



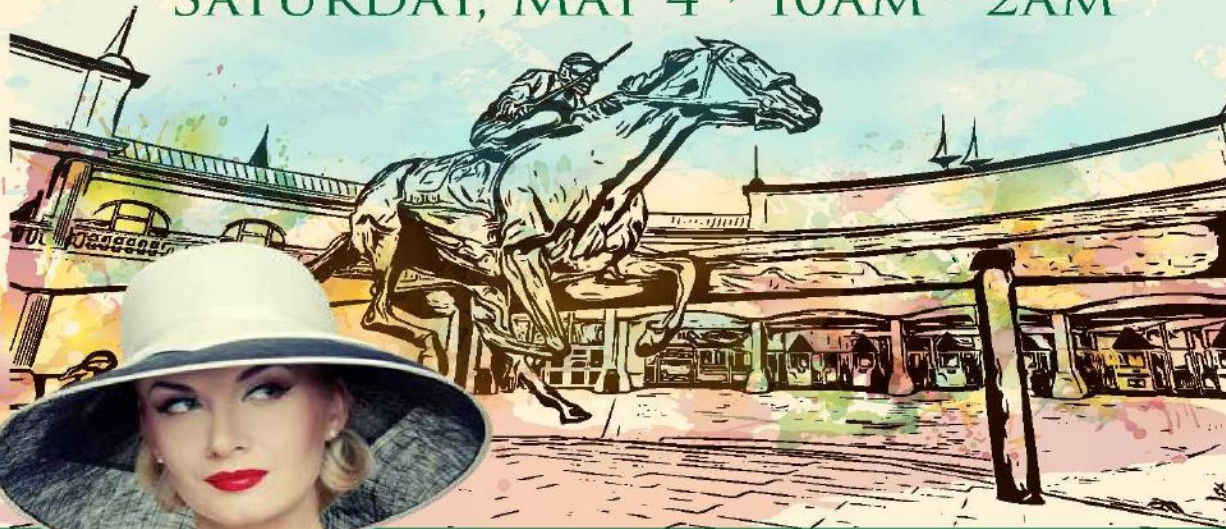
MARION COUNTY CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

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KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

SATURDAY, MAY 4 • 10AM - 2AM



\$20 ENTRANCE
FULL CASINO FROM 12 TO 7PM

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\$5 MINT JULEPS & BLOODY MARYS

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For all of Marion County's Children to have a safe, healthy and nurturing environment in which to grow.

Our Mission

"To improve the lives of Marion County Children"

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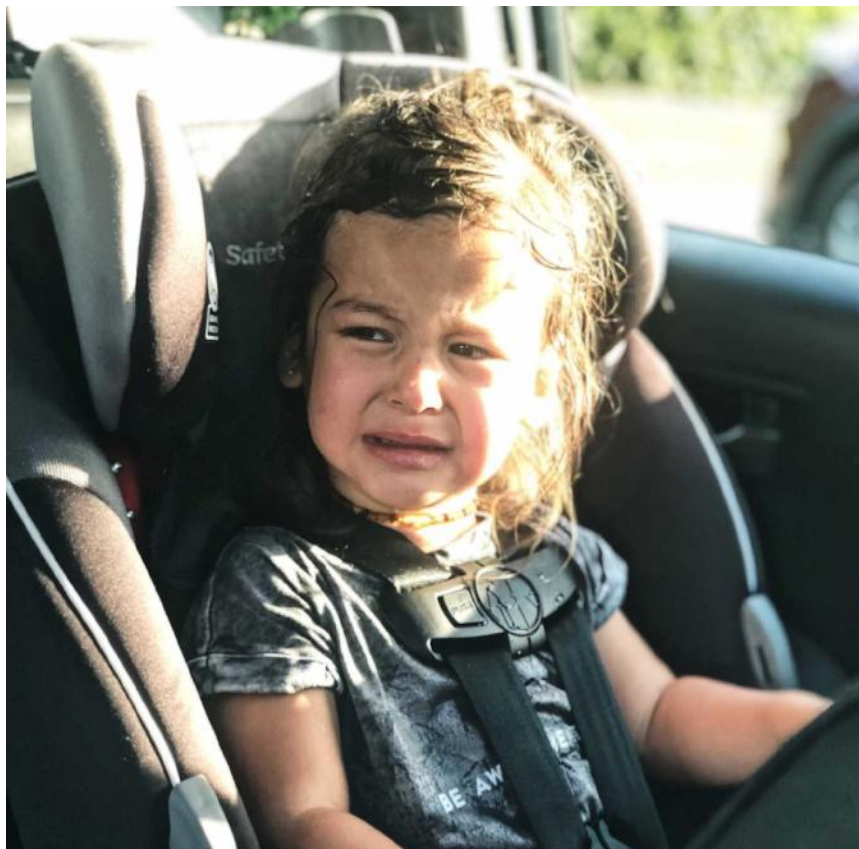
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**It can happen
to anyone.**

**Look Before You
LOCK!** 



Fill a Bag. Llena una bolsa. Help Feed Families.

