

Leslie Martinez, left, of DownTown Chiropractic demonstrates some techniques with different tools used in Chiropractics. The patient is Lora Bradford of Body and Soul. This picture was taken at a recent Ocala Business Leaders breakfast. (photo by TomL)

Governor Scott calls for VA hospital inspections

By TomL

According to the reports from the Governor there were several instances that Veterans may have been harmed at the hospital, so Governor Scott attempted to have it checked out by the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration.

The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration showed up at the James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital in Tampa Wednesday 4-9-14 and was declined review of the records they requested.

The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration showed up at the West Palm

Beach VA Medical Center and they were declined review of the records they requested.

The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration showed up at the C.W. 'Bill' Young VA Medical Center in Bay Pines and was turned away.

The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration showed up at the Miami VA Medical Center and was turned away.

A Quote from Governor Scott:

Gov Scott says, "I am disappointed to learn that our surveyors have been turned

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Happy Mother's Day

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Welcome Visitor



A surprise guest at the Loury farm. This Peacock wanders into the yard to raid the bird seed that we put out each day. The Peacock shows up about an hour before dark, stays about 20 minutes, than goes to roost somewhere nearby. The colors of this bird are just breathtaking. (photo by TomL)

Quick Sand

By TomL

In the Webster's Dictionary the definition of Quick Sand is defined as an area of loose moving sand which yields beneath a weight. That is how many Americans feel about the economy and the current administration. There was no strong foundation to stand on before we had our Constitution. Many of our leaders will not uphold the Constitution and have made, or tried to make, dramatic moves to change it. The Constitution of the United States is the foundation of our country.

I know my parents went through hard times, but I'm not sure we can compare it to what is happening today - it was a different kind of hard times. Today many have had their pay cut 20%, lost their healthcare insurance, then have had to buy healthcare that cost twice as much. Meanwhile there

are millions of illegals that are getting free money and they want the American jobs. If these illegals don't have the money for healthcare they are subsidized with taxpayers' money - you know, the person that just had their pay cut and lost their healthcare - he or she is paying the bill.

Getting back to the words "Quick Sand"; with all of the above happening and Americans trying to stand up for what they think is right, how can they stand up in quick sand? How can we escape the quick sand with all the lies we are being told. We need a foundation to stand on, I say... it's the Constitution! We need a common sense president and a common sense administration. When you start voting yourself favors you are on a path of destruction.



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The Two Horses
Just up the road
in a field are two
horses. From a distance, both horses
look like normal.
But if paused for
a moment, you
would notice something different. You
would notice that

one of the horses is blind. Rather than putting him down, his owner has made a good home for him.

If you were to stand nearby and listen, you would hear the sound of a bell and see that it comes from a smaller horse in the field. The bell is attached to that horse's halter and lets the blind horse know where the other one is, so he can follow.

As you stand and watch these two friends, you would see that the horse with the bell is always checking on the blind horse, and that the blind horse will listen for the bell and then slowly walk to where the other horse is.... trusting that he will not be led astray.

When the horse with the bell returns to the shelter of the barn each evening, it stops occasionally and looks back, making sure that the blind friend isn't too far behind to hear the bell.

This story of the two horses is a great analogy for our family and friends. They don't throw us away just because we are not perfect or because we have problems or challenges.

They watch over us and bring others into our lives to help us when we are in need.

Sometimes we are the blind horse being guided by the little ringing bell of those who are placed in our lives. Other times we are the guide horse, helping others to find their way.

Every person has value. All of us, no matter our limitations or abilities, have something to contribute. Often the one we see as limited leads us. Jeff, my son who is blind, often hears things that I tune out. He senses things my sighted world does not perceive. It is truly amazing what each person contributes

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"SUNGLASS-ES, DO I REALLY NEED THEM?"

Living in Florida

where the sun shines almost everyday is not the only reason to wear sunglasses. In addition to providing protection to our eyes from the harmful light rays that may prematurely progress normal changes, sunglasses can also provide protection from foreign objects and wind as well as providing comfort while driving, mowing the lawn, walking, playing golf or relaxing at the beach.

UV-A and UV-B rays can damage vision. The best protection against UV rays is to simply wear sunglasses that block out 99 to 100 percent of UV-A and UV-B. Sunglasses don't need to be expensive to be effective, but they should be comfortable and, with so many different styles available, can look great too! While some UV-absorbing contact lenses are now available, they do not provide adequate protection form UV radiation and should not replace sunglasses. Sunglasses are still needed to cover the entire eye area, including the eyelids. As a

general rule of thumb, if you're in enough sun to cause sunburn, you need protection for your eyes.

