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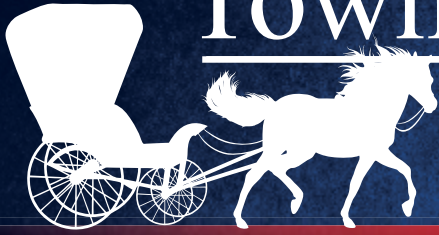
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**FEATURES**

13.04 acres of pure Florida beauty! This vacant property offers endless potential with its natural landscape and tranquil setting. A picturesque creek runs through the land, providing both charm and character.

**NEW PRICE**

**11679 SW THORNTON AVE.,**  
ARCADIA, FL 34269, MLS#A4664535

REDUCED TO  
**\$299,000**

**POOL HOME!**

**NEW PRICE**

**250 N MILLS AVE.,**  
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS#A4670395

**FEATURES**

- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- Pool
- Brick home
- Open concept
- Large yard
- Shed
- Fenced & Gated
- Covered patio
- Close to shopping, dining, schools, etc!

REDUCED TO  
**\$240,000**

**5 ACRES!**

**NEW PRICE**

**1317 SW MARTHA ST.,**  
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS# A4668663

**FEATURES**

- 3 Bedroom
- 2 Bathroom
- 1324 total SQFT
- 5 acres
- Pool
- 2023 metal roof
- 2023 Water system
- New floors
- Wood privacy fence
- Large storage shed
- Private utilities
- Located on a private road.

REDUCED TO  
**\$375,000**

**NEW ARRIVAL**

**7105 SW CLEMATIS DR.,**  
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS# A4674059

**FEATURES**

- 3 Bedroom
- 2 Bathroom
- 1400 total SQFT
- 0.28 acres
- Stainless steel appliances
- 2017 Concrete block
- Fenced Yard
- Metal roof
- No HOA
- Near boat ramp
- Desirable area
- Patio
- Deck

LISTED AT  
**\$319,900**

**NEW ARRIVAL**

**250 N MILLS AVE.,**  
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS#A4670395

**FEATURES**

- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- 1 Acre
- Fenced
- Blank Slate
- Zoned RM all grazing livestock
- Front porch
- Demo & Repairs
- New Windows
- Owner Financing

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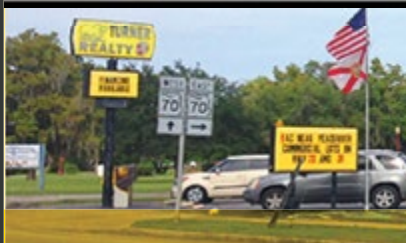
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105 S. Brevard Avenue • Arcadia, FL 34266

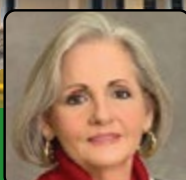


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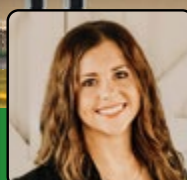
**PRICE REDUCED**  
**114 Bridle Path,**  
**Arcadia FL. 34266**  
**\$247,000**



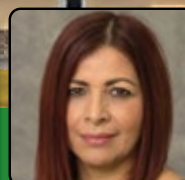
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DeSoto County's Weekly Publication

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Arcadia Do-It-Best Hardware  
Arcadia Municipal Airport  
Arcadia Municipal Golf Course  
Arcadia Post Office  
Arcadia Village  
Before & After Hair Salon  
Big Tree RV Resort  
Champs  
Circle K (Nocatee)  
Circle K (North)  
City of Arcadia  
Collins Realty  
Country Café  
Crews Bank & Trust  
DaVita Dialysis Center  
DeSoto County Annex  
DeSoto County Library  
DeSoto County Property Appraiser  
DeSoto County Tax Office

DeSoto Memorial Hospital  
Dollar General (near Northside Shell)  
Family Care Medical Center  
Ft. Ogden Post Office  
Habitat for Humanity  
K & J Homegrown Produce  
Marathon  
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Oak Street Deli  
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Publix Liquor  
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Wheels  
Wood Park Pointe  
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- Copy and graphics for ads requiring design: Wednesdays, 5pm
- Classified Ads: Thursdays, 5pm

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## Peace River SHOPPER

DESOTO | CHARLOTTE | HARDEE

223 E. OAK ST. STE. 1B, ARCADIA, FL 34266





COMMERCIAL GENERAL is the zoning for this piece of property consisting of 12 lots and approximately 1.88 acres. This is a great location on the East side of town. Property is mostly cleared and has one entrance at this time. Plenty of road frontage !! Plenty of visibility and surrounded by long time popular business's.