Ayuda a alimentar a las familias.

Bag healthy nonperishable food items and place by your mailbox for your letter carrier to pick up and deliver to food banks and pantries in your community.

Donations Stay in Your Community

Saturday, May 11, 2019

Help Us Stamp Out Hunger.
Spread the Word.

Ayúdanos a erradicar el hambre.
Envía el mensaje.

 [Facebook.com/StampOutHunger](https://www.facebook.com/StampOutHunger)  [@StampOutHunger](https://twitter.com/StampOutHunger)
stampouthungerfooddrive.us



**Safe Kids Marion
Pinwheel Garden**



16th Annual



Sponsored by Marion County Children's Alliance, Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc. and the City of Ocala in partnership with Marion County Public School System

Saturday, July 27, 2019
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Ed Croskey Center,
1510 N.W. 4th St., Ocala

**FREE BACKPACKS AND
SCHOOL SUPPLIES**
**CHILDREN MUST ATTEND TO
RECEIVE BACKPACK!**

~ EVERYTHING IS FREE ~

Immunizations (**Must Bring Current Shot Record**), School Physicals, Vision and Hearing Screenings, Backpacks and School Supplies (while supplies last), Child ID's, Vendors, Clowns, Games, Free Food, etc.

~ **BACK AGAIN THIS YEAR** ~

Clothing Boutique and Hygiene items for Teen Boys and Girls (While supplies last) and the **Florida Department of Health's Dental Clinic** will provide cleanings, fluoride, sealants and exams for children from birth to 18 years old.



For information, vendor and sponsorship opportunities or to donate school supplies, call (352) 438-5990 or (352) 509-9279 or go to <https://2019b2sbash.eventbrite.com>.

We Need Your Support ~ Sponsorship Information on Page 6 and 7

INVEST IN OUR CHILDREN: SPONSORS NEEDED

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL BACK 2 SCHOOL BASH 2019 SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Saturday, July 27, 2019~ 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Ed Croskey Center

~ **BACKPACK SPONSOR: \$3,000**

Sponsorship Level Includes:

- ✓ Free Vendor Table
- ✓ Company logo on Event Flyer and Banner displayed outside at event (Company must provide banner)
- ✓ Printed material and/or brochures placed in **EACH** backpack
- ✓ Signage at event listing your company or organization as the **BACKPACK** Sponsor
- ✓ Acknowledgement of your support on MCCA's and CLSMF's Facebook page, Website and Recognition at event

~ **GOLD SPONSOR: \$1,500**

Sponsorship Level Includes:

- ✓ Free Vendor Table
- ✓ Company logo on Event Flyer
- ✓ Printed material and/or brochures placed in **750** backpacks (Company must provide materials)
- ✓ Signage at event listing your company or organization as the **GOLD** Sponsor
- ✓ Acknowledgement of your support on MCCA's and CLSMF's Facebook page, Website and Recognition at event

~ **SILVER SPONSOR: \$1,000**

Sponsorship Level Includes:

- ✓ Free Vendor Table
- ✓ Printed material and/or brochures placed in **500** backpacks (Company must provide materials)
- ✓ Signage at event listing your company or organization as the **SILVER** Sponsor
- ✓ Acknowledgement of your support on MCCA's and CLSMF's Facebook page, Website and Recognition at event

~ **BRONZE SPONSOR: \$500**

Sponsorship Level Includes:

- ✓ Free Vendor Table
- ✓ Signage at event listing your company or organization as the **BRONZE** Sponsor
- ✓ Acknowledgement of your support on MCCA's and CLSMF's Facebook page, Website and Recognition at event

~ **IN-KIND SPONSORSHIP: (Fair Market Value)**

Sponsorship Level Includes:

- ✓ In-Kind sponsors will be recognized at the sponsorship level that corresponds to the fair market value of the in-kind product or service donated.
- ✓ Company Recognition at the event listing your company or organization at the sponsorship level that matches the fair market value of the in-kind product or service donated.
- ✓ Acknowledgement of your support on MCCA's and CLSMF's Facebook page, Website and Recognition at event

~ **DONATION** (No amount is too small)

Your donation ensures that children in our community are prepared to learn when they return to school.

