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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

MY RESOLUTIONS

... to not play so many video games, to drink less soda and to not stay up so late because playing to many video games are bad for your eyes and drinking too much soda is bad for your teeth and staying up too late makes me tired. These are my top three new year's resolutions and I plan to keep them all year long.

Alyssa Kaye Ramsey
TOLAR SCHOOL, 4TH GRADE

MY RESOLUTIONS

Make all A's on my report card because I want to go on the honor roole trip. Shoot more squirreles because I want to feed my family. Save my money because I want to buy a gun.

Sterling
CARR SCHOOL, 4TH GRADE

MY RESOLUTIONS

To make a clay vase, play soccer, and be better at math. A clay vase will be important because it can hold flowers. A soccer game is important because it gives you a lot of exrcise because your running all the way across a field.

Dixie Sims
CARR SCHOOL, 4TH GRADE

MY RESOLUTIONS

To be nicer to my sister. Keep a clean room. Study harder. If I'm nice to my sister she will be nice to me. I need a clean room because it looks like a tornado hit. I need to study so my grades will improve.

Catherine Lewis
BLOUNTSTOWN ELEMENTARY

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the New Year from local fourth-graders.



KISS Banquet

Retiring Calhoun County Sheriff David Tatum (right) leans in to listen to a guest at last week's banquet for participants in the Keeping Independent Seniors Safe (KISS) program his agency sponsors. Calhoun County Sheriff-Elect Glenn Kimbrel (left) also visited with the group as he prepares to take office. Two friends (above) greet each other as they sit down to enjoy the meal for the community's older citizens. See more on page 13.

TONY SHOEMAKE PHOTOS



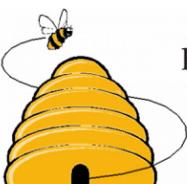
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McDonald's reopens after remodeling for the new year



The Blountstown McDonald's held a grand re-opening Thursday to celebrate the completion of the store's remodeling. They also presented \$1,000 checks to three schools. Blountstown Middle School Principal Neva Miller is shown here receiving the check for her school from David Costa as the Hamburgler looks on. See more on page 3.

TONY SHOEMAKE PHOTO



SPEAK UP! WITH A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Reader says column like 'rat poison'

Dear editor,

Last week's "Cox Corner" article began with "This piece is about mass murder, not gun ownership."

Why is it then, that paragraphs 3 - 8 never mention mass murder again? Those six paragraphs contain a mixture of mainly the truth, with a smattering of misinformation thrown in. In the few years in which I have read Cox's column, it has become apparent to me that this is quite often his preferred style of writing. It can be compared to rat poison: full of very good things that appeal to the rat and lure him into eating the mixture, without ever realizing that they are also ingesting toxins that will end the rat's life.

In the end, Cox's article contains five paragraphs pertaining to mass murder in some form. That leaves 13 paragraphs that are about something else. Hm-mmm..... what could that be? Oh my, it seems that they are mostly about what he says his article is NOT about..... gun ownership and gun control.

First of all, allow me to intro-

duce two concepts that people like Cox don't understand:

1.) The 2nd Amendment is NOT in the "Bill of Needs" it is in the "Bill of RIGHTS."

2.) Regardless of whether we even have a Bill of Rights, specifically the 2nd Amendment, every person on the face of the earth has the simple God-given right of self-defense.

Mr. Cox suggests that "The second through fifth Amendments were designed to protect the colonists against foreign armies." This is absolutely true. However, it is here that Mr. Cox attempts to administer his first dose of rat poison. The part he conveniently leaves out is that the 2nd Amendment was specifically designed to insure that the colonists were able to overthrow an out of control or tyrannical government. Thomas Jefferson said, "What country can preserve its liberties if their rulers are not warned from time to time that their people preserve the spirit of resistance. Let them take arms." - Thomas Jefferson to James Madison.

Mr. Cox also suggests that King Hussein Obama and the realm would NEVER attempt to confiscate our weapons. Is he hiding under a rock? No, just lying like he always does (see rat poison above).

Every gun control law ever enacted and every "gun-free zone" has done NOTHING to safeguard the individuals murdered by guns. Oh.....did he mention, knives, clubs, swords, spears etc.? EVERY incident of these recent mass-murder "Columbine" type situations (with the exception of the Gabrielle Gifford's incident) has occurred in places where the government has created a perfectly safe environment FOR THE GUNMAN!

Lastly, Mr. Cox states that he doesn't "need a .50 caliber sniper rifle. If I did, I would still be in the military."

As a veteran, let me state for the record that that is the last place I would want to see Mr. Cox. There are too many social engineering progressives in the military already.

Jim Pruette, Blountstown

Congressman to raise federal taxes

To the editor:

Whither Steve Southerland?

Congressman Steve Southerland has decided to raise your federal taxes over \$2,000 in 2013.

Yep. Your dyed in the wool, bug in the rug, tea party Republican has rejected President Obama's offer and the Senate's already passed bill to protect average, middle class families from big tax increases.

He has even rejected Speaker Boehner's so-called "Plan B" -- a plan to protect everyone earning up to \$1 million this coming year from the automatic tax increase.

So, while you are paying more taxes thanks to Congressman Southerland, you may be able to find a million dollar earner in your neighborhood who owes Steve a big favor.

Good luck with that. In Calhoun County, of the 4,796 households, census records show

only 40 have earnings over \$200,000.

In Liberty County, of the 2,142 households, only 21 earn over \$200,000.

If you were hoping that the 2013 version of Southerland would be new and improved unlike the 2010 proud Tea Party edition of the past, don't hold your breath.

What about all of Steve's professed, election season concerns for balancing the budget and safeguarding medicare? Remember Steve's attacks on President Obama for allegedly cutting \$716 billion from Medicare?

Listen carefully for any meaningful plan to balance the budget. You won't find one.

On Thursday December 20, Steve "Ebenezer" Southerland voted to eliminate meals on wheels for seniors and food for hungry children.

Still, even these cuts would amount to about \$30 billion of an annual

1 trillion dollar annual deficit or roughly three percent of the problem.

Welfare and food stamps may occupy 80% of Republican talking points, but they still amount to less than 2% of the budget.

Well, maybe, you say he'll moderate his views on revenue and agree to go back to a marginal rate of 39.6% from 35% on income over \$250,000. Good luck with that. Some of those 230 Republican congressmen who signed the pledge last session may try to wiggle out of their Grover Norquist anti-tax pledge, but not Steve. The Norquist ring is still firmly in Steve's nose.

If you're looking for 20 or so moderate Republican congressmen who are willing to balance increases in taxes with cuts in spending, don't count on Steve.

Last time I saw him he was strapping himself in a barrel and getting ready to go over the fis-

cal cliff.

Sadly, he'll try to take us with him, for at least two more years.

Alvin Peters

SHERIFF'S LOG

CALHOUN COUNTY

December 17

•Heather McClellan, VOCP, CCSO.
•Juan Ried Vann, failure to appear (warrant), CCSO.

December 19

•Theodious Moore, battery, felony domestic battery by strangulation, CCSO.

LIBERTY COUNTY

December 17

•Heather McClellan, holding for CCSO, CCSO.

December 18

•Edmond Ellis, VOSP, LCSO.
•Alysom Marie Doty, VOCP, LCSO.

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McDonald's ribbon-cutting held

Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce officials and local business leaders gathered for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to reopen the newly-remodeled interior at McDonald's in Blountstown Thursday af-

ternoon. The dining area features new tables and contemporary stools for seating, along with several flat screen tvs for diners to enjoy. A huge mural of the old Calhoun County Courthouse, done by

Jeff Vickery, dominates one wall. Several photographs by Victor Ramos featuring local people and events are also on display. The Costa family also presented checks for \$1,000 each to Blountstown High School, Blountstown Middle School and Blountstown Elementary. BELOW: The Hamburglar makes a new friend.



TONY SHOEMAKE PHOTOS

THERE'S A QUITTER IN YOU

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Unemployment rate lowest since 2008

Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 8.1 percent in November 2012, the lowest since November 2008 when it was 7.8 percent. There were 760,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 9,343,000. The November rate was down 0.4 percentage point from October rate of 8.5 percent and was 2.0 percentage points lower than the year-ago rate of 10.1 percent.

The unemployment rate for the Chipola Workforce Region (Calhoun, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty and Washington counties) was 7.1 percent in November 2012. This was 1.6 percentage points lower than the

region's year ago rate. There were 3,551 unemployed in the region out of a workforce of 50,282.

---- UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ----

	Nov-12	Oct-12	Nov-11
Liberty	6.5	6.2	8.2
Calhoun	7.6	7.5	9.1
Holmes.....	6.7	6.6	8.0
Jackson.....	6.5	6.5	8.1
Washington.....	8.5	8.4	10.6
Chipola Region.....	7.1	7.0	8.7

Landmark Park events for January

Here is a sneak peak of the upcoming events at Landmark Park in Dothan. For more information, contact Public Relations Director Laura V. Stakelum (334) 794-3452 • laurav@landmarkpark.com

THROUGH JAN 15 • ALABAMA IN THE MAKING EXHIBIT Interpretive Center Lobby. Collections of photographs, audio interviews and videos from the Smithsonian Project and Alabama Community Scholars Institutes. Using iPads, visitors can listen to Alabamians tell the stories of their experiences in foodways, music, occupational folklore, and material culture. Free with paid gate admission.

JAN 5, FEB 3, MARCH 2 • WIRE-GRASS WOODTURNERS 9:30 a.m. Open to the public. Free with paid gate admission. Ag Museum.

JAN 5, FEB 3, MARCH 2 • LAND-MARK DULCIMER CLUB 1 p.m. Must have a dulcimer. Classroom. Free with paid gate admission.

JAN 13, FEB 10, MARCH 10 • REP-TILE FEEDING 4 p.m. Interpretive Center Classroom. Watch park staff feed the snakes and learn why these animals are important to the environment. Free with paid gate admission.

JAN 5 • PURPLE MARTINS 10 a.m. Instructor Earl Suggs. Free with paid gate admission. Auditorium. Registration required.

JAN 12 • BLUEBIRDS 10 a.m. Instructor Gary Manfready. Free with paid gate admission. Auditorium. Registration required.

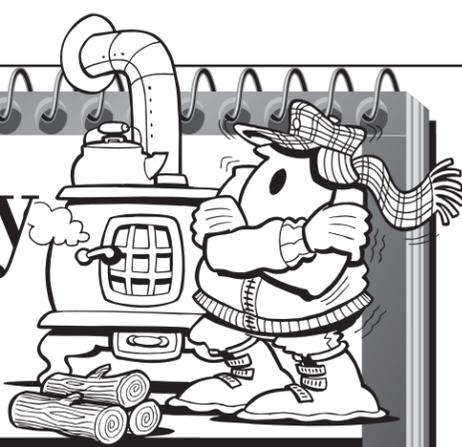
JAN 19 • BACKYARD BIRDS 10 a.m. Instructor Gary Manfready. Free with paid gate admission. Auditorium. Registration required.

JAN 25 • A PARTY FOR THE PARK/ ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DINNER Stokes Activity Barn. Whole hogs, racks of ribs and Boston butts will be prepared outside the barn. Tables of eight are \$240 and individual tickets are \$30. Take out racks of ribs (\$25) and Boston butts (\$20) may be preordered and picked up at Landmark Park between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. on the day of the event. You don't have to be a member or attend.

