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## Senior Fishing Derby



Tom Bolinski, Deputy Director of the Ocala Recreation and Parks, volunteered to cook for the Senior Fishing Derby. He did a great job. I tasted his cooking and he knows what he is doing. Thanks Tom!



Pictured is Floyd Hershberger of DJ Trophys presenting a trophy for big bass. Floyd had donated several trophies. He also was seen jokingly presenting a trophy to Shirley Felitz for the ugliest fish.

## Jazz Up Dunnellon



The festival, Jazz Up Dunnellon, was a great success. Pictured is a Horse and Wagon shuttling people back and forth from the designated parking area. It is a neat ride.

By Tom Loury

Walking along the streets during Jazz up Dunnellon is one of my favorite events. The vendors have beer and wine available, almost any kind of food, crafts, art on display, Antique car show and plenty of entertainment.

Actually, the Bands were not all jazz bands, but all the music was good. They should rename it "Music in the Air!" The walk to cover all of the events

and booths is pretty lengthy, but worth every step of the way. They had a horse drawn wagon carrying people from the parking area to downtown. A pretty neat shuttle service, if you ask me. I ran into a lot of old friends while walking along the streets. The Sharkey's, the Miller's, I saw Hy taking pictures, the Rabold's and many more. I would say thousands attended. Don't miss next years event.

## Senior Fishing Derby

The Senior Fishing Derby, held at Nature Park was a great success. The seniors attending had a good time. The weather started out overcast, but the sun came out by 10 am. Plenty of fish were caught and released.

We had a celebrity at the Fishing Derby and no one even knew. The CEO of the Silverhair Legislation, Tom Poss was in attendance. Tom and Charlotte, of Sumter County, brought Rali Day of the Villages to the Derby.

BJ Trophy's donated awards for

the biggest fish and the ugliest fish. Dr Gulhareff donated \$130 worth of dentistry, the Tackle Shop donated a rod and reel set, Local Edition Hertz Rental Cars donated a host of prizes, The Florida Fresh Water Fish and Game Commission loaned the use of cane poles for fishing. Thanks to Tom Face-mire from WTRS for coming out and doing a live broadcast, which added to the excitement, Thank You to Diane Leaf and volunteers for shopping for

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# GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS

# IN GOD WE TRUST

## A View Of Historic Event



by Ken Tipper

Fire Control Man 3rd Class Wayne Riebow had a bird's eye view of history in the making aboard the battleship USS Missouri on September 2, 1945, when General Douglas McArthur accepted the formal surrender of the Japanese, thus officially ending World War II. Wayne was at his battle station on the 5th level above the main deck when McArthur and the Japanese signed the surrender documents. The Missouri, despite only having earned three battle stars to the USS North Carolina's 17, was chosen for the historic event be-

cause not only was Missouri the home state of President Harry S. Truman, but the Missouri had been christened by the President's daughter Margaret.

Raised in Glennie, Michigan, Wayne graduated from Oscoda High School in 1943 at the age of 17 and then got his father to sign for him to enter the Navy. He went to Great Lakes, Illinois, for boot camp, and recalls walking by earlier arrivals who called out, "You'll be sorry" to the newcomers. The first morning they were up at 4 a.m. and breakfast was beans. Wayne says they had to use a lot of ketchup on those beans to help them down! It was also at Great Lakes that Wayne got his first introduction to the infamous dish called SOS, which veterans will recall was a glutinous mass of ground beef on toast. The meaning of SOS cannot be explained here since there is a nasty word involved. Veteran readers will need no explanation! Another uncomfortable event in the new recruit's new life was a visit to the base dentist. Wayne says he had never been to a dentist and the Navy doctor he saw was mad about being in the Navy when he could have been making a lot of money in his practice back home. Without an-



A Kamikaze pilot heads for the U.S.S. Missouri

esthetic, and with a foot-operated drill, the dentist filled several teeth.

After basic seamanship training Wayne went to a submarine base in San Diego for fire control training, where he was taught to fire anti-aircraft and main battery guns by computer. Then it was on to Newport, R.I., where the crew of the new 45,000-ton battleship Missouri was assembled. Then they went to Brooklyn Navy Yard where the ship was commissioned. A shakedown

cruise to Trinidad was followed by a trip to Norfolk to load ammunition and to demagnetize the ship against torpedoes. They sailed through the Panama Canal to San Francisco, then were off to the Pacific Theater to join Task Force 58 at Iwojima, where the ship bombarded Mount Surabachi prior to the invasion by the Marines. Wayne remembers the Higgins Boats, loaded with Marines on their way ashore to

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Tom Loury

# PUBLISHER'S NOTES

Well, here comes another hurricane. In writing this, we are ahead of what is going to happen. I am supposed to go to south Florida this weekend.