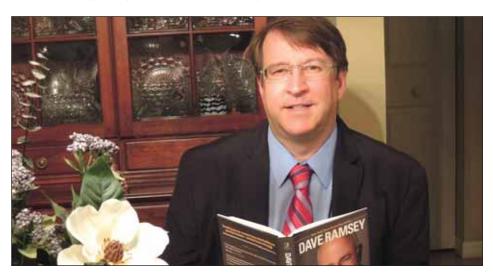
Most people are aware of the danger of sun exposure to the skin, but many are unaware that the sun's ravs can damage the eyes. Studies show that exposure to ultraviolet light can contribute to a number of ocular complications, including: photokeratitis, or "snow blindness"; cataracts; pterygium (a benign abnormal growth on the eye's surface, which may require surgery if sight is threatened); and macular degeneration.

Here are a few tips for purchasing sun-

- · Check the label for 99 or 100 percent UV protection.
- · Look for sunglasses that are close-fitting. These will prevent UV rays from fil-
- Look for larger lenses or wrap-around sunglasses to prevent light or wind from entering in.
- Don't be misguided by price higher priced sunglasses usually reflect fashion or durability, not UV protection.
- · Dark-colored sunglasses don't necessarily provide better protection. A chemical coating applied to the lens is responsible for UV protection, not the lens color.
- UV absorbing contact lenses should not be used as substitutes for sunglasses.

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Meet Steve Lewis



Formosa, Taiwan, the Republic of China, the free China, was my home for the last 17 years. Baseball is the national sport in the island nation of 23 million people. In the past Taiwan factories made under license over 80 % of the worlds notebook computers, So some people say the Republic of Computers. Taiwan is also extremely pro-American which makes it a nice place to visit and for me a good place to have studied chinese language.

How is this related to Tom Loury, well it isn't, but I do need to say thanks for this ad which he donated and I won as a door prize at the Professional Networking Group meeting with which I am also a member, courtesy of the Marion county CareerSource. Career-Source has some very talented people who

teach many classes and also offer workshops for job seekers such as me.

During my time abroad I spent my first 3 years at Fu-Jen University studying chinese. I also ending up teaching English at the school and Hung-Yi high school. Most of my time in Taiwan I had a dual career teaching and as an account executive working with a plastic mold maker. Adaptability and flexibility are requirements working with many types of students and customers. Tact good judgment and careful timing are important when doing business at home or abroad. I enjoyed very much my time in helping to establish the export business for the plastic injection mold maker. While I was there I helped translate English to chinese and also

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For more information and the date of the next session, please contact: Felecia Prather at 352-629-8051 or felecia@ocalacc.com

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Tom Loury

Publisher's Notes



Benghazi...IRS stories, lying and lying about lying, then hiding from the fact that they are lying, apologizing for lying that they claim was not lying. Our really BIG Government needs to shrink in size, the

IRS needs to be disbanded (FIRED) some put in jail if they lied to the Congress. Our current administration has forgotten they work for us, WE THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AMERICA! Our Government has decided that what they think is more important than what we the people think.

The White House calls to congratulate a man that comes out of the closet but totally ignores the calls for help from our four comrades that were under attack. They should serve jail time!

The reason for the Constitution of the United States, the second amendment is to protect us from a President like Barack Obama!

Dianne Feinstein: "All vets are mentally

ill in some way and government should prevent them from owning firearms."

She said it in a meeting in front of the Senate Judiciary Committee. She would say anything to save her Anti-Firearms Bill. A statement like that is not good for her or our country.

The Bundy Family incident. Sources on the internet claim that Harry Reed and his Lawyer Son Rory have something to lose on this deal. A source claims that they made a deal for a solar farm to be put on that very land where the Bundy cows are grazing and an agreement is supposed to be made with a very large Chinese firm ENN Energy Group to produce solar power. I wonder if they will use taxpayer funds to build the solar farm? Do your own research on the computer, it will make you steam! The tortoise is getting a bad rap at the expense of the citizens of the United States. There are reports that the agency has previously been killing tortoises in mass due to budget constraints.

One of the things that makes things sound better than they are is that job creation is up because a lot of the workforce has been cut back to 30 hour weeks. So, comparing it to last years numbers, for every four people being cut to thirty hours they are hiring another person which makes job creation look

good.