JAN 26 • SEED SWAP 1 p.m.. Hosted by Wiregrass Master Gardeners. Gardeners are encouraged to bring samples of their favorite seeds to exchange with others. The park is especially interested in obtaining heirloom seeds. Free with paid gate admission.

JAN 26 • HUMMINGBIRDS 10 a.m. Instructor Fred Basset. Free with paid gate admission. Auditorium. Registration required.

Community Calendar



Wednesday, December 26

BIRTHDAYS

James Duggar, Viola Daughtrey, Matthew Vickery, Kaycee Ammons, Mark Plummer, Jim Whaley

TODAY'S MEETINGS

- **Rotary Club**, noon, Calhoun-Liberty Hospital
- **AA**, 7 p.m., Calhoun County Old Ag Bldg. east door, in front of jail

Boxing Day



Thursday, December 27

BIRTHDAY

Melany Lewis Hug

TODAY'S MEETINGS

- **AA**, 7 p.m., basement of Calhoun County Courthouse

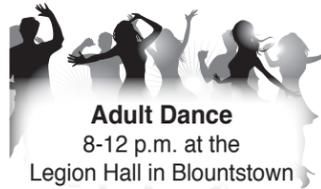


Friday, December 28

BIRTHDAYS

Nic Stoltzfus, Jim Kearce, Sydeana Martin Davis

Saturday, December 29



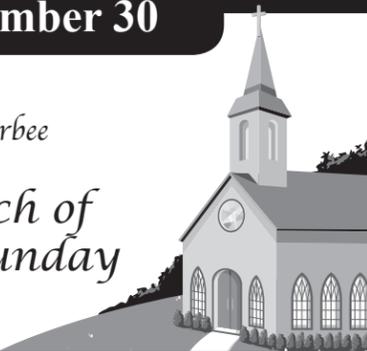
Adult Dance
8-12 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Blountstown

Sunday, December 30

BIRTHDAYS

Bryan Davis & Gracie Barbee

Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday



Monday, December 31



New Year's Eve Dance

beginning at 8 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Blountstown

BIRTHDAY

Johanna Plummer

Tuesday, January 1

BIRTHDAYS

Mildred Pickron, Janet Roddenberry, Heather Stafford



Florida BOE helps veterans get credit for military training

TALLAHASSEE – The Florida State Board of Education has approved a rule that will help active duty military personnel and veterans earn college credit for training received while in the military. The rule is a result of House Bill 347 passed during the 2012 legislative session that allows colleges to count military training toward the student's program of study.

"Awarding college credit to our military personnel and veterans for knowledge they gained while serving our country will put them one step closer to achieving their employment goals," said Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart. "It is a simple way of showing our gratitude for the sacrifices they made for our country and we owe it to them to help get them back into the workforce."

The bill's sponsor, Representative Gayle Harrell, spoke at Indian River State College last month about the legislation. "Unemployment among veterans is over 30 percent, so this will give them the opportunity to come back, use the skills they have in the military and get credit, get their certificates and move on with their lives to become employees."

"The Florida College System is proud to provide education, job-training and re-training to active duty military and veterans and we recognize their contributions to our country and college campuses," said Randy Hanna, chancellor of the Florida College System. "Our colleges are already familiar with reviewing military training programs and awarding college credit, so this rule is reinforcing and enhancing current practices."

"I fully support the State Board of Education's decision to approve the rule allowing colleges to award credit for military training," said Ailbe Astor, a military veteran and now Coordinator of Veteran Student Affairs for Hillsborough Community College. "Having experienced this process as a student veteran and through my involvement with the student veteran population, I understand what it is like to transition from service-member to student. Awarding college credit for military service validates the training we receive while in uniform and also helps us work toward the goal of furthering our education once we are out of uniform."

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Liberty County Senior Citizens events for January include movies, lunches, Wal-Mart trip and Bingo

The Liberty County Senior Citizens Association has scheduled the following events for the month of January:

•**Monday, Dec 31** – The Bristol and Hosford Liberty County Senior Citizens Centers will be closed. There will be no meal deliveries on this date. The Transit office will be open.

•**Tuesday, Jan. 1** – Liberty County Transit and the Hosford and Liberty County Senior Citizens Centers will be closed.

•**Thursday, Jan. 3** – Shopping at Piggly Wiggly and then lunch. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no

later than Monday, Dec. 31 at 3 p.m. to reserve your transit ride for shopping.

•**Tuesday, Jan. 8** – A trip has been scheduled for the movies in Tallahassee and lunch. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than Thursday, Jan. 3 at 3 p.m. to reserve your transit ride.

•**Thursday, Jan. 10** – A Community Action Representative will be at The Bristol Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. to explain Community Action's current services that help with utility bills, rent, etc. and to complete applications for anyone needing services.

•**Thursday, Jan. 10** – Shopping at the Marianna Wal-Mart then lunch. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than Monday, Jan. 7 to reserve your transit for shopping.

•**Tuesday, Jan. 15** – Bingo Day at 11 a.m. at the Bristol Senior Center with Cindy; fun and prizes. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. for transportation.

•**Thursday, Jan. 17** – Craft Day begins at 11 a.m. at the Hosford Senior Center. Call Liberty County Transit at 643-2524 no later than Monday, Jan. 17 at 3 p.m. for transportation.

• **Thursday, Jan. 17** – Shopping and lunch in Bristol. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than Monday, Jan. 14 at 3 p.m. to reserve your ride for shopping.

• **Monday, Jan. 21** – Liberty County Transit and the Hosford and Bristol Senior Citizens will be closed for the Holiday.

•**Tuesday, Jan. 22** – Craft Day starts at 10:30 a.m.

at the Bristol Senior Center. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than Friday, Jan. 18 at 3 p.m. for transportation to the Center.

•**Thursday, Jan. 24** – Shopping at the Tallahassee Wal-Mart. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 3 p.m. to reserve your ride for shopping.

•**Thursday, Jan. 24** – A Community Action Representative will be at The Bristol Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. to discuss Community Action's current services that help with utility bills, rent, etc. and to complete applications for anyone needing services.

•**Monday, Jan. 28** – The Liberty County Senior Citizens Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m. at the Hosford Senior Center. The public is welcome to attend.

•**Thursday, Jan. 31** – A representatives of Genivia Home Health will be at the Bristol Senior Center to give a health presentation at 11 a.m.. These presentations are always fun and informative. Mark your calendar for this day. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than Monday, Jan. 28 at 3 p.m..

The Bristol Senior Center is open Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Hosford Center is open Monday thru Thursday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Seniors are welcome to come for a hot meal served at 12 p.m. and to enjoy socializing with others. Call 643-5690 to make a meal reservation the day before you plan to attend; if you need transportation to either center, you will need to call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 three working days before you plan to attend.

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Wishing You a New Year Filled With Good Times

We will be closed Tuesday, January 1 in observance of the New Year's holiday



Liberty County Courthouse
Kathy Brown, Clerk and staff

What are your top three New Year's Resolutions and why are they important?

The new years resolution I would like to make is good grades, clean my room, and eat my greens. They are important because they would help me grow and pass the forth grade. That is my new years resolution.

--Eli Shiver

My three resolutions for New Year's is to earn some money. I want to earn money because I will need a Go Kart so I can ride my friends in it. My second resolution is to get better grades. Because last nine weeks was not good at all. My last but not the least is to go to Vermont. Because I haven't seen my Grandma Syl in a while. Happy New Year's everyone!

--Disney Williams

Do you have a new year resolution? Well I do and it is to have a new attitude towards my mom, dad and teachers. So they will let me go to Mia's and we can not leave out Sydnee's. My second new year resolution is to have good grades all though the school year so that my mom won't be mad or my teachers and my family. Plus my nana will take me to the mall and let me get some clouths. That is my new year goals I would adore to meet.

--Courtney Hall

I have three New year's resoulousions. To learn more at school, see my family and to be nice. My first reason is to learn more at school. It is important because if I don't learn I will not be smart like I already am. My second reason is to go see my family every weekend. That is important because my family is nice to me and they enjoy spending time with me too. My final reason is to be nice to all of my friends. It is important because if I am not nice they will not be my friend any more. I hope that I can stay on these goals. I want to stay on track of my goals.

--Sydnee Partridge

My top three new year's resolutions are to not play so many video games, to drink less soda and to not stay up



from Heather Richter's fourth grade class at W.R. Tolar School

so late because playing to many video games are bad for your eyes and drinking too much soda is bad for your teeth and staying up too late makes me tired. These are my top three new year's resolutions and I plan to keep them all year long.

--Alyssa Kaye Ramsey

My top three New years resolutions are to be nice to others and they will be nice to you, be helpful, and be on my best behavior. My new years resolutions will let me have respect, and if you don't get that from others try to treat them how you want to be treated. And if your family or friends are in a rough patch try to help them the best way you can and when there patch is smooth they will be grateful for what you've done. One more thing. I am going to be on my best behavior. Try to do some of my resolutions and see where you end up.

--Jasmine Garcia

My top three new year resolutions for me is to go walking a lot, eat more, and help clean more. When I walk I can be with my dad. When I eat I will be stuffed. I can be with my mom if I clean more. So when I do this stuff, I spend time with my family. Every day I will do this because it is my goal. My goals are important because when I do it, I spend time with my family.

--Teriona Cox

Clean our room. I will clean our room because it has toys all over the place and you can not walk in our room at all. Next I will help my brother. I will help my brother with his homework as soon as we get home then he will read his A.R. book to me. Then I will help my Oma. I will help her rake her yard into

a pile then put them into the trash then pick up pinecones. The three resolutions are important to me because I like to help people.

--Mannie Crump

How will 2013 be different from 2012?

2013 will be diffrent because it will be a whole new year. But people will have to do there make up work. It will be a better year for new kids. They will be catching up with us. But until it turns 2013 I am find. There not fine because they have to catch up. They will also have to go throw all the hard work that we did. In all the subjects. When it comes I will be more respectful and I will make better grades. Will you be making better grades? Everybody should make better grades. I will be happy when it turns 2013.

--Austin Iler

2013 will be different because they will come out with new things like vehicles that fly or run admadickly on the free way and they might come out with a new creature like a turtel shark with a shell for pertection. Also they might come out with a new tipe of shoes or scientistes might discover that the mantel might have other terreats for the homerace to us. An that my opion of what's going to happen.

--Austin Fueels

I think 2013 is going to be great because it is New Year. It can be sum thing like a time to fix a car, exercice, or be more activ. The chance to be anything is great because I can start all over again. Being able to start all over agien makes me

feel terrific. That is why I think 2013 is going to be great. That is how 2013 will be different!

--Zac Eikeland

I think 2013 will be different because the student of WR Tolor will complain about to much work. So thay'll make me the new school printsubal. I'll have a game room they'll have fun thang to do while some do not. But anyway I will do a better job. I will make this school a better placse to have a food court.

--Vashara Smith

I think 2013 will be diffrent because people are getting older. Newer things is coming in the world like machines. I get a four wheel and dirt bike almost ever year. I will try to make better grades every year and do chores to help clean the house.

--Justin Beckwith

2013 is going to be different from 2012 because the school is going to make new plans and there are going to be new things and new tv shows and every new year you grow and every year is going to be different.