I was very pleased to be nominated for several awards with the Chamber of Commerce. I did not get the paperwork back to the proper people in time, so could not be considered in the final judging, but I was pleased to have been nominated. The people who were nominated are top notch and should be proud to be a part of this great event.

The senior Fishing Derby was a great success. The attendance was smaller this time, but everyone had a good time. Plenty of fish found the bait and was caught, landed and released.

Earthlink: My apologies to the people who were sending me emails that did not get answers. Earthlink bought digitalusa; after four attempts to get someone on the phone that I could understand, I gave up for 24 hours. Now I am receiving, but can't send, and they are blaming it on my programs,

computer and everything connected and not connected to the wall to the wall plug. I need my computer, so when I calm down, I will try again. I think a company in India is trouble calling for earthlink. It has been very difficult to understand them. The fourth person was a woman that I could pretty much understand but she could not come up with the solution.

Just came back from Americus, Georgia, where I will be hunting this year. When I left Ocala, gas was \$2.98 per gallon. In Americus it was \$2.46. Can someone explain to me why such a difference? One thing for sure, if you slow down to 55 miles an hour, you will save gas. I did that and saved on the way up. I made a little hastier trip back.

New Orleans: I hear they are go-

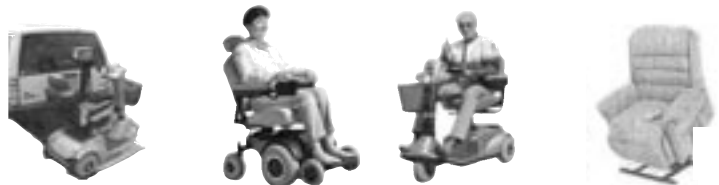
ing on with the Mardi Gras. The powers to be felt it was important to the recovery of the town and the area. I wonder if the people who spend the money will be there. I heard one man remark, there will be one woman to every one hundred men. If they have a repeat performance of the rioting and misbehavior after the hurricane, it will not be a safe place to be.

The Ocala Arts Festival is going on October 29-30, Saturday and Sunday, at the McPherson Government Complex. There will be plenty of food, fun and entertainment. You will have the opportunity to view some of the finest art work in the area. Don't miss it!

As you can see our format has been changed. The front page is much

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As an immigrant from England in 1957 I often wonder why so many people elect not to vote in local and national elections. I am proud to say that since we became eligible to vote, my wife and I have never missed the opportunity to exercise our right to support the candidates we would like to see in office. The fact that only 4,096 of the 28,488 registered voters in the city of Ocala took the time to vote in the recent election for mayor and city council is difficult to understand, given that the people elected to these offices

will have a direct impact on the lives of all who live in the city limits.

I wonder if FEMA, under fire for paying millions to people in the southern counties of Florida who claimed to have been affected by a storm that did not touch them, really expect to be repaid the more than \$30 million that they paid out. Do they really believe that those people who made the false claims are going to be honest enough to pay back their ill-gotten money. Don't hold your breath, FEMA!

I wonder if the local newspaper

executives, you know the one I mean, know about the waste of paper involved in the duplication of advertisements in their Sunday edition. Time and again, whoever throws the paper together includes sometimes up to ten copies of the same ad.

I wonder why the Supreme Court is wasting their valuable time hearing the case of Anna Nicole Smith, who is seeking the huge fortune left by her very aged husband. Surely, there are thousands of cases which would merit their consideration more than this one.

I wonder how many who attended the recent one million (?) march organized by Elijah Mohammed were expecting to be asked for money by the

exalted one. In one of his long diatribes, the ruler of the Nation of Islam entreated his rapt audience to "give till it hurts". Decorated receptacles were conveniently placed around the Mall for those who felt that they should obey the call for alms.

I wonder why we were not surprised at who in the Senate voted against John Roberts for Chief Justice. They were the usual crowd, Kennedy, Boxer, Feinstein, Harkin, Lautenberg, Reid, Schumer, Sarbanes, Mikulski, and Biden. Biden surprised me, since I heard him say in one hearing that he would vote for Roberts. I wonder who put the arm on him?

I wonder if professional baseball players learned to spit in Little League.

I wondered, as I sat with the sparse crowd at the last reading out of those Marion County veterans who had passed away during the last three months, where were the relatives and friends of the more than 250 who went to their final resting place. Only about 20 people were there at the Veterans Park to hear their names read out. By the way, the next ceremony will be on January 7, 2006, at 11 a.m.