Checks should be made payable to the Marion County Children's Alliance or donations can be made online at

<https://2019b2sbash.eventbrite.com>.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL BACK 2 SCHOOL BASH
2019 SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT
(Please Print Clearly)

Business/Organization Name: _____		
Contact Person's Name: _____		
Mailing Address: _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____
Phone: _____	Email: _____	

Please Choose Your Sponsorship Level:

- \$3,000 **Backpack** Sponsor
- \$1,500 **Gold** Sponsor
- \$1,000 **Silver** Sponsor
- \$500 **Bronze** Sponsor
- (Fair Market Value) **In-Kind** Sponsor

- Other:** Unable to sponsor, but please accept our **Donation** of \$_____ to support the Bash.



Please enclose a check made payable to Marion County Children's Alliance. Please write B2SB in the Memo Line or pay online at <https://2019b2sbash.eventbrite.com>. See enclosed document for benefits associated with sponsorship levels.

If your sponsorship level benefits include your logo being displayed on Event flyer, please email your logo to Monica@breakthesilenceonviolence.org as soon as possible for maximum exposure or on or before **May 24, 2019**.

Signature of Sponsor: _____ **Date:** _____

For more information:
Call Monica Bryant at (352) 438-5993 or Lena Smith at (352) 509-9279

Make all checks payable to the Marion County Children's Alliance and return this form and payment to:
MCCA, 3482 N.W. 10th St., Ocala, FL 34475

Dr. H.L. Harrell Branch
 352-690-7440
 800 SW 12th Ave.
 Ocala, FL
Ages 6-12

Dr. H.L. Harrell Teen Center
 352-690-7440
 800 SW 12th Ave.
 Ocala, FL
Ages 13-18



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
 OF MARION COUNTY

Dunnellon Branch
 352-875-4719
 20077 SW 110th St.
 Dunnellon, FL
Ages 6-18

Silver Springs Shores Branch
 352-680-0011
 674 Silver Rd.
 Ocala, FL
Ages 6-18

BGCofMarion.com

2019

Register Now !

Summer Camp Sign Up

- Swimming
- Sports & Recreation
- Nature Walks
- Fun & Exciting Field Trips
- Physical Fitness Challenges
- Team Spirit Competitions

Enroll at any Boys & Girls Clubs of Marion County location.

- Visual & Performing Arts
- Health & Wellness
- STEM
- Friendships & Fun
- Good Character & Leadership

Membership Fee
 ages 6-18
\$15
 Club Shirt Included
 Membership Fee is Non-Refundable

+

Summer Fee
 ages 6-12
\$35/week
 \$30/each additional chld

or

Summer Fee
 ages 13-18
\$50 flat fee

Breakfast, Lunch & Snack Provided Free !

July 12- Walk-A-Thon

July 26- End of Camp Trip

Clubs Hours

9 week program

June 3-August 2

7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

*All clubs closed on July 4.

Follow Us on Facebook !





Marathon Kids

Fitness Club

**Ages
6-16**

Wear comfortable clothing and closed toe shoes.

**Mondays
May 6 to June 10
6 to 7 p.m.
Jervey Gantt Park
2200 SE 36 Ave.**

**This is
a FREE
program!**

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR CHILD TO GET ACTIVE THROUGH A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES TO INCLUDE: RELAY RACES, BALL BOUNCE PASS, JUMP ROPES, CONE OBSTACLES AND MORE!

**TO REGISTER, VISIT
WWW.OCALAFL.ORG/RECPARK
OR CALL (352) 368-5517.**

OCALA
Recreation and Parks



FAMILY NIGHT DONE RIGHT

*Movie Night
at Martin Luther King Jr.
Recreation Complex*

1510 NE 4TH STREET OCALA, FL 34475

Join us for free food, activities, and a
screening of

Marvel's Black Panther

Saturday, June 22, 2019

Tailgating and Activities starts at 5:00 PM

Movie Starts at Dusk

BROUGHT TO YOU IN PARTNERSHIP BY:



For more information, call (352) 368-5517

Programs IN THE Parks

These FREE natural resource programs are for all ages, presented by your city park rangers. Most take place following our **READING WITH A RANGER** program on the following Fridays:

May 17: "The Buzz About Bees"
Heritage Nature Conservancy, 2005 NE Third St.
Learn how to make a bee house for your backyard and all about the environmental benefits of bees!