--Ana Villaneuva

2013 is going to be different by respecting my parents, do my chores, and there's one more I'll be the best big brother my brother my sister ever had. Make my mom and dad the best parents in the whole entire world. "Happy New Year!"

--Randy Keene

I think there will be more newer cars or flying cars. Or more or less people. Some times I think the world might end 2013 or be there until 2080. My goal is to keep the world a better place.

--Gavyn Padilla

What New Year's resolution would you like to make for someone else?

I would like to make my moms new years resolution to get a new car. So she can drive around to the store and go to the doctor if she gets sick. That is the new years resolution I would like to set for my mom.

--Kevin Johnson

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Prepare now for spring 2013 classes at Chipola

MARIANNA—New students planning to enroll in Chipola College during the Spring 2013 semester are encouraged to make application before the college closes for the holidays.

There are several steps to completing the application process: First, complete the college Admission Application; call 718-2311 for assistance; second, request a final high school transcript be sent to Chipola Admission and Records Office and third, take the College Placement Test; call 718-2284 for assistance.

New student testing begins Jan. 2. Returning student registration is Jan. 3. New and returning student registration is Jan. 4. Classes begin Jan. 7.

Chipola offers the Associate in Arts Degree, the Associate in Science Degree and Workforce Development programs.

Bachelor's Degrees include: Education majors in Middle and High School Math or Science, English Education, Exceptional Student Education and Elementary Education; Business Administration degree with concentrations in Management or Accounting; and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). Additionally, the college offers the Educator Preparation Institute, a Teacher Certification program for those with a B.S. in a non-teaching field.

The Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree is designed for students who plan to complete their first two years of college work and then transfer to a four-year program at Chipola or another college or university. Credits earned are transferable and are applicable toward a bachelor's degree. Academic advising guides that outline requirements for specific majors are available from Student Affairs and are located on the college website at www.chipola.edu.

Several Associate in Science (AS) and Workforce programs are offered which provide training for high wage jobs. Workforce programs include: Automotive Service Technology, Firefighter, Law Enforcement Officer, Correctional Officer, Cosmetology, Cross-Over Corrections to Law Enforcement, Cross-Over Law Enforcement to Corrections and Patient Care Assistant.

Associate in Science (AS) programs include: Business Administration, Early Childhood Education, Computer Information Technology, Fire Science Technology, Criminal Justice Technology (Crime Scene Track), Networking Services Technology, Culinary Management, Nursing (RN and LPN) and Recreation Technology.

College Credit Certificate programs include: Child Care Center Management, Information Technology Management, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and Paramedic.

The schedule of classes is available online at www.chipola.edu. For information, call 718-2211.



Glen Wood retires after 11 years with Gadsden County

Glen Wood, construction maintenance worker, has reached retirement after 11 years of outstanding service to the Gadsden County and its citizens. Robert Presnell, County Administrator, recently presented him with a plaque commemorating his outstanding service.



Altha School culinary class builds Gingerbread houses

Delicious aromas drifted from the kitchen as the Year two culinary classes of Altha School worked on their gingerbread projects.

They had the choice of making a gingerbread house individually, or making it with a partner.

This year, for the first time all the houses are set up in a village display in the library. There are 10 houses in the village. To complete the village display, there is even a train set up in the middle.

The classes are very excited to see the village.



Rita Pruette becomes 'Dr. Nurse' after graduating from University of Alabama

Rita Pruette, 49, of Blountstown graduated from the University of Alabama, Birmingham, Tuesday, Dec. 4. According to her husband, Jim Pruette, "She now makes me call her Dr. Nurse."

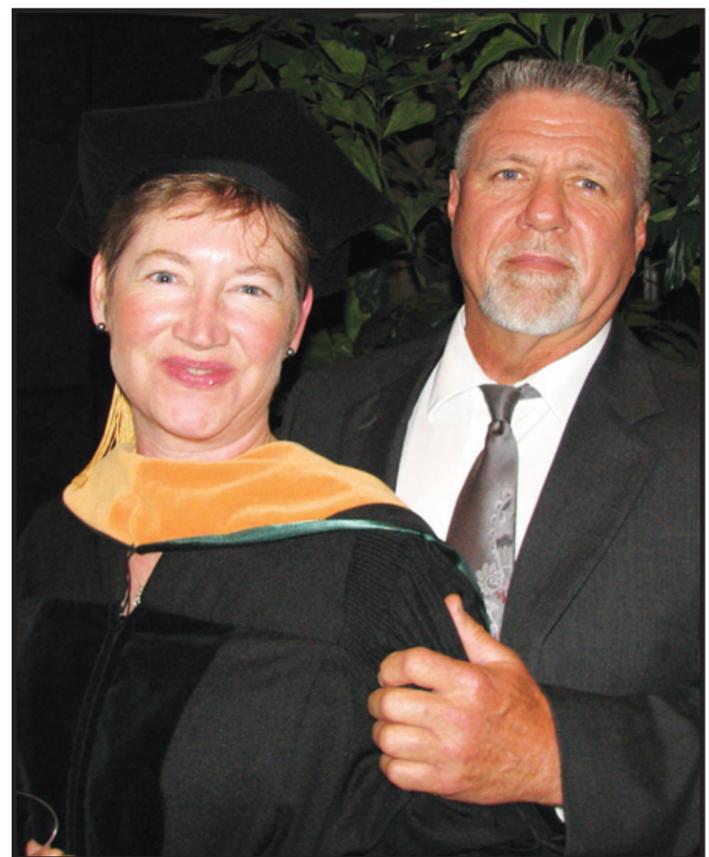
Her new title is "Rita Smith Pruette, ARNP, DNP" - which stands for Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, Doctor of Nursing Practice.

She still works for Marianna OB/GYN full time and Covenant Hospice part-time. She is not sure what use she will put her doctorate to, but says she loves teaching.

Her "scholarly project" concerns what she terms "Intentional Adolescent Pregnancy" or "IAP." The actual title of her Scholarly Practice Project was: "The Experience of Teenage Pregnancy: Perceptions and Beliefs of Pregnant Teens in a Rural Community."

She has formed a task force, "Chipola Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Task Force (CAPP)," to address this issue. She has spoken to and is available to speak to civic organizations, faith-based organizations, churches, health care providers and associations. She is always looking for folks to get involved and help address this situation.

Please email her at capptaskforce@yahoo.com.



Rita and Jim Pruette at her hooding ceremony

DEP: Florida meets new Federal Fine Particle standard

TALLAHASSEE – All areas of Florida already comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's recently announced revisions to the national ambient air quality standard for "fine particles" in the air. EPA announced a change in the annual concentration limit of 15 micrograms per cubic meter to 12 micrograms per cubic meter. The change comes as particle levels in Florida continue to trend downward.

"Floridians should take comfort knowing that all areas of Florida already comply with this new, more stringent standard for fine particles in the air," said Brian Accardo, Director of the Division of Air Resource Management. "Through the work of Department staff and businesses throughout the state, Florida continues to be a national leader in air quality."

The term "fine particles," or "PM2.5," refers to particles less than 2.5 microns in diameter. These particles, about one-thirtieth the diameter of a human hair, are especially important in terms of potential health effects, having the ability to penetrate deeply into the lungs and enter the bloodstream.

Individual fine particles can be seen only with an electron microscope, but high concentrations of PM2.5 in the atmosphere may be visible as smoke or haze. They are commonly referred to as soot in the air.

Fine particles are emitted

directly into the air by motor vehicles, forest fires, agricultural burning and industrial combustion processes. In addition, a large portion of PM2.5 is formed by chemical and physical processes in the atmosphere involving emissions of pollutant gases such as sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides.

Air pollution control programs and a shift to natural gas power plants have led to lower fine particle levels throughout the state. For example, emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides from Florida's

Florida's air among the cleanest in the nation for fine particle pollution

power plants have decreased by nearly 83 percent since 2001, leading to lower PM2.5 concentrations in the air. The Department expects this downward trend in both sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides emissions to continue due to the retirement of older power plants and ongoing modernization projects.

In addition, PM2.5 emissions from motor vehicles are declining as newer, cleaner cars and trucks replace older, more polluting models on the road. As a result, the Depart-

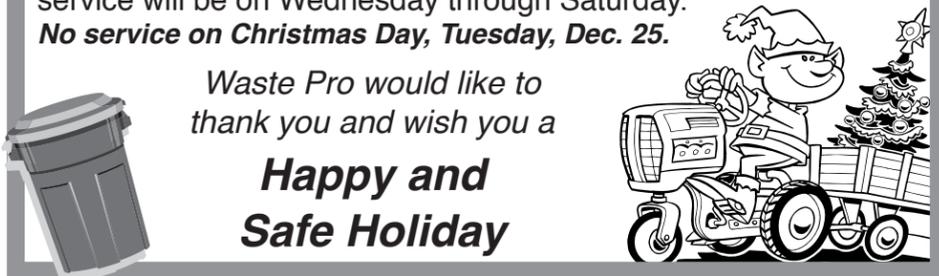
ment expects that Florida's air quality will remain among the cleanest in the nation for fine particle pollution.

Compliance with the PM2.5 standard is determined by averaging the annual concentration values over three years at each air monitoring site. The three-year average is termed the "compliance value." If a county has more than one PM2.5 monitoring site, the compliance value for the county is based on the monitor with the highest individual compliance value. The Department and eight county agencies monitor fine particles across the state as required by EPA's rules. This figure displays the annual compliance values for the three-year period 2009-11.

To Our Liberty County Waste Pro Customers

Due to the Christmas Holiday being on Tuesday, December 25, your solid waste pickup will be one day behind. **Current day of service is on Tuesday through Friday. Will be one day behind, service will be on Wednesday through Saturday.**
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Organic foods are not merely a passing trend. According to statistics tracking food purchases, more consumers are embracing organic foods. Whole Foods' "Food Shopping Trend Tracker Survey," which was conducted online by Harris Interactive between August 3 and August 7, 2012, indicated nearly three out of four Americans (73 percent) do not want to compromise on the food they buy, despite what foods costs at the store. Seventy-one percent of survey participants said they prefer natural and organic foods over conventional foods, particularly if the prices are comparable. Nearly 27 percent of shoppers routinely devote more than 25 percent of their grocery store budgets to organic products, and nearly half are willing to pay higher prices for locally produced foods.

Quality, selection and freshness of foods are the things driving many people to purchase organic and natural food items.

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	Monthly Rates*	One-Time Charges*
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Single Party Lifeline Telephone Service	\$5.12	\$30.25

* Does not include applicable taxes, fees and surcharges

In addition to the above monthly rates, a \$6.50 Federal Subscriber Line Charge applies to business and residential single party lines and \$9.20 for a business with more than one line.

The above rates include the following:

- Voice grade access to the public switched network
- Local Usage
- Access to emergency 911 services
- Toll Limitation for qualified low income customers

As described above, FairPoint provides a Lifeline Program discount for residence service for eligible low income customers with federal monthly support of \$9.25 and state monthly support of \$3.50. In addition, Lifeline customers may also qualify for free toll blocking to help them control long-distance usage. Customers using this offering can still use pre-paid calling cards or dial-around services to place long-distance calls from their homes.

The Lifeline Program is a government benefit program which provides discounted service to low-income residential customers who meet eligibility rules. Only one Lifeline Program discount is available per household on either a wireless or wireline telephone service. The Lifeline Program benefit is non-transferable. Consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain the discount can be punished by fine or imprisonment or can be barred from the Lifeline Program.