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### MOVIE TIME

When: Tuesday & Wednesday, November 8th & 9th "The Forgotten". Julianne Moore plays a mother who mourns her dead son, only to be told by everyone she trusts that she never had a son, and only imagines she did. "The Forgotten" mostly succeeds by keeping the audience thinking and guessing. Co-starring with Moore are, Gary Sinise, Alfre Woodward and Anthony Edwards. Rated PG-13.

Tuesday & Wednesday, November 22nd & 23rd "In Good Company" with Dennis Quaid, Marg Helgenberger, Scarlett Johansson and Topher Grace as the main characters in this comedy drama. Dan Forman (Quaid) is happily married to Ann (Helgenberger) and has a daughter, Alex (Scarlett Johansson) He is head of advertising sales for a sports magazine. After 20 years he is demoted to second in command and his position is given to Carter Duryea (Grace) a 26-year-old who talks a good game but has no practical experience in the field. Hating his new position and dealing with a younger boss, he cannot quit because Ann is pregnant. To add to his anger, Carter begins a romance with Alex. Rated PG-13.

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# Fishing Derby



Pictured is Tom Lory presenting Rose Ludvik a rod and reel she had won for the most fish. The rod and reel set was donated by the Tackle Box.



Fishing from the comfort of the dock, this group is looking for that BIG bass. During the summer youth festival, a young girl hooked a large bass near this spot. It was big enough to go where it wanted, and broke the line.



Pictured left, is Robert Frady, helping set up the tents and fishing poles. We thank you Robert for your help. The fishing poles were loaned to us by FI Fresh Water Fish and Game Commission.



Pictured sitting is Eliagh Davis holding his catch while Julie Hunter looks on. They caught a number of fish.

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There have been one hundred and eleven different Bills submitted. The Bills range from

use of halogen headlights, cell phones, identity theft, election reform, Viagra and social security to name just a few. Of course the Bill to Abolish FS Chapter 190 for CDD's and CCDD's will be presented again, too many Developers hide behind this law and the average citizen winds up paying the developers fair share. Members and delegates of the FSHL have outdone themselves this year on the writing of these Bills. After the Bills are discussed and voted on in the different committees they go before the House and Senate for approval. The Bills that are passed are then compiled into

book form and a delegation presents them to our Duly Elected Representatives and Senators asking for their help in sponsoring these bills when they go into their session.

The FSHL is a hard working organization that is made up of ordinary people who would like to make changes for the betterment of everyone. The FSHL has been around for over 25 years and is highly respected in the state and nation. Yes, there is a National FSHL organization that you the public can join. The only requirements are that you must be over 50 years of age (therefore the name Silver Hair). It is a shame that when most people retire they forget that they can be very useful in helping other citizens. A retiree's knowledge is priceless and that knowledge should not go to waste.

When you retire get involved, take a stand not so much to hit that little golf ball but to also help the citizens in that state that you live in. The work that the Silver Hair does is not only for seniors but for everyone in the state.

The dedication of the seniors who volunteered of their time to become members of the FSHL is commended. With the price of gas at the preposterous high it is at, they are still coming to the session, this is dedication. These seniors are funding their own way, gas, hotel, and meals. Some are fortunate to get a sponsor and that helps with some of the expenses, the FSHL pays a stipend toward the gas, but the majority of the expense is on the delegate. To all the delegates I say thank you for your dedication.



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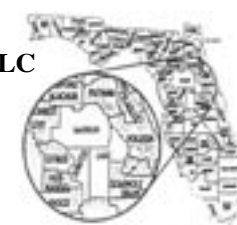


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# A View Of Historic Event

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battle with the entrenched Japanese.

The Missouri then went to Ulithi in the Mariannas to replenish supplies of ammunition and fuel, then went to Okinawa to bombard the island ahead of the invasion of that Japanese stronghold. It was while off Okinawa that the Missouri and the rest of the fleet were

subjected to Kamikaze attacks. The Missouri was hit twice, the first one on the starboard side five decks below Wayne's battle station. The second one hit the seaplane crane, and the explosion lifted the stern out of the water to where crew members could see the screws. Wayne has a picture of the Japanese pilot of one of the Kamikazes,

whose mutilated body was given a ceremonial burial at sea. Wayne treasures a piece of that pilot's plane, which he once tried to trade, without success, for a piece of the Missouri's deck. Wayne recalled that they had no casualties except for shrapnel wounds, and said they were a very lucky ship.