June 7: "Nature Games & Tracking"
Tuscawilla Park, 800 NE Sanchez Ave.
Enjoy nature-related outdoor games and fun animal tracking activities.

June 28: "Tremendous Trees"
Scott Springs Park, 2825 SW 24 Ave.
Learn about these green giants and go on a fun scavenger hunt with prizes!

July 12: "Awesome Owls"
Fort King National Historic Landmark, 3925 E. Ft. King St.
This program is a **HOOT!** Enjoy a lesson on owls, followed by a fun owl themed activity!

July 26: "Fantastic Frogs"
Tuscawilla Park, 800 NE Sanchez Ave.
Learn why frogs are so important to our environment with a fun activity!

Noon
to 1 p.m.

OCALA

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Recreation and Parks

Circuit Training

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
March 25 - May 2 AND May 13 - July 15
(Choose ONE of BOTH sessions)
6 to 7:15 p.m.
E.D. Croskey Recreation Center
1510 NW Fourth St.

This is a FREE beginner-level program designed for individuals looking to change their health and well-being!

Activities include low impact exercise, cardio and more. Participants should wear comfortable clothing and closed toe shoes. Please bring a towel, water bottle and positive attitude!

To register, please visit www.ocalafl.org/recpark or call (352) 368-5517.



Project L.I.F.T. is in need of Volunteers!!

Project Lift is a program serving at-risk boys in the Dunnellon and surrounding areas. We meet Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and after school 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

We help guide them to learn a vocation, get a diploma and receive mental health/substance abuse

If you would be interested in partnering with us, we would love to have you!

You can reach out to Jimmy Page at (772) 206-6142 or (352) 465-9009



We need Volunteers. Whether you can help one afternoon or 4 days, we would love to have you help make a difference in lives of youth!

**Bike Repair, Screen Printing,
Appliance & Small Engine Repair, Electrical,
Plumbing, Carpentry, Gardening, Masonry, Painting,
Roofing, Flooring, Boat Repair, HVAC,
Large Machinery Operation (bulldozers, forklift, etc.)**

VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUP MEETING FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORSSURVIVORS

Bean Bag Session: We are survivors
by New Visions Ministries of Florida, Inc.
May 8 and 22, 2019
9 p.m. EST/ 8 p.m. CST

Virtual setting support meeting for survivors of and those still suffering from domestic violence and/or sexual violence.

The call is anonymous unless you choose to introduce yourself.

Dial-in number **(712) 775-7031**
Access code: **736842**

Video and Screen Sharing
Online meeting ID: *****preciousswain*****

Online meeting link:
<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/preciousswain>

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2019

8 P.M. 5K START



This fun nighttime run will have historic downtown Ocala, illuminated with participants winding through its streets.

- The race starts and ends at Citizens' Circle.
- Plenty of parking is available in the parking garage.

Sign Up Now:

<https://glowwiththeflo5k.itsyourrace.com/register/>



Glo with the Flo 5K Run

Proceeds benefit the Drayton Florence Foundation and the Family Violence Prevention Workgroup, which is dedicated to educating children and families on healthy relationships and the importance of incorporating fitness activities into their daily lives.



Race Route – Water Stations

Water stations are located at the beginning and end of the race route and 1 water station is available at the half-way point on the route.

Early Packet Pick-up

We encourage participants to utilize our Early Packet Pick-up to avoid the crowd. Packet Pick-up options available on Thursday, August 22, from 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. at the Ocala Police Department Community Room, 402 S. Pine Ave. Ocala, FL 34471 and Friday, August 23, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Children's Alliance, 3482 NW 10th St., Ocala. Packet pick-up at Citizens' Circle begins at 6 p.m. and ends promptly at 7:30 p.m. so we can start the race on time.

Race Shirts

Dry Fit T-shirts & Swag Bags (with neon accessories) guaranteed to the first 300 registrations. Sign up by July 24, 2019 to guarantee your size. After that date, the closest available shirt is offered.

Sign up – Race Entry Fees Register online today by visiting:

<https://glowwiththeflo5k.itsyourrace.com/register/>

\$25 for groups of 10 or more. Call (352) 438-5993 to obtain a discount code for your team.

\$30 until 9 a.m. on 8/23/19

\$35 on Race Day (starts at 6:30 p.m.)