Late Night Laughs

A RECAP OF RECENT OBSERVATIONS BY LATE NIGHT TV HOSTS.

The world didn't end on Friday as predicted by the Mayan calendar. Some believed there would be massive earthquakes and floods. Others thought a planet would collide with the earth. I believe the end of the world will come about in a much stupider way, like Joe Biden spilling a Mountain Dew on the nuclear launch panel. — JIMMY KIMMEL

A Michigan lawyer has been arrested for manufacturing crystal meth in his office. I hope the fact that this guy's a lawyer doesn't send the message that somehow all meth dealers are sleaze balls. — JAY LENO

President Obama and John Boehner talked about the fiscal cliff for 45 minutes, but the White House will not release a transcript of their conversation. However, they did offer to have Joe Biden re-enact it with puppets. — JIMMY FALLON

It looks like President Obama is going to pick John Kerry to be our next secretary of state. This is a very strategic move when it comes to foreign policy. Obama plans to use Kerry to bore our enemies to death. — JAY LENO

There's a photo going around with President Obama playing with a staffer's son who's dressed as Spider-Man. Obama was like, "Shouldn't you be fighting the Green Goblin?" And the kid was like, "shouldn't you be working on the fiscal cliff?" — JIMMY FALLON

A 2009 Ford F-150 pickup truck, once owned by President George W. Bush, is going up for auction in a couple of weeks. All the proceeds will go to military families. President Obama should buy this truck because when something goes wrong he can blame it on Bush. — JAY LENO

"It's a Wonderful Life" is the holiday movie where the angel earns his wings. Because remember, kids, an angel without wings is like Tom Selleck without a moustache, or like "Two and a Half Men" without a cast member going crazy. — CRAIG FERGUSON

And as silly as this all may seem, a worldwide survey shows that one in 10 people believed the world was going to end on Friday. A Chinese man even designed a survival pod. The inventor says they can hold 14 people comfortably, or roughly three American people comfortably...If you buy one of these pods, you might survive the end of the world. But since it is made in China, you will also die of lead poisoning. — JIMMY KIMMEL

Sources told ABC News that Defense Department official Michael Vickers gave sensitive inside information about the capture of Osama bin Laden to the producers of the movie "Zero Dark Thirty." It's also being reported that John McCain gave firsthand inside information to the film "Lincoln." — JAY LENO

The world's oldest woman passed away at 116. They keep dying. I think that title may be cursed. — DAVID LETTERMAN



Sandy Hook special education teacher died with her arms around her student

Anne Marie Murphy was 52 years old, the mother of Kelly, Colleen, Paige and Thomas, as well as the wife of Mike. Her 86-year-old mother, Alice McGowan, herself, the mother of seven, said straightforwardly: "She was a very good daughter, a good mother, a good wife."

But the reason we know her is because Annie, as she was called, was the special-education teacher in Sandy Hook Elementary School who was killed in the Slaughter of the Innocents Friday, Dec. 14 and who died with her arms protectively cradling a six-year-old boy named Dylan Hockley.

Dylan had learning disabilities and Annie worked with him one-on-one. His parents said in a statement: "We take great comfort in knowing that Dylan was not alone when he died, but was wrapped in the arms of his amazing aide, Anne Marie Murphy." They added: "Dylan loved Mrs. Murphy so much and pointed at her picture on our refrigerator every day."

Six teachers and staff of Sandy Hook Elementary School died that day. The principal, Dawn Hochsprung, 47, ran straight toward the shooter, trying to stop him, and was shot to death. The school psychologist, Mary Sherlach, 56, tried as well and paid with her life.

By standing between the gunman and her six-year-olds, Vicki Soto, 27, spared at least some of their lives while surrendering her own. Lauren Rousseau, 30, who had just been hired last month and was doing what she most wanted to do — teaching children — died from gunfire, as did 29-year-old Rachel D'Avino, who was studying for her doctorate while pursuing her passion of helping children with autism.

We will probably never know just how many chil-

AMERICAN COLOR

by Mark Shields

Pundit Mark Shields has been on the political playing field since Robert F. Kennedy ran for president in 1968. After years of managing campaigns from the courthouse to the White House, he is now one of the most widely recognized commentators in the U.S.



dren's and adult's lives were saved by the courage and selflessness of these six heroines and their surviving colleagues on the school's faculty and staff.

What we do know is that Heraclitus was right some 25 centuries ago when he wrote, "Character is destiny." The grown-ups of Sandy Hook, from everything we know, were — in those

moments of maximum peril, when they confronted their own mortality — individuals of profound character. And let us not forget that they — and the others in that building — were public school teachers, public servants and that's right, public employees.

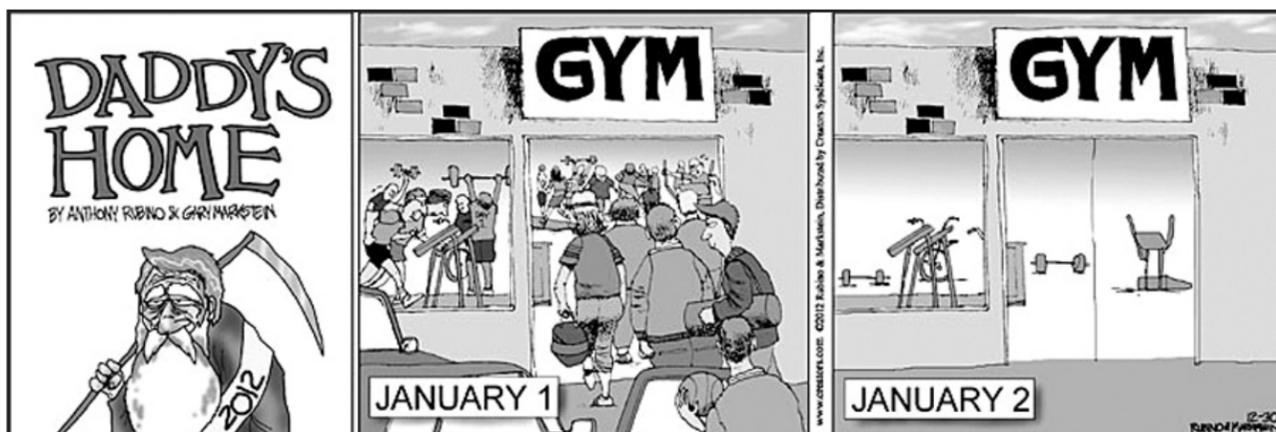
Eleven years earlier, 343 New York firefighters — searching for and trying to save trapped and terrified fellow human beings — had marched into the fires of Hell and the jaws of death. They, too, were public employees. They were also public servants.

Public employees, according to so much cheap-shot campaign talk and too many cable commentators, are some sort of an indolent sub-species. If they are not incompetent, the propaganda goes, they must be indifferent and surly. If they are not unthinking sloths, then they must be overzealous meddlers, who mindlessly regulate America's businesses right out of business.

Some of you may remember the 1981 assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan outside the Washington Hilton, when Secret Service agent Jerry Parr, then 50, thrust himself in the line of fire to shield the president and shove him into the limousine. Reacting to his agent's training to cover and evacuate by immediately taking the position between the president and the shooter was 31-year-old agent Timothy J. McCarthy.

Protecting the president as well that fateful day was a 17-year veteran Washington, D.C., police officer Thomas K. Delahanty, who had already earned a file of commendations before he was hit by a bullet that had to be removed from his neck. All three men were proud public employees.

In his first State of the Union speech, President Kennedy proclaimed, "Let the public service be a proud and lively career." You don't hear such sentiments today from our would-be leaders. But after we reflect on the character, courage and heroism of the teachers of Newtown, the firefighters of New York and the agents and cops of Washington, D.C., let us thank our public employees for what they do for our U.S.



What are your top three New Year's resolutions and why are they important?

Spend time with mom and dad. Put up Christmas tree. Make treats. Because we do it every year.
 – Baleigh

To help my mom. To be a better football player. To be more nice so I can become a better person.
 – Hans Jeppson

To talk to my mom and dad more. Be nice to my brother more. Make better grades this year. I love my parents. To be a nicer brother. To make the A B honor role.
 – Jacob Scott McCray

My mom to stop smoking. My mom to stop smoking every day. My dad to stop smoking. Because smoking can kill you.
 – Amaya Lynn Petrantis

To be nice to my classmates. Help my mom with things. Start being nice to my dad. Because they need help.
 – Zhey Johnson

Clean my room. Do not lie. Listen to my mom so I don't get grounded.
 – Austin

To make grades. To be nice to classmates. To be nice to my sister. They are nice. She is nice.
 – Mathew McClendon

I will study more. I will be a great student. I will catch up on spelling. I will make better grades.
 – Roosevelt

Get smarter in school. Catch up on school work. Stop being worried so much. I'll make better grades.
 – Eric Grantham

To help my mom. To help her when she need help. To be good. I'll make better grades.
 – Layla Bailey

To help my mom when she needs help. To help my brother. Be nice. Because I want to do these things.
 – JaMariyah

Be nicer to my classmates. Be a better writer. Read more. They will make me a better person.
 – Morgan Yoder

Get to school on time. Take care of my puppy. To get a job and earn money. So I can do all of my work on time. So I'll be responsible. So I can earn money to pay for dog and horse food.
 – Haley Pelt

NEW YEAR'S Resolutions

from the students in Kim Peacock's 4th grade class at Blountstown Elementary

Clean up the house. lose weight. Exercise. It makes you get healthy.
 – Wahab Faruqui

I will be nice to my sister. I will not talk back to my mom. I will clean my room. These are good things to do at the house.
 – Cody Kent

To be nicer to my brother. To study harder. To not to have an attitude to my mom. Because I'm always mean to him. So I can make better grades. So I don't get in trouble a lot.
 – Hailey Lambeth

A new truck. Another boat. A new dog box. Because he want brake down no where.
 – Elizabeth Carpenter

How will 2013 be different from 2012?

2012 was really hard. This year will be better.
 – Catherine Lewis

Cause I think that it is going to be a better year.
 – Baleigh

2012 was a hard because I lost a friendship and my uncle Scott past away.
 – Hans Jeppson

My mom and dad will be able to spend more time with me and my brother.
 – Jacob Scott McCreary

Last year I lost my Papa. Last year we had to live in a tiny house. This year we will get a new house so we have room.
 – Amaya Lynn Petrantis

It will be a good year.
 – Zhey Johnson

It will be a new year.
 – Austin

It'll have different vido games.
 – Mathew McClendon

New cars are come out in 2013.
 – Roosevelt

It will be different because of all the movies, games, toys and tecnollge coming out.
 – Eric Grantham

It will be a new year.
 – Layla Bailey

No more sighting.
 – JaMariyah

My dad is the new Superintendent of Schools.
 – Morgan Yoder

I hope all the kids will have a great Christmas.
 – Haley Pelt

Because it's a new year.
 – Wahab Faruqui

2012 was a bad year for me but 2013 will not be.
 – Cody Kent

This year I hope it is a better year because last year my friends were mean to me.
 – Hailey Lambeth

Last year my daddy did not shot a deer. But this year he did.
 – Elizabeth Carpenter

What New Year's resolution would you like to make for someone else?