The Missouri then went along the coast of Japan to Honshu in company with Royal Navy ships, and bombed the steel mills of Muro out of existence. The ship was 100 miles off the coast of Japan when they got news of the dropping of the atom bomb. "We were happy as larks, especially when we got news of the Japanese surrender," says Wayne. The Missouri took on a Japanese pilot to negotiate the minefields of Tokyo Bay and anchored. And so it

was that local resident Wayne Riebowski got to witness the historic event that signaled the end of World War II. Then the ship went home to New York, arriving in time for Navy Day, when President Truman went aboard. After 22 months aboard the Missouri, Wayne was discharged in Great Lakes, where he had started his Navy career.

Wayne spent 42 years in his own retail hardware business, and retired in 1988. He and Janice, married 33 years, came to Ocala in 1994. He volunteers at the Veterans Park, and delivers Meals on Wheels two days a week. He is a life member of the VFW. Of his time in the Navy, Wayne says he tries to forget the bad things he saw, and wishes he had stayed in the service for a career.

—Tom Loury

## PUBLISHER'S NOTES

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easier to display pictures and stories. The printing is being done by the Gainesville Sun. We are now printing

on 35 lb Hi-Brite paper and have four more pages of four-color available to sell. We have been sold out of four-color positions for some time. We hope you like the change. We have received many positive comments.

I also received a number of calls about the story I wrote about Changing America and the multi-cultural changes that we are going through, which I do not like.

Several people did not agree with the Social Security paragraph in my column last month about the Congressmen and Women. The article read that they did not pay taxes. They do! But I do not agree with them receiving up to 80% of their pay, when you and I are expected to live on less than half our pay. More retirees today than ever before are working. It is not for something to do! It is because they have to!

### Veterans Honored by Students

by Ken Tipper

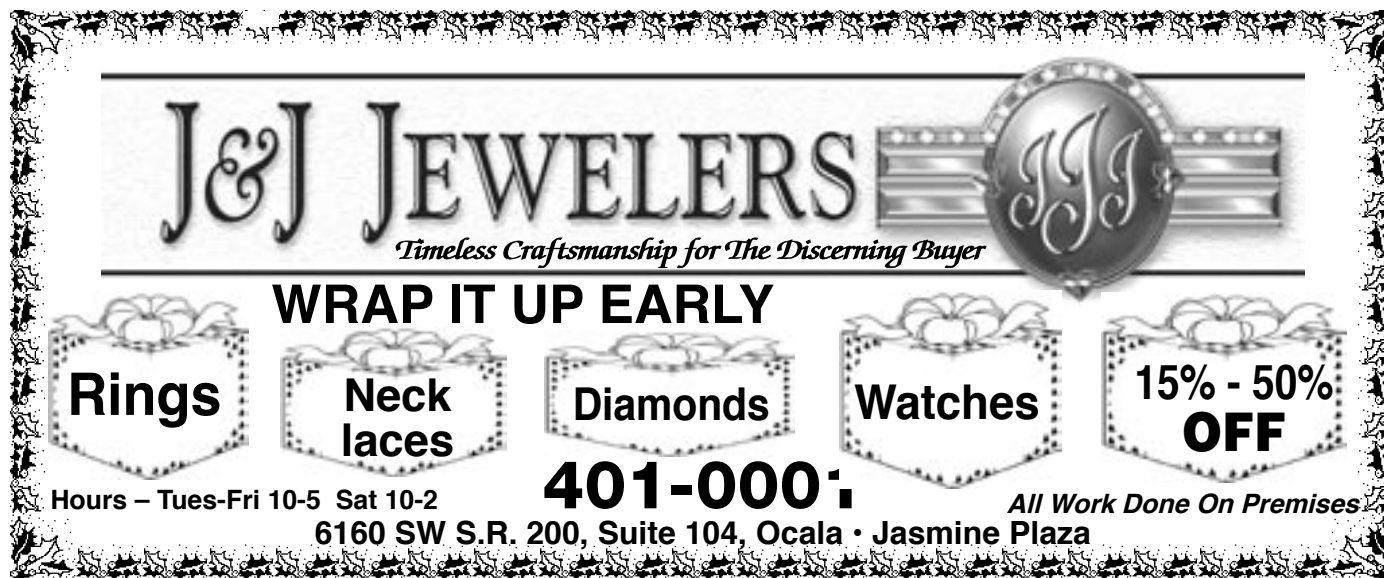
The younger generation will be well represented at the November 11 Veterans Day celebration at the Ocala-Marion County Veterans Park. Students from Osceola Middle School, which has adopted the park, West Port High School, 8th Street Elementary School, and Belleview High School, will play major roles in the ceremony, which will commence at 10.45 a.m. at the park on N.E. 25th Avenue and Fort King Street.