Awards – Prizes

Male and Female – 5K

All prizes awarded based on Gun Start/Chip Finish time

Overall Male and Female 1st

Age Divisions 1st, 2nd, 3rd

8 & under, 9-12, 13-15, 16-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44

45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75+

Race Day – Event Timeline

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Packet Pickup and Race Sign Up

7:30 p.m. – Zumba warm-up

8 p.m. 5K Start

9:00 p.m. Awards (approx.)

Race Results

Results will be posted on paper and are LIVE online at ITS Your Race.

Online Official Race Results will be posted after the event at Its Your Race.

Sign up to receive an instant text message of your unofficial results as you cross the finish line too.

Timing – Starting Positions

The 5K Race is timed by gun start, chip finish. Results are based on gun start times. Line up according to your planned race speed. Elite Runners are at the very front and walkers and families with strollers or small children are at the back of the lineup.

**True or False:
Drug overdose deaths are
higher than HIV, car
crashes or gun violence at
their peaks.**

Join us to learn more

Community Opioid Presentation

**Marion County Sheriff's Office
Jail Administrative Training Room**

**Monday, June 3rd
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm**

Register online: www.cvent.com/d/26qtpk

Lunch Provided by Marion County Children's Alliance



Created and Presented By:

**North Florida RX and
Heroin TaskForce**

RAHEC
SUWANNEE RIVER
AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER



Saturday | Sept. 14, 2019 | 10am - 2pm

Join us at Tuscawilla Park

To celebrate recovery and increase awareness for those struggling with mental or substance use disorders

Listen to great music, taste local food, share your story and learn about the services available to help with recovery.



Various business and healthcare vendors from the community will also be offering services on site.

Businesses or individuals looking to get involved or sponsor the 3rd Annual Ocala Recovery Fest, please contact Nancy Castillo at (352) 438-5992 or nancy@mcchildrensalliance.org for more information.

Marion County Guardian ad Litem Program Seeking Volunteers to Serve as Voice for Children

Help a Child Reach Home

With a Guardian ad Litem volunteer, a child is half as likely to languish in the foster care and child welfare system, and more likely to find a safe, permanent home.



**GUARDIAN AD LITEM
FOR CHILDREN**

Guardian ad Litem
Pre-service Training

May 17th & 18th
Ocala, Florida

Registration Required!

For more information visit GuardianadLitem.org



More than 900 abused and neglected children are currently involved with Marion County Courts. Most of them are younger than 12 and have been removed from their parents because of alcohol or drug addiction. The court system is seeking volunteers to act as Guardians' ad Litem (GAL) for these children.

A guardian ad litem is a trained volunteer appointed by the court to advocate on behalf of the child. The volunteer works as part of a team with a volunteer supervisor and program attorney. The GAL becomes familiar with the child's case and makes recommendations to the judge to ensure they grow up in a safe, stable and permanent home.

Research has shown that when a dependent child is assigned to a GAL volunteer, they spend less time in foster care and do better in school. They are more likely to receive the services they need to overcome their circumstances and more likely to acquire the skills to succeed in life.

Eligible volunteers must be at least 21 years of age, complete a 30-hour pre-service training program and pass a criminal background check. Volunteers should expect to spend an average of 15-20 hours a month on a case. Most cases last 12-16 months. Support and guidance are provided by an assigned mentor, a volunteer supervisor and a program attorney.

REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER CAMP



Shores Assembly of God is preparing for summer.

Registration for summer camp, (June 3 through August 2, Monday - Friday, from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.) is now open.

For more information call the church office at **(352) 687-0190**.

FREE FOOD STILL AVAILABLE

Is your organization hosting an event?
Is your church doing Vacation Bible School during Summer Break?

If so and you would like to feed the kids at your event for free, please call Shores Assembly of God at **(352) 687-0190** or e-mail us at **Shoresag@hotmail.com** and leave your contact information.

3RD ANNUAL CIRCUIT 5 HUMAN TRAFFICKING SYMPOSIUM

When: Thursday, June 20, 2019 from 8:30 am to 3:30pm
Where: Oxford Assembly of God, 12114 US-301, Oxford, FL 34484 (Sumter County)

Register:
<https://reg131.imperisoft.com/LSF/ProgramDetail/3339383837/R/egistration.aspx>



Training is open to all agencies that are in contact with victims of Human Trafficking but is focused towards Law Enforcement, State Attorney's Office, Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice Professionals, CSUs, Hospitals, Medical Professionals and Faith-Based Groups. Training is FREE. CEU's available for \$15. Approved Provider 50-16467 by Florida board of clinical social work, marriage and family therapy and mental health and Florida board of psychology. Contact Lesley Hersey for more information at Lesley.hersey@lsfnet.org






The Human Trafficking Task Force is a network of governmental & non-governmental agencies working together to end modern day slavery

For more information, call (352) 368-5517

OCALA SKATEPARK

LIVE DJ ★ FOOD TRUCK ★ RIBBON-CUTTING

Grand Opening Event

MAY 18

11 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

517 NE NINTH ST.

COME
SKATE!