For my sister to be nice.
 – Catherine Lewis

Make their Christmas good.
 – Baleigh

I would want Cydnee Eubanks to be my friend again.
 – Hans Jeppson

A home for a homeless person.
 – Jacob Scott McCray

A clean pers (purse) for Mrs. Peacock. A cleaner car for my room. A bigger house for my granny.
 – Amaya Lynn Petrantis

My sister to clean her room.
 – Austin

Mrs. Peacock to clean out purse. To exercise. To be nice.
 – Mathew McClendon

Mrs. Peacock needs to clean her purse and my mom need to clean her house and clean her room.
 – Roosevelt

I would like for Mrs. Peacock to keep her purse clean.
 – Morgan Yoder

Mrs. Peacock to keep her desk clean.
 – Haley Pelt

My mom keeps the house clean.
 – Cody Kent

To help people stop doing drugs!
 – Hailey Lambeth

Clean out my mom's purse.
 – Elizabeth Carpenter

What was the best Christmas gift you received last year?

My 3DS.
 – Catherine Lewis

A&K bb gun.
 – Baleigh

An enormus race track.
 – Hans Jeppson

A nex bug.
 – Jacob Scott McCreary

A pink 22 from my dad Harry. A zebra basket. A pink and black bed set.
 – Amaya Lynn Petrantis

My on Xbox 360 that what gift I got last year.
 – Zhey Johnson

My electric scooter.
 – Austin

Three dementional software.
 – Mathew McClendon

Four willer.
 – Roosevelt

A American girl.
 – Layla Bailey

A scooter.
 – JaMariyah

My switchable comfoter and pillow case from my granny.
 – Morgan Yoder

A 3DS from my dad.
 – Haley Pelt

A toy robot.
 – Wahab Faruqui

My bike because it was fun to ride and to learn how to ride it.
 – Cody Kent

The best Christmas gift I got last year was a 3DS.
 – Hailey Lambeth

My Pink 20.2 is my gun.
 – Elizabeth Carpenter

Best Wishes at the New Year

May all your news be good in the coming year! Happy New Year & many thanks for your valued readership.

From the Staff at the Calhoun Liberty JOURNAL & CLJNews.com



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KISS Banquet

Calhoun County Sheriff David Tatum (right) speaks to the KISS group one last time Dec. 17 before retiring from office. Guests enjoyed a meal at the W.T. Neal Civic Center that was served by deputies and other members of the sheriff's staff. LEFT: Maryell Dillard and Julia Alice Capps share a laugh.



TONY SHOEMAKE PHOTOS



FAR LEFT: Earlene McGlockton is escorted into the civic center by Ed die Dalton. LEFT: Edna Goodman chats with friends. BELOW: Cornelius Davis visits with the ladies. BOTTOM: Amanda Neal brings a plate. BELOW LEFT: The staff is introduced as they finish up their final banquet for the KISS participants.





Altha FFA members attend conference

Altha FFA members Rena O'Bryan, Caylynn Reeder, Abbie Edenfield and Aubree Bay recently attend a two-day personal development conference in Haines City.

This conference introduced FFA members to leadership in a real-life and purposeful way. Students worked in small groups to solve challenges, had discussions and planned for the success in their local FFA chapter as they learned about team building, problem solving and service to others.

These members are excited about the things that they learned and are eager to share them with all FFA members.



Altha's Cat's Cuisine & FCCLA bake cookies

Marie Granger's Cat's Cuisine class along with the FCCLA took time to bake cookies and donate them to the Calhoun-Liberty Ministry Center to add to the food boxes going out to needy families for the holidays.



CARR SCHOOL PERFORMS CHRISTMAS PLAY

Carr School's third and fourth grades presented *Elfis Goes West* with Lewis and Clark on Friday, Dec. 21. This year's play was a little bit history, a little bit fantasy and a little bit rock and roll.

Santa, Mrs. Claus, and the explorers find

their way to the western territory. They meet Elfis along the route and together encounter native Americans. However with the music of Elfis, everyone is able to understand this universal language. Friendship and brotherhood is celebrated among all cast members!

Pictured above are cast members.

BES Tropicana Speech Contest held Dec. 19

B.E.S. held the schoolwide Tropicana Speech Contest on Wednesday, Dec. 19.

Fourth and fifth grade students wrote speeches and presented them by grade first. The grade winners competed in the cafeteria in front of all of the 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students.

There were eight contestants who had prepared their own speeches and won their grade

level competitions.

The contestants were: Carson Ramsey, Cameron Masai, Reagan Hall, India Battles, Carson Hatchett, Aliah Dudley, Cydnee Eubanks, and Catherine Lewis.

1st place was Carson Hatchett, 2nd place was Aliah Dudley and 3rd place was Cydnee Eubanks.

ALTHA CALENDAR

- *Friday, Dec. 21 – Early Release Day, Students dismissed at 1 p.m., end of first Semester, JV/V Basketball at Vernon, 6/7:30 p.m.
- *Monday, Dec. 24 – Jan. 4 – Christmas Holidays.
- *Monday, Jan. 7 – Evaluation Day - No school for Students.
- *Tuesday, Jan. 8 – Students Return to School.



Team members: (l-r) – Jena Richardson, Bryan Tyler, Anthony Stephens, Nick Ruscito, Stephanie Harris, Cody Varnum and Holly Bailey.

CARR FFA HOST SUBDISTRICT CONTEST – Carr FFA hosted the SubDistrict FFA Contest at Poplar Head Church Thursday, Dec. 13. Students from Altha Middle School, Altha High School, Blountstown High School, Bozeman, Carr and East Gadsden participated in several Career Development Events.

These events included: Creed, Extemporaneous Speaking, Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Parliamentary Procedure, Prepared Public Speaking, and Tractor Driving. Winners will advance to the District Contest in Sneads Thursday, Jan. 24, 2013.

Carr Middle School FFA placed second in Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

What are your top three New Year's Resolutions and why are they important?

I'll exercise more. Play with my friends more. Listen to my mom and dad so I won't get in trouble. --Trenton Lee

To do my best in school, not to get in trouble at home, and not to give up. --Zariah Boykin

I want to lose weight, exercise and make better grades. It would be important to be a regular 4th grader. --Mizzetta Holliday

Play in the snow because it is fun. Clean my room because it is always a mess. Work harder in school because I want to go to college. --Matthew Cook

Run more, read more, and explore more. Health and knowledge. --Hanna Pitts

Going hunting more, read more, fishing more. --Landon Gilley

New molders. My right molders are broken. Get better grades, I want an A-honor roll. Be a better kid, get new things. --Cameron Tarr

Hunting with dad, playing video games with Jordan and playing football with Dad. --Jayce Hatcher

To be better at reading because I'll do better in reading class. Be more nice to my brother because in the future I might need him and he will not be there for me because I was mean to him. Do better in class so I will not get in trouble. --Tyra Langley



I want to lose weight. I want to move in with mom. I want to go squirrel hunting. --Emy Livingston

I will help my grandmom because she needs the help. My dad needs help and help. Then my granpa needs help too. --Jessica Thomas

I want to start getting outside more. I want to stop arguing. Keep my room clean. --Carah Williams

Clean my room, clean my house, mow the grass. These are important because I can earn things. --Mikis Engram

Keep my room clean, help my mom more, be good. --Whit Whitworth

Get skinnier because I keep outgrowing my clothes. Stop sucking my thumb because I am addicted to it. Help stop global warming because it's hurting the environment. --Riley Rivers

To read 100 books. To make good grades on my tests. To pass fourth grade!! --Mezekiel Brown

Eat healthy food, read more, and run more. --Justin Martin

What New Year's resolution would you like to make for someone else?

Be a better friend to my BFTF (best friend totally forever) that we will always be BFTF. --Tyra Langley

Camron to make his dog less mean. --Trenton Lee

For people to stop picking on Riley. --Zariah Boykin

For Mikis to grow taller. --Mizzetta Holliday

I would give Mike a diet for three months. --Matthew Cook

For Grandpa to stop dipping. --Hanna Pitts

My grandpaw to eat oysters. --Landon Gilley

I would like for Trenton to stop playing the Xbox 360. He's addicted, LOL. --Cameron Tarr

New year's dance party. --Jayce Hatcher

Wish Mama to be jovial again. --Emy Livingston

Help people exercise and help people run. --Justin Martin

I would like my friend Emma to play out more and have fun! --Carah Williams

Cathrene Lewis to get tall. --Mikis Engram

Be better for my mom. --Whit Whitworth

Help my mom to quit smoking. --Riley Rivers

How will 2013 be different from 2012?

It will be closer to my birthday. --Trenton Lee

It would be a new year and I would be glad. --Zariah Boykin

I will be happier again. --Mizzetta Holliday

You get new things. --Mikis Engram

I can play with the toys that I got from 2012. --Matthew Cook

I'll get all my AR points. --Hanna Pitts

Will not be same year. --Landon Gilley

I will work harder in school. --Justin Martin

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Nine things to do when the NEW YEAR arrives

People across the globe anxiously await the arrival of the new year. Different cultures and religions celebrate their own new year at different times, but for much of the world, January 1 marks the date for change and renewal.

With so much emphasis placed on what people will be doing for the last day of the year, little thought may be given to what to do after the clock strikes 12. Each minute afterward opens up the possibilities to begin fresh with new goals and tasks.

For those wondering how to commence the new year, there are many ways to tackle the first day and thereafter -- after you have recovered from the New Year's Eve celebration, that is.

*** TAKE DOWN HOLIDAY DECORATIONS.** While there are some people who prefer to leave up their Christmas decorations until after the celebration of the Epiphany, or Three Kings Day, by January 1 many are ready to say goodbye to the holiday season for another year. Having the day off of work and school enables you to spend time removing decorations from the house and taking down the tree, especially before dried-out pine needles become more than you can handle.

*** SHOP POST-HOLIDAY SALES.** After spending several months buying for every person on your list, this could be a time that you focus on picking up some things for yourself or the household. Stores may need to liquidate holiday stock and other inventory to make room for spring styles. Many shoppers find the deals hard to pass up when shopping in the early days of January. Check online to comparison shop, and scour the Internet for any printable coupons that can earn you even bigger discounts.

*** VISIT FAMILY AND FRIENDS.** This time of year may be happy for some, but for those far from members of the family or seniors who may have lost many close companions, the winter and post-holiday season could bring on the blues. Visiting extended family you may not have seen during the holidays is one way to pass the day. You also can volunteer some of your time at a senior center or assisted-living facility to spread some post-holiday cheer.

*** DISCARD EXPIRED FOODS AND MEDICINES.** Take this opportunity to throw out any medications that expire this year, which will give you a head start on spring cleaning as well. Toss out old makeup and cosmetic products and make a list of new items to buy. Also, take inventory of the refrigerator and freezer, cleaning out any items that are no longer recognizable or that are past the recommended date.

*** HEAD TO THE MOVIES.** Go to the movie theater and take in a flick with the family. January is not the most active time for new releases, but there are some films released in the first month of the year. You can enjoy a lazy day with some cinematic magic and a bag of popcorn.

*** MAKE A FOLDER TO STORE TAX PREPARATION PAPERWORK.** Tax season is just around the corner. Use this time to collect any paperwork you already may have received and put it in a safe place. Expect new statements of past earnings, any information about interest earned on bank statements and other pertinent tax documents to start arriving. Also, if you use an accountant to help file your taxes, call his or her office and book an appointment before his or her schedule fills up.

