

# Montford talks education, jobs & prison at Liberty Co. Chamber annual meeting

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*  
 State Senator Bill Montford's speech at Monday night's annual Liberty County Chamber of Commerce Membership meeting made it clear where he stands on the issues and a story from his years as a school principal shows he knows how to get answers.

When students got in trouble and were sent to his office, he would tell them to step on the "lie detector rug" in front of his desk.

"Then I'd reach under the desk to turn it on," he said.

When a student wasn't forthcoming about their transgressions in class, the principal was quick to let them know what the consequences would be.

"I had a phone book on the side of my desk. I slammed the paddle down on the phone book three times," he said. "They'd start spilling the beans."

The noise had an effect on those waiting outside the door as well. "They would send the next one in and they would start singing like birds," he laughed.

He has an equally down to earth attitude about education.

"I believe there's nothing more important to



Senator Bill Montford talks with Harry Hagan at Monday night's meeting.  
 TERESA EUBANKS PHOTOS

the state than a good, solid education system. It should be the Number One priority," said Montford, who was a principal for 18 years and served as a school administrator for 26 years.

Montford is ready for the FCAT to be phased out in favor of the new common core standards, which will require end of course exams. He said a single test can't gauge everything a child

knows.

But he plans to introduce legislation to slow down the transition, explaining that there's just not enough time for teachers to adjust to the changes. "I have a bill coming up in the next session that will delay it two years," he said.

He's also a strong advocate of giving students options on different ways to complete their high school education and feels it's time to quit pushing everyone toward higher education. "Some of the brightest kids don't want to go on to college," he said, drawing on the experiences of his former students who are now his constituents. "Three of my former students own their very own plumbing companies," he said. "They're very successful. They've never gone to college."

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On the job front, Montford sums it up with the statement: "Florida is different."

The state's diversity means what works in one county isn't necessarily the best idea for the next county and he urges local control. "I don't think we need to dictate how money needs to be spent at the local level," he said.

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## Liberty Chamber honors Joe Shuler

Longtime Liberty County Chamber of Commerce member Joe Shuler was honored with an award recognizing his efforts with the organization. The inscription read, "In appreciation for your outstanding and dedicated service to our community." Chamber President Michael Wright is shown holding the award as Shuler addresses the chamber.



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## Carr Celebrates



State Representative Halsey Beshears pauses to speak with FFA President Holley Bailey during Friday's open house at Carr School. See more on page 16.  
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Man says brother knocked him out, tied his hands, put him in tub and held a knife to his neck  
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Visitor locks out relatives and then runs from deputies  
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Early morning stop leads to DUI arrest in Bristol  
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## Man charged with knocking out brother, tying him up, holding knife to his throat

A man who said his brother had been smoking an unusually large amount of meth told deputies that he was knocked unconscious and later came to in the bathtub with his wrists tied as his brother shouted, "Who is watching me? Why are they watching me? Why are you giving signals?"



JAMES DARREN SUMMERLIN

according to a report from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office. The man said his brother started hitting him again before taking out a knife, holding it to his throat and threatening to cut him. James Darren Summerlin, 21, was arrested for aggravated battery and false imprisonment after his brother told deputies Summerlin tried to kill him.

The injured brother was shaking and in tears when he gave deputies details of what happened earlier that evening. He had visible injuries, including abrasions and bruising on the back of his head and neck. "There were red marks and abrasions on his arms and ligature marks around his wrist where it appeared he had been tied up," according to the arrest report.

According to the victim, Summerlin was at his home in Altha Jan. 16. He said he was sitting on the couch while Summerlin was walking around the house, smoking a "boat" of meth - referring to the street name for piece of folded tinfoil used to inhale fumes. He described the "boat" as larger than usual with a 1/8" line of methamphetamine powder running the entire length of it.

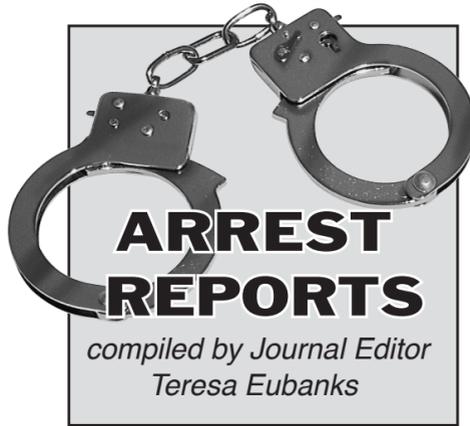
As soon as Summerlin finished smoking the meth, his brother said he punched him in the face so hard that it knocked him out. He later awakened in the bathtub. When Summerlin realized his brother was conscious again, he began punching him with his fists and stomping him with his feet, the victim said. He said he attempted to block the blows with his bound hands. The victim said he thought the meth made Summerlin "extremely paranoid and he was hallucinating."

After the attack the victim was able to escape to a neighbor's home and phoned for help. Summerlin escaped on foot to his grandmother's house. He left in her car. Deputies later caught up with him on Main Street in Altha. A "crying and solemn" Summerlin was taken into custody without incident.

### CORRECTIONS:

A rather blunt quote in last week's Page 9 story on the Liberty County Commission meeting was attributed to the wrong person. Sheriff Nick Finch and School Superintendent Gay Uzzell came to the board to request funding for another School Resource Officer, which resulted in a long, heated debate. Commissioner Davis Stoutamire summed up the problem by stating, "We don't have the money... we don't have the money!" Due to some confusion matching up the board members with their nameplates, our new contributing writer Liliane Parbot mistakenly attributed the comment to new commissioner Dewayne Branch. We regret the error. Commission Chairman Jim Johnson has asked that we point out that while they could not commit to funding the position at that meeting, they plan to hold a workshop to look at other options to help get money to support the School Resource Officer program. The workshop is set for 8:30 a.m. Thursday, and will be followed by a special meeting.

In last week's front page story about the leave payouts made to seven members of the Liberty County Sheriff's Office, it was stated that former Liberty County Sergeants Brian Bateman and Todd Wheelley are now both working with the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office. We had received information to that effect but have since learned that while Wheelley is employed with the CCSO, Bateman is not.



## Man visiting relatives locks them out and runs from deputies

A man staying with relatives in Altha was arrested Jan. 19 after he left a party at a neighbor's home, returned to the house where he was staying, locked all the doors and broke a window before fleeing from deputies.

Shawn Lape, 35, was charged with aggravated battery on a LEO, resisting without violence and criminal mischief under \$200. He is being held on a \$35,500 cash bond.

According to the arrest report, Lape was drinking with a neighbor on Palm Beach Road in Altha when he got into an argument and left.

He returned to his relative's home, where he was heard cursing and knocking things around inside. His host walked to the house to ask him to leave but discovered he had locked the doors, broken the handle on a storm door and broke a bedroom window on the east side of the home.

Deputies arrived and spoke to Lape through the broken window, ordering him to come out. He ran to the other side of the house and started out the north door but went back in when he saw deputies approaching.

At that time, deputies heard someone yelling for help on the other side of an eight-foot wooden fence, leading them to believe Lape had escaped through the broken window, jumped the fence and gotten injured. When they got to the other side of the fence, they found a different man who had become tangled up in briars. He was not wearing a shirt and sustained numerous scratches all over his chest and back. "All he could state was that he needed help and wanted to go to bed," the report noted. EMS was called to the scene to check on his injuries.

Meanwhile, Lape made a run for it and apparently got away but later returned to his relative's home.

Once again, the deputies made contact with Lape through the broken window of the bedroom, where they saw that he was naked and kneeling on the bed. Deputies entered the bedroom and began to handcuff him when he yelled, "Get you some..." followed by an expletive. Lape then scratched the deputy's hand, drawing blood, as he was being handcuffed.

## Argument ends with thrown beer can and charges filed

A 36-year-old Grand Ridge man was charged with battery after a dispute with his girlfriend resulted in a 911 call.

Deputies arrested Jonathan Dewayne Branch after his girlfriend filed a complaint that he threw a can of beer and hit her in the face on Jan. 8. The woman met deputies still wearing the beer-soaked shirt and had red marks on her face indicating where she had been struck, according to the report from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office.



JONATHAN BRANCH

She stated that she arrived at her CR 69 home around 5 p.m. to find Branch parked in her yard. She went inside and Branch and her 14-year-old daughter went to the store. When they returned, her daughter went to take a shower. Branch and his girlfriend went into the living room, where he sat on the couch and she sat on his lap.

The woman said Branch became upset when she told him someone had commented that he might be cheating on her. When she tried to get up, she said he would not let her go. The two began arguing and she got up and went into the kitchen. She said he followed her and demanded to know who made the comment and began yelling. She said when she told him to leave, he threw the can of beer he had been drinking from at her head, hitting the right side of her face. She then grabbed the phone and called the sheriff's office.

The daughter told deputies she overheard the argument but did not see what happened. She also said it was not the first time Branch had been physically abusive.

Branch was taken into custody Jan. 17 and later given a conditional release.

## SHERIFF'S LOG

### CALHOUN COUNTY

#### January 14

- Amy Weathers, VOP, CCSO.
- Theresa Maclean, *manufacture meth, possession of meth, possession of listed chemicals, CCSO.*

#### January 15

- Brittany Seaton, VOP, CCSO.
- Steve Mears, *assault, battery (domestic), CCSO.*

#### January 16

- James Summerlin, *aggravated battery, kidnap, CCSO.*

#### January 17

- Jonathan Branch, *battery, CCSO.*

#### January 18

- Bridget Danley, VOP, CCSO.

#### January 19

- Shawn Lape, *aggravated battery on LEO, resisting without violence, criminal mischief \$200 and under, CCSO.*

### LIBERTY COUNTY

#### January 12

- Shawn Smith, *DUI, LCSO.*

#### January 14

- Amy Weathers, *holding for CCSO, CCSO.*
- Theresa Maclean, *holding for CCSO, CCSO.*

#### January 15

- Albert Schwendeman, *failure to appear, LCSO.*
- Brittany Seaton, *holding for CCSO, CCSO.*

#### January 18

- Les Conyers, *felony battery, tampering with a witness, LCSO.*
- Charles A Sheffield, Jr., *domestic battery, LCSO.*

#### January 19

- Chadrick Capps, *DUI, DUI refusal, FHP.*

Listings include name followed by charge and identification of arresting agency. The names above represent those charged. We remind our readers that all are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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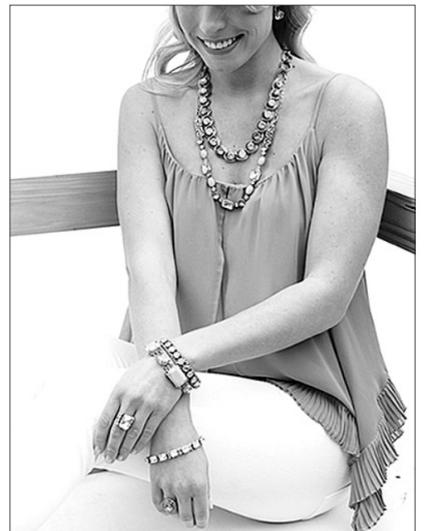
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## Bristol Collision

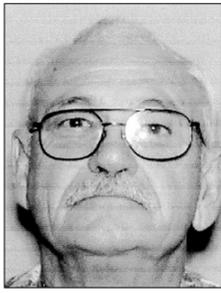
A 19-year-old from Altha was cited for careless driving after he rear-ended a 2008 Toyota Highlander waiting to turn off SR 20 last week in Bristol. According to the FHP report, Colby Mason Jerkins was traveling west in the inside westbound lane of SR 20 when he drove his 2008 Nissan Altima into the rear of the SUV driven by Rebecca Foran, who was preparing to make a left turn. Jerkins was not injured. Foran was transported to the emergency room at Calhoun-Liberty Hospital to be examined for minor injuries. Damages to both vehicles were estimated at \$5,500 each. The Jan. 14 collision was investigated by FHP Trooper Jason King.