**MLS#C7515555**



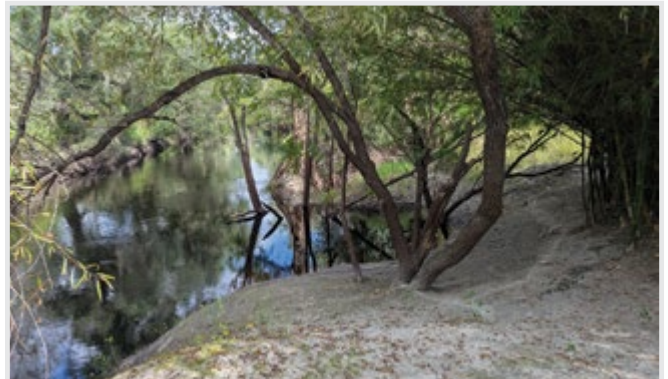
Brand new renovation from top to bottom is the 3 bedroom concrete block home that sits on a ½ acre lot in the County. From new roof to new flooring and in between, this home waits for its first new owner. There is a large metal building behind the house and it is equipped with Electric for your convenience. Public water and Septic tank

**PRICE JUST REDUCED MLS#C7513926**



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**MLS#C7514180**



Looking for privacy and seclusion, this may be it. This 5 acre parcel fronts 225' on Charley Creek and comes with a double wide mobile home currently used as owners storage. Although now gutted, previously was 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. Framework still remains and home is not leaking nor compromised. There is a well and septic and also solar panels for off grid living. Well worth a look-see. Must have appt and be accompanied.

**MLS#C7515648**



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ARREST REPORT 11/28/25 - 12/4/25

# DESOTO COUNTY

## SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**ADSIDE, KALEB:**

Aggrav Battery - Aggrav  
Battery With A Deadly Weapon

**AVILA LUNA, MARIA  
ESTRELLA:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**BALTAZAR, RAYMUNDO  
ANTONIO:**

Disorderly Conduct - Brawling  
Fighting Corrupt Public Moral  
Decency, Resist Officer -  
Obstruct Wo Violence,  
Drugs-Possess - Possess  
Controlled Substance W/O  
Prescription, Drug Equip-  
Possess - Drug Equip-  
Possess: And Or Use

**BENNETT, JAMES WILLIAM:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**BROWN SR., CECIL BRIAN:**

Drug Equip-Possess - Drug  
Equip-Possess: And Or Use

**CASTRO-CENDEJAS, JOSE  
ALBERTO:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Drive While  
Lic Susp Habitual Offender

**DARNELL, LISA CHRISTINE:**

Prob Violation - Prob Violation

**DE LA LUZ, JOSE LUIS:**

Aggrav Battery - Aggrav  
Battery Cause Bodily Harm Or  
Disability

**EDRINE, ROBERT:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Driv While  
Lic Suspend Revocation Equiv  
Status

**FRANCISCO, CRISTINO****ANDRES:**

Flee/Elude Police - Flee Elude  
Leo With Lights Siren Active,  
Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo  
Violence

**GIL GIL, VICTOR  
FERNANDO:**

Hit And Run - Leave Scene Of  
Crash Involve Damage To Prop,  
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**HERRERA-GODINEZ, JOEL  
ELIAS:**

Homicide - Murder Not  
Premeditated During Other  
Felony

**IBARRA-LEON, JOSE:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**MELBOURNE, TAMEKA  
LYNETTE:**

Fraud-Imperson - Use Possess  
Personal Id Of Deceased,  
Forgery Of - Alter Public  
Record Certificate Etc,  
Fraud-Imperson - Use Possess  
Personal Id Of Deceased,  
Forgery Of - Alter Public  
Record Certificate Etc,  
Fraud-Swindle - Obtain  
Property 20K Less Than 50K  
Dols