The United States ranks third in murders in the world. If you were to take Chicago, Detroit, Washington DC and New Orleans we would be fourth from the bottom. These four cities have the strongest gun control laws in the country, they are also being run by Democrats.

I don't understand how this works but a Republican (Lincoln) freed the Slaves in America and now they have been convinced to side with the other Political Party. Their vote today goes to the people who fought to keep them enslaved. I have trouble understanding all that.

Don't get me wrong, I don't think we should treat the illegals badly - as a country we can't do that. You can't blame a man or a woman for trying to better themselves, but they are being used by the current administration for political reasons.

There has got to be a way for them to work and for us to get along with them, but they can't get voting rights and can't drag down the United States citizens tax payers. We have to help our own citizens first. I don't have the answer but maybe someone out there does.

A columnist Tony Powell in our sister publications Lady Lake Magazine / Village Spectator wrote last month how the current administration was finally getting control on the economy. I strongly disagree with most of his facts, figures and views, but let's say if - and I'm only saying if - the economy was in control I say at what cost. The bailouts were not bailouts they were paybacks for campaign contributions. If they were true bailouts the President would say for every thousand dollars you must create this many jobs. But no, that stipulation was not put on the agreement to give money.

Getting back to the point, I disagree with Tony Powell BUT I do agree that he has the right to see his opinion in print so I stand fast on that. That is his opinion, not the papers and certainly not mine!

Last but not least cost of living for seniors has not grown with cost of living but welfare has grown 30% under Obama. Now remembering people paid into Social Security all their lives and many people on welfare don't contribute and never have and don't intend to. Citizens who work hard and pay into a Government program should be put before those who don't pay in.

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Meet Carolina Dentures and Dr. Gonzalez



This month we are spotlighting Carolina Dentures in Dunnellon, FL.

Dr Gonzalez came here from Miami where he met his wife Teresa at a dental office. The doctor has an Associates Degree, 3 credits short of a Bachelor Degree in chemistry and is a graduate from UF Dental School. Dr Gonzalez has lived most of his life in Florida and has had his own dental office since 1988.

In 1990 he and Teresa moved to Dunnellon and purchased Carolina Dentures. He

has offices in Clermont, The Villages, Ocala and Dunnellon.

When asked what started him in the business he said, "I enjoyed working in detailed art-type of classes, sculpture, ceramics etc." The medical field has always intrigued him, but he did not want to work the 24 hour days, no time for family and the high stress that goes with it. He researched dentistry and it seemed to be everything he was looking for.

Dentures and Partials are his passion, he





usually makes more dentures in one month than most dentist do in a year. The doctor grew up in the Mormon Church and served a two year mission in Los Angeles. His hobbies are ceramics, sculpture, traveling and spending time enjoying his kids and grand-children. A member of Kiwanis, he also favors charities March of Dimes and Hands of Hope (Joyce Meyer).

Dr Gonzalez said "Our company and offices always treat patients fairly and honestly. In a field where dentists are losing their place in the "Most Trusted Profession", we have always maintained our integrity and character. We give our patients the best we can offer at a price most can afford. Our employees are great, some have been with us for 15 years.

Carolina Dentures is located at 10710 S. Hwy 41 Dunnellon, FL. Contact them at 352-489-1767 or Carolinadentures.net and tell them TomL sent you.

PR Stunts

GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT

SEBELIUS TRIPS TO FLORIDA WERE PR STUNTS

FORT MYERS, Fla. – Governor Scott made the following statement regarding the resignation of HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius.

Governor Scott said, "The resignation of Secretary Sebelius is long overdue. She was complicit with the President in selling falsehoods to the American people – namely that under Obamacare everyone could keep their current health care plan, no one would lose their doctors, and that premiums would go down an average of \$2,500 per family. All of these pledges have now been proven to be false. Her numerous trips to the Sunshine State were nothing more than PR tours."

Drug Testing Case Continues

Gov. Scott: Drug Testing Case Continues in U.S. District Court

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – Today, Governor Rick Scott issued a statement following the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal to hear a case related to drug screenings for state employees.

Governor Scott said, "State employees should have the right to work in a safe and drug free environment, just like in any other business. The merits of this case are still being deliberated in the U.S. Southern District Court, and we will continue to fight to make sure all state employees, who are paid by taxpayer funds, can work in a safe, drug free workplace."



