

Community Corner

Meetings & Events in the Heartlands

Community Calendar event submissions

Want to place your upcoming event(s) in our weekly Community Calendar?
Email your events to: editor@alachuatoday.com
Include basic details such as who, what, where and when.
Deadline for submission is Monday at 2 p.m.

Please note: Profitable events are handled through our advertising department.
Contact: ads@alachuatoday.com

■ Dec. 10: Alachua Christmas Parade

sponsored by the Alachua Chamber of Commerce and the City of Alachua, Saturday, Dec. 10 starting at 2 p.m. along Main Street. To participate in the parade, register your entry. There is no application fee. Call the Alachua Chamber of Commerce at 386-462-3333.

■ Dec. 10: Hawthorne 34th Annual Christmas Festival, Saturday, Dec. 10, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. in downtown Hawthorne.

Children can have their picture taken for free with Snata at he Hawthorne Library from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. To reserve an arts, crafts or food booth, join the parade at 3 p.m., provide main stage entertainment, or to be a sponsor, contact festival chair Donna Boles at 352-363-5121.

■ Dec. 10: High Springs Annual Twilight Christmas Parade, Saturday, Dec. 10, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Call the High Springs

Chamber of Commerce at 386-454-3120.

■ Dec. 10: The High Springs Historical Society Museum will be open from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. during the High Springs Christmas Parade. Come see Santa's North Pole Express; also experience the History of High Springs in the Museum Room and the African American Museum Room. Admission is always free. Open every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and every Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Holiday Hours: Dec. 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Dec. 11, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Dec. 17, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Dec. 18, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Dec. 24, Closed; Dec. 25, Closed; Dec. 31, Closed; Jan. 1, Closed.

■ Dec. 10: Christmas Concert at First Baptist Church of Alachua (14005 NW 146th Avenue). The choir and orchestra will be presenting "Glory Divine" at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10 and

Sunday, Dec. 11. Plan to attend and hear many familiar Christmas favorites. The church will also be having their annual Christmas Eve Service at 5:30 p.m., and hopes you will join them for this candlelight celebration of Jesus' birth.

■ Dec. 14: High Springs AARP Membership Meeting is on Wednesday, Dec. 14. The public is invited. Secret Santa Program (\$10 donations) will be collected. Come early at 10:30 a.m. to socialize. The meeting starts at 11 a.m. with dinner following around 12 noon. Join us at St. Madeleine Catholic Church in the Family Life Center building between Alachua and High Springs at 17155 NW U.S. HWY 441, High Springs, Florida, 32643. For more information, call Gloria James at 386-454-9834.

■ Dec. 18: Gingerbread House Workshop at the

Alachua Branch Library, 14913 NW 140th Street, Alachua, 386-462-2592. Children of all ages are invited to raise the roof on their very own holiday gingerbread house at Alachua Branch's fourth annual Gingerbread House Workshop. Volunteers have pre-assembled gingerbread houses that are ready to decorate with an assortment of candies donated by Walmart Distribution Center of Alachua, Publix Supermarkets and the Alachua Friends of the Library. This sweet workshop is Sunday, Dec. 18, 2 to 5 p.m.

■ Dec. 2 – Jan. 16: Lanza Gallery's newest art exhibit, Amazing Abstract Art, will be held Dec. 2 through Jan. 6. Amazing Abstract Art will be featured by award winning artists, Ande Lister, Karen Koegel, Linda Pence, Marilyn Gray and Sue Kelman. Art Reception will be Friday, Dec. 9, 5 - 7p.m. Lanza Gallery is located at 23645 West U.S. Highway 27, High Springs.

■ Dec. 21: 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., AARP Smart Defensive Driver class for seniors, in Gainesville, will include a presentation of 'New Vehicle Technologies' making driving safer and easier. No extra charge.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

■ Alachua (City) – Meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

■ Alachua County - Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m. at the County Administration Building, 12 SE 1st Street, Room 209, Gainesville. Citizen comments are taken at 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

■ Archer - Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 16870 SW 134 Ave.

■ Gainesville - Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. at City Commission Chamber, 200 East University Avenue.

■ Hawthorne - Meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

■ High Springs – Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall.

