



# The Gainesville Iguana

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## Iguana's Picks for Gainesville City Election: March 19

*By Joe Courter*

The City of Gainesville has an election coming up on Tuesday, March 19. So for you voters in the City, or those who are not in the City but care about its leadership, here is our view.

First, the easy one. For those in District 4, re-elect City Commissioner Randy Wells. He is an outstanding, open-minded person and is taking the lead in trying to obtain the old state facility on NE 39th Avenue that can become a great human resource center.

Now the harder one; Mayor.

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*Coalition of Immokalee Workers and allies march in Lakeland near the Publix grocery store headquarters to fight for fair food. Photo courtesy of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers.*

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## 200 Miles to Publix

The CIW's march for rights, respect and fair food

*By Ben Felker-Quinn*

For two weeks this March, Florida farmworkers and their allies from all over the country will be bringing the call for food justice straight to Publix.

Led by the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW), an organization of over 4,000 farmworkers in southwest Florida's tomato country, the March for Rights, Respect, and Fair Food will set out from Fort Myers on March 3 and mark its ar-

rival at Publix Headquarters in Lakeland with a celebratory rally on Sunday, March 17. On the road between lie a host of supportive churches, schools, community centers as well as many Publix stores to mobilize around.

As the CIW puts it, the purpose of the march is two-fold: to celebrate the real accomplishments of the past 13 years and to recall the struggles that must lie

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ahead for a fair food nation. One of the continuing struggles involves Publix and other supermarket chains, which have refused to meet with members of the CIW in the face of great pressure from consumers and farmworkers.

One year ago this March, 61 farmworkers and allies held a six-day fast at Publix Headquarters, and, in addition to almost regular protests at Publix stores through out the South, this year's 200-mile march back to Lakeland begs the ever-pressing question: why has Publix not responded? To which, in fact, there is an answer.

In a few sullen comments over the past several years, Publix contends that the issue at stake is primarily a labor dispute, which should properly remain between farmworkers and growers.

As the last 13 years of the CIW's Campaign for Fair Food show, however, significant improvements in working conditions did not simply spring out of a relationship as limited as that between day-laborers and their higher-ups, the growers (see, for example, the CIW's mobile Modern-Day Slavery Museum on its next trip to a place near you).

In 2000, a 230-mile march—certainly reminiscent of today's — from Fort Myers to Orlando for “Dignity, Dialogue and a Fair Wage” raised public awareness and brought farmworkers together with students, people of faith, and other activists—those assigned the role of consumers in the food retail industry—as common partners in a dehumanizing corporate food retail industry.

The immense pressure that has subsequently convinced 90 percent of Florida's tomato growers as well as 11 multi-billion-dollar corporations—from fast-food companies to supermarkets (so far, only Whole Foods and Trader Joe's have signed on) to food service providers (such as Aramark and Sodexo)—to adopt the CIW's Fair Food Program has grown from the great resonance of food justice with American consumers. For the CIW, the years since that first march amply demonstrate that consumers and farmworkers alike must address the system that separates them to produce any change within it.

Why has Publix not responded? In a 2011 statement, Publix remarked: “The CIW's campaign to boycott the purchase of Publix tomatoes ironically hurts Florida farmworkers and the citizens of Florida who will see a withering Florida produce industry.”

Indeed, it is an awful brand of irony that hurts everyone but Publix. What's more, the CIW never called for a boycott of Publix. As long as Publix pretends farmworkers are mistaken and Florida consumers tragically inconvenienced, it seeks to divide, to disunite. Yet from beginning to end, from vine to mouth, two separate hands hold something in common.

Take action! See [ciw-online.org/march/index.html](http://ciw-online.org/march/index.html) to register for the march or find out more about the CIW's Campaign for Fair Food. A caravan from Gainesville will be driving to the rally on Sunday, March 17, to join the last 6 miles of this historic 200-mile march.

If you can't be there, please visit the website to print out a letter for a Publix manager or contact a local CIW partnership organization. 🐸

## *Letter to the editor* **Support in-state tuition for undocumented children**

Dear Joe and Iguana Staff:

Casualties of this country's dysfunctional immigration system are the dependent children (those born here and those brought here) of undocumented parents.

Fortunately, due to Supreme Court law, all children, regardless of status, are entitled to public education from kindergarten through high school. However, what happens when these children want to attend a community college, state college or university is an injustice in Florida.

Even if they have lived in the state for years, they are currently ineligible for in-state tuition and must pay out-of-state rates, making post-secondary education prohibitively expensive. Many of these children have earned high grades, done community service and would make great tax-paying employees of our state if given the chance to afford and attend college.

In the upcoming Florida state legislative session starting in March, the issue of in-state tuition for these children will most likely be brought up again. Twelve states currently allow in-state tuition for undocumented students. Three in fact (Texas, New Mexico and California) provide state financial aid as a further boost.

New York is considering the same. New York Assembly speaker Sheldon Silver said, “They know no other country, they came as infants, they should have equal access. It's about fairness.”

I urge you to contact your house and state representatives ([www.myfloridahouse.gov](http://www.myfloridahouse.gov) and <http://www.flsenate.gov/senators/find>) and encourage them to support in-state tuition for undocumented children. If you would like to discuss this issue with me, please contact me at [phil@harvest-ofhope.net](mailto:phil@harvest-ofhope.net).

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## From the publisher ...

“... wrote it all down as the progress of man”\*

by Joe Courter

Over the next month or so, the State of Florida will be hyping the “Viva 500” campaign to mark the arrival of Ponce De León on the Florida coast in 1513. This “celebration” brings back memories of the 1992 Columbus Quincentenary. Both of these events, while having historical significance, are not seen as things to celebrate by anyone with a notion of empathy toward native people. Both of these events marked the beginning of exploitation, degradation, the loss of land and culture, slavery, sickness and virtual extermination for the human beings who were living here in what the Europeans called the “New World.”



No matter how much heroic myth is spun around these European invaders of this continent, that they were culturally arrogant and quite often very cruel to the native people is undeniable. And unfortunately their pattern of behavior persists through the 500-plus years since Europeans started claiming the Americas as their own to profit from.

The person who first raised my awareness of the hidden injustice native peoples have suffered was folksinger Buffy St. Marie and her 1964 song “Now That The Buffalo’s Gone.” (She is still making great music, too; find “No, No Keshagesh” on YouTube).

Last month I found a book by Peter Matthiessen called *Indian Country*, which moves around the country in the early 1980s and presents the historic and current struggle various tribes are facing—the reservation-induced poverty coupled with the loss of culture, the bureaucratic theft of lands for corporate or state gain, be it mineral, timber or water, the playing off of tribal factions to divide and conquer by way of money and/or violence. From Miccosukee in Florida, to the Mohawks and Akwesasne in New York State, to the many tribes in the Pacific Northwest and the Southwest’s Four Corners region—the patterns repeat themselves.

Addressing the Ponce De León anniversary has been in my mind for months. As I was home with the flu, I watched Obama’s inauguration. Not one word about native people in the speech, but a surprising number of native dancers in the parade. That was hard to watch. I could not help but also think about the conquest for energy in the Middle East and other regions of the world, how the native people there get their land’s riches pulled right out from under them.

But then this past week, the Civic Media Center hosted a speaker from the Beehive Collective whose presentation and film dealt with a series of dam projects in Colombia in a concentrated area where the Andes meet the Amazon. Internationally funded dams, which will flood communities and cultures that have been there countless years, dams whose construction is not going to provide electricity to Colombian people but power the mining operations of these foreign countries, which will also do major environmental damage to the rivers near the mined areas.

It’s disgusting, sad, and unfortunately more of the same pattern of exploitation. Celebrate? I think not.

On the plus side, particularly in Canada, but also in the U.S., “First Nations” people, as Native Americans are called there, are organizing in a big way over energy exploitation issues. The recent Keystone XL pipeline protests in D.C. had a large representation from tribal organizations from both sides of the border, and the “Idle No More” in Canada has galvanized a general awakening on many energy extraction issues. Technology has put people in touch and allowed broad organizing, even world wide through the UN. But the lure of jobs and development is also on people’s minds in these regions of resource riches, and governments who need capital, too. The re-election of otherwise progressive Rafael Correa in Ecuador means their energy extraction deals with China will be moving ahead despite the transgressions on native people’s lands.

The struggles are complex, accelerating, and as old as the hills. 🐢

\* This is a reference to John Prine’s classic song, “Paradise.” Find it on YouTube.

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## ***ELECTION, from p. 1***

Among the candidates we like two of them. Those two are incumbent Mayor Craig Lowe, and challenger Scherwin Henry.

Scherwin is a life-long Gainesvillian, and has seen and been part of the changing patterns regarding race and east Gainesville development since the '70s.

He is a compassionate person and one who has been able to change his views and admit it when he may have been wrong, a rare thing among politicians. He was especially helpful in trying to resolve the 130-meal limit that was imposed on St. Francis House. This won him great praise and support from Arupa Freeman, a local advocate for homeless people.

Regarding Craig, he did a great job representing Gainesville during the whole Dove World Outreach circus, and otherwise for that matter, and has good ideas on the environment that won

him the Sierra Club's endorsement.

It has been his fate to be mayor at a time when a small but quite loud group of people have been continuously hammering the City Commission over the now almost completed and operational biomass plant.

As the Chair of the Commission; the one with the gavel, he has had to endure hostile, repetitious citizen comment periods, which has not been easy or at times smoothly handled.

Perceived insensitivity on Koppers and homelessness issues have occurred as a result of this rancorous environment. That and the streamlined hiring of a friend and campaign manager as a staffer have cast a shadow on the otherwise good job he has done, especially with the stimulation of the Innovation Hub.

With six candidates, this may go to a run-off, which would occur April 16.

Of special concern is the possibility of two liberal/progressives splitting that pool of

voters, bringing the spectre of ex-commissioner and right wing talk radio jock Ed Braddy and his well-funded campaign into play.

He might not win outright, but getting to the run-off is distinctly possible. Were that to happen, it is essential the Henry and Lowe supporters come together. Braddy is a reactionary ideologue, in no way representative of the Gainesville we love.

It was troubling to us that, should it come down to a run-off between Lowe and Braddy, Henry would not say if he would support Lowe, and when asked further about that reasoning, he cited the same citizen comments and assistant hiring complaints; non-issues that are more personality attacks than ones addressing the overall future of the City.

Based on this, therefore, we advocate people vote for Craig Lowe to be re-elected as Mayor.

So campaign and vote, and after that, we'll see what happened and have more in the April Iguana. 🦎

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# Author Silvia Giagnoni to speak at Civic Media Center's SpringBoard

By Sylvia Arnold and Joe Courter,  
CMC Board Members

On Friday, March 22, the Civic Media Center will present the annual SpringBoard fundraising event with guest speaker Silvia Giagnoni, author of *Fields of Resistance*, addressing "The Coalition of Immokalee Workers: Grassroots Politics in the Age of Corporate Media."

Silvia is an assistant professor of Communications and Dramatic Arts at Auburn University in Montgomery. Her book, *Fields of Resistance*, chronicles a seven-month period between November 2007 and May 2008, during which she visited the community of Immokalee, Fla. The narrative revolves around seasons, harvest, holidays and other celebrations of special significance for the community and seeks to show the various cultural and social realities that coexist today in this part of Florida: the farmworking community, the Seminole reservation and Ave Maria Town.

Members of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers, a community-based organization of mainly Latino, Mayan Indian and Haitian immigrants working in low wage jobs throughout Florida, will also speak about their mission, goals and work to improve the conditions for farmworkers.