(finally!)

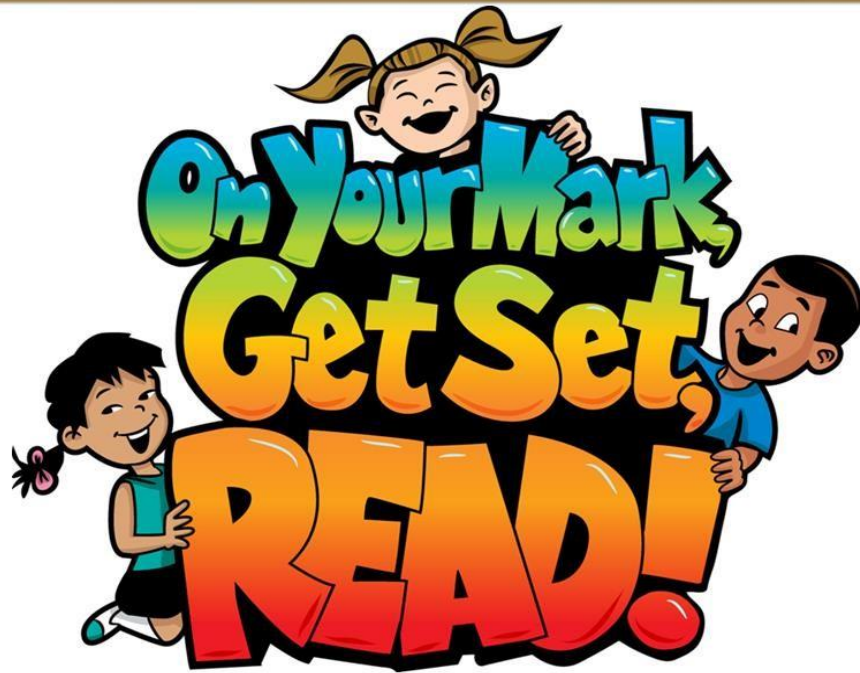
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TEAM PAIN
SKATE PARKS



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Ages 7 - 15

**MONDAY - THURSDAY
JUNE 3rd - JULY 11, 2019
9:30 am - 12:00 pm**

Applications to be returned to SHORES BAPTIST WORSHIP CENTER
no later than May 17, 2019.

For more information please contact Neciah Powell: Phone #: (917) 865-7273

Physical Address: Shores Baptist Worship Center
414 Silver Road—Ocala, FL 34472

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Shores Baptist Academy

Summer Reading Program Consent Form

Child's Name: First _____ Last _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: _____ Gender: Male _____ Female _____

School: _____ Grade (2019-2020) _____

Allergies: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell (____) _____ Work (____) _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone (____) _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone (____) _____

Please remember that we provide lunch for all participants in the program. Students may also bring their own snacks to eat during breaks or at times directed by the teacher. Transportation to and from the campsite will not be provided. Shores Baptist Academy and its employees are not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Medical Release: In the event of an emergency and I cannot be reached, I grant permission for emergency medical treatment to be given to my child. I agree to pay all medical bills not covered by my child's insurance policy listed below. I release Shores Baptist Academy and all its agents from responsibility for any bills resulting from injuries incurred in this program. If, applicable I have attached information regarding allergies for other medical conditions about my child of which staff should be aware.

Insurance Company: _____ Policy #: _____

Photo Release: I give permission for my child to be photographed and for such photographs to be released only for publicity purposes.

Field Trip Consent: In the event that Shores Baptist Academy leaves the campus of the program,

I, _____, give permission for my child, _____, to participate in off-site field trips arranged by Shores Baptist Academy.

I, _____, **Do Not** give permission for my child, _____, to participate in off-site field trips arranged by Shores Baptist Academy. I understand that I will need to pick up my child early on these days.

Other Information staff should know:

Completed forms must be returned to Shores Baptist Academy at 414 Silver Road, Ocala FL 34472 on or before May 17, 2019.

