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Library on June 30. Chamber Executive community. Director Leslie DiCesare taught the group

Lady Lake Area Chamber had their how to work together with the chamber New Member Orientation at Lady Lake to benefit their business and the

Governor DeSantis Holds Roundtable

Governor Ron DeSantis Holds Roundtable to Support the Cuban People

MIAMI - Governor Ron DeSantis was joined by Cuban-American leaders and elected officials in Miami for a roundtable supporting the Cuban people who are protesting the regime's tyrannical grip on the island.

Governor DeSantis called on the Biden Administration to take a strong stance against the oppressive, communist regime that has been using violence against its own people to crush dissent for more than six

Governor DeSantis said, "We stand with the people of Cuba. For far too long, a tyrannical communist regime has oppressed its people and used its power to silence any dissidents. Now, the Cuban people are making their voices heard to demand freedom and an end to this dictatorship.

"Still, while the Cuban people are showing tremendous courage, the Biden Administration is showing cowardice. The Biden Administration has been weak in its statements, blaming COVID-19, and not mentioning socialism or communism. While the president and his spokespeople issue empty rhetoric, the federal government is inexplicably lifting sanctions in Venezuela. Right now, the Cuban regime is taking the measure of Washington.

"The people of Cuba are rebelling against a dictatorial government, not seeking minor policy changes that would merely be akin to rearranging deck chairs on the Titanic."

Joining Governor DeSantis at the roundtable were:

· Congressman Carlos Gimenez, Florida's 26th Congressional District

- Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar. Florida's 27th Congressional District
- Senator Manny Diaz, District 36
- · Representative Bryan Avila, District
- Representative Daniel Perez, District
- Representative Tom Fabricio, District
- Representative Alex Rizo, District 110
- Senator Ileana Garcia, District 37
- · Representative Anthony Rodriguez,
- Representative Jim Mooney, District
- Representative David Borrero, District
- · Representative Demi Busatta Cabrera, District 114
- · Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez, District
- Ambassador Carlos Trujillo, former US Ambassador to the Organization of American States, former member of the Florida House
- · Marcell Felipe, Pte. Fundacion Inspire America
- Sylvia Iriondo, President, Mother and Women against Repression in Cuba (MAR por Cuba), Havana, Cuba
- · Félix Rodriguez, Former CIA Officer and Former President, Bay of Pigs Veterans Association: Brigade 2506
- · Rosa María Payá Acevedo, Founder, Cuba Decide
- Miriam de la Pena, Mother of Activist Mario de la Pena
- Orlando Gutierrez-Boronat, (Directorio Democratico Cubano), Asamblea por la Resistencia



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To get a tropical look in a warm temperate garden, one most interesting is the little-known genus Curcuma which includes Curcuma longa the culinary spice turmeric. Curcuma, or hidden cone gingers, is a genus of mostly tropical plants known for their dramatic bold foliage, flamboyant floral show. Curcuma can range in height from just under 2' to over 7' tall. The slightly hidden flowers resemble psychedelic pinecones...a nice trip back to the 1960s.

A.J. "Tony" Powell =

AS I SEE IT

Quote:-"Today, 10.2 million undocumented immigrants are living and working in communities across the United

A contributor on a local website asked "How does the United States of America benefit from granting 'Naturalization/Citizenship' to foreigners? For whatever reason, almost all of the respondents ranted on about the many contributions made over the years by 'Immigrants'.

For example- "We are all immigrants!"

"Immigrants help grow the economy by filling labor needs, purchasing goods and paying taxes. When more people work, productivity increases.'

-"As an increasing number of Americans retire in coming years, immigrants will help fill labor demand and maintain the social safety net.

- "Putting undocumented immigrants on a pathway to citizenship would increase *U.S. GDP by up to \$1.7 trillion over the next* decade, raise wages for all Americans, and create hundreds of thousands of new jobs, advancing the country's economic recovery.'

It's interesting to me that these letterwriters, who appear to be educated, intelligent and/or knowledgeable are unable to read/comprehend a simple question!

The question asked (above) was about 'Citizenship' NOT 'Immigration'.

There is a difference, isn't there? For example, a citizen can't be deported.

But you can renounce your U.S. citizenship or. if you run for public office in a foreign country, or commit an act of treason against the United States, you might be in trouble.

I think I read somewhere that Adolph Hitler was born in Austria, emigrated to Germany, then became 'Naturalized'! So, they couldn't send him back to where he came from even if they wanted to.

The way I understand it, if you have only a green card, you can be deported for a serious crime. (Felon?)

A quote on so-called 'Green Cards" -"U.S. Immigration law assumes that a person admitted to the United States as a (legal) immigrant will live in the United States permanently. Remaining outside the United States for more than 12 months may result in a loss of lawful permanent resident status"

Are they 'foreigners'?

 ${\tt Quote-``For eigner'' is one of those words}$ where it is acceptable, but, in some cases, it might have a racist connotation and sometimes it's considered inappropriate. If the person has been living in the country for a long time (e.g. years) it may be considered rude and inappropriate to call them a foreigner.

But others say, "Foreigner just means the person is a citizen of a different country than the one in which they are now. If someone who is in fact a foreigner takes offense at being called such, well, that's their problem.

One supporter of 'Naturalization' wrote

"Offering citizenship to undocumented It's Great To immigrants who are essential workers would boost the GDP by a cumulative total of \$989 billion over 10 years and create 203,200 new jobs.

This column has been 'As I See It' for many years, but, in this case, I don't see it

If illegal 'immigrants' are good for America and Americans, as their supporters claim, then they (and their supporters) should apply for legal entry according to law.