The celebration will also include the presentation of the Jack Penrod Brigadas Award, which is given in recognition of local organizing work by the Penrod Committee made up of members from United Faculty of Florida, Alachua County Labor Party and Veterans for Peace. Jack was a wounded veteran of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in the Spanish Civil War and a retired Professor of English at UF.

This year, the event will be held at the Alachua Conservation Trust's Prairie Creek Lodge, a gorgeous wooden building located just seven miles southeast of downtown Gainesville. Our usual location for this annual event, the Matheson Museum, was booked up this Spring, thus the location change. There will be food and beverages provided by local businesses and volunteers. There will also be a raffle and silent auction items. Advance tickets are available for \$10 at the Civic Media Center and Citizens Co-op. Tickets will be \$15-\$20 at the event. Please consider a donation to the CMC even if you cannot attend, and stop by the CMC to see all the changes going on.

For more information, please call (352) 373-0010, visit [www.civicmediacenter.org](http://www.civicmediacenter.org) or email [coordinators@civicmediacenter.org](mailto:coordinators@civicmediacenter.org).

## Editorial Board's Picks for Reading, Perusing

[www.opensecrets.org/](http://www.opensecrets.org/) has lots of inside info on cronyism and insider dealings in Washington - from public records.

[www.opensecrets.org/obama/rev.php](http://www.opensecrets.org/obama/rev.php) lists 423 Obama administration officials with significant corporate ties.

**Tavis Smiley Presents Poverty in America** - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f1pHmocynjQ>

**"Letter to My Countrymen"**

by Brother Ali ft. Dr. Cornel West - [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r\\_2cVUXcbFA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r_2cVUXcbFA)

**National People's Action** at [npa-us.org](http://npa-us.org) - concisely organized projects to produce political pressure on behalf of the 99 percent.

**Democracy Is For People Campaign** at [democracyisforpeople.org](http://democracyisforpeople.org) - pushback against the Supreme Court's disastrous Citizens United ruling, organized by Public Citizen ([publiccitizen.org](http://publiccitizen.org)).



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\$60 per ticket. Information on how to get tickets will be available within the next few weeks.

**Wild Iris is coming**

Save the dates for Wild Iris Books grand opening events. Construction is progressing, and we're getting closer. We don't have an exact date, but stay tuned to our blog and Facebook page for updates. We hope to be open by late February at our new location by the Civic Media Center, Citizens Co-op and SAW on South Main Street.

We do know the dates of our opening celebrations, so mark your calendars and invite your friends. Events will take place in the Courtyard, CMC and Wild Iris Books. We'd love to see you at our events and introduce you to the new space.

**March 21:** Equinox and Spring Planting Festival, 5:30-8 p.m.

**March 29:** Artwalk and OpenHouse Reception, 6-10 p.m.

**March 30:** Co-Sponsoring 4th Annual Very Queer Variety Show, 7 p.m.

**April 1:** Invisible War, Movie Screening, 7 p.m.

**April 6:** Local Author Fair, 12-6 p.m.

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# Energy conservation makes Gainesville stronger

## New initiative from Gainesville Loves Mountains

*By Travis Atria, on behalf of Gainesville Loves Mountains*

By now, most people know the story. Our planet is changing, a balance we barely understand has been disrupted, ice caps are melting faster than scientists predicted, sea levels are rising, crops are threatened by record temperatures in America's breadbasket, the ocean grows more acidic by the day, and 100-year storms happen almost every year.

We must act.

Gainesville Loves Mountains is a group of local volunteers who are doing just that. One of our current campaigns is to pass an Energy Conservation Ordinance (ECO) aimed at reducing energy consumption and costs for rental properties in Gainesville. We hope to propose the ECO to the City Commission and have it passed early next year.

Our proposal is influenced by dozens of similar ordinances all over the country—places as diverse as San Francisco, Ann Arbor, Las Vegas and Burlington, Vermont.

Every ECO is set up differently to affect different sectors; some apply to residential housing, others to commercial buildings. We have chosen to focus on rental properties for two main reasons.

First, they are prevalent in our college town. Second, we feel they have the most room to improve efficiency, due to the “split incentive” involved with renting, where the tenant has little reason to make improvements to the

property, and the landlord has a financial incentive to spend the least amount of money possible to keep the property habitable. In this way, rental properties end up consuming more than their share of energy and releasing more than their share of carbon dioxide.

The ECO can help break both landlord and tenant out of this cycle by setting down a code for improvement that clearly defines which buildings must be improved, what kinds of improvements must be made, when the improvements must be made, who is responsible for funding the improvements and how the system will be monitored.

In order to lessen the burden on landlords, who will bear the brunt of the up-front costs, Gainesville Loves Mountains has begun soliciting their input on how best to structure the ordinance.

In addition, we hope to work closely with GRU to determine exactly how much energy might be saved, which properties need targeting and what rebates and incentives are available to cut the costs for landlords. And, we are soliciting the advice of any and every group we can find that might be interested in helping—from the Sierra Club to the University of Florida community and the League of Women Voters.

Our message to all of these groups is the same — by passing the ECO, we will reduce emissions, cut energy costs and put Gainesville on the cutting edge of the environmental movement.

But there is more at stake in our ordinance. We believe it also will provide substantial economic stimulus, not only by hiring local contractors to improve existing buildings, but also by keeping more money in utility customers' pockets. building stock local,

There are still other benefits. We believe the ECO is an economic justice issue. Low-income families pay on average 17 percent of their annual income on home energy costs, while the average household spends only four percent, according to the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy. Through little or no fault of their own, many people in our community, perhaps even your own neighbors, find themselves saddled with excessive utility costs that push them closer and closer to the edge. With relatively small investments, we can make big differences in their utility bills.

The ECO is also a wise investment for GRU and the city itself. Home retrofits can provide up to 30 percent reduction in energy use, according to the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, and investments in energy efficiency generate more jobs per dollar invested than manufacturing, energy generation and energy distribution. And, the ECO will increase property values. Studies in the U.S. and Europe have shown that homes with some form of green certification typically sell for 10 percent more than those without.

Ultimately, our goal is to achieve all of these benefits. To meet that goal, we need help—help from tenants who support the ECO, help from environmentally conscious citizens, help from the Sierra Club and other likeminded institutions that have the organizational powers and political capital to make a difference, and help from ordinary people who feel moved to do something as simple as contacting a City Commissioner and pledging support for the ECO.

It will require some up-front costs, admittedly, and we are working with landlords and GRU to make those costs as small as possible. But, our reward will be a stronger, cleaner, more resilient Gainesville and a healthier planet.

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# A buffer zone for Bread and Roses

By Bread and Roses Women's Health Center

Bread and Roses Women's Health Center has asked the Gainesville City Commission Public Safety Committee to review and authorize a full Commission hearing on adopting a buffer zone (35 feet from the property) and a bubble zone (8 feet around a person entering a facility within 100 feet of said facility) for reproductive health care facilities in Gainesville. The request came due to harassment of patients by the protestors in front of the clinic but particularly after the City of Gainesville issued a permit for "40 Days for Life" (an anti-choice organization) to congregate on the leeway between the street and sidewalk in front of Bread and Roses. There were specific restrictions on the permit and the clinic was told that violation of said restrictions would result in the permit being revoked. There were numerous violations—including trespass on clinic property, graphic signage, and more—but the permit was never canceled.

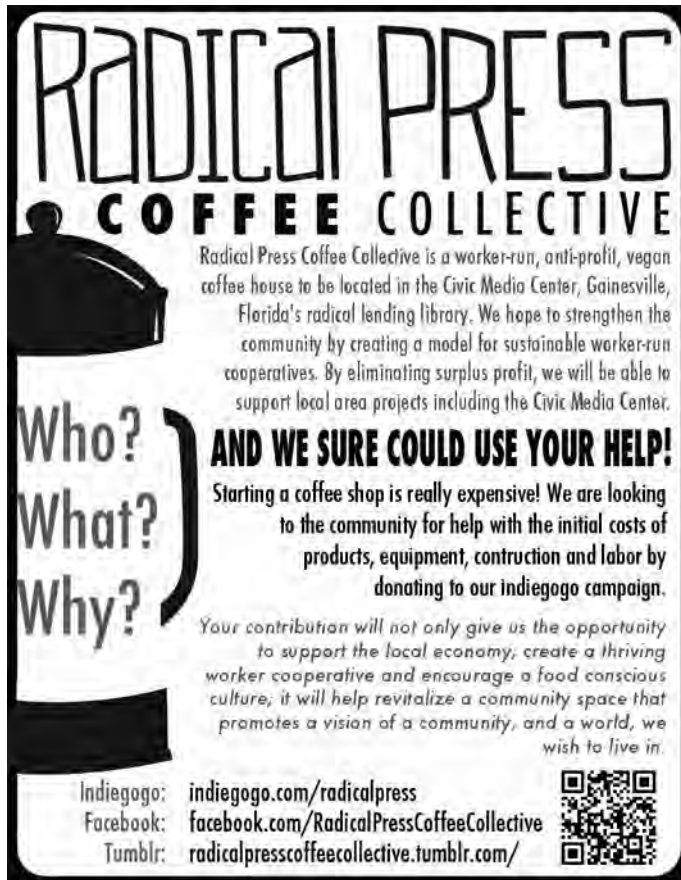
The two issues at play are privacy and safety. The protestors violate the privacy of someone seeking medical care at a medical facility when they yell at, engage, and/or take photos of that person. A bubble zone will not put an end to these privacy violations, but will at least force the protestors to not violate the personal space of someone entering or exiting a health care facility. The protestors also create unsafe traffic conditions when a dozen or more congregate in front of the building and on the sidewalk around the driveway, blocking the view of traffic for anyone trying to enter or exit. In addition, the protestors approach and engage people in cars stopped in the middle of the street. A bubble zone will keep

protestors a safe distance from the driveway so that entering and exiting can occur safely and without impediment. The buffer zone will not stop the protestors from engaging vehicles stopped in the street, but that is up to the Gainesville Police Dept. to enforce.

The City Attorney has advised the Public Safety Committee to not move forward with the proposed zones as it will open the City up to lawsuits, etc., and that there is no demonstrated need (i.e., violence or charges pressed due to harassment, which would require a client to stop or cancel her appointment, call the police, and file a report, which puts her name on record, which violates the whole privacy thing) for such legislation. GPD has advised the Committee to not proceed as well, citing that in areas where buffer zones have been established, the next typical step undertaken by the anti-choice movement members was taunting of law enforcement to make multiple arrests, creating a bottleneck in the criminal justice system. In addition, GPD states that if a buffer zone were established, businesses on the opposite side of the roadway become indirectly and unwillingly involved, which diminishes overall satisfaction with local government. Basically the City doesn't want to deal with possible lawsuits, and GPD is concerned about being taunted (see how it feels?) and causing disruption to another business (wait, isn't Bread and Roses a business that IS being disrupted?).

The Public Safety Committee has heard the matter and will hear it again at their next meeting (scheduled for Feb. 28, then apparently canceled - see [cityofgainesville.org](http://cityofgainesville.org) for updates). The members have requested more information: specifically they want to see a

See *BREAD AND ROSES*, p. 14



**RADICAL PRESS**  
**COFFEE COLLECTIVE**

Radical Press Coffee Collective is a worker-run, anti-profit, vegan coffee house to be located in the Civic Media Center, Gainesville, Florida's radical lending library. We hope to strengthen the community by creating a model for sustainable worker-run cooperatives. By eliminating surplus profit, we will be able to support local area projects including the Civic Media Center.