*** WATCH A FOOTBALL GAME.** After weeks of running around at a break-neck pace, use this day to lounge around and recharge. Chances are you can find a football game on television. Order in a pizza and cheer on your favorite team.

*** ENCOURAGE THE KIDS TO PUT DOWN THE TOYS AND PICK UP A BOOK.** Many students will be returning to school soon after an extended winter recess. Have them get back into the swing of things by brushing up on lessons last touched on in December.

*** HOST A POST-HOLIDAY POT LUCK.** Clean out the refrigerator of those salvageable leftovers from your New Year's Eve bash. Invite others over with their own foods and host one last party before you have to get back to the daily grind.

There are many ways to start off the new year on the right foot. Get a head start on cleaning or organizing, or relax once more with friends and family.

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OBITUARIES

DEWEY HALL



CLARKSVILLE – Dewey Hall, 80, of Clarksville, passed away Monday, Dec. 17, 2012 at his home. He was born July 29, 1932 in Calhoun County and had lived here most of his life. He was a retired Forrest

Ranger with 35 years of service. He was a veteran of the Korean Conflict serving in the United States Army. He truly loved the outdoors, going on trail rides, growing sugar cane and making his homemade cane syrup. He was a member of New Home Missionary Baptist Church in Clarksville.

Survivors include his wife, Larene Hall of Clarksville; one son, Dennis Hall and his wife, Nina of Altha; one daughter, Polly Allen and her husband, Frankie of Wewahitchka; three sisters, Mildred Sewell and Pauline Newsome, both of Panama City and Vetta L. Sharman and her husband, Jimmy of Altha; five grandchildren, Amanda Glover and her husband, Tony, Alisha and Deidra Hall, Lori and James Keel and his wife, Leslie; four great-grandchildren, Joseph Benjamin and Jessie Morgan Glover, Jeremiah James Keel and Jaydon Riley Yon.

Services were held Friday, Dec. 21 at Peavy Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Jim Hankins officiating. Interment followed in Pippin Cemetery in Clarksville.

Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements.



ROLAND GRAYBILL, SR.

CLARKSVILLE—Roland Graybill, Sr., 67, of Clarksville, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 19 in Panama City. He was born in Galva, IA August 30, 1945 to the late Kenneth Charles, Sr. and Vivian Augusta (Brown) Graybill. He graduated from Galva High School; served in the U. S. Navy; and later worked as a claims adjuster for Colonial Claims for many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Marilyn Griffin Graybill.

Survivors include two sons, Roland Graybill, Jr. and his wife, Christy of Altha and James Keith Fowler of Clarksville; ; two brothers, Kenneth Graybill, Jr. of Maine and Ross Graybill of Iowa; four sisters, Melvina McTernan of Illinois, Ruthaleen Buell of Minnesota, Delores Trimble and Kathleen Wulf, both of Iowa, two grandchildren, Amber and Seth.

Services were held Saturday, Dec. 22 at Adams Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Donny Jackson officiating. Interment will follow in Vickery Cemetery.

Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be made at www.adamsfh.com.

JIMMIE KINGRY WALDORFF

BLOUNTSTOWN – Jimmie Kingry Waldorff, 101, of Blountstown, passed away at her home, Saturday, Dec. 22, 2012. She was a lifelong resident of Calhoun County and was a member of First Baptist Church in Altha.

She lived a long and colorful life and was one of seven sisters who left an unforgettable mark on many local families. She was part of the Altha girls basketball team that won the state championship in 1928. She worked for 13 years as a nurse at the Calhoun-Liberty Hospital and loved every minute of it. She was married for 75 years to George Waldorff, helped run the Waldorff Hardware store for many years, and had two gardens every year (for as long as her sons could hold out). She loved to fish and was a member of Cox's Immonia Lake Fishing Club for more than seventy years.

Preceding in death, her husband, George Martin Waldorff, Sr.; her parents, John and Mary (Brown) Kingry; a son, George Waldorff, Jr.; six sisters, Ninner Peacock, Sydney Peacock, Bohn Eubanks, Johnnie McCall, Eddie Newman, Annie Edling; a grandson, David Waldorff, and great-grandson, David Waldorff, Jr.

Survivors include two sons, Maxie Waldorff and his wife, Betty, of Altha and Larry Waldorff and his wife, Kathy, of Blountstown; one daughter-in-law, Marsha Waldorff of Altha; eight grandchildren, Jim Waldorff and his wife, Sara Kay, Pam Wilson and her husband, Bob, Scott Waldorff and his wife, Jennifer, Mike Waldorff and his wife, Connie, Paula Bonomo and her husband, Jeff, Donna Tew, Jaycee Moore and her husband, John, and Lisa Taylor and her husband, Steve; 15 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends on hour prior to services on Wednesday, Dec. 26 at the Altha First Baptist Church. Services will follow at 2 p.m. with Reverend Jim McIntosh officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Olive Cemetery.

LUNETTE ARNOLD EARNEST

TELOGIA—Lunette Arnold Earnest, 61, of Telogia, passed away Friday, Dec. 21, 2012. A lifelong resident of Telogia, she worked for the Liberty County School System for 17 years as a bus driver. Her loves were fishing, hunting and dancing, but mainly her family. Survivors include three sons, Tommy Earnest

and his wife, Christi, Chris Earnest and his wife, Candice and Dan Faircloth, all of Telogia; her father, Tom B. Arnold of Telogia; three brothers, Curle Arnold, Odis Love and his wife, Linda and Derrick Arnold, all of Telogia; three sisters, Betty Richards Keith and her husband, Donald of Hosford, Burnice Arnold of Bristol

and Eloise Arnold of Telogia; eight grandchildren, Landon, Caitlyn, Marc, Ashley, Brent, Shelbi, Emily and Lynsey Earnest.

Graveside services were Sunday, Dec. 23 at Drivers Cemetery in Telogia. Interment followed. Independent Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to Altha First Baptist Church New Sanctuary Building Fund, P. O. Box 205, 25503 North Main Street, Altha, Florida 32421.

Adam's Funeral Home in Blountstown is in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be made at www.adamsfh.com.

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- Local Usage
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- Toll Limitation for qualified low income customers

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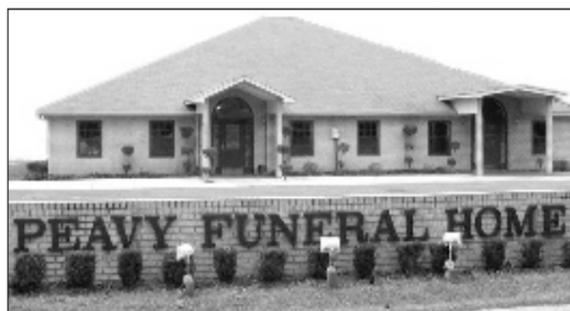
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New signs & wildlife viewing trail something to sing about

There are new signs of economic opportunity and natural wonders in south Florida. Tourists and residents in 11 southern Florida counties may have noticed that directional signs for the Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail (GFBWT) were popping up all over the place.

The signs direct traffic to 113 new birding and wildlife viewing sites from Sarasota and Stuart south to Key West, joining hundreds of other GFBWT locations throughout the state. Not only do these signs, bearing the swallow-tailed kite logo, designate ideal locations for birding and wildlife viewing adventures, they are also a symbol of positive economic impact.

Gov. Rick Scott said, "Wildlife viewing in Florida is a major reason why our state is the most popular tourist destination in the country. I am proud that Floridians and our visitors can now better enjoy the wildlife our state has to offer, while creating more opportunities for Florida families."

A recent study about birding in Florida indicated the trail's road signs play an important role in visitors' travel decisions. Of 1,652 participants, 65 percent had seen a GFBWT road sign, prompting a later visit (81 percent indeed visited later).

"We hope that



many Florida families and tourists will follow these new signs and explore the trail and discover the fascinating wildlife these sites have to offer," said Mark Kiser, Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail coordinator for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC).

Birding and wildlife viewing are important to Florida's economy, and the GFBWT program is an integral component of Florida's nature-based tourism industry. According to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service data, wildlife viewing generates more than \$5 billion in Florida and supports 51,000 jobs.



A recent statewide survey by Responsive Management showed that wildlife viewing is the second most popular outdoor recreation activity in the state (behind going to the beach) for visitors and residents.

The FWC installed the trail signage with a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation and support from the Wildlife Foundation of Florida. Dozens of federal, state and local government agencies, nongovernmental organizations and private landowners also supported the effort.

In addition to signs, the FWC has produced guide booklets that contain site descriptions, directions and maps showcasing birding and wildlife watching opportunities throughout Florida. Wildlife enthusiasts can download or order the GFBWT guidebooks at FloridaBirdingTrail.com and WildlifeFoundationofFlorida.com.

Need further help planning an adventure? Use the Trip-Planning Wizard on the GFBWT website or download the free mobile application "Nature Viewing Along the Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail" at iTunes.com and Play.Google.com.

A series of city and regional guides called "Ready, Set, Go ... Wild" is also under way; the Or-

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For more information about this project, please contact Mark Kiser at Mark.Kiser@MyFWC.com or call (850) 488-9478.

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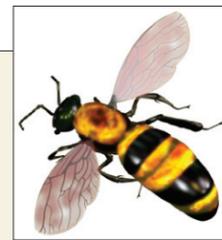
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MAKING TUPELO HONEY: My season with the bees

Imagine going to work knowing that someone was going to sneak in and slap the ever-lovin' snot out of you 30 to 40 times a day, every day. There's nothing you can do about it and you don't know when or where it's going to happen – just that it will, a lot.

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I know this because at 13 years old, I spent a tupelo season working for Charlie Cook Bridges, a Chevron distributor in Blountstown and my father's long-suffering best friend.

As I remember, the interview and selection process went something like this: Daddy came home one spring afternoon and said, "Charlie Cook's coming by in a little while to pick you up. You're going to work in the bees with him."

I took some time (about a second) to consider all my options (none) before delivering my carefully worded counter-offer ("Yes, sir").

I'm still not sure if Charlie Cook considered my service partial repayment for all the hardship Daddy put him through – or if I was just one more on his long list of McClellan-related burdens.

Whatever the case, I've never had a better boss, teacher or workmate than Charlie Cook. You'd also be hard-pressed to find anybody more entertaining. However, by my first night on the job, I realized that my relationship with the bees wasn't going to be nearly as pleasant. That part became clear when we moved them.

Since tupelo season lasts for only a few days to a few weeks, the bees had to be moved to wherever the trees were blooming. But the only time all the bees are in the hive is at night, so that's when we had to do it.

The problem is that bees really don't like be-



JIM McCLELLAN'S OUTDOORS Down South

Calhoun County native Jim McClellan grew up hunting, fishing and hanging out in the same Apalachicola River swamp that five generations of his family has enjoyed. He lives in Pensacola. His columns can also be found on his blog, outdoorsdownsouth.com.

ing disturbed any time, especially after dark. They make that pretty clear by crawling out of the boxes and blindly stinging anything that isn't another bee. It may not sound like an efficient strategy, but I can vouch for its effectiveness.

My beekeeper's uniform helped protect me somewhat. However, with several thousand bees attacking, a few dozen were bound to get through.

Moving the bees often lasted until the wee hours. Once they were in the right place, we had to get the titi, gallberry and other less-desirable honey harvested so that the bees would fill the hives with tupelo.