**MORALES PADILLA,  
WILBER ALBERTO:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**PAIXAO DE SOUZA,  
LEANDRO:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**PEDROZA, FERNANDO  
VEGA:**

Disorderly Conduct - Brawling  
Fighting Corrupt Public Moral  
Decency, Resist Officer -  
Obstruct Wo Violence

**PEREZ-ALVARDO, MANUEL:**

Hit And Run - Leave Scene Of  
Crash Involve Damage To Prop,  
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**POWERS, STEVEN BRAD:**

Prob Violation - Prob Violation

**SANTOS, ELIZABETH:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**THOMAS, GEORGIE:**

Smuggle Contraband Into  
Prison - Marijuana Into  
Correctional Institution,  
Drugs-Possess - Possess  
Controlled Substance W/O  
Prescription

**ULRICH-GRINES, LAURA:**

Battery - Battery On Specified  
Personnel, Resist Officer -  
Resist Officer With Violence

**VALDEZ, JACOB LEE:**

Possession Of Weapon - Or  
Ammo By Convicted Fla Felon,  
Larc - Grand Theft Of Firearm,  
Failure To Appear - Written  
Promise To Appear (X2)

**VELASCO, BRIGIDO  
TORRES:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St  
Conv

**WILSON, WILLARD JOSEPH:**

Disorderly Intox - Disorder  
Intox Public Place Cause  
Disturbance



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**SOLD**



Congratulations to the sellers on the successful sale of their home!

**SOLD**



Congratulations to Mrs. Hempel on the sale of her home!

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Congratulations to Mr. Liquire on the sale of his home!

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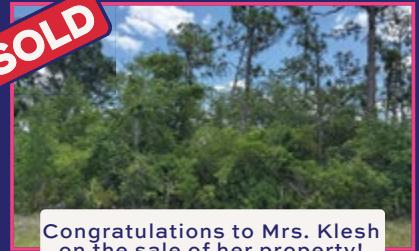
Congratulations to the new owners on the purchase of their property!

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Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Williams on the sale of their property!

**SOLD**



Congratulations to Mrs. Klesh on the sale of her property!

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Congratulations to Mr. Lambright on the sale of his property!

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Congratulations to Mrs. Alvarez on the sale of her property!

**SOLD**



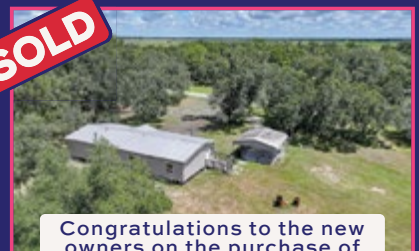
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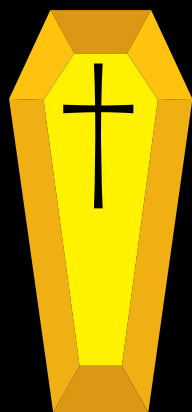


**FT OGDEN**, 4 BR 2 BA ON 40 ACRES. FORMAL LIVING RM PLUS LARGE FAM RM W/FIREPLACE. A COOK'S KITCHEN W/CABINETS ON 3 SIDES OF THE KITCHEN, PLUS ISLAND, PANTRY. OVER 2300 SF LIVING AREA, SPLIT PLAN BRS. GARAGE. \$2000 MONTH. NO SMOKING, NO PETS

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### PARTS & ACCESSORIES

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### PARTS & ACCESSORIES

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	8		7				4	
7	1				8	9		6
		4	5		2			9
	2			1	7	6		
						4	7	
				2		3		
1			3		4			
	9	8			5	1		

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3	9	8	6	7	5	1	2	4
1	6	2	3	8	4	5	9	7
4	5	7	1	2	9	3	6	8
5	3	1	8	9	6	4	7	2
8	2	9	4	1	7	6	3	5
6	7	4	5	3	2	8	1	9
7	1	3	2	4	8	9	5	6
9	8	6	7	5	3	2	4	1
2	4	5	9	6	1	7	8	3

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New Year: **January 1<sup>ST</sup> - 2<sup>ND</sup>**