JOHNNY EUBANKS PHOTO



## Conyers charged with felony battery and tampering with a witness following altercation

A woman who called 911 and screamed for help before the phone went dead ran to deputies when they arrived at a River Street home in Bristol Friday night, yelling repeatedly, "He's going to kill me!", according to a report from the Liberty County Sheriff's Office.



LES CONYERS, JR

Les Conyers Jr., 60, walked behind the woman as she raced toward the patrol car.

When deputies asked if he had a gun, the woman replied that he did. Conyers was ordered to stop and then held up his hands to show they were empty.

Deputies noted that Conyers smelled strongly of an alcoholic beverage, and as they spoke with him, determined "it was very apparent that he was intoxicated."

Conyers said he and the woman were arguing when she began acting erratically. He said he "held her down to calm her down" and denied he did so in an aggressive manner.

Deputies noted the woman had red marks on both sides of her neck, along with a scratch.

In a recorded statement, the 41-year-old woman said she and a friend returned home from a funeral to find Conyers "already drinking."

She said Conyers was jealous because she hadn't been around as much as he wanted her to be. She

said they began arguing as he continued to drink. When he began harassing her friend, the other woman left.

The victim said Conyers continued arguing but she stopped talking to him in fear she would provoke him.

She said he suddenly grabbed her around the throat and held her down on the couch, while repeatedly calling her names.

She said she grabbed her cell phone, ran in the bathroom and called 911. She said she was talking with the dispatcher when Conyers broke into the bathroom, took the phone and threw it into a fire in the fireplace.

She said he also cut the phone line in the bedroom and ripped the kitchen phone out of the wall.

The phone was later found in the fireplace.

The victim was distraught throughout the interview with deputies and kept saying that Conyers almost killed her.

Conyers was charged with felony battery for putting his hands around her throat. He was charged with tampering with a witness for burning her cell phone and severing the other phone lines in the house, preventing her from calling for help.

He was booked into the Liberty County Jail and later released on \$7,000 bond.

## ARREST REPORTS

compiled by Journal Editor Teresa Eubanks

### Man arrested for keeping his girlfriend from leaving home

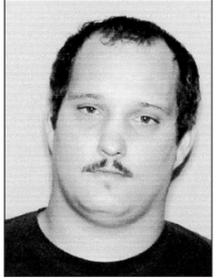
A Jan. 19 incident at home on CR 379 resulted in the arrest of Charles Sheffield, 30, for domestic battery.

When deputies responded to a call at the home, Sheffield met them and said he had been arguing all day and admitted to pushing his girlfriend against the door with his chest after telling her she was not going to leave with their child.

The woman gave the same statement, that they had been arguing all day, and said Sheffield pushed all his weight against her, pinning her against the door against her will.

She also said she feared for her life. She told deputies that Sheffield had threatened to cause great bodily harm or death.

Sheffield was charged with domestic battery and taken to the Liberty County Jail. His bond was set at \$500.



CHARLES SHEFFIELD

### Driver charged with DUI after early morning stop in Bristol

A Bristol man was charged with DUI after a deputy on patrol noticed a driver struggling to stay in a single lane while traveling on SR 20 near the median break at Johnson Street at 12:58 a.m. Saturday.

The deputy conducted a traffic stop at SR 20 and Virginia Weaver Street, where he approached the driver's door and noticed the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage.

When the deputy pointed out the two open containers of alcohol in the car and asked the driver, Chadrick Thomas Capps, 45, who



CHADRICK CAPPS

they belonged to, Capps replied, "Well, one of them is mine."

Capps initially refused to take a roadside sobriety test but later attempted to do so unsuccessfully as he struggled to keep his

balance.

The arrest report noted that Capps admitted that he knew he had too much to drink and asked if the deputy would just let him go home.

The deputy arrested him and took him to the Liberty County Jail, where he refused to give a breath sample to determine his level of intoxication. He was charged with DUI and refusal to submit to a lawful breath test, both second offenses.

His passenger was given a ride home.

He remained in custody as of Tuesday.



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### Joshua meets Sen. Montford Monday night

Joshua Goodman takes a picture with Senator Bill Montford at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet Monday night. Joshua played the piano as part of the entertainment provided by Zachary Lawson's Piano Studios.

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## BIRTHDAY

### SARA CATHERINE BROWN

Sara Catherine Brown will celebrate her ninth birthday Sunday, Jan. 27. She is the daughter of Doyle and Beth Brown of Hosford. Her grandparents are Bob and Ruth Pickron of Bristol and Pharis (Sonny) and the late Pauline Brown. She enjoys being the youngest of five children, as she is catered to by all. She loves spending time with extended family in Bristol and Hosford. She shares her birthday with her Nana.



## Jacob Reed and Jessie Leach to wed Feb. 9

Jacob Reed and Jessie Leach are happy to announce their upcoming wedding Saturday, Feb. 9 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Civic Center in Bristol.

The bride's parents are Kathy Herring of Havana and Kim Leach of Tampa.

The groom's parents are Marilyn and Archie Harris of Bristol.

Members of the wedding party are as follows: Best man, Cody Phillips, cousin to the groom; maid of honor, Casey Leach, sister to the bride; groomsmen, Eric Flowers, Samuel Harris and Bobby Foster, all of Bristol; bridesmaids, Karen Leach and Sara Chamlis, both of Tallahassee and Emily Whittaker of Bristol.



## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

**MOVIE NIGHT** – First Baptist Church of Blountstown invites you to join them Sunday, Jan. 27 at 5 p.m. for a movie night and fellowship. Hot dogs and nachos with cheese will be served during the fellowship. Admission is free. We look forward to seeing you there!

**SPECIAL SERVICES** – Page Pond Assembly of God Church in Altha will hold special services Sunday, Jan. 27-Wednesday, Jan. 30 with Sunday, morning services at 10:45 a.m. and evening services at 5:30 p.m. and Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Evangelist Bennie Jones, an ordained bishop, has been in full time ministry for over three decades. He is a full time evangelist serving mainly in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. He is a musician and singer with several gospel recordings to his credit.

He has three children and five grandchildren. His youngest son, John is the senior pastor of Faith Tabernacle

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## NOTES OF THANKS

I would like to thank everyone for your prayers, visits, calls, cards, flowers and food during my injury and recovery. I’m proud that we all live in a place where people still care. I am much better and I am hoping and praying for a full recovery.

*God Bless You All,  
Ken Hosford and family*

and thank you all for caring. And thank you for the gifts, I will put them to good use.”

*Ron Hatcher, SSGT  
US Air Force*

### ELEVATION OF JURISDICTIONAL SUPERVISOR

– Join the celebration for the elevation of Mother Dolie S. Reed as Jurisdictional Supervisor for the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Florida Northwest Church of God in Christ, Inc. Saturday, April 13 at 5 p.m. (CT) at the Holiday Inn Select in Panama City.



### ELEVENTH CHOIR ANNIVERSARY

– St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church Sanctuary Choir invites everyone to attend the celebration of the 11th Choir Anniversary. Services are as follows:  
\* Saturday, Jan. 26 at 6 p.m. – Musical program  
\* Sunday, Jan. 27. at 3:30 p.m. – Worship service

## WEDDINGS

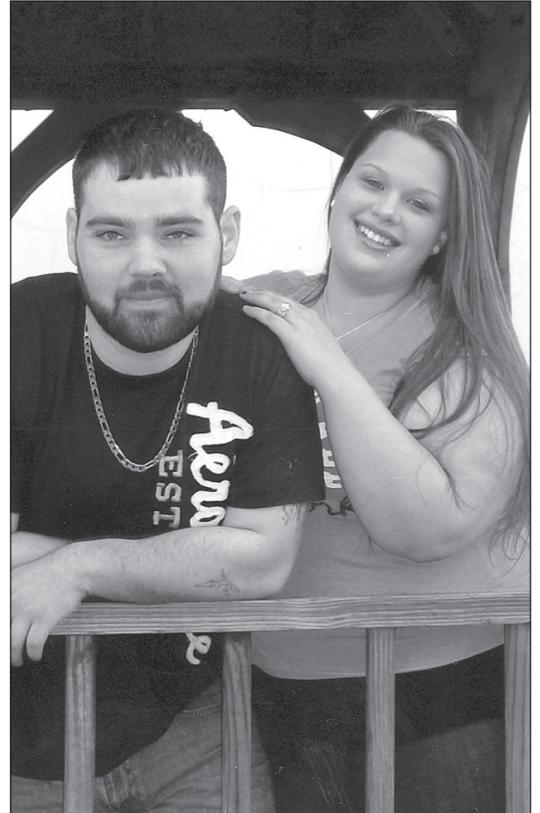
### Chase Tipton and Lindsey Page plan Feb. 2 wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Jim and Melissa Whittington of Bristol and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip and Amanda Page of Las Vegas, NV announce the engagement of their daughter Lindsey Alexis Page to Chase Alexander Tipton, son of James and Rhonda Tipton of Bristol.

The bride-to-be graduated from Franklin County High School in 2011.

The groom-to-be graduated from Liberty County High School in 2008.

The wedding is set for Saturday, Feb. 2 at 1 p.m. (ET) at the American Legion Hall in Blountstown. All family and friends are welcome to attend. The couple plan on making Bristol their home.



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# Jazz duo to perform for Chipola Artist Series Thursday, Feb. 7

MARIANNA— The Davis and Dow jazz duo will perform for the Chipola College Artist Series, Thursday, Feb. 7, in the Chipola Center for the Arts.

The show of Jazz standards will include a request-by-favorites second half in which the audience gets to pick blues selections.

The award-winning Davis and Dow jazz duo tackle jazz and pop standards with a daring sense of abandon. Their style is deeply rooted in the classic jazz tradition but with a playfulness that keeps the music fresh and fun. Their arrangements are unique and inventive, always seeking a new approach to everything they do.

Recognized as one of the finest and most versatile jazz singers of her generation, Julie Davis is everything from scat-singer to balladeer. She grew up listening to Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Ella Fitzgerald and others on her parents' extensive vinyl collection. She is a stylist that seeks an original twist on every-



thing she performs.

Kelly Dow is a world-class guitarist whose primary influences are Joe Pass, Jimmy Bruno, Django Reinhardt and the modern day European gypsy jazz virtuosos. He blends Be-Bop, Blues, Flamenco and Classical styles to create a strong individual sound delivered with sensitivity, power and creativity.

Davis and Dow have toured Japan, London and New York, composed and performed original music for the TV show

"FoodNation with Bobby Flay" and produced "Divas of Jazz." Their latest CD "Naked" won Best Jazz Album-Florida Music Awards, was featured in JazzTimes Magazine and voted Best Jazz Artists by New Times Magazine.