To do this, we placed boxes with empty frames on the hives and took the full ones (minus bees) back to the "honey house," a concrete block structure where we worked in 90- to 100-degree heat. Charlie Cook used a hot knife to unseal the combs and I ran the stainless steel centrifuge that extracted honey from the frames.

We also collected the excess beeswax, which is

used in everything from makeup to candles to soaps. Pound-for-pound, it's worth more than honey, so we took care not to waste it.

Working in the honey house was easier than moving bees, but it had its own set of challenges. For one, it was too hot to wear protective clothing, despite the large swarm of bees that loitered there. Adding to the misery was a thin layer of honey that coated everything in the place, including me.

On a normal evening, I'd usually get stung first by a bee under my collar, inside my shirt or in my hair. My reaction would be to dig the stinger out with my honey-covered hands. The honey in turn attracted yet more bees, and so on. Also, it seemed that anything I grabbed invariably had a bee attached to it, making my hands frequent targets as well.

This went on every day of the week, but I got used to the grind and even the stings. Soon, the reddish "bakery-grade" honey began to take on a lighter color and before long pure, golden tupelo began flowing by the barrelful.

This is the same honey that years later was the subject of the movie *Ulee's Gold* and eating it since childhood has spoiled me forever. As far as I'm concerned there is no better honey in the world.

That's why I'm happy now to see tupelo honey and the people who produce it getting the attention and respect they deserve. It's a unique natural treasure, produced by hard work, fraught with financial risk and physical pain.

I'm also very proud to have worked with Charlie Cook Bridges in his last tupelo season. That experience taught me a lot, including how to suffer through a little pain and how to keep working until the work is done. Those skills have helped me in every job I've had since.

Working in the bees convinced me of something else as well: If I was a beekeeper, Bill Gates wouldn't be able to afford the honey I produced.

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YARD SALE

BLOUNTSTOWN
Huge carport sale, Saturday, Dec. 29 beginning at 7 a.m. Located at 20585 Folsom Avenue (corner of Folsom and First Street behind Dr. Schrock's dentist office). Furniture, household items, men's clothing, rain or shine.

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

ANSWER:



from Sybil Plazarin's 4th graders at Carr School

What are your top three New Year's Resolutions and why are they important?

Throw baseball farther so I can throw better in baseball games (or baseball practice). Try to be a better person. Try-out for football this year.
-- Caleb

One is to hit a few homers during softball season, another is I would like to learn how to do a back hand spring. My last is to be in county wide softball throw.
-- Megan

I would like to be an artist like my big cusen because she says "I hate your picturs"! I would like to be stronger than my cuson because she says "your not stronger than me!" I would also like to be scary to just scare her.
-- Sydney Goodwin

I want to make first place on the 100 yard dash and to make the A onarol so I can go on the field trip.
-- Jacob Tew

I want to become a lot strong. Because the heaviest I lifted is over a 100 lbs. Also I want to make it to county wide track meet. Because I have never been. I want to be a better person. Because I need to learn to control my temer.
- Michael

Me to help people more, get strait a's and make more friends.
-- Gabriel

I want to make first place in softball throw. Play on a basketball on a team. Learn how to do a standing back bend.
-- Kelsey

Be in gym nastics because I always wanted to be one since I first nown about hard-core and sym nastics.
-- Caleb Howard

Be a better person because everyone who bother me I tell them to go play with my brother.
-- Casey

To be a good drawer or football plaer, baseball plaer as well!
-- Caitlin Hope

I want to play football next year. I want to win first place In pull ups in local track meet. I want to have better handwriting.
-- Jaden Ross

I want to sign up for basketball. Get the AB anaroll. I want to play vollyball.
-- Daisy

One of my New year resolutions is to make all A's. So I will get a high score for 4th grade. Another one is I will improve my behavior. My last one is I will make a high score on feat.
-- Lily Waldorff

I would love to be a MVP on my team. Also I would love to be the best player ever to walk the earth. To get in world record book.
-- Nathan Cooper, Jr.

How will 2013 be different from 2012?

I will be 10 next year. I will weigh more. I will be strong. I will be in 5th grade if I don't get held back.
-- Caleb

I might be getting one new baby cosin.
-- Megan

Things would change from mean to nice or nice to mean.
-- Sydney Goodwin

The world will be a better place. There will be a lot more laws and new food. And I will grow up.
-- Jacob Tew

I make the place for half-back.
-- Gabriel

Do my best to improve my reading.
-- Kelsey

I will probly do gymnastics in 2013.
-- Caleb Howard

In 2013 I will have a big house instead of little house.
-- Casey

I'll be 11 next year October 17, 2013. Thats when I was born! I'll be epected to do more stuff then now!
-- Caitlin Hope

In 2013 I will be a little taller.
-- Michael

There are new and better stuff to buy.
-- Jaden Ross

My ant might have a baby.
-- Daisy

In 2013 make new people feel welcome to be nice.
-- Lily Waldorff

It will be different because I will play soccer that year.
-- Dixie Sims

My Aunt may come and live us in our house. I will start playing football.
-- Nathan Cooper, Jr.

What resolution would you like to make for someone else?

Make my sister stop throwing things at me.
-- Caleb

Help my sister not get fruster-aed with homework.
-- Megan

I would like to help my niece Kora draw better just by letting her practice.
-- Sydney Goodwin

I want to help people run a lot faster to get in country wide.
-- Jacob Tew

My mom knees to get better
-- Gabriel

My sister to be nicer to me.
-- Kelsey

I whould want to put Coleman's drums in their new church.
-- Caleb Howard

I would like my brother stop hurting me all of the time.
-- Casey

Rase enough mony for S.T. Judes or help my sister read!
-- Caitlin Hope

I'll help my little brother control his tempur.
-- Michael

For my baby brother to stop beating me up.
-- Jaden Ross

Help my brother get his hand-writing better.
-- Daisy

I will help my little cousin learn how to read.
-- Lily Waldorff

I would help my sisters Lexi, Paige and my brother's Ma-son and DJ with they're homework.
-- Dixie Sims

★STARSCOPE★

Week of Dec. 23 ~ Dec. 29

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Both social and business communication require some tact this week, Aries. You can handle it, and you should be prepared to meet some interesting people.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, your confidence and energy are strong, but you seem to be having difficulty sitting still for enough time to get a handle on other people's opinions and viewpoints.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

New options present themselves that are excellent for educational pursuits, Gemini. Friends will be supportive of any ideas that you devise, even if they seem a little off-center.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, this week you could gain the attention of people in high positions. Use the opportunity to get your best points heard if you have the chance.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, this should be one of those glorious weeks when you have the feeling that everything is moving along smoothly and according to your master plan.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, your confidence is high and there is just about nothing that you fear or think you cannot handle this week. Float along on these feelings of euphoria for a while.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, you will show leadership in your profession over the next several days. This also will extend into your personal life, where you may have more energy in home affairs.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, indulge your curiosities, as your imagination and creativity are very high. Projects that require artistic work or writing should be the top priority on your list.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, this is a good week to explore new business opportunities. Apply your efforts to solving some complex problems that others have shied away from.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, your feelings of restlessness might be because you're not accustomed to sitting still for too long. You will think of ways to fill the time.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Broaden your social contacts, Aquarius, and this way you will extend your professional reach as well. There always are opportunities for networking.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

You may find that needs at home quickly drain you of any energy, Pisces. Simplify your routine to find some relief.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER 23
Susan Lucci, Actress (66)

DECEMBER 26
Beth Behrs, Actress (27)

DECEMBER 24
Stephanie Meyer, Author (39)

DECEMBER 27
Bill Goldberg, Wrestler (46)

DECEMBER 25
Sissy Spacek, Actress (63)

DECEMBER 28
Maggie Smith, Actress (78)

DECEMBER 29
Ted Danson, Actor (65)

PUBLIC AND LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 39-2012-CA-000067
DIVISION: CIRCUIT CIVIL

21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation authorized to transact business in Florida, Plaintiff,

vs.

MONIQUE FINNELL, a/k/a MONIQUEBRENDAFINNELL; JEFF WHITFIELD; BENEFICIAL FLORIDA, INC., a Delaware corporation authorized to transact business in Florida; UNIDENTIFIED JOHN DOE(S) and/or UNIDENTIFIED JANE DOE(S),

Defendants.

CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Plaintiffs Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on December 6, 2012 in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on January 15, 2013, at 11:00 A.M. (EST), at the Liberty County Courthouse, 10818 NW State Rd 20, Bristol, FL 32321, the following described property:

Commence at a concrete monument marking the Northwest corner of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 4, Township 1 South, Range 7 West, Liberty County, Florida and run thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 21 seconds East along the Northerly boundary of said Northeast quarter

of the Northwest quarter a distance of 881.74 feet to a concrete monument; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 46 seconds West 676.54 feet to a concrete monument on the Northerly maintained right of way boundary of a graded road; thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 45 seconds East 1,117.95 feet; thence North 82 degrees 43 minutes 52 seconds East along said Northerly maintained right of way boundary, a distance of 94.69 feet; thence North 76 degrees 54 minutes 55 seconds East along said Northerly maintained right of way boundary, a distance of 94.38 feet; thence North 05 degrees 09 minutes 00 seconds West, a distance of 250.35 feet to the Southwesterly right of way boundary of State Road No. 20 (100 foot right of way); thence North 68 degrees 12 minutes 07 seconds West

along said Southwesterly right of way boundary, a distance of 112.18 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said POINT OF BEGINNING, thence South 00 degrees 46 minutes 17 seconds West a distance of 117.68 feet; thence North 89 degrees 13 minutes 43 seconds West, a distance of 299.21 feet; thence North 21 degrees 17 minutes 33 seconds East, a distance of 217.21 feet to the aforesaid Southwesterly right of way boundary, thence South 68 degrees 12 minutes 07 seconds East along said Southwesterly right of way boundary, a distance of 238.98 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH that certain 1995 Homes of Merit mobile home bearing Identification Numbers FLHML-CP72312321A and FLHML-CP72312321B.

Property Address: 13311 NW State Road 20, Bristol, FL 32321.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS

PUBLIC AUCTION

Bristol 66 Towing and Recovery will hold a Public Auction on Jan. 7, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. (ET).

1997 Dodge Pickup, Black Vin# 1B7HC16Y5VS153286

Auction will be held at Bristol 66 Storage at 12480 NW Martina Lane, Hoecake Road, Bristol. Pursuant to subsection 713.78 Of the Florida Statutes, Bristol 66 Towing & Recovery reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

The Calhoun-Liberty Journal December 26, 2012.

If you need any more information on the above vehicle, please call (850) 228-9555.

MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

Dated: December 6, 2012

KATHLEEN BROWN, CLERK LIBERTY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

By: V. Summers Deputy Clerk 12-19, 12-26

PUBLIC AUCTION

Bristol 66 Towing and Recovery will hold a Public Auction on Jan. 12, 2013 at 1 p.m. (ET).

2002 Aurora Olds, Silver Vin# 1G3GR64HX24109486

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CLJ JOB MARKET

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Substitute Teachers – Calhoun County

NFCD is seeking qualified applicants for Substitute Teacher positions at their Calhoun County Center. Assist teaching staff with schedules, routines, and activities. Requirements include an High School Diplolma; some experience teaching in early childhood setting, and training courses and certifications mandated by DCF. Submit resumes to NFCD, Human Resource Department, PO Box 38, Wewahitchka FL 32465 or email smcgill@floridachildren.org. Closing Date: January 4, 2012
DFWP/MF/6-6/EOE

The Liberty County Water Department seeks qualified applicants for one (1) position in the Meter Reading/Service Department.