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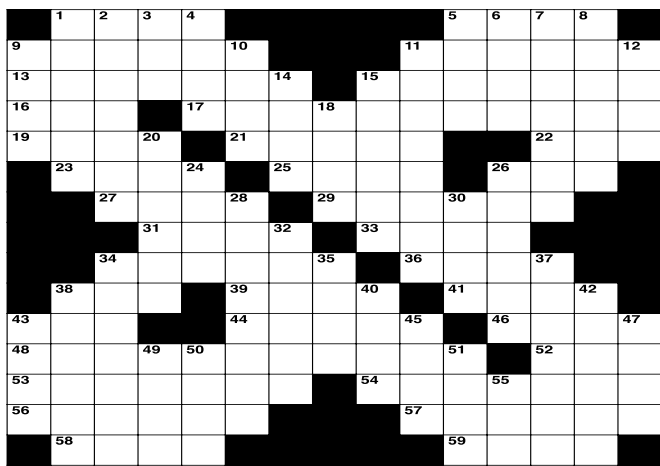
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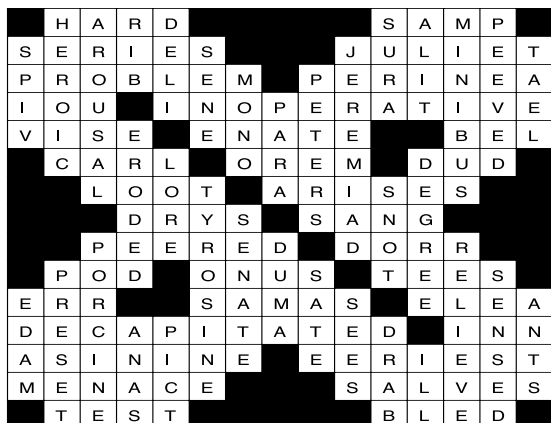
### CLUES ACROSS

- |                                      |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Difficult                         | 33. Serenaded                       |
| 5. Coarsely ground corn              | 34. Looked intensely                |
| 9. There's one for the "world"       | 36. U.S. Air Force expert Robert F. |
| 11. Loved Romeo                      | 38. A type of cast                  |
| 13. Sticky situation                 | 39. One's duty                      |
| 15. Pelvic areas                     | 41. Where golfers begin             |
| 16. An informal debt instrument      | 43. Make a mistake                  |
| 17. Cannot be repaired surgically    | 44. Semitic sun god                 |
| 19. A device attached to a workbench | 46. Ancient Greek City              |
| 21. Related on the mother's side     | 48. Having had the head cut off     |
| 22. Sound unit                       | 52. A place to stay                 |
| 23. ___ Sagan, astronomer            | 53. Unwise                          |
| 25. Utah city                        | 54. Most unnatural                  |
| 26. A disappointing effort           | 56. Dennis is a notable one         |
| 27. Steal goods during a riot        | 57. Ointments                       |
| 29. Wakes up                         | 58. Students' exam                  |
| 31. Hair salon service               | 59. Leaked blood                    |

### CLUES DOWN

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1. Brave                                  | 26. College students' ultimate goal        |
| 2. Act of awakening                       | 28. Amino acid                             |
| 3. Jest at                                | 30. Nasal mucus                            |
| 4. Sandwich store                         | 32. US government entity                   |
| 5. Chapter of the Koran                   | 34. Swinish                                |
| 6. Dismounted                             | 35. Legislative body in Russia             |
| 7. Small vehicle                          | 37. Grant an exemption to                  |
| 8. Irrked                                 | 38. Put in advance                         |
| 9. One who earns by disreputable dealings | 40. Satisfy                                |
| 10. Monetary unit of Samoa                | 42. Felt                                   |
| 11. Long, mournful lamentation            | 43. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls |
| 12. Weight unit                           | 45. Witnesses                              |
| 14. Alone, single                         | 47. Picnic invaders                        |
| 15. Decreases                             | 49. Gasteyer and de Armas are two          |
| 18. Indicates beside                      | 50. Ancient person of Scotland             |
| 20. Worn by exposure to the weather       | 51. Cheerless                              |
| 24. A body of traditions                  | 55. Unwell                                 |