Tickets are available online at [www.chipola.edu](http://www.chipola.edu). Click "Fine Arts" and "Artist Series." Online tickets may be printed at home, or with an order confirmation, will-call tickets will be available at the box office the night of the show. The Center for the Arts Box Office will be open Thursday, Jan. 31 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday, Feb. 4-6 and Thursday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m. the night of the show.

Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$10 for children under 18. Tickets for Chipola students and employees are \$5 the day of the show.

The popular bluegrass/country comedy group, Three on a String, will perform Thursday, Apr. 11.

For information, visit [www.chipola.edu](http://www.chipola.edu) or phone 718-2257.

## Torrey State Park plans 24th Candlelight Tour

BRISTOL — The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Torrey State Park will host the 24th Annual Candlelight Tour event Saturday, Feb. 2 from 12 p.m. to sunset (ET).

Visitors will enjoy authentic blacksmith demonstrations, civil war camp along with the firing of cannons, live bluegrass with local musicians, candle dipping and other exhibits. Kids can even see fire trucks up close and personal.

Tours of the Historic Gregory House will begin at 10 a.m. and will continue every hour on the hour until 4 p.m. At sunset, the Historic Gregory House doors will be opened for a leisurely tour, free of charge. All donations will benefit the park's citizen support organization, the Friends of Torrey State Park.

This event is free with park admission of \$3. For more information call the park at (850) 643-2674 or visit [www.floridastateparks.org](http://www.floridastateparks.org).

## Calhoun Chamber seeks nominations for Outstanding Citizen of the Year

The Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce is asking for nominations for the 2013 Outstanding Citizen of the Year. The award will be presented at the upcoming 66th Annual Chamber Membership Banquet.

Nominations must be in writing (email [kristy@calhounco.org](mailto:kristy@calhounco.org) to request a form) and must be submitted to the Chamber by Wednesday, Feb. 13. Characteristics of this individual are someone who has worked, promoted, or volunteered with great effort to or for the citizens of Calhoun County to create a better quality of life.

Please remember: Nominations must be received no later than Wednesday, Feb. 13.

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That's how many copies of *The Calhoun-Liberty Journal* were distributed last week, ensuring plenty of coverage for your announcements and great response for our business advertisers!

## Community Calendar

**Thursday, January 23**

**BIRTHDAY**  
*Shirley Williams*

**TODAY'S MEETINGS**

- Rotary Club, noon, CL Hospital
- AA, 7 p.m., Calhoun Old Ag Bldg. E door

**NATIONAL  
PIE DAY**

**Thursday, January 24**

**TODAY'S MEETINGS**

- AA, 7 p.m., basement of Calhoun County Courthouse
- VFW Post 12010, 7:30 p.m., Veterans Civic Center

**BIRTHDAYS**

*Dan Hanthorn*  
*Don Robinson*  
*Jami Lynn Daniels*

**Friday, January 25**

**BIRTHDAYS**

*Grady Dalton & Gayle Grissett*

**PARADE - 1 p.m. • GAME - 6 p.m.**

**Saturday, January 26**

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

**BIRTHDAYS**

*Danny Brock & Jonathan Alford*

**ALTHA Alumni Game & Chili Cook Off 6 p.m.**

**Sunday, January 27**

**OATMEAL MONTH**

**BIRTHDAY**

*David Yoder*

**Monday, January 28**

**TODAY'S MEETINGS**

- Boy Scout Troop 206, 7 p.m., Veterans Civic Ctr.
- Calhoun Children's Coal., 9 a.m., Neal Civic Ctr.
- Blountstown Lions Club, 6 p.m., Apalachee Rest.
- Panhandle Creative Crafters "Bizzie Bees", 5-8 p.m. (CT), WT Neal Civic Center, Blountstown
- Rock Bluff Community Fire Dept., 7 p.m., Voting house in Rock Bluff

**BIRTHDAYS**

*Betty Mayfield*  
*Kyle Peddie*  
*Alex Nowling*  
*Chip Ward*

**Tuesday, January 29**

**TODAY'S MEETINGS**

- Altha Boy Scouts, 7 p.m., Altha VFD
- AA, 6 p.m., Altha Community Center
- Sit-n-Sew meeting, 6 pm., 1st United Methodist Church Youth Hall on Clinton St. Marianna).
- Bristol Lions Club, 7 p.m., Apalachee Rest.
- Blountstown Chapter #179 O.E.S., 7 p.m., Dixie Lodge in Blountstown.
- AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, Hosford

**NATIONAL GLAUCOMA AWARENESS MONTH**

## Blountstown Library Art Series shows 'Juxtaposed'

The Blountstown Public Library will be displaying a unique piece of artwork Wednesday, Jan. 23 through the month of February. *Juxtaposed* was created by J.K. Newsome for Sunday Afternoon with the Art, an art show presented by The Artist's Guild of Northwest Florida in partnership with Chipola Regional Arts Association and Chipola College. It won second place in the Peoples Choice Award at the opening reception last November.

J.K. was in his late teens the first time he read that word, Juxtaposed. Not knowing what it meant, he looked it up and good ole Webster informed him that it meant placed side by side, as in comparison.

The two main elements of his *Juxtaposed* are the brass comedy and tragedy masks, in contrast with some rusty, torn tin.

He said, "the two came together quite by accident in my shop, but when I saw them... well, the mind takes over then. In the end, the piece compares happy and sad, black and white, shiny and rusty, bright and flat colors and I think, mixed emotions about what you are seeing."

Newsome hopes visitors will take the time to view his composition and reflect on all the different shades of texture in their lives. It is right before the hall to the Adult Computer Lab.

## Softball tournament benefit to raise \$\$\$ for eighth grade trip

Teams are being sought to take part in a preseason softball tournament to raise funds for W.R. Tolar School's eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C.

The entry fee is \$125 per team.

- There is a three home run limit per game, then and out. Teams can purchase extra home runs before each game. Home runs will not carry over to next game.

- Any 44 core ball pitching screens will be used, any bats can be used with the exception of Ultra 2. Pitching will be 4 to 10 no fakes or jukes.

The Double Elimination tournament starts at 8 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 26 at Veterans Memorial Park. Teams must call and register by Thursday, Jan. 24.

Come out, get your swings in and start your season off with a bang.

For more information, contact Howie Bess at (850) 274-1508 or (850) 643-5276.

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**WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND**

by Douglas Cohn and Eleanor Clift

**Commentary or entertainment?**

WASHINGTON – Beware the pundits. Whether the television talking heads are talking about politics or economics, the scenario is the same. They are first and foremost in the entertainment business, which is why their words helped create pandemonium in the financial markets during the fiscal cliff crisis.

The problem is the medium. Television thrives on hype and controversy to attract viewers and viewers attract advertisers. In many respects, it mirrors the divisiveness in the nation. Most people may be in the political and economic middle ground, but most television commentators are not. Television producers provide debates more than informative discussions, which is why political conservatives debate liberals and fiscal conservatives debate Keynesian economists.

This is fine, but where are the centrist voices? Their absence helps to increase the divisions both among the public and in Congress. The fiscal cliff crisis was – and once again is about to be – the latest example of pundit-driven overreaction. Most political veterans knew that Congress would not let the Bush tax cuts expire for middle-income earners and would not let the \$1.2 trillion spending cuts known as sequestration kick in to shut down the government. But the pundits spent two months warning of the opposite scenario.

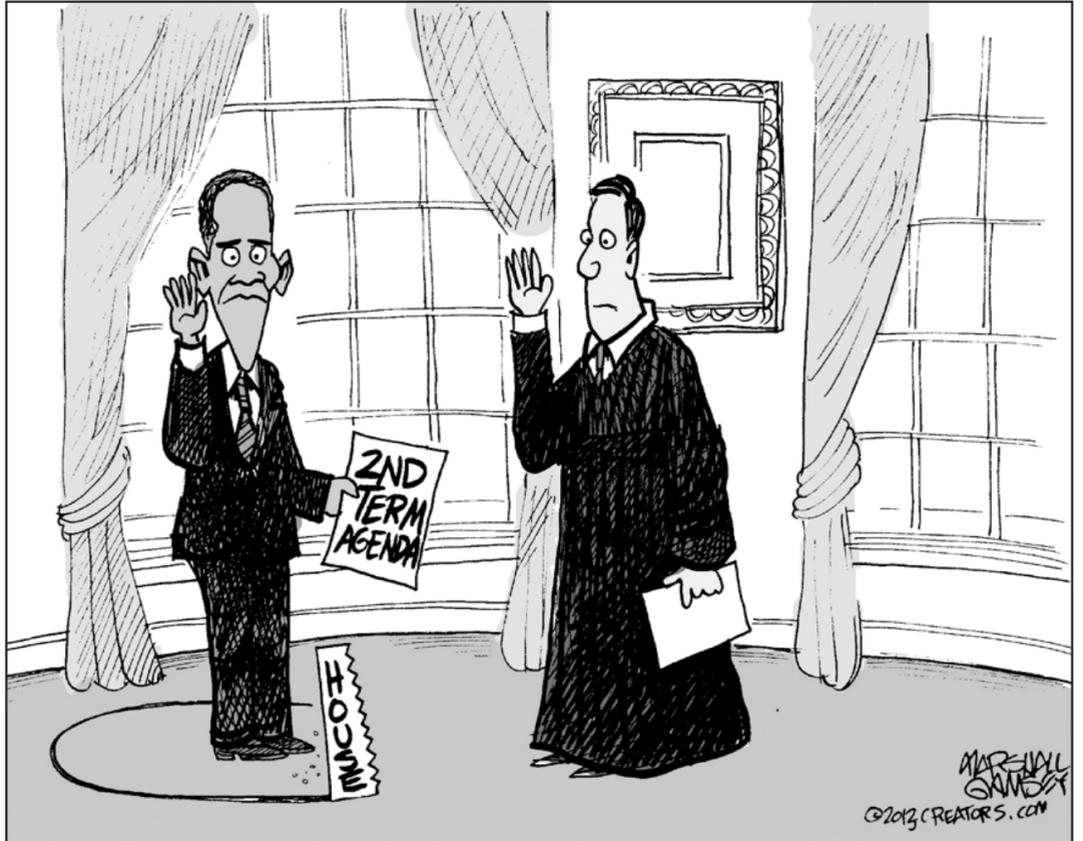
Day after day, we were bombarded with “experts” telling us of the horrors of “the cliff” and the likelihood of going over it. Then, as Dec. 31, 2012, the day of reckoning approached, the pundits became increasingly excited. The sky was falling. The world was ending. Congress was made up of partisan fools. The system doesn’t work. America is failing.

But this is not what you read from us. We simply wrote that the country would not go over “the cliff,” period. And come the next deadline, whether it is the debt ceiling or sequestration, we repeat: the country will not go over “the cliff.”

However, the vociferous cliff pundits virtually talked the Dow Jones Industrial Average down nearly 1,000 points during the last three months of the year. Yes, there are many factors affecting the stock market, but it is of note that it dramatically recovered after Congress passed the appropriate cliff-avoiding legislation at year end. How might the market have behaved had most pundits told what history repeatedly has proven: In the end, politicians will do the public’s bidding, albeit, often at the 11th hour.

However, history, experience and centrist reason does not make for good television. It is the realm of hype and controversy and because it shapes public opinion far more than our political system and our elected representatives do, it bears the lion’s share of blame for the gridlock, partisanship and divisiveness that currently plagues the nation.