But, the fact that they made criminal entry into the USA, a felony under Federal Law, disqualifies them from any kind of legal status doesn't it?

As I See It, the original question remains, 'Foreigners' can come live in the USA legally, under long-established rules, laws and procedures.

'Naturalization/Citizenship' is in no way connected to the 'legal' immigration process. That comes after 5 years residency doesn't it.

All of those jobs, businesses and alleged 'prosperity' which they credit to immigrants can and is accomplished without citizenship isn't it?

So, the question remains "What is the benefit to America and Americans of giving away their American birthright to people who haven't earned it?

"America For Americans!"

The rest of us should be grateful just to be here!

'til next time....

Be A Kid

(NAPSI)—In these uncertain times, kids need music more than ever. Anyone who has ever seen toddlers naturally sway and bob to music, knows that children feel music—and that music and kids go together like macaroni and cheese. Studies also show that music can help the very young deal with stress and turn around their emotions like nothing else.

Tunes For Toddlers

To that end, Walt Disney Records' most successful lullaby album artist and producer, Grammy nominee Fred Mollin, created "It's Great To Be a Kid," a new album of heartwarming, fun original songs for kids ages 1 through 6. These songs take children on a musical expedition highlighting the beautiful things in life, reminding them how much joy there is to look forward to in their young lives at a time when they need it most.

The songs evoke the simple pleasures of being young, driving in a car, walking and seeing the beauty of nature, playing with friends, dancing to an upbeat song, the joy of food and even the fun of helping tidy up the house. Three interactive Bonus Tracks are versions that leave key moments blank during the songs, for children to join in.

Learn More

For further information, visit www.melodyplacemusic.com and www.fredmollin.com.





DENNIS K. BAXLEY



Dear friends.

enjoying our sunny Florida weather this summer. We are so fortunate to be living in a free, open state, which just happens to have great weather too! We

have seen reports that there are onethousand people a day moving in to Florida.

that may not exist anywhere I hope you are else in the country. We have one of the best, most affordable education systems in America. We continue to expand school choice and allow families the freedom to determine how and where their students will learn. We continue to invest in our beautiful, natural resources and this fiscal year alone, funding from the legislature totals nearly \$300 million, which go in to the Resilient Florida Trust Fund and

of that of California's or New York's. We do not suffocate our businesses with in November of 2022. We hold a slim burdensome taxes and regulation and our majority in the Florida Senate and one or two citizens can earn a paycheck, free of state income taxes. We are not following the faith, family, freedom, opportunity and life failed, authoritarian policies of mask ordinances or vaccine passports. We do not private property by lawless groups of Marxists. Our houses of worship are open and we maintain that the State has no clubs and organizations that help us focus authority to order their closure under the first amendment of the constitution.

We have much to be grateful, indeed, but we must be vigilant. All of this ends if the

Trust Fund. Our cost of living is nearly half any branch of our government. Our Governor, Ron DeSantis, will need our help lost seats can put us jeopardy. If you love itself, then now this time to be engaged. Talk with your friends and neighbors and explain tolerate rioting, looting, or the destruction of to them what is at stake. Yelling on social media may help us blow off steam, but it is the personal contact and the involvement in our energy and efforts that can make the difference. Let's make America Florida.

> Onward & Upward, Senator Dennis Baxley

Short Notes

By TomL

My family & Friends are the most important to me from there, the Lord controls it all.

I have my pride, my Integrity and my love of FREEDOM. The newspapers are a great tool to help people. Also my job is to expose bad issue and bad people, we run letters to the editor so that you can see your opinion in print and others can respond or just read your wisdom.

Through the newspaper business recently I met a Marketing gentleman name Bob M. and surprising to me he lives in Pembroke Fairways. The reason I find that interesting is I help fill up that gated community. I met a ball of fire named Ruthie she worked for Pennbrooke Fairways selling new homes. Pennbrooke Fairways is located on Hwy 44 west of Leesburg Florida. Ruthie saw our paper while eating lunch in a restaurant one day many years ago, she called me. We kind of hit it off from the first meeting. She ran ads to sell her new homes for several years until they sold out. I remember one day I dropped by to have lunch in the PennBrooke Fairways Golf sandwich shop sandwich. Ruth ask me if I would you like to meet some of our readers. I said of course. While we were waiting for our food, we went to the first table she introduced meet. The husband said oh yes that is how we found this wonderful place through an ad in your newspaper. Of course I was flattered. Ruth said wait there is more... Three more table of people sold out in the Villages and bought there home in Pennbrooke Fairways, I ask why and the comment was it was just to busy. Ruthie said now do you see why I am running ads in your papers. I told her I was flattered...

Later that year she said they only had three homes left and they had cut her budget accordingly.

Here is how Washington Works... Promise Everything Deliver Nothing Blame Someone Else Does that sound familiar? If you find a politition that makes promises and keeps them hang on to them. "THEY ARE A RARE BREED"





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Tom Loury Long time member of CEP/Ocala Chamber of Commerce, Past = President of the Ocala Business Leaders and current member, Co-Founder and past President of Select Business Associates, Past President of the Lady Lake Chamber and current member.

PUBLISHER'S NOTES



you imagine sleeping in that building when it collapsed? All kinds of rumors are flying around that the building should have been condemned, There were crack in the foundation reported a

year ago??? My gosh what a terrible loss. It needs to be investigated and if there was negligence they need to deal with it harshly.

Has anyone been watching what is going on in Oklahoma, they have been passing laws and amendment. One was to place the Ten Commandments on the Oklahoma State Capital Building Entrance.

