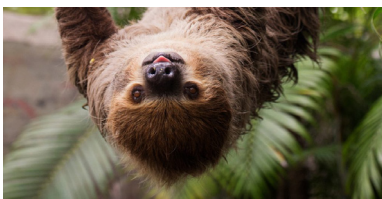


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**Celebrate the 125th Birthday of Pulitzer Prize-Winning Author Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings**

**Saturday, August 7, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings State Park  
18700 S CR 325, Cross Creek, FL 32640**

Take a trip to the homestead of Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings which is now a Florida Historic State Park. The celebration includes music, cupcakes, mango ice cream and a video interview of Claude Jarman, Jr. who starred in the movie adaptation of *The Yearling*.

**Groove and Dance with the High-Energy Reggae Band De Lions of Jah at the Free Fridays Concert Series**

**Friday, August 6, 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. | Bo Diddley Plaza  
Downtown Gainesville**

Returning to the concert series by popular demand, De Lions of Jah deliver classic and original reggae to Bo Diddley Plaza's stage. The Free Fridays Concert Series is the region's longest-running free outdoor concert series featuring local and regional talent. Grab dinner at a downtown Gainesville restaurant, and find a cozy spot on the Bo Diddley Plaza lawn to enjoy a live music concert every Friday night through October. Photo by Suzanna Mars

**Chill Out with Animal Friends and Find Out How "Slow and Steady" can Win the Race at Survival of the Slowest**

**Open Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. | Florida  
Museum of Natural History  
3215 Hull Rd., Gainesville, FL 32611**

Visit the Survival of the Slowest exhibit and meet creatures that have survived for millions of years despite their apparent disadvantages. Discover the difference between warm- and cold-blooded animals, and see the unique ways they hide from predators. Preview the exhibit and plan your museum visit online.

**Dust Off Your Boots for a Night of High-Energy Country Music with JB Crockett**

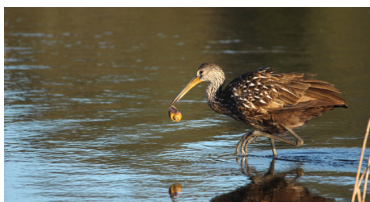
**Friday, August 8, 8 p.m. | High Dive  
210 SW 2nd Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601**

Backed by full bands, Nashville country artist JB Crockett returns to Gainesville, joined by Jamie Davis. JB Crockett's music blurs the line between country and rock and roll with catchy and instantly relatable anthems.



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**Explore Nature on Ranger-Led Tours of Sweetwater Wetlands Park  
Saturday, August 7, 8:30 a.m., Sunday, August 8, 4:30 p.m.**

**Sweetwater Wetlands Park | 325 SW Williston Rd., Gainesville, FL 32601**

Join a park ranger to see birds, alligators and more wildlife on the trails at Sweetwater Wetlands Park. The ranger-led tour is free with general park admission and includes a one-mile walk that lasts about an hour. Bring water, sunscreen and comfortable walking shoes.



**See Record-Breaking Giant Victoria Water Lilies on a Guided Walk through  
Kanapaha Botanical Gardens**

**Saturday, August 7, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | Kanapaha Botanical Gardens**

**4700 SW 58th Dr., Gainesville, FL 32608**

Warm summer months are the growing season for Giant Victoria Water Lilies. Don't miss this spectacular seasonal display as they can reach over 6 feet across. Kanapaha Botanical Gardens has 24 major collections featuring the largest public display of bamboo in Florida, the largest herb garden in the southeast and more - showcased along a meandering 1.5 mile paved walkway throughout the lush 68-acre property.



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PLEASANT STREET NEIGHBORHOOD

**SUPPER CLUB**

**Try New Foods and Share a New Local Dining Experience at Pleasant Street  
Neighborhood Supper Club**

**Saturday, August 7, 6:30 p.m. | The Dunbar Hotel**

**732 NW 4th St, Gainesville, FL 32601**

Four courses served at a leisurely pace with drinks supplied in partnership with Downtown Wine and Cheese. The new dining series brings together members of the community with guest chefs, family recipes and shared experiences.



**Live Up Your Summer Evening with a Hippodrome Pop-Up Series  
Live Cabaret Performances**

**Saturday, August 7, 7 p.m. | Legacy Park**

**15400 Peggy Rd., Alachua, FL 32615**

**Tuesday, August 10, 6 p.m. | Cade Museum**

**811 S Main St., Gainesville, FL 32601**

**Wednesday, August 11, 7 p.m. | One Love Café**

**4989 NW 40th Pl., Gainesville, FL 32606**

The Hipp Pop-Up Series features 45-minute cabaret performances by professional Hippodrome actors 'popping up' all over Gainesville and Alachua County.



**Catch a Train Ride to the Past at the Waldo Historical Society Museum**

**Now Open Saturdays, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Waldo City Square**

**14450 NE 148th Ave., Waldo, FL 32694**

In the 1870s, travel guides advertised Waldo as a winter playground destination thanks to its railroad, opera house and cruises on Lake Alto. Step into a historic train car and view artifacts from the City of Waldo's past.

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