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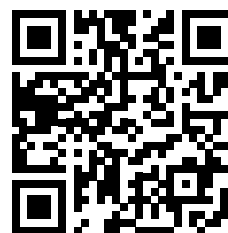
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## 10. COMMUNITY

### LOST & FOUND

#### LOST Orange Cat

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### MEETINGS

#### DeSoto County Ministerial Association

Meets every 3rd Thursday; 11:30 am – 1 pm at RMZ Realty; 3263 NE Hwy. 17

### MEETINGS

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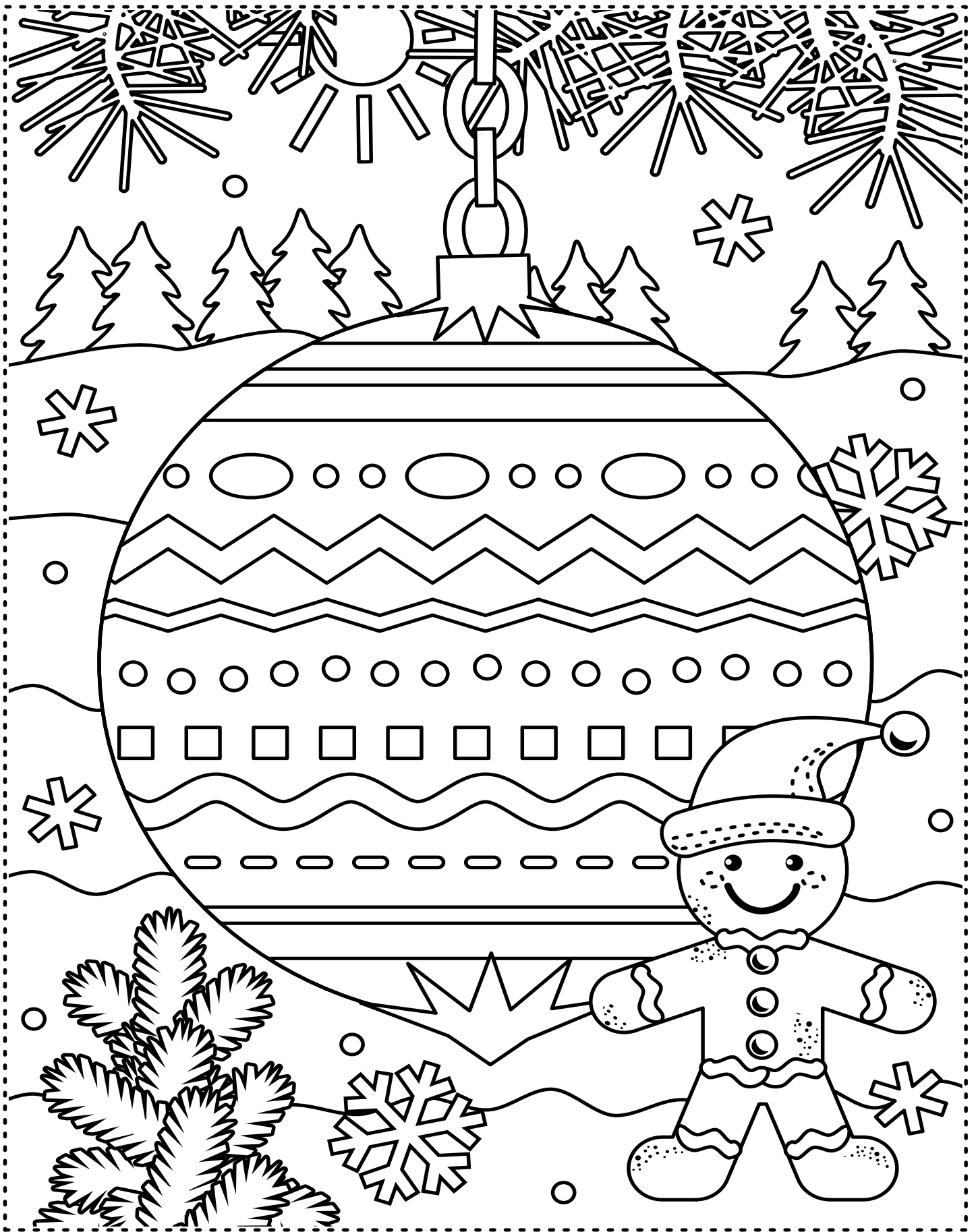
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### YARD SALES