Wait there is more... They passed a Law to arrest all Illegal Immigrants and ship them back to where they came from, with exception that if they want to become a United States Citizen and get a green card to

The Sea side Building work in this country sign up here they all Collapse is horrible. Can ran. The ACLU and the American Government told Oklahoma law enforcement, It's not a good idea. They said they were doing it anyway. Obama and Biden did not do well in Oklahoma, neither one won one county during the election.

> Wait there is more...Oklahoma has now passed law to send all DNA samples to the Oklahoma Data Base for criminal investigation purposes. Speaker Pelosi said it was unconstitutional.

> Wait there is more...Oklahoma has declared as a Sovereign state joining Utah, Montana and Texas. There is a list of states that are likely to follow.

Wait there is more...The Federal Government has been maneuvering to attempt to take our guns, starting with small steps and then getting bolder as time goes on. Oklahoma has recently passed laws that people in this state and of this state have the right to bear arms and transport them in their vehicle. Watch out criminals the public is

Wait there is more...All drivers license exams will be printed in English only. If they can't read the exam they can't read the

SIMPLY PUT Oklahoma has had enough! The population will grow by leaps and bounds.

DO YOU KNOW WHO IAM!

A local restaurant was known for it's famous foods so on Friday and Saturday nights a line would form at the entrance of the restaurant, they were content because they could see the line move as people would come out.

One Friday night who showed up but a famous couple Ted Turner and his ex-wife Jane Fonda. As they approach the line they went right by all of the ranchers to the employee at the door. They said they wanted a table, the man at the door you will have to get in line. Jane Fonda said "DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM?" The man replied no but you need to go to the back of the line and wait your turn. Jane Fonda said get me the manager! The manager comes to the door, Jane Fonda said this man will not seat us. The manager said that's right we can't show

favors you need to go to the back of the line. Ted Turner said DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM? Call the owner up here...When he approached Jane Fonda said DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM? This man won't seat

Yes I do know who you are! DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM? I am the owner of this restaurant I am also am a Vietnam Veteran and you will never be seated in restaurant.

ONLY IN AMERICA!

Speaking of Only in America I got this information from a reader that I want to share. It is a short letter to Governor Greg Abbot of Texas. It was tagged the "Freedom

Dear Gov Greg Abbott:

This land is my land, so is the border.

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Back to **School Safety**

The Villages Elementary School of Lady Lake will reopen and w e 1 c o m e schoolchildren on August 10, 2021. The Lady

Lake Police Dept. would like to remind all drivers to remain alert and use extra caution around school buses and school zones. The penalties for failure to stop for a school bus in Florida is a minimum of \$200 and if there's a second offense committed in 5 years, the license will be suspended for up to 1 year. Some tips for motorists to remember when driving near and around schools, school zones and school buses:

• Pay extra attention to the lowered speed

limits in school zones

- Watch and obey signals from traffic control officers assisting motorists and pedestrians around school zones
- Load and unload children in designated loading/unloading areas
- · Stop and yield to pedestrians crossing in a crosswalk
- · NEVER pass a school bus from behind if it is stopped to load or unload children. Stop far enough back (at least 10 feet) to allow children space to safely enter and exit the bus.
- Be extra cautious around bicyclists as children tend to be unpredictable and turn without looking or signaling
- Put away the phone, don't get distracted, and be extra vigilant.

Lady Lake Police officers will be patrolling the school zones and bus stop areas in the Town of Lady Lake to enforce compliance with the rules of the road and to ensure the safety of the children.

Fair Way Mobile Golf Car Services

You may have seen their eye-catching trailer driving around town, or parked at your neighbor's house and wondered...what is Fair Way Mobile Golf Car Services?

Fair Way Mobile Golf Services is new to The Villages, and it brings new ways of because they come to you - right at your house and on your schedule. Their main goal is to provide you with an outstanding customer service experience by hiring the in the company. Employees that feel valued at work enjoy getting up each morning and will always aim for a job well done. Fair Way employees will bring that excitement and dedication to their service calls, and YOU, the customer, will experience the difference.

Owner Pat McBride is excited to bring this new business to your doorstep. "We Independence Day, which is so perfect, because we love this country and the

opportunities it provides to everyone," McBride said. "I grew up in inner-city Philadelphia. We were at the bottom of the economic ladder, but I never felt poor. Instead of feeling at a disadvantage, I looked around and saw opportunities."

After serving in the US Air Force for two terms, Pat McBride moved to Central Florida in 1982 with his wife and young kids, and the American Dream in his heart. He has doing business! They are excited to remove been a private employee, a government the hassle from service appointments employee, and a business owner, and feels passionately that the lessons he learned as a kid are still applicable today as he hits retirement age: do things the right way even if no one is looking, respect your elders, best employees and giving them ownership value education, give back to your community, and most of all work hard at anything you do in life.

"I've applied all those philosophies to the environment at Fair Way Golf," McBride said. "Our employees work hard, we treat out customers the right way, and we give back to our local community.

Whether you need an oil change, new launched our business just before tires, or just routine maintenance, the technicians at Fair Way Mobile Golf Services are excited to help you out. You'll always get a friendly smile, an honest opinion and a fair quote.

Pat McBride and his staff are standing by, waiting to hear from you, and eager to help you with your golf car needs. Reach out today and schedule your home appointment, and experience the Fair Way Mobile Golf Car difference.





WASHINGTON (AP)

Attorney General Merrick Garland on Monday formally prohibited federal prosecutors from seizing the records of journalists in leak investigations, with limited exceptions, reversing years of department policy.