The West Port High School Jazz Band and Chorus will perform musical selections during the program, and students from the other schools will assist in handing out programs, leading the Pledge of Allegiance, Presenting the Colors, a Salute to Veterans, and providing an Inspirational message. The Marion County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard will perform the 21-gun Salute, and Taps will be performed by the West Port High School Jazz Band. Introductions will be by Kevin Christian, Marion County Public Schools Public Relations Director, and Jim Yancey, School Superintendent, will welcome guests



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## Senior Fishing Derby

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and cooking side dishes, Seniors Voice donated the bait, a rod and reel set, \$25 gift certificate to the Branding Iron and the hamburger and Hotdogs. A special thanks to the City of Ocala parks and recreation Department, Senior Center for co-hosting the event with the Se-

niors Voice. A special thanks to Mary Filer the Senior Center co-ordinator for co-ordinating the event and a big thank you to Tom Bulinski Deputy Director of Ocala Recreation and Parks Department for cooking. There are plenty more people to thanks, so thanks to you all.

Right: The senior Fishing Derby had some great weather. Enjoying the outdoors is Wendy Netherclift, General Manager of TomL Publishing. Center is Rali Day of The Villages, and right is Tom Loury, Publisher of Seniors Voice.



Pictured left is Jean Edwards, Citizen Board member of the Ocala Recreation and Parks. Center is Mary Filer, Program Coordinator of Ocala Recreation and Parks. Right is Dave Pritchard, Director of the Ocala Recreation and Parks.



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**Senior Center** What: Enjoy a free movie in a comfortable living room setting. Please call the center to reserve your seat: 629-8545. For comfort, seating is limited to 8 persons. Please bring a sweater or Jacket for extra comfort.

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS #149** When: Friday, November 11th Time: 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Where: 8th Avenue Senior Center What: Disabled American Veterans volunteers will be available to assist with veterans claims and answer questions. They meet at the center on the second Friday of each month. **ALZHEIMER'S CARE GIVERS** When: Wednesday, November 16th Time: 12:00 -1:00 PM Where: 8th Avenue Senior Center What: If you

have a loved one you are caring for, attend these sessions and take advantage of the information you will receive from experienced and compassionate people.

**THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON**  
When: Friday, November 18th Time: 12:00 Noon Where: 8th Avenue Senior Center Cost: \$4.00 per person plus a covered dish What: Once again we will be enjoying our traditional Thanksgiving Luncheon. Come and celebrate the season and enjoy the "Fruits of Labor". Turkey and trimmings will be provided, but bring a covered dish to share with 10 other happy celebrants. Prepaid reservaffons are required. Please come to the center to reserve a seat, seating is limited. Entertainment by Mick Page.  
**CYPRESS GARDENS TRIP**  
When: Tuesday, November 29th Time:

11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Where: W'nter Garden Cost: \$45.00 per person What: Join us as we visit the "new" Cypress Gardens where we will enjoy the beautiful holiday lights. We leave the 8th Avenue Center at 11:00 AM. Seating is limited so be sure to make your payment early by coming to either center.

**NOVEMBER, 2005 PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES**  
**CYBER SENIORS COMPUTER COURSE**  
When: Mondays, Time: 9:30 - 11:30 AM and Lab Sessions: 12:30 - 4:30 PM Where: Herbert S. Coleman Center, 2001 SE 32nd Avenue, Ocala, next to the Health Department. Cost: \$60.00 for singles and \$90.00 for couples, payable in advance of class starting date. What: Are you interested in learning about computers? The computer class at the Herbert Coleman Center is the place for you! We have an atmosphere

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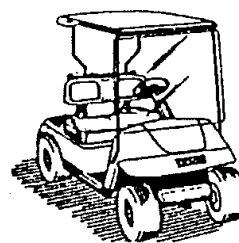
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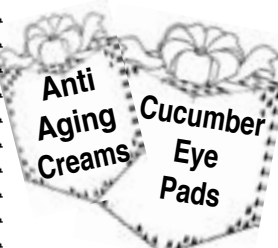
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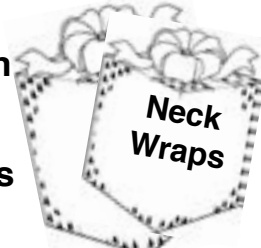


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## Artist Terry Bitting

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Society and the Lake County Cultural Arts Council. Her award winning work has been displayed at the Art in the Square in Tavares, The Artist's Workshop in New Smyrna Beach, and the Brick City Gallery in Ocala.

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