Parent Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Questions? Contact Ms. Neciah Powell at 917-865-7274 or at neciahp@gmail.com



GRAND PRIZE GIVEAWAY!!!

(must attend at least 4 Workshops to be eligible to win on 6/8/2019)



Parent Educational Workshops

Thursdays (5:30pm-7:30pm)

Marion County Public Library

2720 E Silver Springs Blvd, Ocala, FL 34470

Dates: 5/2/2019 to 6/6/2019

(every Thursday)

Enjoy **FREE DINNER** for the entire family, fun educational activities promoting early learning for your children, winning **Gift Cards** and more....Join us at the Parents as Teachers Workshops happening weekly in Marion County. All family members are welcome to attend!!!

FREE CHILD CARE PROVIDED

For more information and to register contact **Success By 6** Coordinator Chrissy Vickers at (352) 369-2315 ext. 213 /

cvickers@elc-marion.org or register at <https://www.elc-marion.org/parents/success-by-6/parent-training-scheduling/>





FREE REGISTRATION
bit.ly/LSFhealth



KAY WARREN
Keynote Speaker

As a writer, speaker and wife of Rick Warren, author of *The Purpose Driven Life*, Kay is a tireless advocate for those living with mental illness. She founded Saddleback's Hope for Mental Health Initiative and is a board member of the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention.

RURAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SUMMIT

WORKING TOGETHER
Building Healthy Communities

May 23, 2019
9am to 4pm

Mt Carmel Baptist Church,
2505 NE 8th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32641

Rural communities are faced with challenges different than those of more urban areas. Resources are limited, especially when it comes to programs for substance abuse recovery and mental health services for those we love. However, rural communities possess qualities and hidden gems that other areas do not. This summit will focus on discovering those hidden gems and enhancing the strengths your community contains to improve services for those struggling with substance abuse, mental health problems or suicidal thoughts, including the role the local church plays in the health of our community.

PRESENTATIONS & SPEAKERS

Building Resilient Communities
Trauma Informed Conversations

Dr. Jenenne Valentino-Bottaro,
LifeStream Behavioral Health

Starting a Recovery Ministry
in Your Rural Church

Andy Reynolds, Devereux

TeleHealth -
Bridging Access to Care

Don Savoie,
Meridian Behavioral Health

Mental Health & the Bible
Pastor Lenny Cote, The Springs Church

CEU's available for \$15.
Approved Provider 50-16467 by Florida board of clinical social work, marriage and family therapy and mental health and Florida board of psychology.



For more information contact: Lesley Hersey, Lesley.hersey@lsfnet.org



HEALTH
SYSTEMS



Mt. Carmel
BAPTIST CHURCH

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations to participate in any meeting/hearing should contact Fatou Mbaye at 904-900-1075 for assistance.



ARE YOU A VETERAN?

- *Have you served in the military?
- *Are you struggling with readjustment?
- *Anxious about your future?
- *Struggling to connect with friends and family?
- *Need a place to talk about day to day problems with other Veterans?

WE CAN HELP

FREE VETERAN PEER SUPPORT GROUP

Integration and Healing Center Inc. host a weekly peer support group for Veterans please contact us for more info.

The Cascades
1515 E. Silver Springs Blvd. Suite 134
Ocala, FL 34470
(352)355-2888

PosterMyWall.com



Learn to Swim!

Build foundational water safety and swimming skills for ages 3+

Mondays - Wednesdays
May 27 - July 31

\$55 per session

American Red Cross Certified

Jervey Gantt Aquatic FUN Center (2390 SE 36th Ave.) 9:15 a.m., 10:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.	Hampton Aquatic FUN Center (255 NW 16th Ave.) 9:15 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.
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Session 1: May 27- June 5
Session 2: June 10 - June 19
Session 3: June 24- July 3
Session 4: July 8 - July 17
Session 5: July 22 - July 31

For more information, call (352) 572-0371 or (352) 368-5517.



REALIZING RECOVERY

Are you actively in recovery for substance abuse and have successfully completed a substance abuse treatment center program? Do you need aftercare counseling?

We offer outpatient counseling at no cost to our clients. We help clients develop and use coping skills, deal with obstacles to ongoing recovery and assist clients in realizing their best potential.

Case management is also available as needed.

We are a Department of Children and Families licensed program.

For more information, please call Kevin Grinnell, ILC at 111 N.E. 12th Ave., Ocala, FL 34470 or call **(352) 277-1131**

Helping America's Most Vulnerable CFC #38737





Owls & Bats:

Discover the world of night flyers.