The new policy largely codifies the commitment Garland made in June, when he said the Justice Department would abandon the practice of seizing reporters' records as part of efforts to uncover confidential sources. It aims to resolve a politically thorny issue that has long vexed Justice Department prosecutors trying to weigh the media's First Amendment rights against the government's desire to protect classified information.

"The United States has, of course, an important national interest in protecting national security information against unauthorized disclosure," Garland wrote in his memo. "But a balancing test may fail to properly weight the important national interest in protecting journalists from compelled disclosure of information revealing their sources, sources they need to apprise the American people of the workings of their government."

The memo makes clear that federal prosecutors can, in some cases, obtain journalists' records. Those exceptions include if the reporters are suspected of working for agents of a foreign power or terrorist organizations, if they are under

investigation for unrelated activities or if they obtained their information through criminal methods like breaking and entering. There are also exceptions for situations with imminent risks, like kidnappings or crimes against children.

Garland was moved to act following an outcry over revelations that the department during the Trump administration had obtained records belonging to journalists at The Washington Post, CNN and The New York Times as part of the investigation into who had disclosed government secrets related to the Russia investigation and other national security matters.

Others whose records were obtained were Democratic members of Congress and aides and former White House counsel Don McGahn

Non-white/White Neighborhoods



Across The U.S., Non-white Neighborhoods Are Hotter Than White Ones

(NAPSI)—Nat ionwide, in both

major cities and small towns, neighborhoods with more Black, Hispanic and Asian residents experience hotter temperatures during summer heatwaves than nearby white residents, regardless of a neighborhood's

income.

These racial disparities exist because non-white neighborhoods tend to be more densely built up with buildings and pavement that trap heat, and have fewer trees to cool the landscape, according to the nationwide study in the AGU journal Earth's Future, which publishes interdisciplinary research on the past, present and future of the planet and its inhabitants.

The trend held up even when wealth was taken out of the picture. When residents had a similar income, non-white neighborhoods still faced significantly higher temperatures than white ones in 71% of the counties.

"Urban climate is different from temperatures outside the city," explained the study's co-author Susanne Benz, an environmental scientist who conducted this research at the University of California, San Diego and is now at Dalhousie University. "Inside the city, temperatures are affected by the buildings surrounding you and by the surface of the streets." Dark pavement absorbs sunlight and releases the heat at night, while trees and other vegetation cool an area through transpiration, when they release water vapor through pores in the leaves.

High Temperatures Can Be Deadly

Heatwaves cause over 700 deaths a year in the United States. When heat and humidity are so high that a body can no longer cool itself through perspiration, heat stroke can set in, rapidly causing brain and organ damage. People who are older, have certain chronic health conditions or are physically exerting themselves are most at risk. A few degrees difference can mean life or death.

Using data from NASA and the Census Bureau, Benz and co-author Jennifer Burney, an Earth scientist at the University of California, San Diego, found that in 76% of counties with more than 10 census tracts, poorer neighborhoods were notably hotter than wealthier ones, primarily due to physical differences—more pavement and people and fewer trees. Areas with a larger percentage of people of color or where people had less education also experienced higher temperatures.

Benz and Burney saw the same patterns playing out in less developed areas as in urban ones. "It turns out that even your tiny towns have the same disparities," Benz said, "and this was something that really shocked me."

"The findings are really quite staggering," said Jeremy Hoffman, a climate scientist and chief scientist at the Science Museum of Virginia, who was not involved in the research. "These disparities exist across virtually every built environment in the country. Money doesn't grow on trees, but it is certainly concentrated underneath them across the U.S."

To compare your neighborhood to others, visit

https://sabenz.users.earthengine.a pp/view/urbanheatusa.

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■ ONE PERSON'S OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I have read Brooke Hamlin's letters with great interest. First know of an individual who is involved in a losing issue with the zoning department. But for months the zoning issue has been knocking around in my brain. Every time I drive down 200 and see the new businesses I wonder: have they lost their minds, why are they allowing such a helter skelter of unlikely business locations? What is their thinking, or is something else in play? Graft?

Have we invited the kind of government we seem to have due to neglect, and unwarranted trust, or just laziness, not paying attention?

Whatever, we need to find solutions, this is our country, including the border. I have sent \$20 dollars to Governor Greg Abbott of

,1100 San Jacinto Blvd., Austin, Texas, 78711\

If 75 million people sent \$20 WE THE PEOPLE Can build the FREEDOM WALL. WE need to become more proactive.

Our FREEDOM is on the line. Fight for it or lose it.

D. I. L.

PUBLISHERS NOTE

Are you sure you want to use the word Graft? They are building businesses where the people live for their convenience?

Answer by D.I.L.

I read something about someone complaining about of lack of action by the Zoning department two developments were affected. I know of an individual being harassed un-merciflly in Woodlands, Dunnellon. Same story.

Cannot get the zoning department to stop the perpetrator. The harassers have done things that should have landed them in jail. Just adding my own observations.

The founding fathers tried to give us a corruption free government. Benjamin Franklin's warning should have had us on alert, but we were not. Corruption is rampant.

If Graft is worrisome delete it. It is my opinion. I said maybe? I worked with the Tea Party when they were watching the education department. Saw how things work. Citizens are ignored, by the people we pay to protect us. Power and money is the name of the game.

Dear EDITOR

OK, one more time from a different perspective.

I am going to try to stress the importance of reading Manning Johnson's book color, communism, and common sense, a true story. Mr. Manning is a black man, and this is his life experience with the communist party, the only insider look at what happens I have ever run across. Most enlightening, I recommend it especially for those who envision a free stuff life under communism. It will be most beneficial to those people. Everyone will derive some new knowledge from this book. It is an easy quick read.