**Who? What? Why?**

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# Civic Media Center Events - March 2013

Every Tue.	Morning Yoga, 9am	Thur., March 21	Wild Iris Equinox and Spring Planting Event, in The Courtyard, 5:30pm-8pm
Every Wed.	Morning Yoga, 7am Zine Work Day 12pm-2pm		
Every Thur.	Morning Yoga, 10am Weekly Volunteer Meeting, 5:30pm Poetry Jam, 9pm	Fri., March 22	SpringBoard with speaker Silvia Giagnoni, at Prairie Creek Lodge, 6pm
		Sat., March 23	Radical Press Coffee Collective Grand Opening
Fri., March 1	Music with Sofia Talvik, Swedish folk singer-songwriter, 8pm	Sun., March 24	South Florida Prisoner Book Project Fundraiser, 8pm
Sat., March 2	Queerotic Dance Party, DJ Shooga Cane and DJ Kentucky Ultraviolet, 10pm-2am in The Courtyard	Mon., March 25	Move To Amend presents: "Big Sky, Big Money" documentary about campaign spending in Montana after the <i>Citizens United</i> ruling, 7pm
Wed., March 6	Trans Discussion Group, 7pm		
Mon., March 11	"Votive Pit" a locally-produced film made by Michael McShane, based on the play by Shamrock McShane, about the American public education system, 7pm	Tue., March 26	Wild Iris Feminist Open Mic Night in The Courtyard, 7pm
		Wed., March 27	Sea Chantey Workshop, 7:30pm-10pm
Wed., March 13	Citizens Co-op public member meeting, 5pm	Fri., March 29	Art Walk, 7pm to 10pm
		Sat., March 30	Very Queer Variety Show, sponsored by Wild Iris, in The Courtyard, 7pm
Sat., March 16	Alachua County Rapscllions 24-Hour Play Performances, 8pm		
Mon., March 18	"Victor Jara: Right to Live in Peace" a documentary about the famed Chilean singer-songwriter who was killed for their political activism, 7pm	Mon., April 1	Wild Iris presents: "The Invisible War" award winning documentary about the epidemic of rape in the U.S. armed forces, 7pm
		Wed., April 3	Trans Discussion Group, 7pm
Tues., March 19	Music with Ryan Harvey, Sad Scouts and Wetlands, 8pm	Fri., April 5	Music with Lars Din, 8pm
Wed., March 20	Talk by historian Gordon Wood at UF, co-sponsored by CMC  Intervention Skills Workshop/ Discussion, in Courtyard, 7pm	Sat., April 6	Queerotic Dance Nite, DJ Shooga Cane and DJ Kentucky Ultraviolet, in The Courtyard, 10pm-2am

**433 S. Main Street    [www.civicmediacenter.org](http://www.civicmediacenter.org)    (352) 373-0010**

*Parking just to the south at SE 5th Ave., (see sign) or after 7 p.m. at the courthouse (just north of 4th Ave.) or GRU (2 blocks east of CMC)*

*Check our website for details or events scheduled after this went to press*



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**Art Lab** is a group for artists who are continually expanding their skills and knowledge. Comprised of makers from various backgrounds encompassing a wide range of mediums from forged iron to spun wool to graphic design. We hold technique workshops, artist talks and critiques, professional practices meetings and critical thinking discussions. [GainesvilleArtLab@gmail.com](http://GainesvilleArtLab@gmail.com). <http://GainesvilleArtLab.org>

**Alachua County Labor Party** meets monthly and organizes to support local labor and advance the national campaign for universal, single-payer health care. Annual memberships are \$20/year. Please contact us to join or for the most updated info: [FloridaLaborParty.org](http://FloridaLaborParty.org), [ACLP@FloridaLaborParty.org](mailto:ACLP@FloridaLaborParty.org), 352.375.2832, 14 East University Ave., Suite 204, Gainesville, FL PO Box 12051, Gainesville, FL 32604

**American Civil Liberties Union** Currently no local chapter. For info on forming new chapter, or ACLU info, contact Jax office 904-353-7600 or [bstandly@aclufl.org](mailto:bstandly@aclufl.org)

**Amnesty International** UF campus chapter of worldwide human rights movement; [www.facebook.com/ufamnesty](http://www.facebook.com/ufamnesty) or [UFAmnesty@gmail.com](mailto:UFAmnesty@gmail.com).

**Bridges Across Borders** Florida-based international collaboration of activists, artists, students and educators supporting cultural diversity and global peace. [office@bridgesacrossborders.org](mailto:office@bridgesacrossborders.org), 352-485-2594,

**Citizens Climate Lobby** (Gainesville Chapter) provides education and activist opportunities to bring about a stable climate. Meetings are the first Saturday of each month at 12:30, usually at the downtown library's Foundation Room. 352-672-4327, [www.citizensclimatelobby.org](http://www.citizensclimatelobby.org), [cclgainesville@gmail.com](mailto:cclgainesville@gmail.com)

**Civic Media Center** Alternative reading room and library of the non-corporate press, and a resource and space for organizing. 352-373-0010, [www.civicmediacenter.org](http://www.civicmediacenter.org).

**The Coalition of Hispanics Integrating Spanish Speakers through Advocacy and Service (CHISPAS)** Student-run group at UF. [www.chispasuf.org](http://www.chispasuf.org)

**Coalition to End the Meal Limit NOW!** Search for Coalition to End the Meal Limit NOW on Facebook. [www.endthemeallimitnow.org](http://www.endthemeallimitnow.org)

**Code Pink: Women for Peace** Women-led grassroots peace and social justice movement utilizing creative protest, non-violent direct action and community involvement. [CodePink4Peace.org](http://CodePink4Peace.org), [jacquebetz@gmail.com](mailto:jacquebetz@gmail.com).

**Conservation Trust for Florida, Inc.** Non-profit land trust working to protect Florida's rural landscapes, wildlife corridors and natural areas. 352-466-1178, [ConserveFlorida.org](http://ConserveFlorida.org)

**Democratic Party of Alachua County** Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7: p.m. in the second floor auditorium of the County Administration Building at SE 1st St. and University Ave. Office is at 901 NW 8th Ave., 352-373-1730, [AlachuaCountyDemocraticParty.org](http://AlachuaCountyDemocraticParty.org)

**Edible Plant Project** Local collective to create a revolution through edible and food-producing plants. 561-236-2262 [www.EdiblePlantProject.org](http://www.EdiblePlantProject.org).

**Families Against Mandatory Minimums** Work to reform Florida's sentencing laws and restore fairness to Florida's criminal justice system. PO Box 142933, Gainesville, FL 32614, [gnewburn@famm.org](mailto:gnewburn@famm.org). 352-682-2542

**The Fine Print** An independent, critically thinking outlet for political, social and arts coverage through local, in-depth reporting specifically for Gainesville's students. [www.thefineprintuf.org](http://www.thefineprintuf.org).

**Florida School of Traditional Midwifery** A clearinghouse for information, activities and educational programs. 352-338-0766 [www.midwiferyschool.org](http://www.midwiferyschool.org)

**Florida Defenders of the Environment** An organization dedicated to restoring

the Ocklawaha and preserving Florida's other natural resources. 352-378-8465 [FlaDefenders.org](http://FlaDefenders.org)

**Gainesville Citizens for Alternatives to the Death Penalty** concerned people in the Gainesville area who are working to abolish the death penalty in Florida. Participate in vigils when Florida has an execution. Meet the first Tuesday of every month at St. Augustine Church and Catholic Student Center (1738 W. University Ave.) 352-332-1350, [www.fadp.org](http://www.fadp.org).

**Gainesville Food Not Bombs** is the local chapter of a loose-knit group of collectives worldwide who prepare and share free, vegan/vegetarian, healthy, home-cooked meals, made from local surplus, with all who are hungry. Meals are at 3 p.m. every Saturday at Bo Diddly Community Plaza. Prep starts at 11am. Get in touch if you'd like to help. [gainesvillefnb@riseup.net](mailto:gainesvillefnb@riseup.net). [www.facebook.com/#!/groups/143660782367621/](http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/143660782367621/)

**Gainesville Interfaith Alliance for Immigrant Justice (IAIJ)** meets biweekly to discuss relevant immigration issues and ways to bring political education to the community through workshops, presentations, advocacy and action. [gainesvilleiaij@gmail.com](mailto:gainesvilleiaij@gmail.com) or [www.gainesvilleiaij.blogspot.com](http://www.gainesvilleiaij.blogspot.com)

**Gainesville Loves Mountains** works in partnership with Appalachian communities to end mountaintop removal coal mining and create a prosperous economy and sustainable future for the region and its people. We believe that the single, best path our community can take toward a stronger economy, better jobs, and a healthier environment for all is energy efficiency. We are also building a campaign for a local ordinance requiring all rental properties to meet basic energy efficiency standards. [gainesvillelovesmountains@gmail.com](mailto:gainesvillelovesmountains@gmail.com) <http://www.facebook.com/GainesvilleLovesMountains> 352-505-2928

**Gainesville Women's Liberation** The first women's liberation group in the South, formed in 1968, the organization is now part of National Women's Liberation. [WomensLiberation.org](http://WomensLiberation.org)

**Graduate Assistants United** Union that represents all UF grad assistants by fighting for improved working conditions, community involvement and academic freedom. 352-575-0366, [officers@ufgau.org](mailto:officers@ufgau.org), [www.ufgau.org](http://www.ufgau.org)

**Green Party** Part of worldwide movement built out of four different

interrelated social pillars, which support its politics: the peace, civil rights, environmental and labor movements. [www.GainesvilleGreens.webs.com](http://www.GainesvilleGreens.webs.com)

**Grow Radio** Non-profit company that will provide the opportunity for community members to create and manage unique, engaging, educational, locally-generated programming to promote fine, musical and visual arts and humanities for the enrichment of, but not limited to, the Gainesville community. [www.growradio.org](http://www.growradio.org). PO Box 13891, Gainesville, 32604, 352-219-0145 (v), 352-872-5085 (studio hotline)

**Harvest of Hope Foundation** Non-profit organization that provides emergency and educational financial aid to migrant farm workers around the country. [www.harvestofhope.net](http://www.harvestofhope.net) or email: [kellerhope@cox.net](mailto:kellerhope@cox.net).

**Home Van** A mobile soup kitchen that goes out to homeless areas twice a week with food and other necessities of life, delivering about 400 meals per week; operated by Citizens for Social Justice. [barupa@atlantic.net](mailto:barupa@atlantic.net) or 352-372-4825.

**Industrial Workers of the World** Local union organizing all workers. Meetings are at the Civic Media Center the first Sunday of the month at 7 p.m.. [Gainesvilleiww@riseup.net](mailto:Gainesvilleiww@riseup.net). [www.gainesvilleiww.org](http://www.gainesvilleiww.org)

**Interfaith Alliance for Immigrant Justice** Organizing faith communities to work together for immigrant justice. Meets 2nd and 4th Sundays at 6 p.m. at La Casita 1504 W. University Ave. (across from Library) [GainesvilleIAIJ@gmail.com](mailto:GainesvilleIAIJ@gmail.com); 352-215-4255 or 352-377-6577

**International Socialist Organization** Organization committed to building a left alternative to a world of war, racism and poverty. Meetings are every Thurs. at the UF classroom building at 105 NW 16th St. at 7 p.m. [gainesvilleiso@gmail.com](mailto:gainesvilleiso@gmail.com).