Certainly, not all television commentary is entertainment and not all print commentary is rational, but there is a significant difference. Writers cannot shout in several second bursts. They cannot talk over one another, turning debates into indecipherable rants. Instead, writers are compelled to put their reasoning on paper where the public can quickly discern whether or not it is logical and compelling. This is why there is a yawning chasm between the print and television mediums, a chasm between rational commentary and irresponsible entertainment.



**The American Experiment**

On July 5, 2007, Helle C. Dale of the Heritage Foundation wrote the following. “The American experiment was unique and improbable in 1776, when Thomas Jefferson penned the Declaration of Independence and the American colonies defied Britain, the most powerful nation on earth at the time. As we look around the world at how difficult it is for democracy and freedom to take hold and flourish, America seems like a political miracle.”

America’s experiment in self-imposed democracy is, and has been, the gold standard of democracy for other nations. Most industrialized nations have followed America’s lead, but many nations or fiefdoms do not. Some are failed nation states like Somalia, lawless and ruled by anarchy.

While we pound our chest, declare our liberties, America’s experiment in democracy is a bit tattered around the edges. Will this experiment continue? Maybe, maybe not.

The current political strife that has brought the nation to its political knees isn’t new. Even President George Washington had his detractors. Washington’s political dustup was over the 1794 Jay Treaty with Great Britain.

The pesky British were capturing America’s commercial ships thereby violating America’s neutrality. Of course, the Congress was jacked out of shape by this turn of events, and Representative James Madison lead the charge to restrict or end America’s trade with Great Britain.

The more pragmatic leaders, including Alexander Hamilton, recognized that ending trade with Great Britain would hurt the fledging American economy. Not a good idea. Washington sent Chief Justice John Jay to England to resolve the issue. Jay returned with a “Treaty of Amity Commerce and Navigation, between

**COX’S CORNER**

*Jerry Cox is a retired military officer and writer with an extensive background in domestic and foreign policy issues. He lives in Okaloosa County.*

*Republicans elected to Congress actually sign a pledge with lobbyist Grover Norquist that they will never increase taxes*

There is plenty of blame to go around. When we are in our chest-pounding mode, usually around July the Fourth, we assume that the American democratic experiment is solid as a rock. It’s not. The following from Benjamin Franklin says it best.

In 1787, when the Founding Fathers had hammered out the U.S. Constitution in Independence Hall in Philadelphia, Benjamin Franklin told an inquiring woman what the gathering had produced, “A republic, madam, if you can keep it.”

A “republic” is representative government. We think we have it, but we don’t. Representative government is a simple concept. We elect our friends, neighbors, citizens to represent our interest at the city, state and federal level. What could possibly go wrong with such a simple system? Well, much.

My view of representative government is simple. We elect people; they go to Tallahassee or Washington and take care of our issues, meaning that they do what is best for their constituents. I expect our representatives to debate the issues and do what is best for citizens of Florida or the United States.

But, “big money” owns our representative government. The U.S. Supreme Court drove a stake through the heart of representative government with their Citizen’s United ruling that permits unlimited spending by anybody, or any company, or political group that has the cash.

Republicans elected to Congress actually sign a pledge with lobbyist Grover Norquist that they will never increase taxes, all the while pledging to uphold the Constitution and represent people in their district or state. That is the worst case of pandering for the right-wing vote that I can imagine. And we are supposed to believe these people have “character and values.”

The diversity of the American people was once considered a virtue, an example of how American democracy welcomes one and all. Not so fast. The white majority of “we the people” discovered that in about 20 years they would be the white minority, which has created a fault line in America’s democratic experiment.

If America’s becoming a black and brown country isn’t enough, corporate America, political PACs, money men and political extremists have elected a Congress that is unable to cope with the changing American landscape. Both Republicans and Democrats are at fault for the congressional ineptness that plagues the nation.

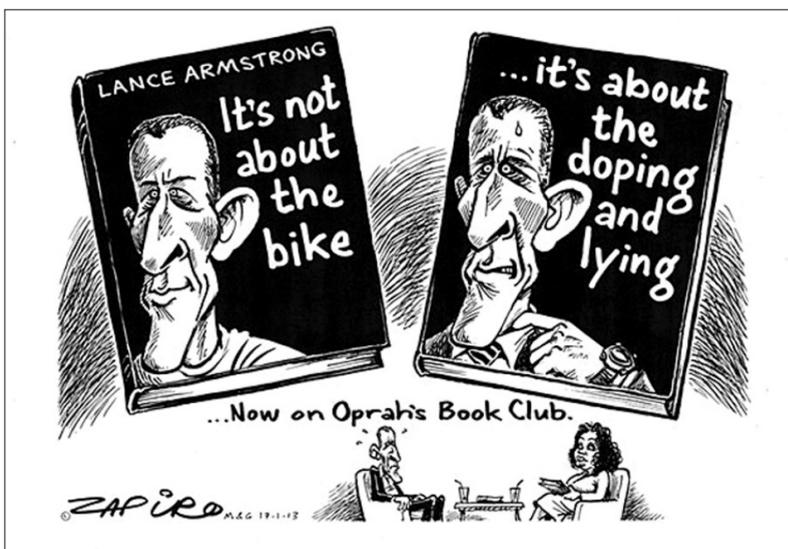
Is there a solution to our collective political dilemma? Yep. If the American people will recognize that we all sink or swim together; elect middle of the road moderate Democrats and Republicans that recognize compromise is not a dirty word, and demand that Congress represent the American people, not special interests. Also, if you want it, pay for it.



His Britannic Majesty; and The United States of America.”

The Jay Treaty was ratified by the Congress, but only after a thorough vetting of the “advise and consent” and “separation of power” rules, both of which are still hot-button political issues.

The responsibility for the tattering of the American democratic experiment belongs to both political parties, particularly the Republicans, but also, “we the people.”





# Liberty Chamber Banquet

Students in Zach Lawson's Piano Studio classes shared their talents with guests at Monday night's Liberty County Chamber of Commerce annual membership meeting held at Veterans Memorial Park Civic Center in Bristol. ABOVE: Joshua Goodman plays for the group as they dine. LEFT: Vocalist Sydney Sanders performs. RIGHT: Instructor Zach Lawson accompanied young Zac Hosford on the keyboard in a song they made up together called, "Key of C Song." BELOW:



Senator Montford (far left) speaks with Liberty County Clerk of Court Kathy Brown, Robert Hill and Ricky Brown at the end of the meeting. LEFT: Doobie Hayes was one of several people to win door prizes at the chamber dinner.

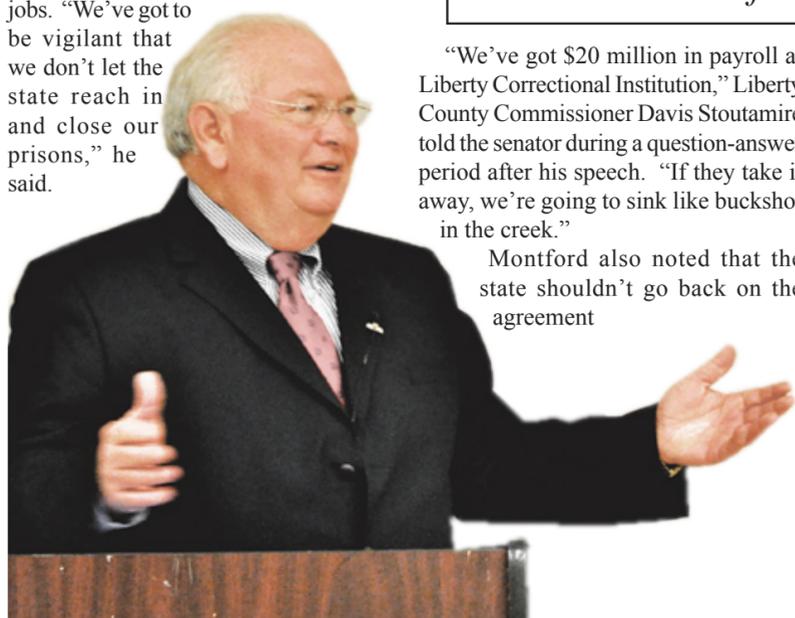
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## MONTFORD

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He also warned that communities like Liberty County need to guard their prison jobs. "We've got to be vigilant that we don't let the state reach in and close our prisons," he said.



"We've got \$20 million in payroll at Liberty Correctional Institution," Liberty County Commissioner Davis Stoutamire told the senator during a question-answer period after his speech. "If they take it away, we're going to sink like buckshot in the creek."

Montford also noted that the state shouldn't go back on the agreement

made with communities to provide work camps to help clean roadways and maintain county properties.

"A promise was made that if you accept these prisons in the community, you would have work camps," he said, explaining the one thing that got the attention of communities reluctant to house a correctional institution. "A deal is a deal."

### OTHER TOPICS

**WATER:** When the topic turned to the Apalachicola River, Montford said, "This is an American tragedy in the making - the destruction of the Apalachicola Bay and the Apalachicola River Basin." He said it was wrong for Florida to let this happen, explaining, "The problem is they're washing cars

in Atlanta and we're starving to death down here."

**BP SPILL:** "I believe we've not seen the last of the problems of BP. Some of the things they did, in my opinion, were unconscionable," he said, referring to waivers claimants had to sign promising not to sue BP in exchange for a quick payment. "It was a mess and it's still a mess," he said. "There's a lot of money that BP owes somebody...we want to make sure Florida gets every penny we can to the right people."

**STATE RETIREMENT:** "Our state retirement system is one of the most fiscally sound in the country," he said. He disagreed with the 3 percent being taken out of state employees' pay to go toward their retirement, commenting that he didn't mind if that rule applied to new employees but said it wasn't fair to those already on the job.

## Italian B&B owned by Blountstown man wins Travelers Choice Award

GHIVIZZANO, ITALY - Casa La Pace Bed and Breakfast has been named a 2013 Travelers' Choice® Awards winner by TripAdvisor and is listed among the Top 25 Best B&Bs in Italy. Rusty Wyrick (formerly of Calhoun County) and Pepper Pepper were honored that they are number 14 of the Top 25 Best B&Bs in Italy.

"We are thrilled to receive a 2013 Travelers' Choice® Award," says Pepper. "For us, it is an incredible accomplishment to receive such an award. This award will serve as inspiration to continue to do the best we can so that our guests have a wonderful travel experience."

Rusty Wyrick, co-owner of Casa La Pace, says

"We are astonished to be included among the best bed and breakfasts in all of Italy. We opened Casa La Pace Bed and Breakfast in 2010. Since then, we have had many wonderful guests that we can now count as friends. This award affirms to us that great things happen when you follow your dream."

Now in its 11th year, the annual TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice awards honor the world's best Hotels and B&Bs, earning their distinction from those who know them best - real travelers. "From the best bargain hotels to top luxury properties, outstanding service, value and quality are the hallmarks of our Travelers' Choice winners" said Christine Petersen, President, TripAdvisor.



*A lesson is learned after outfishing the rest of the summer campers*

# Hook, Line and Thinker

The easiest way to look like a genius is to surround yourself with idiots. I'm sure I learned a lot of other important things at summer camp in 1979, but that's the lesson that stuck with me the longest.

