

# CALENDAR

WHAT’S AHEAD

TODAY

**Semi-annual Book Sale:** 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. today through Tuesday (excluding Saturday and Sunday) and May 1-3 and 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, Melrose Library, 312 Wynnwood Ave., Melrose. \$1 hardcover and \$0.25 paperbacks. Call 475-1237. Funds to support future expansions.

**Hand woven sculptural art:** 11 a.m.-6 p.m. today and Friday and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday. Malgorzata’s Gallery, 2441 NW 43rd St., Gainesville. Call 215-8689 or visit malgorzatas.com. Artist: Malgorzata Deyrup.

**General Policy Committee:** 1 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room, GRU Administration Building, 301 SE Fourth Ave., Gainesville.

**Baker Interfaith Friends:** 2 p.m., Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1521 NW 34th St., Gainesville. Informational meeting about visiting immigrants in detention.

**Economic Development Advisory Committee:** 2:30 p.m., Santa Fe College Center for Innovation and Economic Development (CIED), 530 W. University Ave., Gainesville.

**Citizens Disability Advisory Committee:** 3:30 p.m., Equal Opportunity Office Conference Room, County Administration Building, 12 SE First St., Gainesville.

**Gainesville-Alachua County**

**Regional Airport Authority:** 4 p.m., Board Room, Airline Passenger Terminal, Gainesville Regional Airport, 3880 NE 39th Ave., Gainesville.

**Children’s West African dance classes:** 5:25 p.m., Civic Media Center, 433 S. Main St., Gainesville. \$8 per class. Email mossokan15@gmail.com. Educate youth about West African culture and customs through dance and music.

**County Land Conservation Board:** 5:30 p.m., Suite 106, County Environmental Protection Department, 408 W. University Ave., Gainesville.

**Human Rights Board:** 5:30 p.m., Roberta Lisle Kline Conference Room, City Hall, 200 E. University Ave., Gainesville.

**Author talk: Tim Dorsey:** 6 p.m., Headquarters Branch Library, 401 E. University Ave., Gainesville. Free. Email rcook@aclib.us. Author of “No Sunscreen for the Dead.”

**Science on Tap:** Sea turtles and red tide, 6-9 p.m., First Magnitude Brewing Co., 1220 SE Veitch St., Gainesville. Free. Visit floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/sot-red-tide. Speaker: Justin Perrault.

**Swamp Records Showcase:** 6-11:30 p.m., Heartwood Soundstage, 619 S. Main St., Gainesville. \$10.50. Visit heartwoodsoundstage.com.

**City Plan Board:** 6:30 p.m., Auditorium, City Hall, 200 E. University Ave., Gainesville.

**Esophageal Cancer/Barrett’s**

**Esophagus:** Support group meets 6:30 p.m., Chatham Rec Center, 7415 SE 172nd Legacy Lane, The Villages. Call 736-6645 or email traz1275@hotmail.com.

**Gainesville International Folk Dancers:** Practice from 7-10 p.m., Rosa B. Williams Recreation Center, 524 NW First St., Gainesville. \$6. Email jbramb@gmail.com.

**Black Films Matter:** “No Shade,” 7:30 p.m., Hippodrome Theatre, 25 SE Second Place, Gainesville. \$9, \$7 for seniors and students. Call 375-4477.

**Meditation for self healing:** 7:30 p.m., Seraphim Center, 1409 NW Sixth St., Gainesville. Offerings accepted. Call 792-8075.

**“Chicago”:** 8 p.m. today, 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and May 2-4 and 2 p.m. Sunday and May 5, Buchholz High School, 5510 NW 27th Ave., Gainesville. \$12, \$10 students and seniors. Visit buchholzdrama.com. High school edition of popular Broadway musical about two women in the 1920s who become rivals for media attention while on trial for separate murders.

**Poetry jam:** 8 p.m., Civic Media Center, 433 S. Main St., Gainesville. Free. Call 373-0010 or email coordinators@civicmediacenter.org. Gainesville’s longest-running open mic poetry reading. All styles invited.

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Visit aagainesville.org or call

372-8091. A fellowship of men and women who help each other recover from alcoholism. List of meetings available online.

**“INTIMATE STATES: Works on paper by Eduardo Sarmiento”:** 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday through May 4, Historic Thomas Center, 302 NE Sixth Ave., Gainesville. Call 393-8532 or visit historicthomascenter.org. Part of Bulla Cubana celebration.

FRIDAY

**International Association of Firefighters:** 9 a.m., County Manager’s Training Room, second floor, County Administration Building, 12 SE First St., Gainesville. Negotiations: General Unit.

**Senior Fun Day Bowling:** 10 a.m., Splitz Lanes, 1301 NW 76th Blvd., Gainesville. Tickets: \$11. Call 260-4816 or 262-4200. Weekly 50 and over bowling event held on Fridays. First two weeks are free for new members.

