



### Today at the Tallahassee Democrat

Join us at 277 N. Magnolia from 6-8 p.m. for the official launch of Gerald Enley's book, "We Found Paradise: Gerald Enley on the History and Eccentricities of His Beloved Tallahassee." There will be a cocktail reception and readings from the book. Cost of admission is the purchase of a book or a suggested donation of \$20. All proceeds go to the Gerald Enley Emerging Journalist Award.

Also today: Hurricane Michael Recovery Holiday Toy & Fund Drive via Rebuild 850: Donate new and unwrapped clothes, books, toys for infants, toddlers, children, teenagers, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Tallahassee Democrat. Monetary donations also needed (make checks out to Volunteer Florida with "Florida Disaster Fund - Rebuild 850" in the memo).



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President George H. W. Bush: Mourners unite to honor a great and noble man. USA TODAY, 1B

## FEMA claim deadline nears after 'terrible devastation'

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FEMA has approved more than \$17 million in recovery assistance to individuals and homeowners in North Florida impacted by Hurricane Michael, and the agency is encouraging people who haven't signed up for help to do so soon.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency offers recovery assistance to homeowners and renters impacted by the hurricane, which devastated North Florida after making landfall Oct. 10. So far, some 28,322 individual assistance applications have been approved in disaster-designated counties: Bay, Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Leon, Liberty, Taylor, Wakulla and Washington counties. The deadline to apply is Monday. FEMA officials are encouraging people affected by the storm to register

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INSIDE: FEMA moves area field office to Roger Center. 7A



Houses are left nearly demolished in Mexico Beach on Oct. 17, one week after Hurricane Michael ripped through the coastal Florida town. JOE NOYON/USA TODAY NETWORK-FLORIDA

## Mike Williams' friends barred from sharing opinions at trial

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People who gave their opinions on national television about the guilt of Denise Williams and their thoughts about the murder of her husband Mike Williams nearly 30 years ago won't be able to make those statements in trial.

The decision to bar testimony from people such as Mike Williams' boss Clay Kirkham came as part of several motions taken up Wednesday, five days before Denise Williams' murder trial.

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## 90-year-old Don Rapp celebrates his place in Mr. Rogers' world 50 years after show's debut



Don Rapp, 90, juggles at his home in Tallahassee Tuesday. FOR SCHNEIDER/TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT

## A juggler is a person in your neighborhood

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When he was 12, Don Rapp saw a juggler at a Christmas party. It was 1940. He told himself, "I want that." After his dad gave him three golf balls, Rapp practiced juggling that whole winter break at his childhood home in Morton, Illinois. No one taught him how, exactly. "I invented juggling for myself," he said.

Seventy-eight years later, Rapp is still juggling. At his house off Canfield Lane in the Westminister Oaks retirement community, he stood in front of his picture window, shuffling three rainbow-colored balls into the air in a rapid circular motion. Juggling is a manifestation of a giddy, childlike enthusiasm he carries. The skill landed him in two episodes on the show "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" in 1975. To celebrate 50 years since the debut of the series, Rapp will host a showing of the episode at Westminister's McCauley Center Thursday evening and entertain the crowd again with a juggling set. "Juggling is sharing," he said. If people don't remember his name, they recall his face and the ball-twisting skill. Making the motions of switching balls in the air, he said, "This is my kinesthetic name." He still flings a trio of gray, worn balls he's had for 40 years. He doesn't remember where he got them. They're among the few he has left after the hundreds he's given away or sold.

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Don Rapp with Fred Rogers on the Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood set in 1975. COURTESY OF DON RAPP

### Gillum for President 2020?

Silence over talk with Obama adds to speculation on bid for oval office. 2A

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