick up areas located on NE Tusawilla. The breakfast is traditionally held the morning of the Ocala Christmas Parade to help local children raise money for camp. The 63rd annual fundraiser will help send kids to Camp Kiwanis.

Pancake Day is the club's biggest — and tastiest — fundraiser and sponsorship drive to send children to Camp Kiwanis. Last year, the club sent 110 children to the camp for a one-week session. Camp sessions are conducted in partnership with Marion County Public Schools. "Scholarships cost about \$250 per camper," said club vice president and Pancake Day chairman Tammy Hoff, Ocala Electric Utility Public Education & Outreach Coordinator. "These sponsorship funds send kids, ages 7 to 13, to Camp Kiwanis who would not have been able to attend the camp otherwise."

Kiwanis Club of Ocala will also be giving away books to children riding in the car as part of the 'Reading Is Fundamental' program. The Kiwanis Club of Ocala distributes about 10,000 books annually at eight local elementary schools.

Additional club fundraisers include a golf tournament, sportsman's dinner, beef sale and business sponsors to support camper scholarships and help operate the multi-building camp, which also hosts various other youth and college-age student events.

"We'd like to send at least 100, perhaps 125, youth to Camp Kiwanis," said Hoff, "I remember going to Camp Kiwanis and my hope is to help as many kids get the same experience. Being a part of this organization allows me to fulfill the goal of sending kids to a camp where I have so many fond memories."

CF Closed For Winter Break Dec. 18-Jan. 1

All College of Central Florida campuses will be closed for winter break Friday, Dec. 18, through Friday, Jan. 1. The CF Post Office and Print Shop on the Ocala Campus will also be closed.

The Ocala Campus Bookstore will be open Dec. 7-11, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Dec. 14-18, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Dec. 21-23 and 28-30, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The Ocala Bookstore will be closed Dec. 24-26, 31 and Jan. 1. The Citrus Campus Bookstore will be closed to walk-in traffic Dec. 18-Jan. 1. Students can visit CF.bncollege.com to purchase spring course books.

The Appleton Museum of Art will be open Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and on Sunday from noon-5 p.m. The museum will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

The college will reopen Monday, Jan. 4. Spring 2021 classes begin Wednesday, Jan. 6.

For more information, call the Ocala Campus at 352-873-5800, Citrus Campus at 352-746-6721, or Jack Wilkinson Levy Campus at 352-658-4077.

Artistic Director (Conductor) Opportunity

The Marion Civic Chorale Community Chorus is currently doing a search for a new Artistic Director (Conductor)

The Marion Civic Chorale was established in 1986 to bring the beauty of choral song to the public. Members of the Chorale come from throughout the area, with a wide variety of backgrounds and musical experience, who all share a common love of music, singing, and entertaining.

Under talented conductors, the vocal harmonies of Chorale voices have entertained the citizens of Ocala and Marion County, honoring Veterans, celebrating the Christmas holidays, and announcing the coming of Spring for over three decades. We collaborate with the Marion Cultural Alliance to promote the love and enjoyment of the arts in Marion County. New members are always welcome.

If you are interested in the Artistic Director position, know of a promising candidate, or need further information, please contact John Fernandez, Marion Civic Chorale

President, at TRP57@aol.com. Details about job description, time involved, and how to interview for the position will be forwarded to you.

John Fernandez – President and Search Committee Member. Cell: 352-229-4922

Free, Online Art Workshops By The Appleton Museum Of Art

The Appleton Museum of Art, College of Central Florida, announces a virtual adaptation of its popular Art 101 workshops for adults.

Each Art 101 workshop is two hours and focuses on a different subject, allowing participants to try something fun and new or to practice their existing skills. Sessions will be held on Zoom as an instructor leads participants through a live demonstration of the featured project. The monthly, online workshops are free; participants must provide their own supplies.

Registration for workshops must be completed at Eventbrite.com. Login details for the Zoom session will be provided in the confirmation email. Supply lists will be sent via email one month in advance of the workshop date, or immediately if you are registering within one month of the start date.

2021 Art 101 Schedule

Jan. 19, 11 a.m.	Acrylic Pour Painting
Winter Birch Tree Acrylic Painting	April 13, 11 a.m.
Feb. 9, 11 a.m.	Ceramic Flower Vase
Valentine's Dish	May 11, 11 a.m.
March 9, 11 a.m.	Georgia O'Keeffe's Poppy

For questions, email AppletonMuseum@cf.edu. All workshops are available for registration by visiting Eventbrite.com.

A Christmas Carol Through Dec. 20

In this faithful yet imaginative adaptation of the Charles Dickens classic, five actors (Lizzy Allen, Alex Dagg, Ashlyn Gibbs, Robert Skipper, and James R. Taylor III) bring to life all the other immortal characters: Marley's ghost, the spirits of Christmas, Fezziwig and his wife, Tiny Tim and the Cratchits, and a dozen more.

Richly costumed, with a wonderfully creative set and special effects, this stage version captures the world of Victorian England with all its charms and sorrows. A fiddler (James Huston) further evokes the mood of the era with traditional carols and English folk tunes.

A Christmas Carol is co-directed by Trudy Bruner and Katrina Ploof. Musical director is Philip King. Scenic designer is Mihai Ciupe. Costume designer is Eryn Brooks Brewer. Lighting designer is David Castaneda. Sound designer is Jim Foster. Props designer is Laura Bradford. Dialect coach is Lori Engler. Stage manager is Kiersten Farley.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for ages 18 and younger. You can buy tickets over the phone at (352) 236-227 4 or in person at the box office Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information or to buy tickets online any time, visit www.ocalacivictheatre.com.

Masks are required for audience members. Seating is limited and socially distanced.

Detailed information about our COYID-1 9 safety procedures is available on our website or by calling the box office.

Ocala Civic Theatre, located at 4337 East Silver Springs Boulevard (State Road 40) in the Appleton Cultural Center.

Orientation For 2021 Zoo Management Jan. 17

The Florida International Teaching Zoo (FITZ) Zoo Management course will be hosting an Orientation for All prospective students January 17, 2021 @ 4:30pm at the Zoo located at 7725 Florida CR48 West between Bushnell and Floral City.

FITZ's Zoo Management 25 year old program teaches the Next Generation of Zoo Animal Caregivers. The one year program consists of two nights of instruction by Real Zoo Professionals (Not Reality Wanna Be's) covering subjects of husbandry, taxonomy, veterinary medicine, zoo design and the most intensive public management training of all zoo schools.


Plus two days of Zoo Lab per week students are required to care for species including jaguars, spotted hyenas, African Patas monkeys, crocodiles, free flight aviary birds, tortoises, rare Ne'Ne' geese, and a plethora of Cool zoo animals.

Cost of the one year program is \$1000 per term (Four Terms.) Monthly payment plans are available.

Class size is limited to ten people.

For more information visit our Facebook page or www.floridazooschool.com,

Friends
BookNook
6007 SE Earp Rd. in Belleview

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10 am to 2 pm
Please wear face covering

Friends of Belleview Library
Belleview Historic Library Museum

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