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## Candlelight Vigil brings members, friends together.

The MADD Marion/Alachua County Chapter held their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Candlelight Vigil on December 14, 2003 at the City of Ocala Downtown Square. 137 attendees were present for prayer, remembrance, and fellowship on a blustery December evening. Guests included County Commissioner Parnell Townley, City of Ocala Mayor Gerald Ergle, City of Ocala Police Chief Samuel Williams, and others who met with friends and families of victims of drunk drivers.

The vigil began with the presentation of colors by the Emergency Medical Services Alliance (EMSA) Honor guard, and opening remarks by Chapter President Karen Calloway.

Families of victims continued the services by telling their stories of being a victim of a drunk driver, and lit honorary candles symbolizing remembrance and love for their family members.

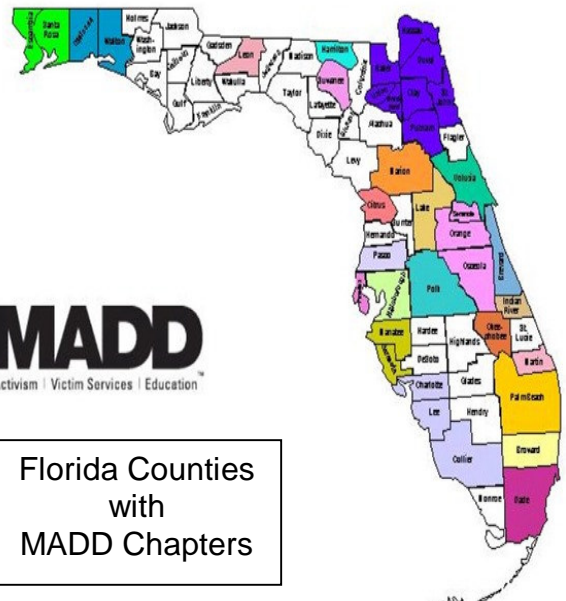
Each person present at the vigil received their own candle and when lit, had the opportunity to tell the attendees, the name of the victim they were honoring.

A special thanks goes to the City of Ocala Police Department, Ocala Fire Rescue, EMSA, The City of Ocala Planning Department, and all the agencies and businesses that made the Candlelight Vigil a success.

**MADD Magnetic Ribbons** are now available, for \$5.00 Please contact a MADD officer for yours today!

MADD Marion/Alachua County Chapter Officers

President: Karen Calloway  
Vice-President: Anita Kinsler  
Treasurer: Denise Matthias  
Secretary: Arlene Rutherford  
Victim Advocate:  
Ann Adams



Florida Counties with MADD Chapters

## University of Florida and UMADD

The Marion/Alachua County Chapter of MADD Florida is proud to announce the opening of a UMADD chapter on the University of Florida Campus.

This organization is to improve awareness of the hazards of underage drinking and drunk driving.

The First UMADD chapter in Florida was begun at the University of West Florida by the MADD Emerald Coast Chapter.

For Information, Please contact Laura Sala at [Lali2002@aol.com](mailto:Lali2002@aol.com)

## Did you know?

MADD Florida is only 200 hits behind MADD Texas for the number of visitors each month? Please visit the National Website, [www.madd.org](http://www.madd.org) click on the state, and it will lead you to all the information about the State chapters, their programs and achievements.

## **Marion County drivers reach deadly record.**

118 persons died on Marion County roads in 2003, a 22% increase over the largest death toll recorded in Marion County history. 54 of the persons killed were not wearing seatbelts and 42 of those killed were under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

## MADD Mission Statement

To stop drunk driving, support victims of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking.

Volunteers are needed for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual MADD DASH, being held February 28, 2004. Sign-in, course attendants, and refreshment helpers are needed

## Have you seen more MADD "Red-Ribbons" lately?

If you have, it is because of the assistance of local Kwik-King stores. Officers of the Marion/Alachua County MADD Chapter worked with the management of the local franchise and were able to establish "Red Ribbon" boxes in over 40 Kwik-King convenience stores throughout the Marion County area.

Several store managers have contacted President Calloway to bring more ribbons, as they have all been taken, and in some stores, donations are being left in the "Red Ribbon" boxes.

**THANK YOU KWIK-KING!!**

## Upcoming Events

*January 12, 2004 6:30 P.M. Regular Meeting*  
Ocala Police Department

*February 10, 2004 6:30 P.M. Regular Meeting*  
**MADD Officer's elections**  
Ocala Police Department

*February 28, 2004 7:00 A.M. MADD DASH 5K*  
Marion County School Board Admin Building  
512 S.E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ocala, Florida

*March 9, 2004 6:30 P.M. Regular Meeting*  
Ocala Police Department

## MADD Officer's up for re-election

The Marion/Alachua County Chapter of MADD Florida is announcing the upcoming elections for all positions of the executive board. This includes President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. To qualify for an elected position, you must be a member of the MADD Marion/Alachua Chapter, and submit a written request for nomination to Election Chair Dennis Yonce via the Ocala MADD office by February 1, 2004

**PLEASE DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE**

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**MADD DASH**  
**5K RUN/WALK**

**Saturday**  
**February 28, 2004**

**Race Day**  
**Registration-7:00 am**  
**5K Run/Walk-8:00 am**

**PLACE:** Ocala, Florida. Marion County  
School Board 512 SE 3rd St. Parking area.

**COURSE:** 5000 meters (3.1 miles) through the historic  
district in Ocala.

**ENTRY:** Send completed entry form to  
MADD Dash 5K Run/Walk, 821 NE 36 Terrace, #14  
Ocala, FL 34470. Pre-register by February 13, 2004

**AMENITIES:** Short-sleeve 100% cotton T-shirts. Awards  
will be given to top 3 finishers in each age category for  
the 5K.

**INFORMATION:** (352) 369-9328

**POST RACE:** Plenty of post race food and beverages.  
Awards ceremony to follow race approx. 30 minutes  
after last runner finishes.

Benefiting Mothers Against Drunk Driving Marion/Alachua County Chapter



MADD Dash 5K Run/Walk

Make checks payable to: MADD Marion/Alachua County  
Mail to: 821 NE 36 Terrace, #14, Ocala, FL 34470

Pre-registration \$12.00/Race Day \$15.00/Students under 18 \$10.00  
All payments are non-refundable.

**Pre-register by February 13, 2004**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F (Circle One)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size: M / L / XL / XXL (Circle one)

I, for myself, my heirs, and personal representatives do hereby waive and release the MADD Marion/Alachua County Chapter, the City of Ocala, MADD National and all other sponsors from any liability or negligence for injuries suffered by me with my entry and participation in the above referenced run. I also attest that I am in good physical condition and have trained properly for said run and I understand that the course is open to vehicular traffic and will run with due care. I authorize race officials to use their discretion to have myself transported to a medical facility and I take full responsibility for this action. I have read this statement and agree with the release set forth.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent's signature required if under 18 years old)