I had no idea what I was getting into when I signed up for a week of learning and fun at the Blackwater Environmental Education Center in Santa Rosa County. For one, we weren't exactly a "summer camp" kind of family. My father believed that the best place for a teenager during June, July and August was at a job or behind a push mower making tight circles in the yard. Also, I had never been away from home that long before and I wasn't sure how I would fit in with the other kids.

My first pangs of anxiety came as I was going through the packing list from the Division of Forestry. Some of the stuff I just didn't have, so the sleeping bag and hiking boots became a blanket and tennis shoes. Backpack? Duffle bag. Poncho? Long sleeved shirt. Insect repellent? Rusty can of Cutter's from Daddy's tackle box.

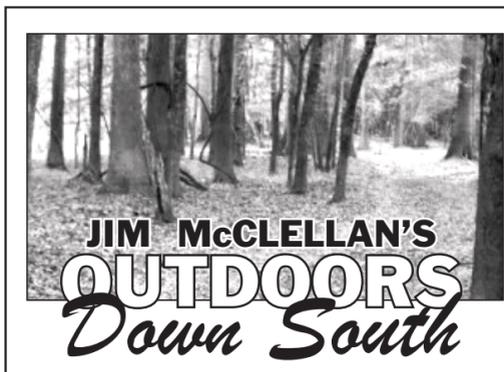
You get the picture.

The most embarrassing part of my make-shift kit, however, was my fishing tackle. The packing list recommended bringing a rod and reel, but my old Zebco 202 had been plunged into the Gulf one time too many that summer. It wouldn't turn no matter how much I oiled it.

I asked Daddy if I could use one of his. He actually laughed and said, "No way." What he gave me instead was about 20 feet of fishing line and the little pack of hooks he kept in his wallet. (Also, he wanted the hooks back when I came home.)

"Just break off a limb about as big around as a cane pole," he told me. "Tie on a piece of line and a hook and you're all set."

Yeah, right. So much for fishing, I thought. If I broke out that setup, I'd be the laugh-



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.

ingstock of the whole camp. As it happens I was right to worry. That's because there were about 100 kids — from places like Pensacola, Tallahassee, Jacksonville and even Tampa and Orlando — who had more brand-new camping and fishing stuff than I had ever seen in my life.

I was thoroughly intimidated, at least at first. But that feeling went away as soon as we went to the woods. That's when I realized that, no matter what cool stuff they brought, most of these kids had spent precious little time outside the city or the subdivision.

It turns out that growing up in Blountstown had given me something of a home field-advantage. I knew most of the trees, a lot of the plants and nearly all the critters we saw. I understood why fire moves faster going uphill and that rattlesnakes hang out in gopher holes.

Most important was the fact that I had no problem stomping around in the woods all day, while some of the other kids cringed and

cried about it. It was pretty obvious their parents had sent them to camp just to get them off the couch.

By the end of the week, I was feeling pretty good about the whole experience. But my stellar performance in the field quickly

turned into a liability: I was selected as one of the top 10 campers who would get to stay for a free second week that would be spent entirely in the woods.

As much as I enjoyed the first week, I was ready to go home. So I explained politely that, while I'd love to stay, my parents were planning on picking me up that Saturday. But, thanks just the same.

"Oh, we've already called your parents," the camp director said. "They're thrilled and said to tell you congratulations and that they would come get you next week."

"That's great," I said through clinched teeth. I had to stay, but now all my hard-won confidence was gone.

I didn't mind the camping out part, but the second week also featured a 'survival day.' We would have to find our own food — and that meant I would have to unveil my bare-bones fishing rig.

When survival day finally arrived, however, all the other kids went straight to the river and started casting way-too-big lures into the clear, shallow water. It was obvious to me that there was nothing there, and that's exactly what they were catching.

I didn't want anybody to see my jury-rigged fishing tackle — and I did want to catch fish — so I wandered upstream a little ways and, to my surprise, found a small pond just off the river. I broke off a suitable limb and tied on my line and hook. There were grasshoppers everywhere, so I put one on the hook and tossed him in. There was a slurp, a swirl and then the unmistakable pull of a fish on the line.

Jackpot.

I sat down right there and caught three warmouth before the crowd at the river realized what was going on. When we showed up back at the camp, I was the only one who actually had fish. At that point, I was a little proud of my broken-off-limb-pole. And normally, I wouldn't recommend warmouth at all, especially not roasted over an open flame, but these were actually pretty good.

Folks used to tell me that fish is 'brain food' and I guess they were right. I know I was feeling mighty smart that evening.

There were about 100 kids who had more brand-new camping and fishing stuff than I had ever seen in my life...I had 20 feet of fishing line, some hooks and a broken-off tree limb.

## NOTICE

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The University of Florida and the Jackson, Gadsden and Washington County Extension services will be providing training for those persons wishing to become Master Gardener Volunteers. Being a Master Gardener Volunteer with the University of Florida means helping local homeowners with their horticultural needs. Most Florida counties have an Extension Service where Master Gardeners help with homeowner related questions. Those Master Gardeners who are comfortable with speaking in public may also be asked to hand out university publications and answer questions at local events, speak at clubs and civic organizations and help with one of the many garden-related programs provided to the public. Master Gardeners also help tend to Demonstration Gardens, both in and around their county.

Being a Master Gardener is a wonderful, fulfilling experience. Not only do you get to pass-along your experiences and knowledge to those in need of it, but being a Master Gardener means continuing education for yourself through field

trips, seminars, conventions, Advanced Master Gardener Training, access to university publications and libraries and just hanging-out with a group of like-minded individuals.

In order to become a Master Gardener Volunteer one takes a 60 hour, University Sponsored Course. This course provides a basic understanding of plants, how they work and what makes them go awry. This year's course will cover basic plant botany, soils and what they mean to a plant, what is pH and why is it so important, fertilizers, good bugs and bad bugs, plant diseases, good and bad chemicals, invasive plants, native plants, ornamentals, lawns, vegetables, herbs, fruits and nuts, composting, plant identification, pruning, propagation and planting. There will be three field trips to visit a citrus grove, an olive grove, a bee and honey farm, an inside look at Oglesby International and a guided nature walk through Florida Caverns State Park. One whole day will be dedicated to visiting the University of Florida's Research and Education Site in Quincy, their test gardens and their Distance Diagnostic and Identification System. Also included in this year's course, trainees will inoculate their own shiitake mushroom log

and graft their own tree!

The course will be held at the Jackson County Extension Service building located at 2741 Pennsylvania Avenue in Marianna. Classes will start Monday, Feb. 18 and run daily (M-F) for two weeks, ending Friday, Mar. 1. Each class will begin at 8:30 a.m. and run to approximately 3:30 p.m., except for day one. The first day, trainees are asked to arrive between 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. for registration. The cost for the entire program, including, propaga-

tion materials, printed courseware, morning coffee and snacks, two days of lunches and all the conversation you can handle is only \$120, payable by Friday, Feb. 15.

In order to learn more about this wonderful opportunity and/or receive an application, call 482-9620, e-mail [jacksonmg@ifas.ufl.edu](mailto:jacksonmg@ifas.ufl.edu), or stop by 2741 Penn AVE in Marianna.

All applications must be completed and returned no later than Friday, Feb. 8 at 4:30 p.m.

## Tax-Aide for middle income people and seniors starts Feb. 5 in Altha

AARP Tax-Aide is again offering free tax preparation and e-filing to all low and middle income persons with emphasis on seniors over 60 at the Altha Public Library beginning Tuesday, Feb. 5.

A team of AARP volunteer certified tax preparers will prepare returns for taxpayers using computers, perform a secondary quality review, electronically file the returns immediately and provide the taxpayer tax documents.

The AARP free tax preparation service and e-filing will be available at the Altha Public Library, 15225 West Chipola Street, Altha, each Tuesday afternoon from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

beginning Tuesday, Feb. 5 through Tuesday, Apr. 9.

Come to the library on the day of service and register with the librarian, who will give you an interview sheet to fill out and the tax preparers will assist you in the order registered.

With AARP Tax-Aide tax preparation and e-filing, taxpayers using direct deposit can expect their refunds in seven to 13 days from the IRS tax return acceptance date.

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LEFT: ELEMENTARY DIVISION WINNERS: Carson Hatchett, Summer Stone and Addison O'Bryan. RIGHT: MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION WINNERS: Hannah Nickell and Madison Boggs. Not pictured, Terrell Hope.

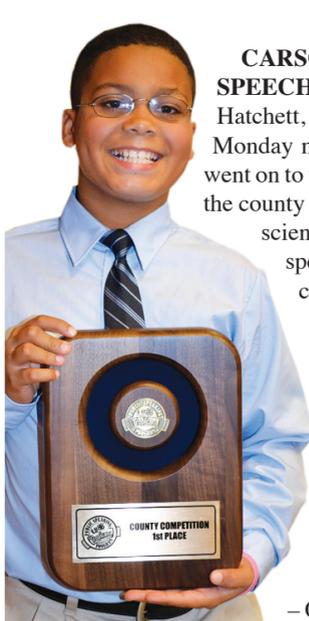


## County-wide 4-H Tropicana Speech Contest winners announced

The Calhoun County-wide 4-H Tropicana Speech Contest for the elementary and middle school divisions was held Monday evening, January 14, at the Calhoun County Library.

In the elementary division, Carson Hatchett, from Blountstown Elementary School, Blountstown Middle School and Carr School competed for the county honor.

In the middle school division, Hannah Nickell, Blountstown Middle School, won first place. Second place went to Madison Boggs, Altha Public School, and third place was awarded to Terrell Hope, Carr School.



### BES NEWS

**CARSON HATCHETT WINS TROPICANA SPEECH CONTEST** – B.E.S. fifth grade student, Carson Hatchett, won the County Wide Tropicana Speech Contest Monday night. Carson had already won from his pod, then went on to win first place for the school. Monday night he was the county wide winner. Carson's favorite subject in school is science. His brother guided him as he prepared for the speech contest making sure he pronounced his words correctly and didn't stutter.

**HONOR ASSEMBLY** – The Honor Assembly for the second nine weeks was held Friday, Jan. 18, at B.E.S. Students that made all A's or all A's and B's on their report cards were honored. The fourth grade chorus sang two songs, including "Free At Last" honoring Dr. Martin Luther King.

**TEEN TRENDSETTERS JANUARY VISIT** – On Wednesday, Jan. 16, the Teen Trendsetters from Blountstown High School joined us for a fun filled hour of reading. BHS students paired up with their third grader and had an exciting activity planned that was enjoyed by all. Thanks to the trendsetters for their time spent preparing and the energy they brought with them!

**KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATES LITERACY WEEK** – Kindergarten celebrated Literacy Week with different activities. Mrs. Shuler's Class read the book "Where The Wild Things Are" and they made monster toast with bread, milk and food coloring. Mrs. Barrett's class read books about penguins and then they made penguin snacks from Oreo cookies and candy corn.



### Hosford School serves up a great time

Hosford School Principal Jeff Sewell and Dean of Students & Instruction Seth Geiger, served up some delicious ice cream and toppings for a PBS (Positive Behavior Support) event on Friday,

Jan. 11. Students earn paws based on demonstrating expected positive behavior in the classroom or around the campus. They can then use the paws to purchase re-

wards. Friday's reward event was an opportunity for Mr. Sewell and Mr. Geiger to greet, meet and treat several classes as they came to claim their reward.