#### Driveway Sale

December 13th, 9:00 AM. Cross Creek Resort

### YARD SALES

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### YARD SALES

#### Yard Sale

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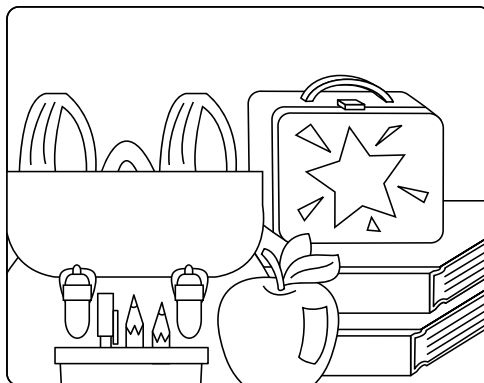
## Book FACT:

This book by Eric Carle is one of the most popular children's books ever written.

Answer: "The Very Hungry Caterpillar"

## Creative Coloring

Color in this picture to create your own masterpiece.



## Double Word Puzzle

Unscramble the individual words to reveal letters for the phrase.

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STONE

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Answer: Turn the page

## THIS DAY IN HISTORY



**1851:** "Moby Dick" is published in the United States.

**1889:** Journalist Nellie Bly begins a successful trip to travel around the world in less than 80 days.

**1960:** Ruby Bridges becomes the first Black child to attend an all-white elementary school in Louisiana.

## NEW WORD

### ILLUSTRATE

provide a book with pictures

## How they say that in...

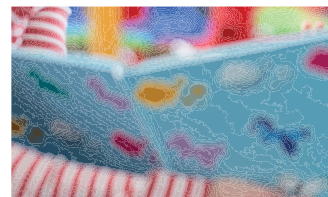
**English:** Book  
**Spanish:** Libro  
**Italian:** Libro  
**French:** Livre  
**German:** Buch

## Did You KNOW?

The vast majority of children's picture books are 32 pages in length.



## Get the PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Children's book



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## *"Hope In A Manger"*



Friday **December 12<sup>th</sup>** 7:00PM | Sunday **December 14<sup>th</sup>** 6:00PM  
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## Arcadia Church Of God

Pastor Nathan Headrick  
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Sunday Worship 11:00am

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*Come and See*



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Sunday Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.

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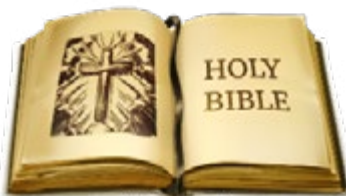
English Worship Service .....11:00 AM

Servicio Divino en español .....9:15 AM

Escuela Sabática en español.....11:00 AM

*Come worship the Lord on His holy day*

(Ex. 20:8-11)



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Pressroom

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Florida Power & Light (FPL) is combining holiday spirit with energy awareness this season through its Care To Share® initiative and interactive House of Savings experience.

Care To Share provides customers facing financial hardship with up to \$750 during a 12-month period to help pay the FPL bill.

FPL's House of Savings challenge is designed to make learning about practical energy-saving tips interesting for all ages. The interactive experience takes customers on a virtual home tour to spot energy-saving opportunities by interacting with items like the thermostat or fridge.

As part of this online experience, Floridians can make a difference by helping neighbors in need while learning ways to save energy during the holidays.

For every House of Savings game completed by a registered player from

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### **PAY HOLIDAY ENERGY- EFFICIENCY FORWARD**

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Winners can choose from two themed energy-efficient prize boxes, including:

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- Outdoor: LED string lights, outdoor timer outlet, solar lawn stakes, and snowflake window clings.

### **TIPS FOR A HOLIDAY-READY, ENERGY-EFFICIENT HOME**

As Floridians get their homes into the holiday spirit, FPL is also offering simple energy saving tips to keep

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1. Deck the halls with LED string lights to save nearly a dollar per string of lights per month as they use 80% to 90% less energy and last 10x as long as incandescent. Consider adding solar powered lighting to your holiday décor, which uses zero energy.