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

When the history of this era is written, the Boomer Boobs, Gen X'ers, and Millennial's will be noted as the 3 stupidest generations in the entire time of recorded history.

Humans have struggled for thousands of years to achieve FREEDOM.

In America freedom was achieved. The apex of human achievement, treasured by all clamoring to migrate to America. These 3 generations are hell bent on destroying that condition of freedom, and once again supplant it with political, and economic slavery. The greatest generations??? A group of brainwashed, propagandized useful idiots.

Not great.

American freedom has been eroded by a pack of greedy Power Lusters. The legisla-

tion passed by these evil people needs to be repealed. This will bring back a level playing field wanted by both sides in this dispute. Get rid of the itch, not the freedom. No need to destroy the good work of the founding fathers. Fix the abuses, by the Power Lusters. Keep all the good stuff. I like it.

I thank God for my age, as I will not be around for the horrific times in the offing, if these lunk head generations succeed. They will be treated to the full brunt of the tyranny they clamor for. Could not happened to a more deserving bunch of useful idiots. They are going to become enslaved in a tyranny of their own making. How smart is that???? Just desserts. Greatest generation? No Way!!!!!!

How dumb is that? Hope I have a front

row seat from heaven.

This is an example of Critical Thinking. Think I will pass on critical thinking, and stick to old geezer thinking.

You do not want to know what I consider

their contribution to society.

Their Contributions later. Look at Rome. To be continued.....

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Governor has called for the Florida **Agency For Health Care** Administration to check VA hospitals

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away without allowing them to do a review. Our goal remains to assess implementation of Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement activities required as part of the internal investigations conducted by representatives of the Department of Veteran Affairs. Recently we learned there were two instances where veterans were harmed and may have been harmed at the same VA hospital."

We must insure the highest quality of care for those who have so bravely fought to defend and protect our nation and our people!

Freedom is our most precious heritage, it was won and preserve with blood from American soldiers and we must see that they get proper care!

God Bless Our Troops! TomL

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SBA of Ocala is an Association of non-competing, professional business people who meet on a weekly basis to share information pertaining to the local business communities as well as each individual business. The purpose of SBA is to bring together like-minded professionals to increase their business through building relationships and sharing knowledge.



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CEP is Business Creation

One of the five core areas of focus for the CEP is Business Creation. Many people will immediately identify our Power Plant Business Incubator as a key aspect of our Business Creation initiative. The Power Plant is certainly an important part of that effort but it is not the only part. In this column, I would like to provide information on not only the Power Plant but on some other aspects of the CEP's Business Creation efforts.

Power Plant Business Incubator

While just more than two years old, the Power Plant is the most high profile effort in the Business Creation Initiative. This business incubator is a partnership between the CEP (which operates, staffs and manages the facility), the City of Ocala (which owns the building and leases it to the CEP), and Marion County (which helped to fund the start-up of the facility and includes Business Creation as part of its funding to the CEP as does the City). To date, the facility has graduated eight businesses which are still operating in our community and employing more than 70 people. Currently, the Power

Plant has seven residents with several others in process of taking up residence.

Last summer, the staff reviewed and revamped both operating procedures at the facility, as well as acceptance and benchmarking processes. The Power Plant Advisory Committee is a group of business and civic leaders who provide guidance and recommendations to the CEP staff at the facility approved the new processes this fall. Every tenant in the facility now must present their business plan to a committee and explain how their company is innovative. This does not necessarily mean that it is pure technology company but one that is providing a service or product in a unique way. For most of our residents, this includes the use of technology.

One of the great misnomers about the Power Plant is that resident companies are there for free. That is certainly not the case! Every resident has a lease which is fairly market rate. In addition to covering their utilities and maintenance fees, residents are offered a number of opportunities to net-

work and grow and entrepreneurs. In fact one of the biggest benefits to being in the Power Plant is the opportunity to network with other growing businesses.

A Model of Collaboration

ValueBox is a recent Power Plant graduate. Recently, it was announced they had launched a new iOS app using a platform provided by VidPlat which was started by another former Power Plant resident. Creating an environment where entrepreneurs can encourage and support one another as well as grow with one another is one of the most beneficial aspects to having the incubator.