**Kindred Sisters** Lesbian/feminist magazine. PO Box 141674, Gainesville, FL 32614. [KindredSisters@gmail.com](mailto:KindredSisters@gmail.com), [www.kindredsisters.org](http://www.kindredsisters.org).

**Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program** needs volunteers to join its corps of advocates who protect the rights of elders in nursing homes, assisted living facilities and adult family care homes. Special training and certification

is provided. Interested individuals should call toll-free (888) 831-0404 or visit the program's Web site at <http://ombudsman.myflorida.com>.

**MindFreedom North Florida** Human rights group for psychiatric survivors and mental health consumers. 352-328-2511.

**National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)** Support, education and advocacy for families and loved ones of persons with mental illness/brain disorders. 374-5600, ext. 8322; [www.namigainesville.org](http://www.namigainesville.org).

**National Lawyers Guild** Lawyers, law students, legal workers and jailhouse lawyers using the law to advance social justice and support progressive social movements. [nlggainesville@gmail.com](mailto:nlggainesville@gmail.com) or [www.nlg.org](http://www.nlg.org)

**National Organization for Women Gainesville Area** [www.gainesvillenow.org](http://www.gainesvillenow.org). [info@gainesvilleNOW.org](mailto:info@gainesvilleNOW.org) NOW meeting info contact Lisa at 352-450-1912.

**Planned Parenthood Clinic** Full-service medical clinic for reproductive and sexual health care needs. Now offering free HIV and free pregnancy testing daily from 9-11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.. Located at 914 NW 13th Street.

**Pride Community Center of North Central Florida** Resources for the gay/lesbian community, open M-F, 3-7, Sat. noon-4 p.m.. Located at 3131 NW 13th St., Suite 62. 352-377-8915, [www.GainesvillePride.org](http://www.GainesvillePride.org).

**Protect Gainesville Citizens** Group whose mission is to provide Gainesville residents with accurate and comprehensible information about the Cabot/Koppers Superfund site. 352-354-2432, [www.protectgainesville.org](http://www.protectgainesville.org).

**RiverPhoenixCenterforPeacebuilding** provides innovative ways to resolve conflict in Gainesville and provides services like mediation, communication skill building and restorative justice. [www.centerforpeacebuilding.org](http://www.centerforpeacebuilding.org). 2603 NW 13th St. #333, 352-234-6595

**Queer Activist Coalition** Politically motivated activist group at UF fighting for full civil and social equality for the LGBTQ community. [queeractivistcoalition@gmail.com](mailto:queeractivistcoalition@gmail.com).

**Sierra Club** Meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian

Universalist Fellowship of Gainesville - 4225 NW 34th St. 352-528-3751, [www.ssjsierra.org](http://www.ssjsierra.org)

**Sister City Program of Gainesville.** Links Gainesville with sister cities in Russia, Israel and Palestine, Iraq, and Haiti. Meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Mennonite Meeting House, 1236 NW 18th Avenue (across from Gainesville HS). For more information, see: <http://www.gnvsistercities.org>.

**Student/Farmworker Alliance** A network of youth organizing with farmworkers to eliminate sweatshop conditions and modern-day slavery in the fields. More info on Facebook, search "Gainesville Student/Farmworker Alliance."

**Students for a Democratic Society** Multi-issue student and youth organization working to build power in our schools and communities. Meetings are every Monday at 6:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall 32 on the UF campus.

**UF Pride Student Union** Group of gay, lesbian, bi and straight students & non-students, faculty and staff. [www.grove.ufl.edu/~pride](http://www.grove.ufl.edu/~pride).

**United Faculty of Florida** Union represents faculty at University of Florida. 392-0274, [president@uff-uf.org](mailto:president@uff-uf.org), [www.UFF-UF.org](http://www.UFF-UF.org).

**The United Nations Association, Gainesville Florida Chapter.** Our purpose is to heighten citizen awareness and knowledge of global problems and the United Nations efforts to deal with those issues. [www.afn.org/~una-usa/](http://www.afn.org/~una-usa/).

**Veterans for Peace** Anti-war organization that works to raise awareness of the detriments of militarism and war as well as to seek alternatives that are peaceful and effective. Meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m.. 352-375-2563, [www.afn.org/~vetpeace/](http://www.afn.org/~vetpeace/).

**WGOT 94.7 LP-FM** Community low-power station operating as part of the Civic Media Center. [wgot947@gmail.com](mailto:wgot947@gmail.com), [www.wgot.org](http://www.wgot.org).





Sunday  
Domingo

**Radio Notes:** Find schedules for WUFT, WGOT, and Grow Radio, our local non-corporate stations, at [www.wuft.org](http://www.wuft.org), [wgot.org](http://wgot.org), & [growradio.org](http://growradio.org) respectively. WGOT is a part-time over-the-air broadcast; and like Grow radio is streamed on the internet. More info on local independent radio on page 21.

On the music side of things, those on the east side or with antennas might appreciate the music on Jacksonville's public radio station at 89.9 FM, ranging from acoustic to electronic, jazz and blues, in an eclectic and pleasant mix in the evenings and night.

LISTEN TO AND SUPPORT COMMUNITY RADIO!

For more events, event details, and irregularly updated calendar entries, see [www.gainesvilleiguana.org/calendar](http://www.gainesvilleiguana.org/calendar).

**3** *Moyers & Company* on WUFT-TV, Sundays, 1 pm.

**Fla Archaeology** talk, UF Powell Hall, 3215 Hull Rd, 2 pm.

**Fla Coalition for Peace & Justice** weekly potluck & eco-village tour, 4 pm: [fcj.org](http://fcj.org).

**City Candidate Forum**, United Church, 1624 NW 5th Ave, 4 pm.

**Women's Movie Night**, 1st Sundays, 7 pm, Pride Ctr.

**10** **Ecotour Fitness Hike** - 3-mile walk in Newnan's Lake Conservation Area, 1 pm - info, 904-704-4087.

**Sam Pacetti** at Prairie Creek Lodge, 7204 SE CR 234, 6:30 pm, \$20.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS**  
**1862: US issues first paper money.**

**17** **Swamp City Sirens** vs Lakeland Derby Dames at Skate Stn, 1311 NW 76th Blvd, 7 pm, \$8 adv/\$12 door.

Please support Citizens Co-op, a growing community resource. Shop Co-op first & keep your \$\$\$ local!

**ST PATRICK'S DAY**

**24** **Spring Garden Festival**, Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, 10am-5 pm (Saturday, too!).

**John Williams & John Etheridge** at Univ Aud, 7:30 pm.

**South Fla Prisoner Book Project** fundraiser, CMC, 8 pm.

**1989: Exxon Valdez hits rocks.**

**31** If you appreciate this calendar, please consider supporting the *Ig* with a donation &/or subscription: PO Box 14712, Gainesville FL 32604.

EASTER

Monday  
Lunes

**4** **UF Spring Break** 3/2-9: no documentary film at CMC this week - enjoy the solitude of town.

**The Yearling** 75th anniversary exhibit at Matheson Museum, 3/3-31.

**Keep up with the CMC** at [www.civicmediacenter.org](http://www.civicmediacenter.org) for events created after this calendar was printed, and into the future (also see pg 9).

**11** **Johns Committee Legacy** - review of political witchhunt at UF, Smathers East 1A, 5:30 pm.

**Law in the Library** series: "Restoration of Civil Rights", downtown library, 6 pm.

**Votive Pit**, film based on local playwright Shamrock McShane's take on education system, CMC, 7 pm.

**1936: Antonin Scalia** born.

**18** **Victor Jara: Right to Live in Peace**, documentary on Chilean

singer-songwriter killed in US-sponsored coup, CMC, 7 pm - see pg 22.



**25** **Public School Spring Break** 3/25-29.

**Humanities & STEM** panel, room 1A, UF Smathers Library East, 6 pm.

**Big Sky, Big Money** doc on campaign finance in Montana after the *Citizens United* ruling, presented by Move to Amend, CMC, 7 pm.

**1911: Triangle Shirt Waist fire.**

**Apr 1** **The Invisible War** 2013 Oscar-nominated documentary on rape in US military, shown by Wild Iris, CMC, 7 pm.

**8** **Hair** at Phillips Ctr, 7:30 pm.

Tuesday  
Martes

**26** **County Farmers' Mkt** on N 441 by Hwy Patrol Tues/ Thurs/Sat, 8 am-noon.

**Morning Yoga**, 9 am at CMC, 433 S. Main St, every Tuesday.

**Anti-war sign-holding** on SW 34th St & Archer Rd, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays; 13th St & Univ Ave, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays: 4 pm.

**Equality Florida Mixer**, Leonardo's 706, 6-7:30 pm.

**1928: Fats Domino** born.  
**1932: Johnny Cash** born.

**5** **Awake the State** "Free the Vote" rally at Rep. Keith Perry's office, 2440 SW 76th St, Ste 120; 1 pm.

**UF LaCrosse** vs. Loyola, Disney Stadium, 1 pm.

**School Board** meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 6 pm.

**12** **Alachua County Comm** meets, 2nd & 4th Tues, 9 am & 5 pm, County Admin Bldg; citizens' comment, 9:30 am & 5:30 pm.

**Anti-war sign-holding** on 13th St & Univ Ave, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 4 pm.

**"World of Ponce de León"** is Science Café topic: Chef Bros, 5240 NW 34th St, 6:30 pm..

**UF LaCrosse** vs. Lehigh, 6:30.

**19** **City Elections: VOTE!**  
**School Board**, 6 pm.

**PFLAG** monthly meeting at United Church, 7 pm.

**Dugout Canoe Archaeology**, Powell Hall, UF, 6 pm.

**Work of the Heart**, SFC Fine Arts Bldg, 6-8:30 pm.

**Ryan Harvey, Sad Scouts, Wetlands**, CMC, 8 pm.

**2003: US attacks Iraq.**

**26** **Alachua County Comm** meets; see 2/12.

**Alachua County Labor Party** meets: 6:30 pm, ACEA Hall; info, 375-2832.

**Wild Iris Feminist Open Mic Night**, CMC Courtyard, 7 pm.

**1911: Tennessee Williams** born.

**2** **School Board**, 6 pm.

**Science, Humanities, Social Stratification** talk by UG prof Sheila Slaughter, Ustler Hall Atrium, 6 pm.

Wednesday  
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**27** **Morning Yoga** at CMC, 7 am every Wednesday.

**Free confidential walk-in HIV testing** at Alachua County Health Dept, 224 SE 24th St, 9 am-3 pm, M-F; & at Pride Ctr, 3131 NW 13th St, 4-6 pm on 1st & 3rd Thurs; info: 334-7961.

**Downtown Farmers' Market** every Wed, Dntn Plaza, 4-7 pm; **Edible Plant Project**, 2nd Weds.

**Move to Amend** meets, Pride Ctr, 6 pm, every Wednesday.

**"March for Rights & Fair Food"** talk presented by Coalition for Immokalee Workers, CMC, 7 pm.

**6** **Nan Rich** campaign event, call 258-0093, 5:30 pm.

**Trans Disc. Group**, CMC, 7 pm.

**Veterans for Peace** meet, 7 pm: call 352-375-2563 for directions.

**Brazilian Films** presented by Latin American Studies Ctr, Thursdays through 4/10, UF Turlington 2334, 7:20 pm.

**13** **City Comm. Candidate Forum**, SFC dntn, noon.  
**"Feminine Mystique at 50"** - Stephanie Coontz, Ustler Hall Atrium, UF, 2:30 pm; also speaking on marriage in '63 & '13, Pugh Hall, 6 pm: see pg 23.