2. Plug your lights and inflatables into an outlet timer and program them to turn off automatically when you're asleep. Running a medium-sized inflatable overnight costs an average of \$4.90 extra per month, which adds up with multiple inflatables.

3. If you opt for inflatables, consider a smart power strip to avoid phantom energy usage, which draws from decorations that appear off and can cost the average household as much as \$100 per year (or \$16 during the holiday season).

4. Go energy free and decorate for



the holiday with ornaments, wreaths, ribbons and pathway decorations.

5. Making holiday treats? Consider using a small appliance instead of the oven like a microwave, toaster oven or air fryer whenever possible. These use about one-third the power of an oven broiler.

For more tips, programs, resources and rebates, customers can go to [FPL.com/WaystoSave](http://FPL.com/WaystoSave), where they can access FPL's savings tools like the Energy Manager and House of Savings.

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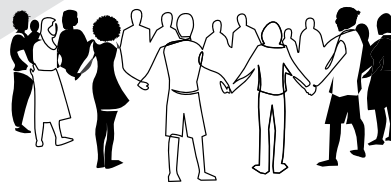
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Answers: A. man B. doctor C. checkup D. prevention

**A.      10    14    19**  
*Clue: Male adult*

**B.      8    23    6    18    23    11**  
*Clue: Physician*

**C.      6    25    15    6    22    13    7**  
*Clue: Health exam*

**D.      7    11    15    3    15    19    18    1    23    19**  
*Clue: Stop something from happening*

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6						8	3	
7			8	9				4
8		3		2		5		
	5	8						
1	3					4		5
4				1			2	
	6		2					9
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5	7	1	3	6	9	2	4	8
3	6	4	2	8	1	7	5	9
4	9	7	5	1	8	3	2	6
1	3	6	9	7	2	4	8	5
2	5	8	6	3	4	9	7	1
8	4	3	1	2	6	5	9	7
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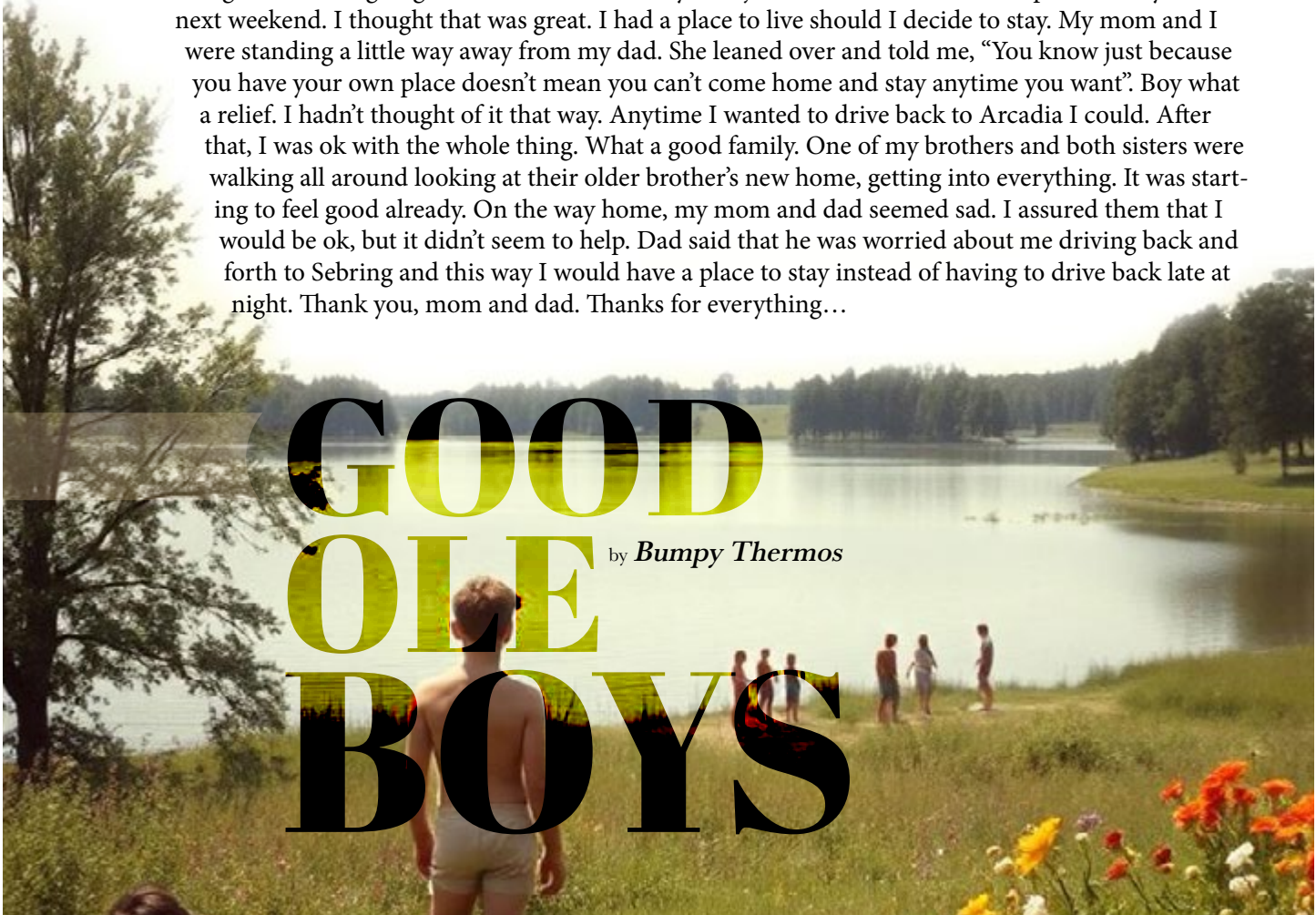