This walk & talk under the stars is for all ages!

See thousands of bats and enjoy watching rangers "call" and "talk" to the bats!

Heritage Nature Conservancy
2005 NE Third St.
Fridays,
April 5, 7 to 9 p.m.
May 24, 7 to 9 p.m.
Sept. 20, 6 to 8 p.m.
Oct. 11, 6 to 8 p.m.

*Wear your walking shoes. Bring water, bug spray & wear weather appropriate clothing. This event is led by your park rangers!

OCALA
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This is a FREE Event! For questions, please call (352) 368-5517.

For more information, visit www.ocalafl.org/recpark or call (352) 368-5517.



One time registration fee of \$25.
\$50/week/camper for residents.
\$75/week/camper for non-residents.

CITY KIDS Summer Camp

Mondays - Fridays
May 28 - Aug. 2
7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Ten fun-filled weeks of activities, field trips, movies, pool days, crafts, STEM projects, sports, fitness and much more!

Campers must bring their lunch and snacks on select weeks. Swimwear is required on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please wear comfortable clothing and shoes each day!

OCALA
Recreation and Parks

E.D. Croskey Recreation Center ● 1510 NW Fourth St. ● Ocala, FL 34475

LILLIAN F. BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER
2200 NW 17TH PL., OCALA, FL.

MAY 28 - AUG. 2
AGES 6 - 12 YEARS OLD

LILY'S LEAPING Summer camp

WEEK 1: BACKYARD BASH
WEEK 2: CAMP SPIRIT WEEK
WEEK 3: EDIBLE ENGINEERING
WEEK 4: SHIPWRECKED
WEEK 5: CRAZY CONCOCTIONS
WEEK 6: MOVIN' & GROOVIN'
WEEK 7: ULTIMATE GAMERS
WEEK 8: CAMP SPIRIT
WEEK 9: SPORTS FANATICS
WEEK 10: FUNTASTIC FAREWELL

COST:
REGISTRATION: \$25/CHILD
WEEKLY: \$25/CHILD (RESIDENTS)
\$50/CHILD (NON-RESIDENTS)

LUNCH & SNACK PROVIDED BEGINNING JUNE 3. CAMPERS MUST BRING THEIR OWN UNTIL THEN.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, VISIT WWW.OCALAFI.ORG OR CALL (352) 368-5517.

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START SMART SOCCER

AGES 3-5

Wednesdays
June 5 - July 10
6 to 7 p.m.
Ocala Regional Sportsplex
3500 SW 67th Ave. Rd.

Get your child excited about sports without the pressure of competition. Learn the basics of kicking, dribbling, trapping, throw-ins and more. Participants must wear closed toe shoes.

Looking for coaches and volunteers!

Register online at www.ocalafl.org/recpark or call (352) 368-5517.





Marion County Children's Alliance

3482 N.W. 10th St., Ocala, FL 34475

Ph: (352) 438-5990 Fax: (352) 438-5994

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How Happy Are You?
Happiness Assessments done here!

FREE - FAST - CONFIDENTIAL
Depression - Mood Issues - Addiction - Stress & More

Contact Gerry Brent at (352) 236-0483 for more information

ALLIANCE WORKGROUP MEETINGS

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| May 8
Wednesday | Safe Kids
9 a.m. FDOH Auditorium |
| May 13
Monday | Family Violence Prevention
11 a.m. Sheriff's Office EOC |
| May 20
Monday | CCASA
noon, Ocala Police Dept. |
| May 21
Tuesday | Building Better Dads
2:30 p.m. Ocala Housing Auth. |
| May 2
Thursday | Heroin/Opioid Taskforce
3:30 p.m. OPD Community Rm. |

All meetings are open to the public.

Connect With Us, log on to

Mcca@mcchildrensalliance.org
to view the Calendar to see what's going on in our community; to sign up to receive a free copy of this newsletter or to join a workgroup.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter

UPCOMING ALLIANCE DATES

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| May 1
Wednesday | Alliance Board Meeting
11:30 a.m. Jail Interim Building |
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Agency Spotlight

Megan Rodriguez
Safe Kids Coordinator
Florida Department of Health, Marion

Guest Speaker

John Cooper, MCCA Board Chair
President & CEO Kids Central Inc.
"MCCA's Strategic Plan"

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| June 5
24 Wednesday | Alliance Monthly Meeting
11:30 a.m. Jail Interim Building |
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