**Citizens Co-op** public member meeting, 5 pm.

**Veterans Speak Out** at Santa Fe College WA-104, 7 pm - pg 14.

**Gator Freethought** meets, Matherly Hall 113, 7 pm.

**DEC** meets, County Comm. mtg room, 2nd Weds, 7 pm.

**20** **Trayvon Martin** talk by *NY Times* columnist Charles Blow, 270 Holland, UF Law, noon.

**Humanists** meet, UUFG, 7 pm.

**Historian Gordon Wood** at UF, time & place tba.

**Intervention Skills** workshop-discussion, CMC, 7 pm.  
**SPRING EQUINOX**

**27** **County Gov't ACCESS** course sign-up deadline: [www.alachuacounty.us](http://www.alachuacounty.us).

**Stonewall Democrats**, 901 NW 8th Ave, 6 pm, 4th Wednesdays.

**GatorFreethought**, Mat 113, 7 pm.

**Sea Chantey** workshop, CMC, 7:30 pm. **FULL MOON**

**3** **Zine Workday**, CMC, noon-2 pm every Weds.

Thursday  
Jueves

**28** **Morning Yoga** at CMC, 10 am every Thursday.

**CMC Volunteers** meet every Thursday, 5:30 pm.

**"Adventures w/ Tim Dorsey"** - downtown library, 6:30 pm.

**Internat'l Socialist Org.** meets Thursdays, 7 pm, 105 NW 16th St.

**Green Party** meets, CMC, 7 pm.

**Open Poetry**, CMC, 9 pm.

**1854: Republican Party** formed in opposition to states' rights slavery law.

**7** **CMC Volunteers**, 5:30 pm.  
**We Are Water** doc, High Springs Civic Ctr, 330 NW Santa Fe Blvd, H.Spgs, 7 pm, free.

**Harlem Globetrotters**, O'Dome, 7 pm.

**Sierra Club** general meeting, UUFG, 4225 NW 34th St, 1st Thursdays, 7:30 pm.

**Open Poetry** at CMC, 9 pm.

**14** **Open Poetry** every Thursday at CMC, 9 pm: Gvl's longest-running poetry jam, open to all; informal & welcoming to both readers & listeners.

**The Wild Shiners** at Lightnin' Salvage.

PI DAY



**21** **Wild Iris Equinox & Spring Planting** event, CMC Courtyard, 5:30 pm.

**Kurva Choir, Peter Levitov & John David Eriksen** in concert at Casa Ma, 607 E. Univ. Ave, benefits CMC, 8 pm: \$8 adv, \$10 door - see [civicmediacenter.org](http://civicmediacenter.org) & pg 20.

**Open Poetry** at CMC, 9 pm.

**28** **CMC Volunteers**, 5:30 pm.

**The Last Flight of Petr Ginz** - Holocaust documentary at Phillips Ctr, 7:30 pm.

**Open Poetry**, CMC, 9 pm.

**1930: Constantinople** becomes Istanbul.

**4** **Lenny Kesl Tribute** event at Santa Fe College Fine Arts Building - check *Scene* magazine for details.

Friday  
Viernes

**Mar 1** **Sofia Talvik** (Sweden) at Civic Media Center, 433 S. Main St: 8 pm, \$10.

**WGOT Benefit** at Loosey's, 120 SW 1st Ave, 9 pm.



Whether here or anywhere: please support live music!

**8** **Feminist Author** Stephanie Coontz on *Conner Calling*, WUFT-FM, 1 pm.

**Transgender Movie Night**, 2nd Fridays, 7 pm, Pride Ctr, 3131 NW 13 St.

**Musical Chair Project**, The Doris, 716 N. Main St, 7 pm.

**Little Jake Mitchell & the Soul Searchers**, Dos Mamas, 2017 NE 27th Ave, 8 pm.

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY**

**15**



**22** **CMC Springboard** fundraiser with author Silvia Giagnoni speaking on Coalition of Immokalee Workers; also Jack Penrod Brigadas Award presentation; Prairie Creek Lodge, 6 pm - see article, pg 5.

**1960: First laser** patented.

**29** **Critical Mass Bike Ride**, 5:30 pm, UF Plaza of Americas.

**Gay Movie Night** last Fridays, \$2, 7:30 pm, Pride Ctr, 3131 NW 13th St.

**Art Walk Downtown**; many galleries & venues participate; 7-10 pm.

**Nikki Talley** at Lightnin' Salvage.

**1971: Charles Manson** sentenced.  
**1971: Lt. William Calley** convicted.

**5** **Lars Din & others** at CMC, 8 pm.

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Saturday  
Sabado

**2** **Food Not Bombs** makes free vegan/vegetarian meals Sats: prep starts 11 am: [gainesvillefnnb@riseup.net](mailto:gainesvillefnnb@riseup.net).

**Citizens' Climate Lobby** meets 1st Saturdays, downtown library, noon.

**Alternative Radio** by David Barsamian airs Saturdays on WGOT, 4 pm.

**Veg For Life** vegan potluck, UUFG, \$1+veg dish, 6:30 pm.

**Queerotic Dance Party**, DJs Shooga Cane & Kentucky Ultraviolet, CMC, 10 pm.

**1904: T.S. "Dr. Seuss" Geisel** born.  
**1944: Lou Reed** born.

**9** **Journeys of Muslim & Christian** at Emmanuel Mennonite Meeting House, 1236 NW 18th Ave: exploding stereotypes & making friends, 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 10 am.

**1901: Leo Tolstoy** excommunicated.  
**1916: Pancho Villa** invades US.

**16** **India Fest 2013** - SF College Bldg V, 9 am-5 pm, \$5.

**Climate Activism Workshop**, UF Smathers Library East, 10 am-2 pm: pre-registration needed via [cclgainesville@gmail.com](mailto:cclgainesville@gmail.com).

**Art of Human Rights** - free guided tours at Harn Museum, 11 am today, 3/30, 4/13.

**Fla Archaeology Tour**, Dickinson Hall, 1659 Museum Rd, UF, 1 pm.

**Conservation Stewards Awards**, Haile Homestead, 5:30 pm(?) - see [alachuaconservationtrust.org](http://alachuaconservationtrust.org) & pg 6.

**Alachua County Rapsclallions** 24-hour play performances, CMC, 8 pm.

**23** **Fla NOW State Conference**, 3/23-24, Hampton Inn (downtown G'ville) - see pg 14.

**Radical Press Coffee Collective** grand opening, CMC, time tba - pg 8.

**30** **"Very Queer Variety Show"** sponsored by Wild Iris, CMC Courtyard, 7 pm.

**6** **Great American Cleanup**: West-side Park, 8 am: see [kacb.org](http://kacb.org).

**Spring Arts Festival** 9-5 Sat & 1-5 Sun, NE 1st St.

**Local Author Fair** at Wild Iris Books (new location behind Citizens Co-op), noon-6 pm.

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**BREAD AND ROSES, from p. 8**

demonstrated need for a buffer/bubble zone. Bread and Roses is prepared to provide some additional documented evidence but - as no one has filed harassment charges - they are unsure if their evidence will be enough for the Committee to forward the item to the City Commission. If you would like to contact the Committee, the members are Chair Yvonne Hinson-Rawls (rawlsyh@cityofgainesville.org), Lauren Poe (poelb@cityofgainesville.org), and Todd Chase (chasetn@cityofgainesville.org). (Please note: all

such email becomes public record, posted on the Web.) Public Safety Committee meetings are open to the public, so if you want your voice heard on this matter by all means show up whenever the next opportunity occurs.

If the Committee agrees, the full Commission may consider this issue soon - so please keep an eye on local news (and the Bread and Roses Facebook page) and turn out to support patients' rights if possible. To assist the escorts helping patients cope with this bullying, contact voxpresident@gmail.com. If you are a lawyer looking for some pro bono work, please contact Bread and Roses. 🐾



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# The Fight for Florida's Real History



By Joe Courter

*"Viva Florida 500 is a statewide initiative led by the Florida Department of State, under the leadership of Governor Rick Scott, to highlight the 500 years of historic people, places and events in present-day*

*Florida since the arrival of Juan Ponce de León to the land he named La Florida in 1513.*

*While Florida's Native American heritage dates back more than 12,000 years, Spain's claim in 1513 began a new era.*

*"2013 marks 500 years of history and diverse cultural heritage in Florida—a claim no other state in America can make—and Viva Florida 500 promotes the place where the world's cultures began to unite and transform into the great nation we know today as the United States of America."*

So says the State of Florida's Website. Nice turn of phrase there — "promotes the place where the world's cultures began to unite and transform."

What happened in April of 1513 was a conquistador from Spain arrived on land where native people had been living and developing their own mix of cultures for 12,000 years and said, in effect, "we now own your land, we demand you do what we say, adopt our beliefs, or we will kill you." Is that too harsh a paraphrase?

Well, the mindset of Ponce De León and his other "explorers" was put in writing by the powers that be in Spain. They had empowered Columbus to travel to find riches and bounty across the ocean, and they were aware of the people he found there and how their passivity made them good slaves. So they discussed this and came up with a few "policies."

As Rick Piper writes: "The codification of these brutal tactics, that were already being used in the Americas, was discussed and

*See VIVA, p. 20*

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# History and the people who make it: Pat Fitzpatrick

*Transcript edited by Pierce Butler*

*This is the thirteenth in a continuing series of transcript excerpts from the collection of the Samuel Proctor Oral History Program at the University of Florida.*

*Pat Fitzpatrick [F], long-time Gainesville community organizer and subject of the documentary *Civil Indigent*, was interviewed by Isht Vatsa [V] in 2011.*

**F:** I was born in DeLand, Florida in 1949. We moved to Orlando in 1950 when I was one year old, and I stayed in Orlando till I was 19 and joined the Air Force, came back for a couple years to go to college but have been gone for 40 years now.

I went to high school in Orlando, I graduated in 1968. At that time, I ran track and got some scholarship offers. I went to a small school in North Carolina called Brevard. Two things got me. I started smoking - when you run long distances that's not very good. There were mountains, I had never seen anything higher than a mole hill in Florida, so I didn't end up being very successful. I quit after one semester and joined the Air Force. Came back and went to college, when I got out in 1974. Got a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Central Florida, a master's degree in 1982 from the University of Florida, and a master's in social work in 1986 from Florida State.

When I got out of college, I didn't know exactly what I wanted to do. I joined Vista, like the domestic Peace Corps. This is 1976, I had just gotten a divorce, had just graduated, had nothing to do, was actually sitting on a dock fishing sometime so we can eat, it was terrible. Living in my car. I joined Vista because you got a hundred and twenty dollars every two weeks. I also wanted to help people. I spent a year down in the Everglades, working in Immokalee, Clewiston, Morehaven, all around Lake Okeechobee with the migrant farm workers. It was a life-changing experience.

We can go without seeing poverty all our lives because of the segregation of the rich and the poor in this country. I got down and saw this deal with the migrant farm workers. I saw how little they paid them, how hard they worked, and then they had company stores that they went to. You had a lot of people from a lot of

different countries I worked with. Guatemalans, Haitians, a lot of Mexicans, people from El Salvador, people from Cuba, people from the other Caribbean islands, St Lucia and all. I saw the situation, and it's horrifying. I call it brutal poverty.