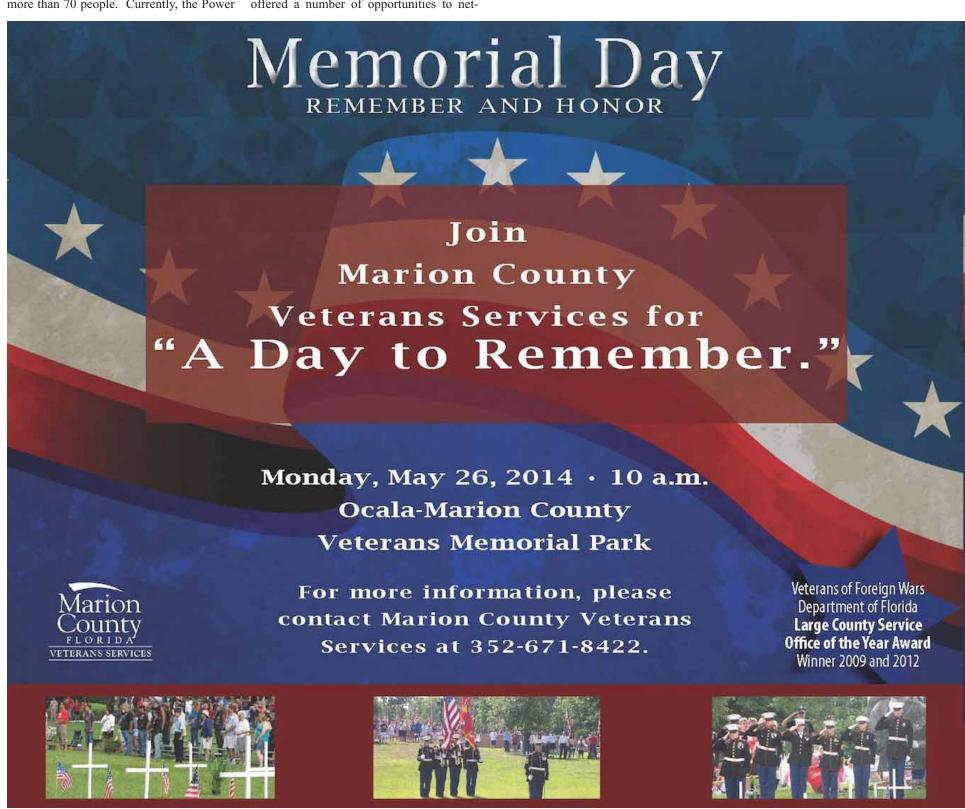
Assistance and Financing

However, not every business needs or wants to be in the Power Plant but the CEP wants to assist any entrepreneur. While Angela Busler, the Power Plant Director, works directly with managing residents and the facility, the Director of Business Creation, Ryan Lilly, is available to provide business counseling and consulting with any entrepreneur. If you are interested in starting a business, Ryan is available to provide free

counseling to provide direction and assistance. A number of education programs are held throughout the year at the Power Plant and the CEP building to assist entrepreneurs in addition to the one-on-one assistance.

Finally, the CEP has just finalized making its first microloan. These loans, made through the Ocala Area Microloan Fund managed by CEP, are typically \$10,000-\$12,000 loans to assist the creation or growth of new businesses. The loans can go up to \$50,000 and can be used for working capital, inventory or equipment. Additionally, every loan includes mandatory pre and post loan counseling to ensure that your project is a success.

Growing entrepreneurs is essential if we are to grow a diverse, dynamic local economy. The CEP is laying the groundwork for a strong effort through our Power Plant Business Incubator, Business Counseling, and Microloan Fund. To learn more about the CEP Business Creation efforts, please visit www.OcalaCEP.com and click on Business Creation.



WOCA

WOCA started in 1957 and has changed over the years, but in 2010 the Martone family bought it and again change was due. First they went to 24 hour programming on 1370 AM, and then they added FM and then Audio and Video Streaming. The next step was the big move to the Paddock Mall bringing the square footage to almost double from where they were, to accommodate a larger main studio and two production studio's plus conference room and more. This gives the station more visibility to the community seeing WOCA is so involved in the community that the move makes sense, with millions walking pass the 12 foot window (Food Court Entrance) to see the "LIVE" Broadcasts, 8 hours a day Monday to Fri-





day, getting informed on the many events happening.

WOCA is now dual Broadcasting over 1370 AM & 96.3 FM and has just teamed up

with Fox News during the week and Fox Sports during the weekend. NA-SCAR is exclusive to WOCA here in Marion County.