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## Chapter 33

When 4 pm came, it was time to go home, so I waited for my dad to tell him the news. We walked out together and headed toward our cars. I started telling him what happened with Mr. Hilton and he listened but didn't say much. He didn't seem upset, just quiet. He said I did a good job and he was very proud of me. Later I found out that he had already talked to Mr. Hilton before our meeting and already knew everything I was telling him. I still wonder if they were that good of friends to work together for my future. You know parents have a way of doing that from time to time. Well, I didn't have much time to get things ready. Saturday, my family and I rode over to Sebring. We looked around and found where the Winn Dixie store was. My mom and dad wanted to make sure I knew where I was going when I left Tuesday morning at about 4 am. Once we knew where it was, we went by a small apartment complex. It was across the street from this big lake. I still don't know the name of it, but it was a big lake. My dad talked to the manager of the complex and he showed us an apartment. It was so small. When you went into the apartment from the parking lot, you walked into the kitchen. It was barely a 5 x 5 foot room with a very small stove and refrigerator. The stove was gas and there was no hood. After the kitchen was a large room with an outside door, a couch, a dresser, a window and a large curtain hanging on the wall. The manager walked over and pulled back the curtain. What was that? Oh, it was the bottom of a bed. He reached up and pulled it down. Unbelievable. I had never seen anything like that. They called it a Murphy bed. Crazy right? Anyway, he told dad that it was \$35 a week and that included everything. My dad asked me what I thought and I said sure, it looked ok. I didn't want to tell my dad that I sure didn't want to move out of the house. I couldn't tell him that I was afraid to move out. Sure, I was scared, sure I was a little nervous. I had always lived with my parents. My dad told the manager what was going on and that if I liked my new job, that I would take this apartment by the next weekend. I thought that was great. I had a place to live should I decide to stay. My mom and I were standing a little way away from my dad. She leaned over and told me, "You know just because you have your own place doesn't mean you can't come home and stay anytime you want". Boy what a relief. I hadn't thought of it that way. Anytime I wanted to drive back to Arcadia I could. After that, I was ok with the whole thing. What a good family. One of my brothers and both sisters were walking all around looking at their older brother's new home, getting into everything. It was starting to feel good already. On the way home, my mom and dad seemed sad. I assured them that I would be ok, but it didn't seem to help. Dad said that he was worried about me driving back and forth to Sebring and this way I would have a place to stay instead of having to drive back late at night. Thank you, mom and dad. Thanks for everything...



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