After a year running all over the Everglades and seeing this and learning and trying to get something done and you don't even put a dent in anything, I got a job working with juvenile delinquents. After five months, I left this in April of '77, the migrants had gone up north. By September I was back in Vista again. The migrants came back, and I spent another tour in Vista and quit for a lower paying job. I went to work with the United Farm

counseling, University of Florida master's degree, but I went back to the Everglades, and I worked with the Florida Coalition against Hunger based out of Kissimmee. We did political asylum plus fed people, which was incredible. I got work in Immokalee for a couple years, then I went to FSU and got a degree in social work to see how the system worked.

I moved to Gainesville in the late seventies. Lived downtown in a house, it was actually two houses put together, I paid ten dollars a week in rent and I was making sixty dollars a week as a Vista volunteer. I worked out on Archer and did a lot of repairs on houses out there. I came back a couple years later to get a master's degree in '82 and went back to the Everglades in '90 and came back up here because I had a couple kids. Wanted them to go to school up here, I got a job working in the prisons as a drug counselor for about 11 years. They privatized, so I was part of that whole group that got laid off.

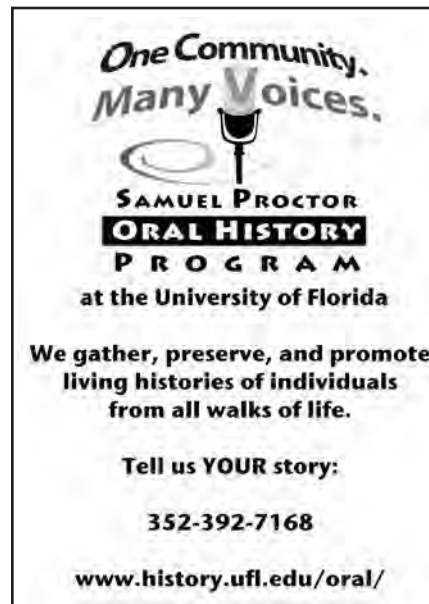
I've been fortunate—I got enough years to get a little bit of pension, substitute teaching, I work part-time with a disabled person. I've never had money, I make enough to live.

**V:** *What brought you to the St Francis cause or this situation in the *Civil Indigent* video?*

**F:** Bob Tanzig is probably the most honorable, hardworking people I ever met; he ran St Francis for over 20 years. It was started at St. Augustine Student Center by Father Bob Baker. They just started a soup kitchen. It then expanded to a couple of more places, until it got on the corner of Main and Fourth. Since then, it's taken up the whole block here almost. It's got about 35 people there, and it takes mainly women and children now.

**V:** *Would you say that veterans constitute a significant percentage of the homeless?*

**F:** In some cities, it's as much as 33 percent. I don't know how much it is here, it's probably a large percentage because we have the VA. What we also have here in Gainesville, which is wonderful, we just opened up a dormitory where homeless veterans could go. In the military, you sign a blank check, they can do anything they want. They put six of my best friends six days after high school on a bus



Workers as a contract administrator. They had a union contract with Coca-Cola, which owned Minute Maid. There was a night and day difference; they made me work on slave and peonage cases where they had this curator system where the curator is hired by the grower, and he exploits the hell out of these people. There were people in slavery, and there was actually a crew that got paid only in wine.

After Vista I joined the union, and there were certain things in the contract that they just had to follow. They were making about three times as much money. So I saw the difference in organized workers and unorganized workers.

I saw counseling as a way to organize people. I got a degree in rehabilitative

to Fort Benning, Georgia. Within a year most of them were in Vietnam. My best friend that I grew up with, John Rommel, was blown up over there and gets a 100 percent disability today. He for 40 years has been in the most pain you can imagine; he lost both limbs, he was blown up and a lot of his insides went outside and he got blown out of his combat boots by a bomb in a tunnel raid. This happened in 1969, and he still has shrapnel that comes up in him. He signed a blank check when he went in there, and they sent him to Vietnam.

A little afterwards, I signed a blank check, and I was a recreation specialist. I went straight to San Francisco and passed out ping pong balls and pool balls and ran pool tournaments and set up dances as a recreation specialist. Then they sent me to Alaska, and I worked with the ski lines in the winter and drove charter fishing boats in the summer. I did go do temporary duty eight miles north of the Arctic Circle, so I did my time.

I'm a secular Franciscan; I'm the peace and justice coordinator for this state. We're not monks but we're laypeople who live poor and work with the poor. We need to organize ourselves as Catholics and do more than what we've been doing. We're really good at charity but we've got to get better at justice.

You don't see older homeless people. All our buddies die out there.

They even have a law here that you cannot feed people at City Hall. I break it all the time.

With the HOME Van, we have no bureaucracy. If you want an extra pair of socks, we don't need to go on the computer and look up your name; we throw you an extra pair of socks.

**V:** *Has the University been helpful in advocating for the homeless in the past?*

**F:** There's a law down there. You're not allowed to feed people within 1,500 feet. In general, they stay pretty neutral. The president of the university, Dr. Machen, his wife, some of the homeless have pets, they have a veterinary program over at St Francis house. She's a wonderful woman and works with them. The university, as an institution, has not really made a big statement about homelessness.

**V:** *How does the city government treat the poor in Immokalee compared to Gainesville?*

**F:** First place, Immokalee ain't incorporated. A lot of those people are political refugees from other countries who don't have citizenship. Probably three-quarters of the people can't vote. We had a friend who was a teacher in Huehuetenango, one of the northernmost provinces in Guatemala. About 80 percent of the people are Mayans, they speak Canamwalese. The Spanish people run it. They were teaching Spanish; she decided to also teach Canamwalese and got put on a hit list to be killed. She and her family walked from Huehuetenango to Los Angeles and ended up in Immokalee.

I grew up in Orlando. Lake Eola is the crown jewel of Orlando; it's a beautiful place downtown, but, as in most cities, that's where the homeless hang out. They made this law to get rid of the homeless. I went down a couple weeks ago and met with a couple guys from Food Not Bombs, Keith MacHenry who started it. We went to Lake Eola, which I have very fond memories of 60 years ago. My grandmother, who passed away in 1980, I was just eight, swinging me down there. Twenty years ago or so, I took my daughter there when she was a baby, viewed swan boats. My mother's 80th birthday, we took her to Cherry Plaza, very fine place to eat, celebrated her birthday on Lake Eola. I have some real history in this place.

See *ORAL HISTORY*, p. 18



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This symposium is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research and the Samuel Proctor Oral History Program. Co-sponsored by the Bob Graham Center for Public Service, the Department of English, Philip Wegner, Marston-Milbauer Eminent Scholar Chair, the George A. Smathers Library, and the *Journal of Family Issues*.



Went to school kindergarten to third grade, St. James Catholic School. I liked Food Not Bombs, they're not only into charity but also into justice—getting rid of the reason people have to stand in soup lines.

We went out there, about 12, 13 got arrested last couple weeks. They had real good food, all vegan. As soon as you feed 25, you've broken the law. The Orlando Police, they waited till everyone had gone through before they arrested us. They let the food stay there so the people can get it themselves. I think that's very nice of the Orlando Police Department. They put my hands around my back. They put us in a very small paddy wagon, which is a racial slur for the Irish, so I'm continuing the tradition of my Irish ancestors.

*An audio podcast of this interview will be made available, along with many others, at [www.history.ufl.edu/oral/feature-podcasts.html](http://www.history.ufl.edu/oral/feature-podcasts.html).*

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## Forward on Climate Change

By Rain Aranada

On Feb. 15, 56 people from northeast Florida, about 20 from Gainesville, packed into a chartered bus and began the overnight journey straight to D.C. to participate in what was predicted to be the largest climate change rally in history: the Forward on Climate Rally. Indeed, the Feb. 17 rally and march to the White House drew an estimated 50,000 people from all over the country.

The general theme of the rally was climate change; the goal was getting legislative change. Climate change may be debated in the corporate media to save political face; however, from the perspective of citizens all over the country who are seeing the impacts of climate change now, the debate was over long ago. Some have been gradually feeling the effects of sea level rise and increased drought conditions, while others have had to rebuild after sudden storm surges with increased intensities. Many of these communities are acutely aware of the impact that large, nonrenewable-energy projects around the world are having on the rapid rate of increase in climate change impacts.

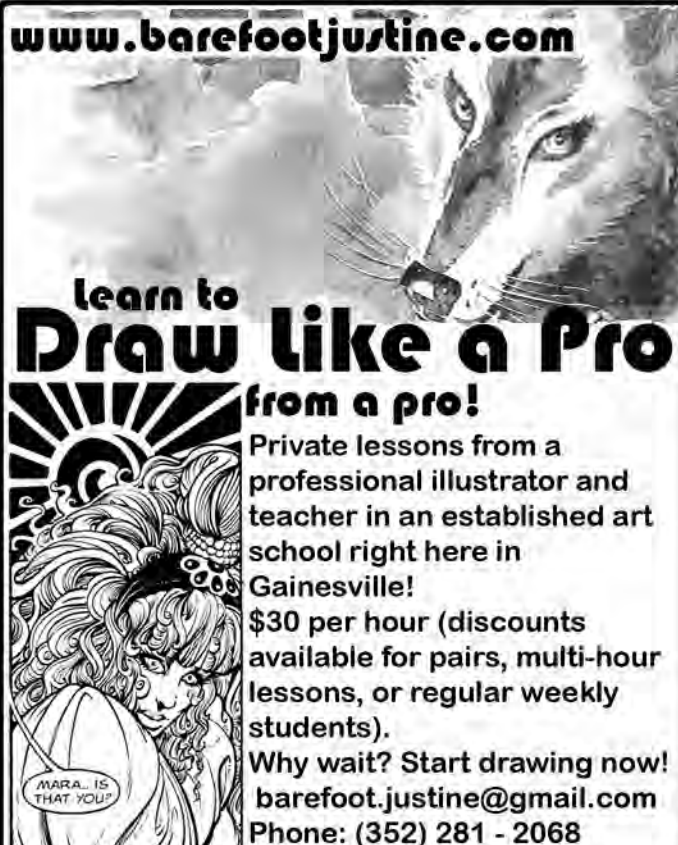
As a result, a range of U.S. energy projects were protested against, especially the proposed Keystone XL pipeline by groups such as the Tar Sands Blockade. Other projects of concern were: the more than 500 mountains destroyed for coal extraction in the Appalachia region using processes such as mountain-top-removal; and the more than one million hydraulic fracturing wells dotting the countryside, from Colorado and Pennsylvania, who are already fracked, to New York, where citizens are fighting to keep fracking effects out of their water supply and communities.

The crowd was as diverse as their concerns. The energy was unified, and a number of people who had never been to a mass rally before braved the 30-degree weather to say "No!" to our country's current developmental and economic policies and "Yes!" to increased investment in renewable technologies, to smart planning and design, and to safe, healthy, secure and sustainable communities and environment.

The rally was organized by nationally recognized environmental groups 350.org and the Sierra Club, as well as the Hip Hop Caucus and supported by Florida partners such as ReThink Energy, the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Citizen's Climate Lobby, Florida Coalition for Peace and Justice, various Florida Occupy chapters, and student groups, such as Stetson University's Hatters Harvest and the University of Florida's Gators for Green Design.

The northeast Florida bus was organized by Tom Larson from the Sierra Club's northeast Florida chapter and by Abhaya Thiele from the Gainesville chapter of Citizens Climate Lobby. While many of the people who took the bus from Gainesville and Jacksonville were strangers before, we came back a tightly-knit community. While there will be and have been criticisms from all sides with regards to the effectiveness of such a rally, and while others may criticize the tactics used, the intention was to spread the message of climate change reality and to call attention to the thousands of people who are worried about their and their families' very lives and futures. And that intention's goal was met.