WOCA "The Source" NewsTalk is proud to have a Veterans News segment on every Thursday at 9AM, plus other segments that inform and entertain our listeners. Starting with the Local "LIVE Broadcast of AM Ocala with Larry & Robin 7AM to Noon and The Voice of Ocala with Buddy Martin and Tom Schmitz from 3 to 6 PM. The full line up can be found at www.woca.com. WOCA is a part of this

great community of Ocala and Marion County, helping it grow

and growing with

WOCA is family owned, which means we live, work and

spend here.









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MOVIES FOR MAY 2014

8TH AVE. SR. CENTER- TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH & 14TH, 2014 AT 1:30 PM

BARBARAG WASHINGTON-THURSDAY & FRIDAY, MAY 15TH & 16TH, 2014 AT 1:00 PM

"OLD DOGS" STARRING: JOHN TRAVOLTA, ROBIN WILLIAMS, SETH GREEN, KELLY PRESTON; MATT DIL-LON AND LORI LOUGHLIN

Two best friends have their lives turned upside down when they're unexpectedly charged with the care of seven-year-old twins while on the verge of the biggest business deal of their lives. The clueless bachelors stumble in their efforts to take care of the children, leading to one debacle after another, with a gorilla and some pecking penguins-and perhaps to a newfound understanding of what's important in life. RATED PG

8TH AVE. SR. CENTER- TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH & 28TH, 2014 AT 1:30 PM

BARBARAG WASHINGTON-THURS-DAY & FRIDAY, MAY 29TH & 30TH, 2014 AT 1:00 PM

"GRAVITY" STARRING: SANDRA BULLOCK, GEORGE CLOONEY, ED HARRIS, ORTO IGNATIUSSEN, AND PHALDUT SHARMA

Dr. Ryan Stone, a brilliant engineer, is

on her first shuttle mission with veteran astronaut Matt Kowalski. But on a seemingly routine spacewalk, disaster strikes. The shuttle is destroyed, leaving Stone and Kowalski completely alone, tethered to nothing but each other and spiraling out into blackness. The deafening silence tells them they have lost any link to Earth - - - and any chance of rescue. As fear turns to panic, every gulp of air eats away at what little oxygen is left. But the only way home may be to go further out into the terrifying expanse of space. RATED PG 13

COMING EVENTS FOR JUNE 2014 AQUASIZE: WATER AEROBICS FOR ADULTS

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 3rd, 5th, 10th, 12th, 17th. 19th, 24th & 26th Time: 6:30 to 7:30 PM

Cost: \$30.00 per participant for 8 sessions

Where: Hampton Aquatic Fun Center, 255 NW Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Ocala

What: Class activities include: stretching, cardio, toning, strength training, and abdominal workouts. Buoyancy equipment is used. Modifications will be demonstrated for all fitness levels. 18+ For more information, please call Diane at 401-3916. Registration begins May 2, 2014

AQUABILITY

When: Mondays, June 2nd, 9th, 16th &

23rd Tuesdays, June 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th Thursdays, June 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th

Time: Mondays & Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 PM OR 5:30 to 6:30 PM Thursdays, 5:30 to 6:30 PM

Cost: \$25.00 per person per 4 week session

Where: Hampton Aquatic Fun Center,

255 NW Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Ocala

What: An Adaptive Aquatic Program for Individuals with Disabilities of All Ages. For more information and registration, please call Diane at 352-401-3916. Registration begins May 2, 2014

Meet Steve Lewis

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was an account executive in charge of overseas sales.

I have relocated to Ocala to be closer to my parents. There is no place like home especially when you have lived overseas for a long time. I am currently searching for a career position with a company that ideally needs an account executive position or sales job. Any referral would be greatly appreciated During my spare time I teach English online and also scan photos as side jobs. If anyone had old photos of Taiwan I would be very interested in seeing those.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you are curious about traveling to Taiwan, I enjoy talking about my old hometown Taipei. I can give you some tips on what places are nice to visit.

Feel free to contact me if you need photos scanned, printed and put in binders.

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Thomas L. Croley, M.D. CARING FOR YOUR EYES

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• Children are more prone to sun damage to the eyes because their lenses are clearer.

You may want to consult with your eye care professional when choosing sunglasses, especially if you have had previous eye treatment or trauma. As always, to ensure healthy vision, it is vital to have yearly ex-

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From the Office of

THE MARION COUNTY SHERIFF

Marion County, FL (April 17, 2014) –A 31 year old Wildwood man will face one count of fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer; one count of driving while license suspended, revoked, canceled, or disqualified; and one count of driving under the influence. Suspect was booked into the Marion County Jail at 5:10 a.m., Thursday, April 17, 2014. The incident started when a deputy saw the suspect driving without headlights at 2:10 in the morning.