Liberty County Water Department Water Treatment Plant Operator Trainee

SCHEDULE: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. - Emergency & on-call responsibility

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS: Visually check meters and make accurate entries into electronic meter reading device. Change out meters, check valves and/or meter bottoms as needed. Assist with service orders and investigation orders. Change out meters occasionally. Test water meters in the field. Install, read and maintain meters. Handle and troubleshoot customer complaints. Flushing Water Mains. Other duties as assigned. This is technical work assisting with and learning all aspects of the operation and maintenance of the County's water treatment facilities. After instruction and orientation, quality and speed of work on routine duties should steadily become comparable to that of a certified operator.

Knowledge/Education & Experience Required: Graduation from an accredited high school or possession of an acceptable equivalen-

cy diploma. Must possess a Class "C" Water Treatment Plant Operators certification issued by the State of Florida (FAC 62-602) within a period of two (2) years, however, satisfactory progress toward obtaining the certification must be demonstrated within one (1) year. Valid Florida Driver's License and good driving record.

Skills Required/Desired: Basic tool, equipment, and vehicle maintenance, Basic computer skills, Ability to read and understand construction plans, Ability to Supervise In-Mates

Abilities Required (work characteristics, behaviors, leadership abilities, etc.): Must have initiative and be resourceful in problem solving, Clear Speaking Voice/Legible Handwriting, Physical and Drug Screening required.

Employment opportunities are offered with out regard to race, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status. The Liberty County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to accept or reject any application they deem in the best interest of Liberty County

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JOB OPENINGS

CENTER MANAGERS North & South Gulf County

NFCD is seeking qualified applicants for 2 positions of Center Managers at their North and South Gulf County Centers. Center Director is responsible for directing and supervising all center activities as they relate to the overall goal of the program. Duties include: supervising the planning and preparation of the learning environment and all center staff; monitoring lesson plans for completion and appropriateness; conducting ongoing monitoring to ensure that licensing regulations are maintained at all times and maintaining a communicative relationship with parents and staff. Requirements include an Associate Degree or higher in Early Childhood Development or related field; five years or more of experience working with infant, toddlers, and preschool children, certificates for state mandated training; Florida Director's Credentials. Submit resumes to NFCD, Human Resource Department, PO Box 38, Wewahitchka FL 32465 or email smcgill@floridachildren.org.

Closing Date: Jan. 4, 2012
DFWP/MF/6-6/EOE

FOOD SERVICE MANAGER/HEAD

COOK – South Gulf Co.
NFCD is seeking a Food Service Manager/Head Cook for their new center in Port St. Joe. Position will plan and cook nutritious meals and

snacks for the children and staff in accordance with established standards of nutrition, health, and sanitation. Must have a minimum of two years' experience in supervision of a large scale food production operation meeting USDA Child Care Food Program (CCFP) standards including sanitation and safety procedures, inventory systems, USDA, and other food service documentation. Submit resumes to NFCD, Human Resource Department, PO Box 38, Wewahitchka FL 32465 or email smcgill@floridachildren.org.

Closing Date: Jan. 4, 2012
DFWP/MF/6-6/EOE

INFANT/TODDLER TEACHERS – South Gulf County

NFCD is seeking 2 positions of Infant and Toddler Teachers in South Gulf County. The teacher prepares and implements appropriate curriculum and performance standards for individuals and small groups; conducts ongoing observations, assessments and maintains anecdotal records for children. Must have a minimum of a CDA (FC-CPC) or Associate degree or higher in Early Childhood Education; 2 years experiences in an early childhood setting working with infants and toddlers preferred; and certificates for state mandated courses. Submit resumes to NFCD, Human Resource Department, PO Box 38, Wewahitchka FL 32465 or email smcgill@floridachildren.org.

Closing Date: Jan. 4, 2012
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HHS invests in school-based health centers

Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced awards of more than \$80 million to 197 school-based health center programs across the country, made possible by the Affordable Care Act.

This funding will allow school-based health centers to serve an additional 384,000 students and continue the expansion of preventive and primary health care services.

"These new investments will help school-based health centers establish new sites or upgrade their current facilities to keep our children healthy," said Secretary Sebelius.

School-based health centers enable children with acute or chronic illnesses to attend school and improve the overall health and wellness of all children through health screenings, health promotion and disease preven-

Eight grants awarded in Florida

Central Florida Health Care, Inc., Avon Park.....	\$500,000
North Broward Hospital District of Ft. Lauderdale.....	\$428,676
School Board of Pinellas County, Largo.....	\$500,000
School Board of Miami - Dade County.....	\$473,584
Orlando Health, Inc., Orlando.....	\$490,000
Central Florida Family Health Center, Inc., Sanford....	\$380,000
Hillsborough County Public Schools, Tampa.....	\$500,000
Children's Home Society of Florida, Winter Park.....	\$500,000

tion activities.

Typically, a school-based clinic provides a combination of primary care, mental health care, substance abuse counseling, case management, dental health, nutrition education, health education and health promotion activities.

"Healthy children are more productive children," said Health Resources and Services Administrator Mary K. Wakefield, Ph.D., R.N. "These grants will improve access to care for children and help maximize their potential to learn."

The Affordable Care Act provides \$200 million in funding from fiscal years 2010-13 for the School-Based Health Center Capital Program (SBHCCP). Today's grants are the third in the series of awards that is made available to school-based health centers under the Affordable Care Act.

For a full list of awards, visit: www.hrsa.gov/about/news/2012tables/121218schoolbasedawards.html.

To learn more about the Affordable Care Act, visit www.healthcare.gov. The Health Resources and Services Administration oversees the SBHCCP.

Florida 'ahead of the curve' in preparing students for college

TALLAHASSEE – A policy report from Jobs for the Future (JFF) recognizes Florida for its efforts in developmental education innovation. The report outlines Florida's participation in and lessons learned from the Developmental Education Initiative, a national program designed to improve the success of academically underprepared students who enter community colleges.

"The Florida College System continues to explore institutional strategies and state policies that can improve success outcomes for students who enroll in our system and test into developmental education," said Randy Hanna, Chancellor

of the Florida College System. "We are committed to meeting the needs of all students to help them succeed in college-level courses and beyond."

The report identifies Florida's Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT) as a major step forward for the nation in assessment and placement innovation. The PERT is a customized placement test based on Florida's competencies for college readiness. In addition to being administered to students seeking admission to the Florida College System, it is also given to 11th grade students to evaluate their preparedness for college-level work.

Michael Collins, Associate Vice President for Postsecondary State Policy at JFF, acknowledged Florida as a leader in developmental education. "The Florida College System, with whom JFF has had a long and productive partnership, was a true exemplar for the other states in the Developmental Education Initiative, particularly in the areas of data and performance measurement, and assessment and placement. JFF looks forward to the Florida College System's continued leadership in the next initiative in which we are partnering – Completion by Design."

Florida is not stopping there. In October, Florida Department of Education's

Division of Florida Colleges hosted the Developmental Education Summit at St. Petersburg College. The summit brought together state and national experts, policy makers, educators, and administrators to discuss the state of developmental education and identify success strategies for Florida's future.

"We are pleased to be recognized by Jobs for the Future for our efforts to improve student success through developmental education innovation," added Chancellor Hanna. "But our work is not done. We are continually exploring strategies and policies to better help students become prepared for college."

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

from Jessica Hill's fourth graders at Carr School

What are your top three New Year's Resolutions and why are they important?

Next year I want to achieve 2nd or 3rd place on Tropicana Speech. I went to schoolwide but I did not win there. To lower gas prices because my mom has to look for the gas station with the lowest prices. I would also want in 2013 for a ice machine in every house because I love them so much. -- Caroline Hurst

I want to make better grades so I can get more mony. I want to kill bigger bucks, so we don't have to buy meat as much. Get better lewers (lures) so I can catch bigger fish. -- A.J. Bates

Bring my grades up because I want to pass. Be better at math because I can learn more about it. Make my AR goal. -- Iain Pickron

I defenitally wanna win All stars in softball and I wanna let my hair and nails grow out (its a habit)! And third get a schalorship. It's important because its like my dream and like my favorit dream. -- Destiny

I want to hunt better, play games better. I want to free run better. Why I want to hunt better is I don't shoot strait. I play games good but I want to be a pro. -- Cody Barfield

Meet my AR goal. Play a sport. Go to a football game. Because I'm tired of same fireworks. I never got to go to football game. I never got to play a sport. -- Gracie Boyd

I want to go to school wide for tropicana speech and win because of the medal. I want to go to fifth grade because of everything. I want Far Cry 3 to beat my family and friends. -- Garrett Carter

I want to go hunting because I have never been. Second of all I want to run faster so I'll finish track faster. Third of all to be stronger so I will win in arm wrestleing. -- Kaydon

I want to beat the wourld record for running, flex arm hang and softball throw. I want to go in the medical field and learn how to do nails and hair. -- Grace Brown

Play less video games because they ruin my eyes. Read bigger books because they make me smart. Kill a buck because I want to. -- Jacob Smith

Making something new to the world, making better grades, doing more things. The reason why they are important is for my life to move on. -- Cade

Meet my AR goal. I want to meet my AR goal becose my mom, dad take me on a trip. And I want to build a

tree house so I can sleep in it over the weekends. I want a new dog for Christmas. -- A.J.

I want to get better at math so I can be smart. Read bigger books so I can have kolwege. I want to be faster so I can go to track meet. -- Heath

My first goal for 2013 is to make gas prices lower because if you needed to go somewhere you would be broke before you go to where you are going. My second 2013 goal is to stop biting my nails because they never grow and I can't paint them. My third 2013 goal is for the State of Florida to ban FCAT because it gets me so stressed out. -- Summer Stone

How will 2013 be different from 2012?

There will be new technology. Like new tablets! Or a cleaning robot! That would help me a lot! -- Caroline Hurst

The plants and animals will be bigger because of more food. -- A.J. Bates

I will be older than I was in 2012. I will be stronger and smarter. I can help my PawPaw and mom. -- Iain Pickron

There will probley be new cell phones and cell phone cases and just about EVERYTHING! -- Destiny

They will build new cars that might float or hover. Make new games better than the old ones or make ray guns. -- Cody Barfield

Better people, more money and most of all stop global warming. NO homework. -- Kaydon

Advanced technology to make life easier. -- Jacob Smith

Because there will not be 12-12-12. -- Cade

I'll get new yogou cards and get older and be 10! -- Heath

I hope in 2013 there will be a cure for cancer. Because people die every day from cancer. -- Summer Stone

What New Year's resolution would you like to make for someone else?

For the Sunshine State requirements to set the bar a little lower. -- Caroline Hurst

I want my dad to get faster so he can out run my Uncle. -- A.J. Bates

I want my mom and PawPaw to stop smoking and be healthier. -- Iain Pickron

That my granny and papa and my other granny aka GeeGee and papa STOP! smoking. -- Destiny

I would like for my dad to have a happy birthday on new year's day. -- Garrett Carter

I want my mom to let me dye my hair electric blue. -- AJ

For my grandmother to quit chewing tobacco. -- Sterling

happy holidays

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