What more can I say? Try it you might like it, and learn something. There is no form of government that ruthless, power lusting types will not attempt to take over. Benjamin franklin tried to tell us with his warning; If you can keep it obviously we cannot keep it. The ruthless power luster are yet once again poised to take over, and make life once more hell for everyone else but, themselves. Pelosi and her expensive ice cream is a perfect example, and the hair incident, no shame what-so-ever.

If reading one tiny book, and fighting off the latest crop of power lusting morons isn't worth the effort, then keep guit when you are living in torturous conditions.

Cuba, Hong kong, Venezuela are not enough for you, then you deserve what you get. I have no sympathy for you.

america, I did. no one was any poorer in america than we were. Today the poor live in apartments with air conditioners, washers, dryers, tv's, computers, cell phones, etc. etc. We never lived in an apartment, or had any of those things. What do you call that? No health care, no college. Everything is relative, read the darn book, then we can them.

D. I. L.

Neighborhoods

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How To Beat Urban Heat

There are solutions. Hoffman suggests planting trees at parks, bus stops and along pedestrian thoroughfares and providing incentives for green or white reflective roofs to cool buildings. These initiatives could dovetail with urban agriculture programs, solar panel installation, workforce development and other programs to more holistically address racial inequality.

The new analysis provides information for policymakers and establishes a way to evaluate the success of policies designed to address urban heat. Now that officials can recognize and measure urban heat disparities, they can try to fix them.

Learn More

For further facts and to see the entire report, go to news.agu.org.

STAY INFORMED

Treating "Untreatable"

Treating "Untreatable" Cancers -Functional Profiling Comes of Age

(NAPSI)—Over 1.8 million Americans You have a chance to work for comfort in are diagnosed with cancer every year according to the American Cancer Society. If you or someone you care about is diagnosed with cancer you may be relieved to know there are techniques available that can improve your likelihood of response and survival by using your cancer cells to select the most effective drugs before you receive

What Can Help

The process is called functional profiling, which analyzes living cancer cells from a patient to find out the drugs, combinations and sequences that are the most effective and least toxic for each individual. It's particularly helpful in treating cancers that have been considered "untreatable," such as pancreatic cancers, advanced lung and recurrent breast cancers.

Why It Works

Cancers arise from cells that have learned certain tricks to enhance their survival. In so doing they outlive their normal counterparts. These transformed cells interact directly with their microenvironment. Cancer cells "talk" to each other and to all the surrounding immune cells, blood vessels and structural elements using chemical signals such as growth factors and metabolic byproducts. Blood vessels, immune cells and connective tissues all participate and promote the cancer process.

Each human cancer reflects all of its genes, both mutated and normal, acting together to create what we recognize as a malignant tumor. But gene changes are only the starting point and not the final product of

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Cancer

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cancer development. The practice of just analyzing genes is incapable of capturing the complexity of human tumor biology. Only Functional analyses can interrogate each patient's tumor in real time to provide insights that can inform drug selection and treatment decisions.

Because each cancer patient is unique and very different from one person to the next, drugs that work for one person may not for another, even with exactly the same diagnosis. Standard trial-and-error approaches cannot meet each patient's

Who Developed the Idea

The pioneer behind this is Los Angelesbased oncologist Dr. Robert Nagourney, author of "Outliving Cancer" and known as the father of precision cancer medicine. His testing of cancer cells against potential drugs offers patients the opportunity to take charge of their cancers and the treatments most likely to work.

<u>Dr. Nagourney</u> recognized the short comings of modern trial and error cancer the COVID-19 pandemic that many

it. Over the past two decades he has amassed data on over 10,000 patients, providing individualized therapies that have been shown to double response rates and improve survival. While major centers continue to offer gene profiles that examine DNA mutations hoping to find a "magic bullet," those result have been extremely disappointing with a minority of patient's revealing actionable findings.

Get Help

The Nagourney Institute receives samples from all over the world. If you think functional profiling would be good for you, you can arrange to have your sample collected and shipped overnight to the laboratory. The Institute will even assist you with a specimen transportation kit and specific handling instructions.

Volunteers Wanted

A Critical Support System For **Veterans**

(NAPSI)—There are certain aspects of

medicine and decided to do something about Americans may not have thought about. For example, one area that saw a sharp decline was volunteerism—placing heavy burdens on nonprofit organizations that rely on the compassion of their volunteer forces.

According to a recent research survey by Fidelity Charitable, a nonprofit organization created by Fidelity Investments, two-thirds of all U.S. volunteers had either decreased volunteer hours or stopped volunteering altogether because of the pandemic.

Volunteer to Help Veterans

One nonprofit feeling the effects is DAV (Disabled American Veterans) and its Transportation Network, which has helped get veterans to and from medical appointments since 1987, when the government-run system was shut down. The nationwide DAV Transportation Network provides no-cost rides to veterans who need help getting to their Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical centers and clinics. Prior to 2020, volunteer drivers spent more than one million hours and logged over 20 million miles, providing more than 600,000 rides for veterans each year.

"We've seen a major decline over the past year in volunteer support across all of our programs," said John Kleindienst, Director of Voluntary Services at DAV. "For our aging veteran population, getting to and from critical care appointments is a growing concern and without volunteers, many veterans have no way to access their health care or get other much needed support."

Ramping up volunteerism for the DAV Transportation Network is critical as the pandemic restrictions lift, as it is anticipated that higher than average numbers of veterans will return to the VA both for routine appointments and for care that was delayed over the past year.