The other goal, and always the most important underlying tactic of any event, is to build community, and in that, the rally definitely succeeded. By the end of the long journey to and from Washington, D.C., the folks of northeast Florida, though exhausted, were reinvigorated by each other's passion, hope,



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More than 50,000 from around the U.S. gathered in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 17 for the Forward on Climate rally. Photo courtesy of 350.org.

and determination to stop one of the greatest threats ever to our planet and our species, climate change.

The battle has been a long one, and the reenergizing was needed. Several international climate conferences and not one agreement that is able to hold water later, large energy projects like hydraulic fracturing and the tar sands continue to be pushed forward by the administration as viable options towards a secure and sustainable domestic economy. But what happens when that dirty local energy being burned results in largely intensified natural disasters, such as Hurricane Sandy, and communities have to rebuild. Is that cost effective? Are these projects really a long-term safe and smart investment?

While some regulation for carbon emissions has finally passed

through the EPA and it seems as though no new coal fired or nuclear plants will be built to come online in the near future, what people came to DC to say was that that isn't enough. The toxic air, water, and dust that surround communities still experiencing the effects of mining from these projects aren't going anywhere, nor are their concerns being truly addressed. Despite health impacts, such as rare cancers and asthmatic problems, their environments, and their homes, their communities, have been devastated.

So, on Feb. 17, Floridians who are watching their coastlines disappear, were joined by thousands of other citizens who came to DC to use their voices and demand real change and effective policies, that protect people and the environment first, not profit. People came to hold their elected officials accountable. That may not seem an effective tactic to critics, but to the 50,000 people who shared the experience in D.C., some who had their first moment feeling that type of inspiration that comes from solidarity and community, the effect will resonate; and it will drive them all to continue to do more, to keep fighting, because they know and understand they are not alone in this larger than life fight for survival. And that, that is effective change.

For more information on the Feb. 17 demonstration in Washington, D.C., check out Iguana editor emeritus Jenny's Brown's article on LaborNotes.org – "Climate Change is Drowning Out 'Jobs vs. Environment' Debate" from Feb. 14. 🐊



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argued for years in Spain as to the morality of their actions.

‘The Requerimiento’ or ‘requirement’ (as in ‘demand’) is the famous political and religious cover document written by Council of Castile in 1510, commanded to be read aloud by the Conquistadors when they encountered native people in the Americas. It was used to justify the assertion that they were here representing God and that the native people were to submit to immediate occupation and conversion to Christianity. In the last infamous paragraph of ‘the Requerimiento,’ the Conquistadors’ mission and tactics are made clear.

“But, if you do not do this, and maliciously make delay in it, I certify to you that, with the help of God, we shall powerfully enter into your country, and shall make war against you in all ways and manners that we can, and shall subject you to the yoke and obedience of the Church and of their Highnesses; we shall take you and your wives and your children, and shall make slaves of them, and as such shall sell and dispose of them as their Highnesses may

command; and we shall take away your goods, and shall do you all the mischief and damage that we can’ ... and “the deaths and losses which shall accrue from this are YOUR FAULT.”

The above was from a document put together by Rick Piper, an artist living on the Florida coast, leading the charge in resistance to the Viva Florida 500 effort that manifested in the Melbourne area when an initiative was launched to name the barrier island which runs from Port Canaveral to Sebastian Inlet “Ponce De León Island.” A public information campaign was organized to expose and shed light on the history of the area and horrors visited upon the native population.

Over the course of 2012, more and more of the seven community councils along the barrier island (un-named but on early charts actually named for the Ayes people who lived there) voted against the naming of the island for the Conquistador until they all unanimously rejected the initiative.

As a result, the U.S. Board of Geographic Names voted not to adopt the Ponce De

León name in December 2012.

Piper provided me with an extensive amount of research, too much to recount here in the Iguana.

What follows is from Rick Piper in his letter highlighting the extensive research he put together. If you are holding the paper copy of Iguana in your hands, the best thing would be to access this story online at [www.gainesvilleiguana.org/viva-florida-500/](http://www.gainesvilleiguana.org/viva-florida-500/) where you’ll find live links to all the information provided by Piper.

A lot of this research cited probably got rolling thanks to the Columbus Quincenary in 1992 and the righteous backlash launched by academics and people of conscience.

Rick Piper is a hero for what he did he response to the Viva Florida 500 hype organized by a self-interested few who cared not a whit for the genocide here in this “Land of Flowers.”

From Piper:


“Below is a link to the compiled research paper I wrote to inform our fight to stop the naming of our Island for Ponce and the cited references at the bottom of the paper will lead you to the actual archival information that people responded to best, including

- ‘The Requerimiento,’ the decree the Conquistadors were required to read aloud to the Native Americans they encountered demanding immediate conversion and submission or slavery and death (amazing)

- The actual contract for Ponce to come to Florida detailing the division of any gold he could plunder and ‘allocating’ any Indians he finds to him for his use. (He was a Slaver.)

- The Yale Genocide Studies Program’s reference to Ponce and his protégés, and the places he helped decimate, like Hispaniola and Puerto Rico.

“I found presenting these archival facts with a minimum of hyperbole won people over to the rightness of pushing back against the Viva Florida 500 whitewash of Ponce’s history.

See more at <http://www.piperart.com/ais%20and%20ponce%20de%20leon.html>. 

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# Support local radio: a note from WGOT

By Adam Reinhard  
WGOT Volunteer

I am writing this to first thank you, the community, for your support of Gainesville's community radio station, WGOT 94.7FM. We recently just celebrated our fifth anniversary of broadcasting over the local airwaves.

Although we share our frequency with other stations, WGLJ & WVFP, we are now streaming WGOT content over the Internet 24 hours a day. Run completely by volunteers and with little media support, we have created a vibrant, diverse community radio station for Gainesville, and all of this with no studio space.

Due to consistent support from various local venues and bars, a plethora of awesome local musicians, and various businesses and individuals, we have been able to support our DIY enterprise, even without major media attention. It has not been an easy task.

I have been the acting station manager for the last several years, but am unable to continue in that capacity. My passion

for the station has not wavered, there are some new positive developments in my life, but I am still committed to WGOT community radio.

Although we are a grassroots project, we do require some centralization. We are declaring an all-call to the Gainesville community to get involved in any capacity you can. Visit our website at [www.wgot.org](http://www.wgot.org), connect with us at [info@wgot.org](mailto:info@wgot.org), and follow us on Facebook or Twitter @wgotlp.

Please consider becoming a member, underwriter, or volunteer for the station. We are always searching for new local programming to add to our schedule.

Most importantly, however, is that we are in search of new board members and a station manager. No previous radio experience is required, and it is understood that these are volunteer positions. We have public board meetings every two weeks.

We believe we have something else to offer besides traditional radio, media and culture. Check us out. 🐶

## GROWRADIO.org programming schedule

Grow Radio is a listener-supported, Gainesville-based Internet radio station that provides community members an opportunity to create and manage engaging, educational, informative, locally-generated programming to promote fine, musical and visual arts and humanities for the enrichment of the Gainesville community.

### Sunday

11:00 a.m. Buffalo Girls  
1:00 p.m. Left of the Dial  
3:00 p.m. The Atomic Age  
5:00 p.m. Joe and Craig Show  
7:00 p.m. The A.M.H. 2 Hour ...  
9:00 p.m. The Sum of Your Life

### Monday

11:00 a.m. Dr. Bill's Super Awe ...  
1:00 p.m. The Kitchen Sink  
3:00 p.m. Ecstasy to Frenzy  
5:00 p.m. The Four Passions  
7:00 p.m. Maïum  
8:00 p.m. New Day Rising  
10:00 p.m. The Residents Radio Hour  
11:00 p.m. The Culture Wars

### Tuesday

10:00 a.m. The Root  
12:00 p.m. Spaghetti Tape  
4:00 p.m. Partly Classic with a ...  
6:00 p.m. America in the Evening  
8:00 p.m. river rail rhythm  
10:00 p.m. The Experiment

### Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Sax and Violins  
11:00 a.m. The Barefoot Sessions  
1:00 p.m. Groovallegance  
3:00 p.m. The Quiet City  
5:00 p.m. A Brazilian Commando  
7:00 p.m. Downtown Sound  
9:00 p.m. The Otherness  
11:00 p.m. Radiodeo

### Thursday

11 a.m. Get on the Right Thing ...  
12 p.m. Things Be Blowin' ...  
2:00 p.m. The 2nd Ave. Shuffle  
4:00 p.m. Hope & Anchor  
6:00 p.m. Erosion  
8:00 p.m. florida rules  
10:00 p.m. Lost Sharks

### Friday

11:00 a.m. The Breakup Song  
1:00 p.m. 4D Meltdown  
3:00 p.m. Swamp Boogie & Blues  
5:00 p.m. Da Funk  
7:00 p.m. The Narain Train  
9:00 p.m. The Bag of Tricks

### Saturday

11:00 a.m. Jazzville  
1:00 p.m. Paradox Press  
3:00 p.m. Boots and Cats  
5:00 p.m. Alewife Outbound  
7:00 p.m. Planet of Sound



## WGOT 94.7 LP FM

Gainesville's Progressive Community Radio Station

WGOT is on the air:

**Sunday:** 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
**Mon, Wed, Fri:** 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. & 8 p.m. - 5 a.m.  
**Tuesday and Thursday:** 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. & 8 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
**Saturday:** 1 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Check out [wgot.org](http://wgot.org) for upcoming events and a detailed schedule.

We are now streaming 24/7 using Shoutcast. You can find the WGOT stream under the Shoutcast directory. To listen from your iOS, Android, or Blackberry mobile device, you can use any radio streaming apps such as Tune In. We are now listed in

iTunes Radio under the Eclectic category. Direct feed at [www.wgot.org/listen/](http://www.wgot.org/listen/). 94.7 is a Low Power FM station with a transmitter at NW 39th Ave and I-75, so best reception is within 5 miles, but many people are able to pick up the station in their car. Questions? Comments? E-mail us at [info@wgot.org](mailto:info@wgot.org).



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# Why the U.S. should extradite Pedro Barrientos Núñez to Chile

By César Chelala

*This article was originally published on Jan. 15 on [www.thewip.net](http://www.thewip.net).*

On Dec. 28, 2012, Chilean Judge Miguel Vásquez charged eight retired army officers with the murder of popular songwriter, guitarist and theater director Víctor Jara. Jara was killed days after the 1973 military coup against Chilean President Salvador Allende.

One of those charged is Pedro Barrientos Núñez, reportedly the one who fired the final shot that killed Jara. Barrientos Núñez is now living in Deltona, Fla. His extradition to Chile could help properly try all those involved in Jara's death.

The most recognizable voice of Chile's dispossessed, Jara was one of the founders of a new genre of Latin American song, and one of its best known practitioners. Jara was closely identified with the leftist social movement led by the late Chilean President Salvador Allende.

Jara composed "Venceremos" ("We Will Triumph"), which became the theme song of Allende's Unidad Popular (Popular Unity) movement. Jara and his wife, Joan Turner, were among the main participants in the cultural renaissance movement that swept the country after Allende's victory.

Sept. 11, 1973, is a day that will live in infamy for the people of Chile, when Gen. August Pinochet's troops mounted a coup against the Allende government. Jara was taken prisoner on Sept. 12, 1973, from Chile's Technical University and later taken to the Estadio Chile, a large sports stadium, which was renamed Estadio Víctor Jara in 2003.