■ LaCrosse – Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

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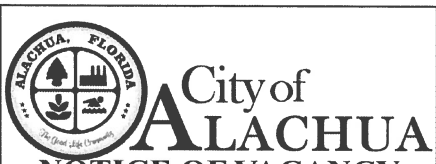
■ Newberry – Meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at City Hall

■ Waldo - Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Yerkes Center.

More information & to register, 352-333-3036, Class fee \$15 AARP Members, \$20 non-members.

■ Jan. 26: "Cause For Paws" advance tickets available for Wine Tasting Fund Raiser and Social, Jan. 26, 2017, sponsored by Humane Animal Treatment Charity, Inc. and hosted by The Great Outdoors

Restaurant. Free gifts to early registrants, and 100 percent of the monies raised will go to no-kill animal rescue facilities that rescue unwanted, abandoned, abused animals and prepare them for adoption. For information and/or tickets, go to: www.humanetreatment.org.



City of ALACHUA NOTICE OF VACANCY CITIZEN ADVISORY TASK FORCE (CATF) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

Date of Notice: December 5, 2016

The City of Alachua is accepting applications for membership on the CATF. The CATF is the advisory body to the Alachua City Commission on the CDBG Program. It is a seven (7)-member committee and meets at least quarterly at City Hall. Applicants must reside in the City of Alachua and fall within income limits.

Applications may be obtained in person at Alachua City Hall, 15100 NW 142nd Terrace, Monday through Thursday, between the hours of 7:30AM and 6:00 PM. For electronic applications, visit the City website at

www.cityofalachua.com

All applications must be received on or before January 12, 2017 by the close of business at 6:00 p.m. Applications can be returned by mail to: City of Alachua, Attn: Grants Specialist, P.O. Box 9, Alachua, FL 32616-0009; by fax to 386-418-6114; or dropped off at City Hall.

Please refer any questions to Diane Morgan, Grants Specialist, at 386-418-6131.

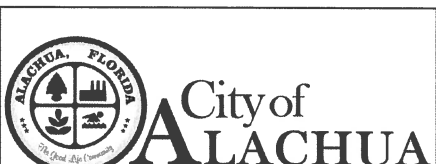
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City of ALACHUA SENIOR RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD NOTICE OF VACANCY

Date of Notice: December 5, 2016

The City of Alachua is accepting applications for two (2) appointments to the Senior Resources Advisory Board (SRAB). The SRAB is the advisory body to the Alachua City Commission for the purpose of providing the Commission with information on all issues of importance to senior citizens in our community. It is a five (5) member board that will meet at least quarterly at the Cleather Hathcock, SR. Community Center (HCC). The applicant(s) may be a resident of the City of Alachua or the greater Alachua area and will serve a three (3) year term.

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For more information or to have an application mailed to you, please call 386-418-6131.

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E-mail BKCedars@aol.com

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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF ALACHUA:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared **ROBERT BOUKARI**, who on oath says that he (she) is the Manager of *Alachua County Today*, a weekly newspaper published at Alachua in Alachua County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement, being **CATF VACANCY**, was published in said newspaper in the issues of **February 25, 2016**.

Affiant further says that *Alachua County Today* is a newspaper published at Alachua, in said Alachua County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Alachua County, Florida, each week and has been entered as periodicals matter at the post office in Alachua, in said Alachua County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he (she) has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this **25th day of February, 2016** by **Robert Boukari**, who is personally known to me.



(Signature of Affiant)



(Signature of Notary Public)



H. BRYAN BOUKARI
MY COMMISSION # FF 220770
EXPIRES: May 26, 2019
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this **31st day of March, 2016** by **Robert Boukari**, who is personally known to me.


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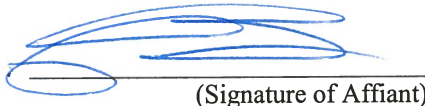
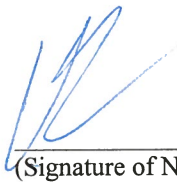
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this **12th day of May, 2016** by **Robert Boukari**, who is personally known to me.


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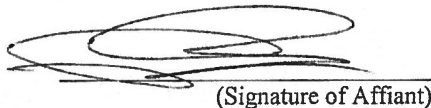
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this **30th day of June, 2016** by **Robert Boukari**, who is personally known to me.



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Sworn to and subscribed before me this **8th day of December, 2016** by **Robert Boukari**, who is personally known to me.


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