"While safety has been the key priority, we have to think toward the next phase and be prepared to meet this increased demand for transportation," Kleindienst added. "We know the pandemic has hurt a lot of veterans and they might not get the care they earned without our dedicated volunteers. We need



VolunteerMatch's survey, "The Impact of COVID-19 on Volunteering" found many in the nonprofit sector are rethinking volunteer engagement strategies to accommodate the current environment. While this strategy works for some sectors, it can be challenging for others.

Nonprofits, such as DAV, are hopeful that there is light at the end of the pandemic tunnel as vaccines are made widely available, restrictions are lifted and communities can safely get back to volunteering.

"We know there are many passionate and dedicated volunteers who are ready to step up and support our nation's veterans and with added safety measures in place we're beginning to see more people coming out to help. We can only hope it will be enough to keep pace with those veterans in need,' added Kleindienst.

Learn More

If you are a veteran in need of support or want to learn more about volunteer opportunities in the community, go to dav.org/volunteer.

COVID-19 Vaccines

Six Questions To Ask Your Doctor **About COVID-19 Vaccines**

(NAPSI)—While most American adults have already received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, a lot of people still

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Governor Ron DeSantis Announces \$44 Million to Support Florida's Most Vulnerable Students and Schools

~ Targeted School Improvement Funds will Elevate Students,

Teachers and School Leaders in 149 Struggling Schools -

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. - Today, Governor Ron DeSantis announced that the Florida Department of Education awarded \$44 million in federal Unified School Improvement Grant (UniSIG) funds to support 149 struggling schools in 29

"It can be hard for struggling schools to recruit and retain top talent, and today I'm proud to announce \$44 million to address this problem," said Governor Ron DeSantis. "I have consistently said that the number one way to create great opportunities for our students is by ensuring they have great teachers. In Florida, we will continue to take a strategic, data-driven approach to make our schools the best in the country."

"Frederick Douglass said it best when he said, 'It is easier to build strong children than repair broken adults,' and with these funds we ensure our students have worldclass educators in front of them each and every day," said Commissioner of Education Richard Corcoran. "Our number one goal is to ensure each of Florida's 2.9 million public school students receive a world-class education and are given the tools to succeed. These funds help accomplish that important work by incentivizing great educators with proven track records of success to come help our most vulnerable students in our most vulnerable schools succeed."

- The funds provided through UniSIG will be used to support school improvement initiatives in Florida's lowest performing five percent of schools. Teachers who teach at these low performing schools and have earned highly effective or effective ratings can receive up to \$15,000.
- Principals may qualify for up to \$45,000 for recruitment/retention and performance, and one assistant principal from the school may also qualify for \$10,000 for recruitment/retention.
- Each school will receive up to \$100,000 to fund an Early Literacy Coach to support the 2021-2022 adoption of and professional development for the English Language Arts B.E.S.T. Standards.
- Each school will receive up to \$100,000 to fund a school-based Strategic Initiatives Coach to support the B.E.S.T. Standards adoption. These individuals will continuously review the submission of real-time progress monitoring data to

Each school will receive up to \$30,000 to fund supplemental teacher professional development and instructional materials to support the B.E.S.T. Standards adoption and implementation.

Governor DeSantis Coordinating State Resources to Surfside Building Collapse

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Governor Ron DeSantis, Lt. Governor Jeanette Nuñez, Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis, Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) Director Kevin Guthrie, Surfside Mayor Charles Burkett and Miami-Dade County Mayor Daniella Levine Cava are at the Surfside Building Collapse site to receive a briefing of the situation, tour site damage and coordinate state resources.

Early this morning, the State Watch Office received a report regarding the collapse of the Champlain Towers South building in Surfside. Local fire rescue teams immediately responded and began search and rescue efforts.

Governor DeSantis hosted a press conference on the site to provide an update about the disaster and ongoing state response efforts. Remarks from Governor DeSantis and FDEM Director Kevin Guthrie are available.

State response efforts include:

FDEM has deployed State Emergency

guide instructional support and teacher Response Team personnel to assist response

FDEM Mental Health Coordinator is standing by to deploy as needed and has begun organizing mental health resources across partner agencies. The Division is also coordinating with the Florida Crisis Response Team to provide group crisis intervention to survivors.

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) has activated the Business Damage Assessment Survey to gather information and ensure proper resources are available for response and recovery for the Surfside Community. The survey can be taken at FloridaDisaster.biz/BusinessDamageAsses sments by selecting the "Surfside Condo Collapse". For additional assistance, please call 850-815-4925.

The American Red Cross is providing temporary lodging for displaced individuals and has opened a "Safe and Well" event for the collapse. The "Safe and Well" event is available.

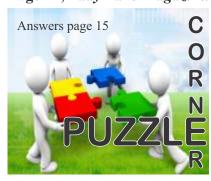
DEO is working with AirBnB to coordinate housing assistance for displaced individuals.

VISIT FLORIDA held a call with AirBnB and VRBO this morning. AirBnB reported that none of their rentals in the building were occupied last night. VRBO reported that they did not have any listings in the building.

The Florida Department of Transportation is coordinating with Miami-Dade County to fulfill resource requests that will assist with scene security and redirection of traffic.