A traffic stop was conducted; but, the suspect sped off and reached 130 miles

per hour. "The vehicle (driver) was driving recklessly and ran several red lights in an attempt to elude me," the deputy wrote in the arrest affidavit. The report continues that the suspect "lost control of the vehicle, ran over several signs in the median and spun into a ditch." Still, was able to speed off.

The deputy tried several times to use a precision immobilization technique (PIT maneuver) and the deputy was able to stop the vehicle. The suspect would not get out of the vehicle, so the deputy was forced to break a window and Weaver was arrested.





Governor Rick Scott =

From The Governor's Desk

Florida Businesses Created 20,900 Jobs in March

TALLAHASSEE—Governor Rick Scott announced that Florida's private sector created 20,900 jobs over the month in March 2014. Since December 2010, Florida has added 563,900 private sector jobs.

Florida's over the year job growth rate in March 2014 of 3.0 percent represents the fastest job growth rate since June 2006, meaning that the annual rate of growth from March 2013 to March 2014 was greater than any other month's annual job growth rate since the June 2005 to June 2006 rate.

Governor Rick Scott said, "March's job creation number brings more good news for Florida families, this means that more than 20,000 more Floridians will be able to provide for their families. Businesses in the state are continuing to create jobs—a total of 563,900 jobs since December 2010. Our improving economy is evidence that our policies are working and we will continue to work until every Floridian that wants a job can get a job."

The state's unemployment rate for March 2014 was 6.3 percent, down 1.4 percentage points from the March 2013 rate of 7.7 percent. For the eighth consecutive month, Florida's statewide unemployment rate remains below the national unemployment rate, which was 6.7 percent in March 2014.

In March 2014, Florida's labor force again increased over the month and over the year. Labor force was 9,575,000 in March 2014 and is defined as the sum of employment plus unemployment (those without a job but actively seeking work). Furthermore, Florida's labor force participation rate, which is labor force divided by the total civilian noninstitutional population, was 60.5 percent in March 2014, up 0.3 percentage point from the February 2014 participation rate of 60.2 percent. In other words, although the unemployment rate increased slightly, 41,000 more people gained employment in March, and 59,000 entered the labor force.

Jesse Panuccio, Executive Director of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity said, "Florida's economic turnaround continued in March, with significant growth in private-sector jobs, high job demand, and an increasing employment reflecting renewed confidence among job seekers. These positive trends are the result of sound economic policy in Florida."

February private sector job creation was revised up 34,400 jobs created, the largest one month gain since October 2010. In addition public sector jobs were revised down.

More Floridians Getting Back to Work

- Florida's private sector job growth month-to-month has been positive for 33 consecutive months.
- Florida has created 563,900 new private sector jobs since December 2010.
- Florida job postings compiled by the Help Wanted OnLine data series from The Conference Board showed 260,000 openings in March 2014.
- Florida's unemployment rate has remained below the national unemployment rate for eight consecutive months.

Home Sales Robust

- Home sales remain robust as the backlog of existing homes on the market is down by 31.3 percent from December 2011 (Florida Realtors).
- Florida median home prices were up 10.0 percent over the year in February 2014.

Economic Growth Trends Up Across

- A recent U.S. Census Survey reported that Florida experienced an influx of people moving into the state. Florida also led the nation in migrations from Puerto Rico.
- Florida is running a trade surplus of over \$18 billion with \$90.4 billion in exports and \$71.8 billion in imports in 2012, up from \$86.8 billion in exports in 2011 and \$62.4 billion in imports in 2011.

Workforce Boards Assisting in Employment

- In March, Florida's 24 Regional Workforce Boards reported more than 40,890 Floridians were placed in jobs, a 24 percent increase over the year. An individual who receives employment and training assistance through a CareerSource Center and finds a job within 180 days is deemed a placement and may be reported by a regional workforce board. Of these individuals, 8,617 previously received Reemployment Assistance.
- In 2013, more than 479,000 Floridians were placed in jobs, with 135,384 former claimants finding employment.

To view the March2014 employment data visit www.floridajobs.org/labor-market-information/labor-market-information-press-releases/monthly-press-releases.



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