Jara was held at the stadium for four days where he was repeatedly tortured. His torturers had no mercy with Jara's hands and hit them with their rifle butts while mockingly challenging him to continue playing his guitar with his broken hands. According to the testimony of his companions who were also in prison Jara remained undaunted and sang part of his song "Venceremos" as he was being tortured.

Other prisoners later testified that even during those difficult times for them, Jara was only concerned about the welfare of his companions. Four days after being taken prisoner, he was taken to a deserted area in the country where he was shot 44 times.

His body was dumped on a road on the outskirts of Santiago from where he was taken to the city's morgue. His wife was allowed to retrieve his body only after she promised that she wouldn't publicize the event.

Shortly after Jara's death a Chilean television technician surreptitiously played an excerpt of Jara's song "La Plegaria a un Labrador" ("Prayer to a Laborer") over a Hollywood film soundtrack. Despite this isolated tribute, however, for several years Jara's recordings went unheard in Chile.

After Pinochet's death in 2006, Jara's wife and other human rights activists stepped up their efforts to find Jara's killers, despite apparent delays by prosecutors and the army. On Dec. 28, 2012, Appellate Court Magistrate Miguel Vásquez ordered the arrest of two former military officers, Hugo Sanchez Marmonti and Pedro Barrientos Núñez, as the material authors of the crime, and named six other former military officials as accomplices. All of them have been detained, with the exception of Pedro Barrientos Núñez.

According to School of Americas Watch reports, four of the eight officers accused of murdering Jara were trained at the School of the Americas, which at that time was located in Panama. These reports indicate that Barrientos Núñez took courses at that school in the 1960s and 1970s. Barrientos Núñez has strongly denied any participation in Jara's murder, despite strong testimonies condemning him.

According to international law, the United States now has the legal duty to prosecute Barrientos Núñez or, to complete Judge Vasquez's investigation of Jara's murder, to extradite him to Chile. This is mandated by the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and by the Geneva Conventions. Extraditing Barrientos Núñez back to Chile will be a miniscule compensation for the tragedies that the CIA-sponsored coup against Allende unleashed on the Chilean people. 🐸

On Monday, March 18, the Civic Media Center will show "Victor Jara: Right to Live in Peace" a documentary about the famed Chilean singer-songwriter who was killed for his political activism, at 7 p.m. Jack Price will speak about the film afterward.

## Springs Eternal: Florida's Fragile Fountains of Youth

For the past 30 years, photographer John Moran has chronicled the beauty of our springs and the changes that many of us have seen. "Springs Eternal: Florida's Fragile Fountains of Youth" will debut as a picture exhibit at the Florida Museum of Natural History on March 23, where it will run through December before moving on to other venues statewide.

Learn more about the exhibit, and see a photo preview, at [JohnMoranPhoto.com](http://JohnMoranPhoto.com).

The exhibit is part of the larger Springs Eternal Project, which will also feature Lesley Gamble's Urban Aquifer, a fleet of Regional Transit System buses wrapped in full-scale images of the springs taken by artists including Moran, Margaret Tolbert, Tom Morris, Jill Heinerth and Mark Long. QR matrix barcodes on the buses link viewers to a Springs Eternal Project website offering information about featured springs, including news, history, local stories, science and relevant public policy.

Based on an upcoming book by Rick Kilby, *Finding the Fountain of Youth: Exploring the Myth of Florida's Magical Waters* is a new exhibit examining how the legend of Ponce de León's quest for restorative waters shaped the Sunshine State's image as a land of fantasy, rejuvenation, and magical spring-fed waters. Rich in images, this exhibition shows how the myths surrounding the discovery of "La Florida" influenced perceptions of the state that still echo today. This exhibit will run concurrently with the Springs Eternal exhibit at the museum.

The project directors (John Moran and Lesley Gamble) are slated to be present at the Florida Museum of Natural History for a public talk at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 20. They will be joined by Rick Kilby, creator of the *Finding the Fountain of Youth* project. 🐸

# Update on the Alachua Co. Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry

By Arupa Freeman

On Feb. 20, the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry hosted a dinner gathering at St. Francis House for the homeless community, to meet with them and listen to their concerns. This was the first time for such an event, and there were a few glitches, since more people attended than were expected. Nevertheless, it was a very successful and positive event. Everywhere we went last night on our driveout people were talking about this dinner and saying how much they enjoyed the experience. Historically, as a community, we haven't done nearly enough to include the homeless community in the conversation. This effort in that direction was deeply appreciated by our homeless friends.

Theresa Lowe, Coalition Director, opened the meeting by thanking the homeless community for helping with the annual Point-in-Time Survey and reporting on the initial findings. The PIT Survey is sponsored by HUD and is a count of the homeless population over a 48-hour period. It also includes questions on why people are homeless, and what their needs are. It is a snapshot taken of a moving target over a brief period of time, so there are always people who aren't counted. Statisticians work with the figures in their own mysterious (to me) way of extrapolating a more exact count. Theresa reported the following figures (not extrapolated figures but the actual number counted):

1. 985 unsheltered homeless people
2. More than 1000 homeless people in shelters.
3. 400 homeless children, as reported by

the Alachua County School District (all of whom have families who may not have been counted)

4. 300 chronically homeless people, defined as people who have been homeless for more than one year

Theresa referred to these numbers, particularly the 985 unsheltered homeless people, as "staggering," especially when compared on, a per capita basis, with other cities. Denver, Colorado, for example, counted 1000 unsheltered homeless people in their PIT Survey.

Commissioner Randy Wells reported on the city's efforts to acquire the old prison complex on 39th Avenue for a new homeless shelter and one-stop center. He was able to report that negotiations with the State are going well. He then asked for feedback from the community about what they would like to see this project include. We were not able to stay for the entire comment period, but while we were there the homeless people cited three major concerns they would like to see addressed:

1. Job Training and Opportunities (suggestions were met with enthusiastic applause)
2. More and better access to shower and laundry services
3. Treat homeless people with dignity and respect, and for homeless people to treat each other with dignity and respect.

Amen, amen, amen!

Commissioner Wells has a strong vision of this new center as a place where the entire community will come together to build

something that is useful and beautiful, with not only shelter, health care, and job training, but also many other community projects such as organic gardens, murals painted by local artists, activities for children and more. He wants as many citizens as possible, housed and homeless, to participate in the process, now and after this facility opens. If you would like to be notified of meetings concerning the new one-stop center and/or if you have input about what you would like to see included at this center you can email Commissioner Wells at [wellsrm@cityofgainesville.org](mailto:wellsrm@cityofgainesville.org)

My SOS for more groceries was met by a cornucopia of good food! Many thanks to all of you. I now have enough food and better food. I have also received a good many tents and tarps from both groups and individuals, and the same with vitamins and batteries. We are a bit low on personal hygiene products, so keep us in mind for that. We never have enough razors, and shaving is a significant part of getting a job, so razors will be especially appreciated.

The Home Van needs tents, tarps, bottled water, bug spray, Vienna sausages, creamy peanut butter, jelly, candles, white tube socks, batteries, and games. Call 352-372-4825 to arrange for drop off. Financial donations to the Home Van should be in the form of checks made out to Citizens for Social Justice, Inc., earmarked for the Home Van, and mailed to 307 SE 6th Street, Gainesville, FL 32601, or can be made online at <http://homevan.blogspot.com/>

*The HOME Van is a project of Citizens for Social Justice, Inc.* 

## The Feminine Mystique at 50: women's activism in America

By the Samuel Proctor  
Oral History Program

On Wednesday, March 13, Professor Stephanie Coontz will visit the University of Florida for a symposium, "The Feminine Mystique at 50," focusing on her groundbreaking research into the history of family policy and women's activism in America. She will be discussing her book, the highly acclaimed *A Strange Stirring: The Feminine Mystique and American Women at the Dawn of the 1960s* in an afternoon roundtable discussion in Ustler Hall and a public lecture in the evening at Pugh Hall, "Mad-

men, Working Girls, and Desperate Housewives: Women, Men and Marriage in 1963 and 2013," which will be followed by a reception and book signing.

The symposium will begin at UF on the afternoon of March 13 at 2:30 p.m., when Coontz will participate in a campus discussion focusing on *A Strange Stirring: The Feminine Mystique and American Women at the Dawn of the 1960s* in the Ustler Hall Atrium. Later in the evening, Coontz will give a public presentation in the MacKay Auditorium at Pugh Hall at 6 p.m.: "Madmen,

Working 'Girls,' and Desperate Housewives: Women, Men and Marriage in 1963 and 2013," discussing her research into American family policy, women's activism, and the history of marriage in the United States. This event will also include a reception and book signing. Parking is free.

The week before the event, on March 8 at 1 p.m., Coontz will be featured on WUFT 89.1's weekly book program, "Conner Calling," for a live, call-in discussion of her

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## South Main/Fire Station Update

By Joe Courter

The purchase of the lots south of the Civic Media Center/Citizens Co-op (between SE 5th and 6th Avenues) for the new Fire Station has not moved forward yet, due to bureaucratic paperwork for the most part. However, during the past month, the stakeholders in this future change have been meeting with City Commissioners and representatives from the City and Fire Department to negotiate an equitable way for this to take place.

The stakeholders, which include Citizens Co-op, Repurpose Project, Civic Media Center, Wild Iris Books, Church of Holy Colors, Sequential Artists Workshop and Display Gallery, are in agreement that our goals are:

1. An arrangement for about 30 parking spaces on 5th Avenue by the Co-op Courtyard gate to replace the current parking lot that will be lost.
2. Preservation of the Repurpose Project building for a future business, even if Repurpose Project has to move.
3. Assistance to the Repurpose Project in finding a new location, if needed or helpful to them.
4. Input on Fire Department landscaping design to keep connectivity on the South Main corridor.

The stakeholders recognize the need for a new Fire Station and that this location is the City's best option. We believe they will be good neighbors, better than a big commercial development or condo/apartment complex. Our side has been generous and cooperative in the process, and have had favorable response in meeting with City Commissioners. We have been assured that our operations will not be affected during the interim period after purchase (soon) and before construction begins (October 2014).

We trust and hope that good will and fair play will result in a win/win for all, much in the way the construction of Fire Station 8 on NW 34th Street was done with neighborhood input and sensitivity. Stay tuned...🐢

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work. Contact the radio show at 352-392-8989 or e-mail [fmcalling@wuft.org](mailto:fmcalling@wuft.org).

This symposium is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Samuel Proctor Oral History Program and the Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research. It is co-sponsored by the Bob Graham Center for Public Service, the Department of Eng-

lish, Philip Wegner, Marston-Milbauer Eminent Scholar Chair, the George A. Smathers Library, and the Journal of Family Issues.

For information about this event or the Samuel Proctor Oral History Program, please call 352-392-7168, contact Tamarra Jenkins at [tamjenk04@gmail.com](mailto:tamjenk04@gmail.com) and visit <http://oral.history.ufl.edu/>. 🐢

## Grassroots Support Keeps it Going



### What the Civic Media Center does:

- repository of information
- creator of community events
- incubator for future activists and organizers

### What you can do:

- become a member
- be a monthly sustainer
- keep up with events on email
- attend and bring friend to events

### For information:

- web: [www.civicmediacenter.org](http://www.civicmediacenter.org)
- email: [coordinators@civicmediacenter.org](mailto:coordinators@civicmediacenter.org)
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- stop by: 433 S. Main St., Gainesville 32601

### Save the date!

CMC SpringBoard Event

Friday, March 22, 2013, 6 p.m. at the Prairie Creek Lodge