**PANTHER BOOSTERS CLUB ASKING FOR HELP** – The Panther Boosters club is asking for your help in becoming a member or renewing your membership. We have several donor levels available.

For more information call 379-8480.

**EIGHTH GRADE PLANS CAR WASH FUNDRAISER JAN. 26** – Hosford School eighth grade class is having a Car Wash Saturday, Jan. 26 at Hosford

Elementary and Jr. High School from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. if weather permits. This is a fundraiser for the eighth grade trip they will be taking in May.

Please bring your vehicle by and help us out if you can. We appreciate everyone that has helped with all of the fundraisers that we have done since school started this year.

The car wash will have a minimum donation of \$5 or whatever you want to give to help us get to Orlando.

### Tolar first grade teachers host Family Reading Night

W.R. Tolar's first grade teachers' hosted family reading night Monday, Jan. 14 in honor of Department of Education's Literacy Week.

Over 50 parents and students attended this event which offered a time for students to read and take Accelerated Reader quizzes as well as participate in fun winter activities.

W.R. Tolar staff is very appreciative of all of the parents and students who took time out of their busy schedules to attend this event. Our next reading night event will be hosted by the Kindergarten teachers Monday, Feb. 11 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the school media center.

We look forward to seeing even more parents and students in attendance for this event.



### BHS FCCLA members to compete at state in March

Jake Brown, Julia Roderick and Justin Terry have all won at the district level in FCCLA and have earned the right to compete at the State Conference in March. Jake received a silver medal in the Talent Competition. He wrote and performed a song on the guitar. Julia competed in FCCLA Writes. She wrote a short story relating to this year's FCCLA state theme and targets. The theme for this year is "FCCLA-The Best Kept Secret." Julia received a gold medal at the district level. Justin competed in Job Interview Competition and received



a silver medal at district. In this event, he had to decide on a job he would like to pursue. He then compiled a portfolio and participated in a mock job interview.

These students will be selling Rada Cutlery to help fund their trip to state competition. The also have a few BHS

snuggles for sale. They are great for baseball/softball season. Please let Mrs. Nancy Mears know if you would like to purchase any of these items and assist these students as they work toward funding their trip to the state FCCLA Conference in March.

### Altha Project Graduation 5K and one mile run Jan. 26

Project Graduation will be hosting a 5K and One Mile Fun Run Saturday, Jan. 26 at 8 a.m. (CT) at the Altha Area Recreation Complex.

Registration is from 7 a.m. to 7:45 a.m., with the run starting at

8 a.m. The One Mile Fun Run will be first and the 5k run will begin immediately after.

Entry fees are as follows:  
 • 5K/Walk – \$15 per person  
 • One Mile Fun Run – \$10 per

person

For more information, call Michelle Lytle at (850) 643-7677 or Dawn Kent at (850) 557-1027.

Registration forms can be picked up at Wildcat Den or Altha Public School.

### CATS' CUISINE

Altha School Culinary Department will be hosting the next Cats' Cuisine on Tuesday, Jan. 29. Regular diners with Cats' Cuisine please note the date change (as our

regular serving day is Thursday), but with our district SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) review team visiting our district this week we have been asked to serve Tuesday so that the visiting team

will be able to eat with us as well.

The menu is an adaptation of Olive Garden and includes Salad, Breadsticks, Chicken Scampi with Linguine Noodles. For dessert we will be having Raspberry Tira-

misu. The seatings are 11:40 a.m. and 12:30 a.m. and take-out orders are available. Please RSVP by Friday, Jan. 25. You can make reservations by calling Mrs. Granger at (850) 762-3121. The price is \$6.

### SCHOOL LUNCH MENU Jan. 23 - Jan. 29

#### CALHOUN

**WEDNESDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Pancakes with syrup and turkey sausage patty.  
 LUNCH: Parmesan chicken with pasta or meatball sub or chef salad served with broccoli polonaise, garden salad, bread stick and fruit.

**THURSDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Ham and cheese biscuit with potato tots.  
 LUNCH: Chicken nuggets or chicken burger or chicken Caesar salad served with buttered mashed potatoes, easy baked carrots, corn bread and fruit.

**FRIDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Waffle with syrup and turkey sausage patty.

LUNCH: Cheese burger or cheese pizza or taco salad served with baked potato wedges, sliced tomatoes and lettuce and fresh fruit.

**MONDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Pancakes with syrup and turkey sausage patty.  
 LUNCH: Chicken BBQ sandwich or chicken burger or chef salad served with french fries, green peas and fruit.

**TUESDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Egg and cheese biscuit, potato tots and assorted juice.  
 LUNCH: Beef vegetable soup with grilled cheese sandwich or cheese burger or chicken caesar salad served with gar-

#### LIBERTY

**WEDNESDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Cheese grits and sausage patty.  
 LUNCH: BBQ chicken with cornbread or baked chicken nuggets with cornbread or cobb chef salad with crackers served with baked sweet potato wedges and baked beans.

**THURSDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Whole wheat cinnamon toast with ham slice.  
 LUNCH: Orange chicken with brown rice or open faced pepperoni sandwich or turkey, ham and cheese or chef salad with crackers and croutons served with steamed broccoli or steamed cabbage.  
 2nd & 3rd grade cheese pizza

**FRIDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Scrambled eggs and grits.

LUNCH: Salisbury steak with dinner roll or baked corn dog or baby turkey, ham and cheese sub served with mashed potatoes and green peas.  
 Pre-K & 4th grade cheese pizza

**MONDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Yogurt parfait and graham crackers.  
 LUNCH: Herbed baked chicken with dinner roll or BBQ chicken sandwich or ham and cheese chef salad with crackers and croutons served with steamed broccoli and baked beans.  
 Kg & 1st grade cheese pizza

**TUESDAY**  
 BREAKFAST: Scrambled eggs and biscuit.  
 LUNCH: Beef and bean burrito or cheese pizza or veggie lovers wrap served with shredded lettuce

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# Big Bend Hospice – Celebrating 30 years and growing strong

Thirty years ago a handful of people from this community had a dream of bringing hospice care to the Big Bend area. Following the initiation of the first modern hospice care in the United States in 1974, these community leaders secured a Certificate of Need from the State of Florida to provide hospice care in Leon, Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Liberty, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties.

It took much foresight and determination to lay the groundwork for a community-based hospice in Tallahassee, but Dr. and Mrs. Al McCully and Dr. Jim Beck, among others, were up for the task. They saw a need in the community, then proved that need and met the conditions of the law for Big Bend Hospice (BBH) to become incorporated in February 1983 and to receive its license April 1, 1983 to provide hospice care in eight counties.

Sue Gallagher, Pastor of the United Church of Christ of Tallahassee, was one of the first to respond when approached by community leaders Richard Lee, Loretta Armour and Lee Nahass.

These leaders asked for assistance in establishing an organization which would enable the terminally ill person who wanted to focus on life and living, no matter the duration, to be in his or her

home, with comfort as the goal of treatment. The first BBH office was donated space in the United Church of Tallahassee.

As Big Bend Hospice grew, so did the need for more space to house their committed staff and volunteers. In 1987 BBH moved to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital Home Health Building. There were several other moves before settling at their present office on Mahan Center Boulevard in 1996. In 2000, BBH began and completed the construction of the Margaret Z. Dozier Hospice House, a 12-bed inpatient facility built by the community through a capital campaign and located directly behind the current administration building. This facility is available when skilled level of care is necessary and the patient cannot remain in their own home.

The word "hospice" is derived from a medieval word meaning a place of shelter for travelers on a difficult journey. Although Big Bend Hospice cannot change the outcome, they can change the experience of the journey.

BBH bereavement services are available for people dealing with issues relating to the diagnosis of a life-threatening illness. In 1989, BBH added an additional component hosting the first Be-

reavement Support Groups to provide education, comfort and encouragement after the death of a loved one. The next year the Children's Hospice Care program (later renamed "The Caring Tree") was established thanks to a grant from the Junior Leagues. "The Caring Tree" services are designed to meet the unique needs of grieving children and teens.

For over 25 years, BBH has had a tree as the centerpiece of their logo. Sue Hestor, who served on the original Board of Directors, was the creator of this logo. Sue would often find her children under the shelter of their big oak tree, a favorite spot in her backyard. The tree was a safe place; a special haven when one had hurts that needed healing or joy when someone celebrated; the tree was a resting place for the weary at heart. When her son, Bucky passed away in 1992, Sue felt the tree, with its strong roots and branches, was the ideal symbol to "provide strength and shelter for those in need."

Big Bend Hospice belongs to this community. In 1996 the Big Bend Hospice Foundation was granted approval by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) organization for the purpose of supporting the mission and services of BBH. Prior to that, volunteers had already helped BBH become a member of the United Way of the Big

Bend and began traditions that still exist today which include the Tree of Remembrance and the annual Spring Fling.

In 2000 BBH established their internationally renowned Music Therapy Program. These trained medical professionals use live music to reach therapeutic goals, such as pain management and reducing patient agitation.

BBH has won many awards over the years, including the 1997 "Nonprofit of the Year" by the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce, the 2004 "Nonprofit of the Year" by the Tallahassee Democrat and the 2005 Nonprofit "Best of Tally" award by the Tallahassee Magazine. In 2006, BBH Senior Companions were recognized as the "Volunteer Group of the Year" at the Tallahassee Democrat's Volunteer Luncheon.

Now, 30 years later, Big Bend Hospice continues to provide patients in the eight surrounding counties with emotional and physical support during the final phases of their life. "The Mission of Big Bend Hospice is and always has been to provide compassionate care to individuals with a life-limiting illness, comfort to their families and emotional support to anyone who has lost a loved one," says Cathy Adkison, current President and CEO of Big Bend Hospice.

## OBITUARIES

### ADA MAUDELL GRANT HEWETT

PINE VIEW, GA—Ada Maudell Grant Hewett, 99, of Pine View, GA, passed away Monday, Jan. 14, 2013 in Pine View, GA. She was less than five months away from turning 100 years old. She was born June 1, 1913 in Bascom. She retired from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in 1975 at the age of 62 with 27 years of service. She started work in 1948, supporting herself and her four children. Upon retirement, she bought a house in Blountstown and was an active member of the Gateway Baptist Church for 27 years. In 2003, she moved to Pine View to live with her daughter, Beth Powell. She loved her family and was especially blessed with her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her great-great-grandson

She was preceded in death by her parents, eight siblings and her first born son, James B. Hewett.

Survivors include one son, Charles W. Hewett and his wife, Mamie Ruth of Tallahassee; two daughters, Beth Powell of Pine View and Willie Mae Lamar of Labelle; three grandsons, Thomas Alan Lamar, Charles Paul and James Benjamin Hewett, all of Tallahassee; two granddaughters, Sheila Day of Tallahassee and Jamie McGlamry of Abbeville, GA; one great-granddaughter, Hailey Davis of Abbeville, GA; two great-grandsons, Grant Frazier and Brantley Paul Hewett of Tallahassee; one great-great-grandson, Reed Samuel Davis of Abbeville, GA; two nephews, Millard Nixon of Lynn Haven and John Andrew O'Bryan of Davie; two nieces, Sandra Sellars and Mary Francis Howard of Tallahassee and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

Services were held Friday, Jan. 18 at Adams Funeral Home Chapel. Interment followed in Chipola Cemetery in Altha.

Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to Gateway Baptist Church Gideon Fund, 17667 Main Street North, Blountstown, Florida, 32424 in her memory. Online condolences may be made at adamsfh.com.

### JULIE LEONARD SMITH

BLOUNTSTOWN — Julie Leonard Smith, 74, of Blountstown, passed away early Sunday morning, January 20, 2013 in Panama City. She was born on May 4, 1938 in Dothan, AL and had lived in Calhoun County for a number of years. She was a retired teacher and educator, a graduate of FSU with a major in history, music and voice. She was a member of the Phi Mu sorority. She was a member of the Virginia 85th district of the House of Delegates where she was the first woman elected to the House of Delegates from the city of Virginia Beach. She was vice chair of the Virginia Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services and a Corporate Executive for GSH Real Estate. Julie lived an active life, her many passions included music, politics and her beloved cat "Nicholas," czar of all the Ochessees.

She was preceded in death by her husband, J. A. Daniel Smith and a daughter, Alison Smith.

Survivors include one daughter, Rene' Smith Old and her husband, Michael of Chesapeake, VA; one brother, Mark H. Leonard of Columbus, MS and one grandson, Carter W. Old of Chesapeake, VA.

Services will be held Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 2 p.m. (CT) at Blountstown United Methodist Church with Reverend Jim Jines officiating. Interment will follow in Pine Memorial Cemetery in Blountstown. The family will receive friends Wednesday, January 23, 2013 from 1 p.m. (CST) until service time at Blountstown United Methodist Church.

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

### CHERYL JOHNSON BUTLER

BRISTOL—Cheryl Johnson Butler, 56, of Bristol, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2013 in her home surrounded by loved ones. She was baptized at an early age and enjoyed sharing her testimony of what Jesus Christ had done for her life. She was active in the Rivertown Community Church and loved serving her family and friends. Her appreciation of gardening and enjoying the beauty of her beloved river and forest was received as a gift from her heavenly Father.

She was preceded in death by her mother Annette Jacobs and her father, Tunnie Johnson.

Survivors include her husband, Eric Butler of Bristol; two sons, Branden and Grant McDaniel, both of Fairbanks AK; two brothers, Buddy Johnson of Porter, TX and Jerry Johnson of Deland; two sisters, Melissa Ogborn of Seattle, WA and Angela Mickel of Bristol; three stepsons, Gavin, Colton and Justin Butler, all of Bristol and numerous loving aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were held Friday, Jan. 18 at Rivertown Community Church with Kevin Yoder officiating. Interment followed in Lake Mystic Cemetery.

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

### MARY WILLIE ELLIOT WATSON

GRETNA—Mary Willie Elliot Watson, 83, of Gretna, passed away Sunday, Jan. 13, 2013. She was born Nov. 30, 1929 in Dillsboro, NC, but lived almost all of her life in Gadsden County. She graduated from Quincy High School in 1947 and also attended Florida State College for Women, now FSU. She was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church in Quincy, a long time faithful member of the First Baptist Church in Quincy as well as the Gretna Baptist Church WMU Circles and the Lake Talquin Gideon Camp Ladies Auxiliary. She was an excellent seamstress and loved cooking, but her greatest joy in life was taking care of her family. She was the flower in many lives and will be dearly missed by all.

She was preceded in death by her parents, R.O. and Geneva Elliott; two sisters, Doris Willis and Bobbie Story and her grandchildren, Michael Guilford and Kalen Watson.

Survivors include her husband of 63 years, Walter Watson, Jr.; four sons, Archie Watson and his wife, Robin, David Watson and his wife, Janice, Sterling Watson and his wife, Karen, all of Quincy and Brent Watson of Phoenix, AZ; one daughter, Rita Faulkner and her husband, Kevin of Myakka City; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews that love her very much.

Services were held Tuesday, Jan. 15 at First Presbyterian Church of Quincy. Interment followed in Sunny Dell Cemetery in Gretna.

McClellan Funeral Home in Quincy was in charge of the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the local Big Bend Hospice, 105 N. Jackson Street, Quincy, FL 32351.

### TONY ROSS YOWELL, SR.

SUMATRA—Tony Ross Yowell, Sr., 61, of Sumatra, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2013 in Panama City. He was an antique salesman for Weefing Maritime Museum. He was a member of the first Assembly of God Church in Sumatra.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Patsy Boyd.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis Yowell of Sumatra; his parents, Ted R. Yowell of Utah and Betty D. Boyd of Port St. Joe; two sisters, Brooke Ann Miles of Kinard and Vickie Thomas of Port St. Joe; five sons, Tony R. Yowell, Jr. of Port St. Joe, Mark A. and Theus J. Yowell, both of Eastpoint, Bradley Miller of Sumatra and David Miller of New York, 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held Saturday, Jan. 19 at First United Pentecostal Holiness Church in Port St. Joe and Sunday, Jan. 20 at First Assembly of God Church in Sumatra.

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

### JOHN WINDON GODWIN

QUINCY—John Windon Godwin, 71, of Quincy, passed away Saturday, Jan. 12, 2013 in Marianna. He was born in Blountstown and was a graduate of Blountstown High School. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam conflict and later worked as a carpenter and cabinet maker.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Henry Godwin; one stepson, Keith Mercer; two sisters, Annette Bedgood and Earline Gurley.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Christine and Harold Shepard of Bristol; his wife, Alice E. Godwin of Quincy; one son, Brian Godwin and his wife, Brandie of Quincy; five grandchildren, Autumn, Shane, Peyton Yon and Bylee and Noah Godwin.

Memorialization will be by cremation. Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown is in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be made at adamsfh.com.

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# Marching in memory of DR. KING

The annual Martin Luther King march began Monday morning at Blountstown City Hall and headed up S.R. 20 to River Street, ending up at St. Mary Church. Elected officials, pastors, church members and community members all joined in for the annual march.

DANIEL WILLIAMS PHOTOS



## Unemployment comparisons for counties served by the Chipola Regional Workforce Development Board

The five counties served by the Chipola Regional Workforce Development Board have had their unemployment rate drop from 8.6% to 6.9% between December 2011 and December 2012.

The regional unemployment rate is one percent below the statewide average of 7.9%.

Liberty County's unemployment rate is 6.5% and is tied with Holmes County for the second lowest in the region behind Jackson County at 6.4%.

Information provided by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity shows Liberty County is the only county of the five served by the CRWDB having more people come into the county to work than residents that leave to work in other counties.

Richard Williams, Executive Director of the CRWDB, said labor inflow is unusual in a small county.

"Typically you don't see labor flowing into a small county because most smaller counties don't have a large enough employment base or wages that are high enough to attract people from outside the county," Williams said.

County	December 2012				November 2012				December 2011			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Level	Unemployment Rate (%)	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Level	Unemployment Rate (%)	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Level	Unemployment Rate (%)
Calhoun	5751	5328	423	7.4%	5787	5348	439	7.6%	5787	5255	532	9.2%
Holmes	8758	8189	569	6.5%	8783	8193	590	6.7%	8833	8145	688	7.8%
Jackson	22394	20966	1428	6.4%	22445	20985	1460	6.5%	22389	20594	1795	8.0%
Liberty	3319	3102	217	6.5%	3349	3131	218	6.5%	3302	3045	257	7.8%
Washington	9867	9041	826	8.4%	9907	9066	841	8.5%	10108	9056	1052	10.4%
Region	50089	46626	3463	6.9%	50271	46723	3548	7.1%	50419	46095	4324	8.6%

County	Comparison of November 2012 to October 2012			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Level	Unemployment Rate (%)
Calhoun	-36	-20	-16	-0.2%
Holmes	-25	-4	-21	-0.2%
Jackson	-51	-19	-32	-0.1%
Liberty	-30	-29	-1	0.0%
Washington	-40	-25	-15	-0.1%
Region	-182	-97	-85	-0.1%

County	Comparison of November 2012 to November 2011			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Level	Unemployment Rate (%)
Calhoun	-36	73	-109	-1.8%
Holmes	-75	44	-119	-1.3%
Jackson	5	372	-367	-1.6%
Liberty	17	57	-40	-1.2%
Washington	-241	-15	-226	-2.0%
Region	-330	531	-861	1.6%

Note: The above is calculated using information released by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. By comparison since the November report the region has shown a labor force decrease of 182, and employment decrease of 97 and a decrease in those unemployed of 85. When compared to information from one year ago the same five county region has experienced a labor force decrease of 330, and employment increase of 531, and decrease in those unemployed of 861. The region has shown a one year unemployment percentage decrease of 1.6%. All counties except Washington have shown an increase in the number of people employed.

"What you normally see in smaller counties are lower wage scales and a lack of jobs that force more residents to leave the county in order to find opportunities for work or competitive wages."

Liberty's unemployment rate was steady from November 2012 through December 2012 with both the labor force and the employment level dropping slightly.

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Certificate No. 43  
Year of Issuance: 2010

Description of Property: Commence at the Southeast Corner of lands lately deeded to Wilma McFadden, and run South 175 yards to place to begin; thence run West 70 yards, thence run South 17 1/2 yards, thence run East 70 yards, thence run North 17 1/2 yards, to POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing One-Fourth (1/4) acre, more or less, in Section 31, Township 1 North, Range 7 West.

LESS AND EXCEPT that deeded to Liberty County, Florida, as per Deed recorded in O.R. Book 36, Page 512-513, of the Public Records of Liberty County, Florida.

Name in which assessed: ESTATE OF HATTIE MURRAY C/O NATHANIEL MURRAY

Said property being in the County of Liberty, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the front door of the Liberty County Courthouse at 11:00 A.M. E.S.T. on the 22nd day of February, 2013.

Dated this 11th day of January, 2013.

KATHLEEN E. BROWN  
CLERK OF CIRCUIT  
COURT OF LIBERTY  
COUNTY, FLORIDA 1-16 T-2-6

## PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE AIR PERMIT

Florida Department of Environmental Protection Air Resource Section, Northwest District Office Draft Title V Source Air Construction Permit Project No. 0770010-015-AC Georgia-Pacific Wood Products LLC, Hosford OSB Facility Liberty County, Florida

**Applicant:** The applicant for this project is Georgia-Pacific Wood Products LLC. The applicant's authorized representative and mailing

address is: Mr. Johnnie Temples, Plant Manager, Georgia-Pacific Wood Products LLC, Post Office Box 322, Hosford, Florida 32334.

**Facility Location:** Georgia-Pacific Wood Products LLC, operates the existing Hosford OSB Facility, which is located in Liberty County at 12995 Northeast State Road 65 in Hosford, Florida.

**Project:** This project proposes to replace the motor on the existing forming bins baghouse with a larger motor with increased horsepower. The resulting additional airflow is within the baghouse design parameters. Particulate emissions are not expected to increase. The project does not change pollutant emissions limits.

**Permitting Authority:** Applications for air construction permits are subject to review in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Chapters 62-4, 62-210 and 62-212 of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The proposed project is not exempt from air permitting requirements and an air permit is required to perform the proposed work. The Permitting Authority responsible for making a permit determination for this project is the Department of Environmental Protection's Air Resource Section in the Northwest District Office. The Permitting Authority's physical and mailing address is: 160 W Government Street, Suite 308, Pensacola, Florida 32502-5740. The Permitting Authority's telephone number is 850/595-8300.