**Power Negotiating: The Art of Excellence and Getting to Yes:** 1-5 p.m., TREEO Center, 3900 SW 63rd Blvd., Gainesville. Call 294-0856. Negotiation is a way of life and yet most of us leave money (and time) on the table because we don’t see negotiating as a daily part of our lives.

**Beyond Dead Fish: How Red Tide Affects All Floridians:**

3-4 p.m., MacKay Auditorium, Pugh Hall, University of Florida, 296 Buckman Drive, Gainesville. Free. Call 273-1936. Panel will address economic, public health and environmental impacts of red tide.

**“Sorry to Bother You”:** 6 p.m. Friday and Sunday, 4 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday, Hippodrome Theatre, 25 SE Second Place, Gainesville. \$9, \$7 for seniors and students. Call 375-4477.

**Black and White with a Twist:** Opening reception 6-9 p.m., GFAA Gallery, 1314 S. Main St., Gainesville. Hours: 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday through May 25.

**Black and White:** Opening reception 7-9 p.m., Black C Art Gallery, 201 SE Second Place, Gainesville. Free. Visit blackcgallery.com. Focus on black and white digital collages.

**Artwalk Gainesville:** 7-10 p.m., various venues, downtown Gainesville. Free. Visit artwalkgainesville.com Self-guided tour consisting of visual art, live performances and events.

**“For Four Years, Here”:** 7-10 p.m., Working Food’s Forage Hall, 219 NW 10th Ave., Gainesville. Visit isabellaguttuso.com. Exhibit pays homage to local food culture.

**“John CAGE, Philip CORNER and Alison KNOWLES: Mushrooms, Carrots & Beans”:** 7-10 p.m., 4Most Gallery, University of Florida, 534 SW

Fourth Ave., Gainesville. Visit 4mostgallery.com.

**Book launch:** 7:30 p.m., Civic Media Center, 433 S. Main St., Gainesville. Free. Call 373-0010. Launch for “Birth Strike: The Hidden Fight over Women’s Work” by Jenny Brown.

**“The Nether”:** 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, through May 12, Acrosstown Repertory Theatre, 619 S. Main St., Gainesville. \$15. Visit acrosstown.org/2019-04-the-nether. In the future, the Internet has evolved into the Nether, a vast network of virtual reality realms. In a dark corner of this realm, the line between imagination and depravity is dangerously blurred, leading a detective to interrogate its creator.

**“Snake in the Grass”:** 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, High Springs Playhouse, 130 NE First Ave., High Springs. Anna-bel returns to her family home after the death of her abusive father. She learns she’s beneficiary to the family fortune, but the nurse claims to have evidence of foul play and demands compensation.

**Songs of Gratitude:** 8-11 p.m., Heartwood Soundstage, 619 S. Main St., Gainesville. \$15-\$25. Visit heartwoodsoundstage.com. Wide variety of performers; benefits Hope Lodge.

POLICE BEAT

Woman charged with shooting at husband

A 41-year-old High Springs woman was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon after deputies say she drove in front of her husband's car and

fired several times at him with a Smith & Wesson. Kristy Lynn Phillips, 22505 NW 188th St., was also charged with firing a weapon from a vehicle, an Alachua County Sheriff's Office arrest report said.

A deputy's report

said Phillips on April 18 chased her husband after he left their home in a truck after an argument, driving into oncoming traffic and attempting to block his truck. Near the intersection of County Roads 236 and 239, she pulled out a 9 mm handgun and fired several times, the report said. No one was injured.

Phillips reportedly told deputies she tried to see if the gun was loaded, and it jammed. She said she fired one or two shots from her driver's side window before the gun jammed and she flung it out the window, the report said. She said she stopped her car, fetched the gun, and put it back in the car's console.

Staff report

Man, 32, jailed on multiple drug charges

A Gainesville man was slapped with multiple drug charges Tuesday afternoon when a police officer — aware the man had warrants for his arrest — spotted him in a car.

A Gainesville police arrest report said the officer knew Xavier Dion Mitchell, 32, of 925 SE 19th Terrace, was wanted when he saw him sitting in a rental car in front of his girlfriend's home.

The officer said he smelled marijuana as he approached the vehicle, and detained Mitchell, searching him before his arrest.

The report said Mitchell had 4 grams of cannabis in his right pocket, along with a large amount of cash, 70 grams of powder cocaine in an open shoe box in the back seat, another three-quarters of a pound of cannabis in a shoe box, 6 grams of heroin, 5 grams of methamphetamine

and more cash in a bag between the two shoe boxes.

Mitchell was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to sell, possession of methamphetamine and heroin, and trafficking in cocaine, the report said.

Staff report

Man sentenced in rapper's fatal shooting

A Gainesville man charged with the 2016 fatal shooting of a rapper pleaded no contest Wednesday to second-degree murder and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, the State Attorney's Office reported in a news release.

Ishmael Keith Daniels, 31, was sentenced by Circuit Judge Phillip Pena to 19 years in prison for the death of Rashay Garrison. He was also sentenced to 15 years on the firearm charge, to be served consecutively.