Displaced residents can utilize the Florida Housing and Finance Corporation rental Continued page 12





- 1. Heron or flamingo
- 6. Cradle grain
- 10. Inside stuff
- 14. Isolated
- 15. Crude come-on
- 16. Holly-like oak
- 17. Money's the name of her game
- 19. Million finish
- 20. "Get my meaning?"
- 21. Times of promise
- 22. Celebrated
- 24. Duke or earl, e.g.
- 25. Super-heavyweight's sport
- 26. Family emblems
- 29. Plains tribesman
- 33. Decorative wall hanging
- 34. Bull ring wound
- 35. Unpromising outlook
- 36. Ace-high beater

- 38. In fine shape
- 39. The rest of the 10. Oahu landmark group
- containers, often
- 41. A Fonda
- 42. Carrot-tops
- showy 45. Louvre seraph
- 46. Beneficial
- 47 Scattered
- 50. Motor sound
- 51. Sellout initials
- 54. Word with yacht or 31. Greenskeeper's concern kennel
- 55. Military award
- 58. Prefix with ballistic or 37. Props and scenery dynamic
- 59. Buffalo's waterfront
- 60. Mel's Diner waitress 61. Transportation on the
- 62. One past 12
- 63. Tasty mushroom

- 1. Habitual joke crackers
- 2. Soap additive
- 3. 1996 runner-up
- 4. Type of zone or table
- 5. Uses coupons
- 6. Wilco preceder

- 37. Attache case 7. Popover ingredients
 - 8. Steak partner
 - 9. Air sweeteners

 - 11. Hodgepodge
- 40. Coffee 12. Where the Amazon rises
 - 13. Generic signatures
 - 18. Currier's partner
 - 23. Doc's grp.
- 44. Tastelessly 24. Film set in 1941
 - 25. Puts into piles
 - 26. Come to a head?
 - 27. Speak from the stump
 - 28. Set of three
 - 29. Toll road supply
 - 30. Articles on a rack
 - 32. Abrasive board
 - 34. Tour leader

 - 41. Usher's handout
 - 43. Naval rank below Lieut.
 - 44. Radius, but not diameter

 - 46. Logical assumption
 - 47. Wordless singing style 48. Academy freshman
 - 49. General feel
 - 50. "Swan Lake" movement
 - 51. Julia Child direction
 - 52. Word with course or horse
 - 53. Moundsman Hershiser
 - 56. Anger
 - 57. ___-mo camera

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locator at FloridaHousingSearch.org or call 877-428-8844 Urban Search and Rescue Task Force 1

remains on-scene to provide support for search and rescue operations. Individuals with information about loved ones who are unaccounted for, or are safe,

are encouraged to call the reunification hotline at 305-614-1819. Impacted individuals are also encouraged to contact the following helpline services

for immediate emotional support: Disaster Distress Helpline - 800-985-

Florida 211 Network – 211

Crisis Text Line – Text HELLO to 741741 State personnel remain on scene and will continue to provide assistance, as requested.

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have questions. Everyone deserves to have access to factual information to make a decision about getting vaccinated. But many people don't know where to go to get their questions answered.

For most people who want more information, talking to their personal doctor is the best place to start. Your doctor or health team will know you and your medical situation better than anyone. They can help you make an informed decision that's right

When talking with your doctor, there are a few key questions you may want to consider:

Vaccine Questions:

1. Why did your doctor choose to get vaccinated? Over 90% of doctors have decided to get vaccinated against COVID-19. You may want to hear more about why they chose to get vaccinated as a healthcare

2. Why should you get vaccinated? Your



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3.Are the vaccines safe? These vaccines

doctor can make a recommendation based are undergoing the most intensive safety began over a year ago with more participants than most other vaccines. Your doctor can Continued page 14





FROM THE DESK OF

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Moody Highlights App for Reporting Price Gouging in English and Spanish

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—In the midst of the 2021 Atlantic Hurricane

Season, Attorney General Ashley Moody traveled to Osceola County to highlight the No Scam Price Gouging Reporting App that is available in both English and Spanish. At a news conference hosted by the Osceola County Sheriff's Office, Attorney General Moody highlighted the first-of-its-kind app that allows consumers to report allegations of price gouging during a declared state of emergency in real time directly to the Attorney General's Office. The app allows users to attach pictures and copies of receipts directly from smartphones when reporting suspected price gouging.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "The No Scam app has helped thousands of consumers report outrageous price increases during declared states of emergency, in English and Spanish. As this year's hurricane season is already underway, I am encouraging all Floridians to download this free app to be ready to help us fight price gouging.

In June 2019, Attorney General Moody's office launched the No Scam Price Gouging Reporting App. Since then, the app has been downloaded by more than 21,000

Attorney General consumers and has assisted consumer protection investigators in the Attorney General's Office with more than 2,200 reports of suspected price gouging. The app also helps increase awareness about Florida's price gouging statute.

> The app permits users in real time to:Send pictures of prices on signs, online posts and

- · Capture and report receipts and email confirmations:
- Write narratives of interactions with sellers and prices observed of essential commodities;
- · Report prices of identical products offered by different sellers in the same vicinity; and
- · Capture any additional supporting documentation.

For tips on how to better report price gouging, read the Attorney General's Tips for Avoiding Price Gouging and Gathering Gouging Evidence.

Under Florida's price gouging statute,, it is unlawful during a declared state of emergency to sell, lease, offer to sell, or offer for lease essential commodities, dwelling units, or self-storage facilities for an amount that grossly exceeds the average price for hat commodity during the 30 days before the declaration of the state of emergency, unless the seller can justify the pricing by showing increased costs or changed market

conditions resulting in increased costs.

For more information about price gouging, go to myfloridalegal.com.

The Attorney General's No Scam Price Gouging Reporting App can be downloaded for free through Apple and Android stores by searching No Scam.