The shooting happened on May 2. Daniels pulled up in a rental car next to Garrison's parked car. Police said Daniels fired more than 10 shots from a high-powered rifle through the open passenger window into Garrison's vehicle, striking him multiple times.

A passenger with Garrison was hit once, jumped out and ran off with minor injuries, police reported. The passenger gave police a description of the vehicle and said it may have been a rental because of a decal it had.

Daniels then fled, telling his passenger that he was offended by the rap video Garrison had posted on YouTube, according to the police report.

Cindy Swirko

## House passes controversial felons’ rights bill

By Dara Kam and Jim Saunders

The News Service of Florida

TALLAHASSEE — In one of the most-divisive issues of the 2019 legislative session, the House on Wednesday approved a plan for carrying out a constitutional amendment designed to restore the voting rights of felons who have fulfilled the terms of their sentences.

Democrats spent hours Tuesday and Wednesday criticizing the bill, contending that it would place too many restrictions on felons seeking to have their rights restored. They also repeatedly argued that the bill would thwart the will of more than 5.1 million Floridians who supported what appeared as “Amendment 4” on the November ballot.

House Minority Leader Kionne McGhee, D-Miami, said the bill (HB 7089) “attempts to undermine the people of this great state.”

But Republicans argued that they are properly carrying out the words of the amendment and disputed that they are trying to prevent felons from having their rights restored.

“This bill doesn’t disenfranchise anybody,” sponsor James Grant, R-Tampa, said, adding that people disenfranchised themselves when they committed crimes.

The House’s party-line, 71-45 vote drew a rebuke from backers of the amendment, who called the bill “a failure to live up to the bipartisan commitment” demonstrated by the 61 percent of voters who approved Amendment 4.

With little more than a week left in the legislative session, the House and Senate will have to reach agreement on a final version of the bill. After numerous revisions, the Senate proposal this week got the backing of one of the main groups behind

the amendment, which could affect 700,000 Floridians, according to an analysis by state economists.

The constitutional amendment granted restoration of voting rights to felons “who have completed all terms of their sentence, including parole or probation.” The amendment excluded people “convicted of murder or a felony sexual offense.”

But a sharp disagreement over what constitutes “murder,” “felony sexual offense,” and completion of “all terms of their sentence” has pitted supporters of the amendment against many Republican lawmakers.

Much of the disagreement has rested on the financial obligations that felons must have cleared up to be eligible for automatic vote restoration.

The House plan requires repayment of all financial obligations ordered by judges, including obligations that have been converted to civil judgments.

The Senate proposal (SB 7086) that won the favor of Amendment 4 proponents Tuesday would require full repayment of restitution, including restitution that’s been converted to civil liens, but not other financial obligations — such as fees, fines or court costs — converted to civil judgments.

The Senate Rules Committee signed off on the measure Tuesday after approving an amendment offered by the bill’s sponsor, St. Petersburg Republican Jeff Brandes.

“For the first time since debate about clarifying Amendment 4 began, we are here to support the Brandes amendment and the bipartisan progress that we’ve seen in the Senate,” said Neil Volz, a “returning citizen” who is the political director of

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## PUBLIC NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA

Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Alachua will hold a public hearing on a proposed ordinance. The hearing will be held on May 6, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the James A. Lewis Commission Chambers in City Hall, located at 15100 NW 142nd Terrace, Alachua, Florida.

The ordinance title is as follows:

ORDINANCE 19-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE AMENDMENT OF THE CITY’S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS (“LDRS”); AMENDING SUBPART B OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA CODE OF ORDINANCES, LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; AMENDING SECTION 5.1.2, TABLE 5.1-2, RELATED TO DIMENSIONAL STANDARDS WITHIN RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS; AMENDING SECTION 7.3.1 (B) (1) RELATING TO REQUIRED STANDARD STREET IMPROVEMENTS FOR SUBDIVISIONS; AMENDING SECTION 7.3.1 (B)(2) RELATING TO DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR STREETS UTILIZING TRANSITIONAL SWALES; AMENDING SECTION 10.2 CREATING A DEFINITION FOR “TRANSITIONAL SWALE”; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

At the public hearing, all interested parties may appear and be heard with respect to the application. Copies of the application are available for public inspection at the Planning and Community Development Department, 15100 NW 142nd Terrace, Alachua, Florida, on any regular business day between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Written comments on the application may be sent to the following address: City of Alachua, Planning and Community Development, P.O. Box 9, Alachua, FL 32616. Notice is given pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, that, in order to appeal any decision made at the public hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, you may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any persons with a disability requiring reasonable accommodation in order to participate in this meeting should call the City Clerk at (386) 418-6100 x 101 at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing.



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Friends of the Library

**SPRING SALE**

**April 27- May 1, 2019**

Saturday, April 27 ..... 9am - 6pm  
Sunday, April 28 ..... Noon - 6pm  
Monday, April 29 ..... Noon - 6pm  
Tuesday, April 30 ..... Noon - 6pm  
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