In addition to being used to report price gouging during states of emergency related to hurricanes, No Scam has been continually updated for use during other states of emergency—most notably the health state of emergency declared last year for the COVID-19 pandemic. Consumers were able to report outrageous price increases on essential commodities related to COVID-19 via the app. To learn more, go to myfloridalegal.com.

In May, Attorney General Moody released the 2021 Hurricane Preparedness Guide in advance of this year's hurricane season. The guide is available in both English and Spanish.

Attorney General Moody Sues Google for Antitrust Violations Over App Store

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Attorney General Ashley Moody is suing Google for illegally and unfairly maintaining a monopoly on the app store for Android devices. Google allegedly uses exclusionary conduct relating to the Google Play Store for Android mobile devices and Google Billing. This antitrust lawsuit is the newest legal action against the tech giant, claiming anticompetitive, illegal and unfair

business practices. The suit accuses Google of using its dominance to unfairly restrict competition with the Google Play Store, harming consumers by limiting choice and driving up app prices. Attorney General Moody joins a coalition of 37 attorneys general in filing the lawsuit.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "Time and time again, we have seen Google use its power in the tech industry to unscrupulously exploit the marketplace. Google's manipulation of app distribution on Android devices forces consumers into using Google's services to purchase apps—resulting in a 30% commission charge on in-app payments.

"The tech giant's monopoly on Android app purchases significantly hinders other inapp payment processors from entering the marketplace, leaving consumers with no other options when seeking to download apps. We will not allow Google to continue to monopolize an entire sector—eliminating competition and harming consumers."

According to the lawsuit, Google's exclusionary conduct substantially shuts out competing app distribution channels. Google also requires app developers, who offer apps through the Google Play Store, to use Google Billing as a middleman. This arrangement ties a payment processing system to an app distribution channel and forces app consumers to pay Google's commission on in-app purchases that are distributed via the Google Play Store. This commission reaches up to 30% and is much higher than the commission consumers would pay if they had the ability to choose one of Google's competitors instead.

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The lawsuit alleges that Google works to discourage or prevent competition, violating federal and state antitrust laws. Google previously promised app developers and device manufacturers that it would keep Android open source, allowing developers to create compatible apps and distribute them without unnecessary restrictions. The lawsuit argues Google did not keep that promise.

By promising to keep Android open, Google successfully enticed OEMs—mobile device manufacturers such as Samsung—and MNOs—mobile network operators such as Verizon—to adopt Android and forgo competing with Google's Play Store. Once Google obtained the critical mass of Android OS adoption, the tech giant moved to close the Android OS ecosystem—and the relevant Android App Distribution Market—to any effective competition by requiring OEMs and MNOs to enter into various contractual restraints. These restraints disincentivize and restrict OEMs and MNOs from competing, or fostering competition, in the relevant market.

To view the filed complaint, go to myfloridalegal.com.

This lawsuit is one of many actions taken against Google by the Florida Attorney General's Office. In September 2019, Attorney General Moody and a bipartisan coalition of attorneys general <u>launched an investigation</u> into Google's business practices.

Following the investigation in October 2020, Attorney General Moody, along with the U.S. Department of Justice and 10 other state attorneys general, filed a civil antitrust lawsuit to prevent Google from unlawfully maintaining monopolies through anticompetitive and exclusionary practices in the search and search advertising markets.

In March, Attorney General Moody <u>filed</u> a <u>lawsuit against Google</u> for multiple violations of federal and state antitrust and consumer protection laws in connection with its role in the multitrillion-dollar online-display advertising industry.

In addition to Attorney General Moody, the attorneys general of the following jurisdictions joined the lawsuit: Alaska, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.

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help determine safety based on your personal medical history.

4.Do the vaccines impact fertility? This myth has been appearing online but there is no evidence that COVID-19 vaccines cause fertility problems. Ask your doctor if you have concerns around fertility or pregnancy.

5.Are the vaccines free? Yes, the



vaccines are provided by the federal government at no cost to recipients.

6.Can you get a vaccine from your primary care doctor? Your primary care doctor may have COVID-19 vaccines available in their office. If not, they can help direct you to the closest location where you can receive a vaccine. You can also visit Vaccines.gov to find a location near you.

Learn More

Visit <u>www.GetVaccineAnswers.org</u> for the latest facts about COVID-19 vaccines

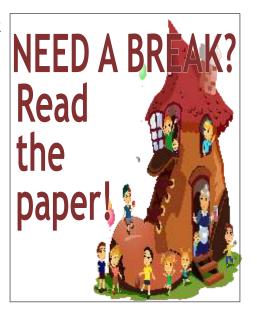
Internet for People of Cuba DeSantis' Call for Biden

De Santis' Call for Biden Administration to Provide Internet Access People of Cuba

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Following a townhall event focused on the crisis in Cuba on *Hannity* last night, Cuban-American leaders in Florida are commending Governor Ron DeSantis' call for the Biden Administration to take action and provide internet access for the people of Cuba who are standing up against communist oppression.

Over a week ago, Governor DeSantis <u>sent</u> a <u>letter to President Joe Biden</u> urging the federal government to provide internet access into Cuba remotely to support those demanding freedom from their repressive Communist government. There has not yet been a response to the letter.

"As the people of Cuba continue to rise against the tyrannical regime, they deserve our nation's support," said **Lt. Governor Jeanette Nuñez**. "The Governor urged the Biden Administration to take immediate action to provide a pathway for unfettered access to the internet, but we have yet to receive a response. My parents fled the oppression orchestrated by the communist Castro regime. As a Cuban-American, I stand with our brothers and sisters on the island who desperately yearn for freedom."



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