**Project File:** A complete project file is available for public inspection during the normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays), at the physical address indicated above for the Permitting Authority. The complete project file includes the Draft Permit, the Technical Evaluation and Preliminary Determination, the application and information submitted by the applicant (exclusive of confidential records under Section 403.111, F.S.). Interested persons may contact the Permitting Authority's project engineer for additional information at the address and phone number listed above. In addition, electronic copies of these documents are available on the following web site: <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/air/emission/apds/default.asp>.

**Notice of Intent to Issue Air Permit:** The Permitting Authority gives notice of its intent to issue an air construction permit

to the applicant for the project described above. The applicant has provided reasonable assurance that operation of proposed equipment will not adversely impact air quality and that the project will comply with all appropriate provisions of Chapters 62-4, 62-204, 62-210, 62-212, 62-213, 62-296 and 62-297, F.A.C. The Permitting Authority will issue a Final Permit in accordance with the conditions of the proposed Draft Permit unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or unless public comment received in accordance with this notice results in a different decision or a significant change of terms or conditions.

**Comments:** The Permitting Authority will accept written comments concerning the proposed Draft Permit for a period of 14 days from the date of publication of this Public Notice. Written comments must be received by the Permitting Authority by close of business (5:00 p.m.) on or before the end of the 14-day period. If written comments received result in a significant change to the Draft Permit, the Permitting Authority shall revise the Draft Permit and require, if applicable, another Public Notice. All comments filed will be made available for public inspection.

**Petitions:** A person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed permitting decision may petition for an administrative hearing in accordance with Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed with (received by) the Department's Agency Clerk in the Office of General Counsel of the Department of Environmental Protection at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station #35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 (Telephone: 850/245-2241). Petitions filed by any persons other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of publication of this Public Notice or receipt of a written notice, whichever occurs first. Under Section 120.60(3), F.S., however, any person who asked the Permitting Authority for notice of agency action may file a petition within 14 days of receipt of that notice, regardless of the date of publication. A petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above, at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative

determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the approval of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Permitting Authority's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (b) The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner; the name address and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial rights will be affected by the agency determination; (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency action or proposed decision; (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so state; (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action; (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and, (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action. A petition that does not dispute the material facts upon which the Permitting Authority's action is based shall state that no such facts are in dispute and otherwise shall contain the same information as set forth above, as required by Rule 28-106.301, F.A.C.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the Permitting Authority's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this Public Notice of Intent to Issue Air Permit. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the Permitting Authority on the application have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

**Mediation:** Mediation is not

available for this proceeding. 1-23-13

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

CASE NO.: 39-2011-CA-000167

PENNYMAC CORP., Plaintiff,

v.

JOHN A. HARRIS; CHRISTINA MARIE HARRIS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; AND TENANT. Defendant(s).

## NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to an Order of Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 1, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 39-2011-CA-000167 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Liberty County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on 5 day of February, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at the Front Door of the Liberty County Courthouse, Highway 20, Bristol, Florida 32321, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 7, BLOCK D, NEAL SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 1 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ALSO DESCRIBED AS:**

**COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 12 AND RUNNING THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 1779.20 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 168.30 FEET, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES WEST A DISTANCE OF 168.30 FEET, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES WEST A DISTANCE OF 245.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 30 SECONDS**

**WEST A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES WEST A DISTANCE OF 179.05 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF THIRD STREET A DISTANCE OF 100.00 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF FIRST AVENUE A DISTANCE OF 179.05 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PROPERTY LYING IN THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

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Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 577-4401

at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

DATED AT BRISTOL, FLORIDA THIS 1 DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2012

ROBERT HILL CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Those without computer access may come to the District Administration office and complete your application. Assistance will be provided, if needed. CURRENT SALARY SCHEDULE A Reasonable accommodations for completing forms and interviews are available for people with disabilities when requested in advance. For a request for reasonable accommodations, please contact the Office of the Superintendent.

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LILIANE PARBOT PHOTOS

Joe Wood, the director of Public Work and Grants coordinator, addresses the Calhoun County Board of County Commissioners last week's meeting.

## Plans for Tri-County Agricultural Park discussed

by Liliane Parbot, contributing writer

If it takes one year to invest \$1 million into a \$10 million project, will it take another nine years to complete it?

The future will tell!

"We have been working on this for eight to 10 years," Ken Sheppard said. "The original project was \$10 million and we are one million into it now."

Sheppard was at the Calhoun County Commission meeting Tuesday, Jan. 15 with renditions of the future "Tri-County Agricultural Park," which already has been approved by all three counties: Liberty, Calhoun and Gulf. Following the meeting, Commissioner Lee Lee Brown walked over to Sheppard to take a closer look at the pictures.

"I think it will be great for all three counties," said Brown. It will be a blessing for kids. It identifies us in our three counties; it's a blessing."

The Tri-County Agricultural Park is to hold many community activities, such as farmers' markets, animal sales, rodeos and there will be an RV park for participants, whether they are farmers, animal owners or others, according to Sheppard.

There will be a pavilion for the farmers' markets and barns for animals. The main one-story building will be 375 feet in length and 275 feet wide. It will house offices for administration, management, an event coordinator, veterinarian clinic and more.

The project is sanctioned by the Florida Department of Agriculture, Sheppard said and much of the funding comes from the Legislature, government funding and grants. On Jan. 15 Sheppard addressed the board, saying: "We are just asking for additional assistance," which the board approved. Calhoun was the third county to be approached with this request and



Following last week's meeting, Ken Sheppard and Calhoun County Commissioner Lee Lee Brown discuss the many benefits Tri-County Agricultural Park will bring to residents on Calhoun, Liberty and Gulf counties.

FL 32424, or Sheppard can be reached at: (850) 674-4511.

The project seems well supported by all.

"It was something that needed to be pushed through to make it happen," Brown said.

In other business, Director of Public Work and Grants Coordinator Joe Wood asked and obtained the board's permission to restore the survey markers of a property. The concrete markers were destroyed during a recent resurfacing of the street. Angie Smith, Emergency Management director, brought up the need to resurface Aola Road.

Also, Jim Brooks and Vicki Montford brought the board up to date on the Catalyst Site Project funded through the Department of Economic Opportunity and administered here by Opportunity Florida of Marianna – which has applied and received a Rural Infrastructure Fund Grant to assist in the construction of a wireless broadband network in support of nine rural hospitals. Other high impact economic development activities are also taking place. Presently a majority of staff time is spent on the broadband grant, Brooks said. The \$24 million federal grant will bring high-speed internet access to the underserved counties in the RACECs (Florida's Rural Areas of Critical Economic Concern).

Florida has three RACECs, two in North Florida and one west of Lake Okeechobee. The eight counties included in this area are: Calhoun, Liberty, Gulf, Franklin, Gadsden, Washington, Jackson and Holmes. The ultimate goal is to bring industries, create well-paying jobs, capital investment opportunities and economic growth throughout all of the eight counties.

the other two have already approved it.

Donations are also greatly appreciated. "If someone wants to donate \$9 million, we'll be very happy," Sheppard said after the meeting. Donations of all sizes can be sent to: 16834 S. W. 16th ST, Blountstown,



### Community shows support for teacher Teresa Curl and her battle with cancer

As many citizens of Calhoun County know, Mrs. Teresa Curl is a much-loved teacher at Blountstown High School. She is currently undergoing treatment for leukemia at Shands Hospital. Many people throughout the county are selling Team Curl tee-shirts to show our love and support to her.

Friday, Jan. 25 is the last day to turn in orders to Dana Ayers at Blountstown High School. If you or your friends have been selling orders, please turn them and the money in to BHS by the deadline. Thank you for all of your help with this project.

## Hog Butchering Day held

The weather was perfect and the crowd good for the hog butchering Saturday at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown.

We had snow birds from Canada and New York as well as visitors from all over the Panhandle.

It takes many hours and hands to prepare for the day. Thursday was spent butchering a pig that was prepared Friday for the sausage, haslet stew, crackling, sauce and pig's feet served Saturday.

Our thanks to David White for butchering and Volena Barfield for explaining the anatomy of the heart to the children as well as those who helped with cutting off the meat.

Country breakfast was prepared by caretakers Sam and Linda Carmen with eggs donated by Granny Smith Farms.

The back bone and rice for lunch was cooked by Roman Wood and vegetables were cooked by Francis Price. The setting up and cleaning up was done by our resident volunteers.

Our appreciation to all that generously donated their time to make the day a success.

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**LOST & FOUND**

**Lost** - Beagle and Jack Russell mixed, male, brown and white, answers to the name Tink. Last seen Thursday, Jan. 17 around City Tire in Blountstown. Greatly missed, will travel to pick him up. Please call 674-4738 or 445-5534 with any information. 1-23, 1-30

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

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

**ANSWER:**

**★STARSCOPE★**

**Week of Jan. 20 ~ Jan. 26, 2013**

**ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20**  
Aries, patience and calm is the way out of a tricky situation. You also may want to keep your opinions to yourself until everything gets settled, which shouldn't take long.

**TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21**  
Taurus, though you may be pinching pennies that doesn't mean you cannot make a purchase that will benefit the household. Make a budget so you'll learn how to spend wisely.

**GEMINI - May 22/June 21**  
You may need to subscribe to a new way of thinking, Gemini. The way you have been doing things lately is not working out too well. Ask a family member for advice.

**CANCER - June 22/July 22**  
Cancer, it can be easy to get into a routine and then in a rut. Try switching up just one thing from your daily tasks, and it could provide a breath of fresh air.

**LEO - July 23/Aug 23**  
Leo, take advantage of the many opportunities for you to meet new people and forge new friendships this week. You may just meet someone who changes your life.

**VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22**  
Virgo, too much of a good thing can make it difficult to focus on other tasks and responsibilities. Make the effort to stay focused so you don't find yourself falling behind.

**LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23**  
Libra, you will likely find yourself in a domestic groove over the next few days. Use the time to get creative in the kitchen, straighten up the abode and do some decorating.

**SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22**  
Scorpio, don't allow your emotions to get the best of you during a disagreement this week. Be sure to gather all of the facts before you form an opinion.

**SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21**  
Sagittarius, this is the perfect week to correct any wrong impressions you might have made. Be overly generous with all the people you meet.

**CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20**  
Capricorn, speak up if you don't like the way something is being done. Change can't happen if you don't voice your opinion, so overcome your reservations.

**AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18**  
Aquarius, if you want to broaden your horizons you will have to explore beyond your comfort zone. It may not always be comfortable, but it can be adventurous.

**PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20**  
Pisces, you have many questions, but not enough answers are coming your way. Delve a little deeper this week.

**FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS**

<p>JANUARY 20 Gary Barlow, Singer (42)</p> <p>JANUARY 21 Geena Davis, Actress (57)</p>	<p>JANUARY 22 Steve Perry, Singer (64)</p> <p>JANUARY 23 Doutzen Kroes, Model (28)</p> <p>JANUARY 26 ~ Ellen Degeneres, TV host (55)</p>
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Speaking to the crowd during the ceremony, LEFT: Carr School FFA Sentinel Cody Varnum. CENTER: FFA President Holley Bailey. RIGHT: FFA Treasurer Bryan Tyler.

## Carr School upgrades are celebrated Friday

Staff, students and school board members were proud to show off the upgraded facilities at Carr School last week following the completion of a \$300,000 grant project. The funds were awarded to address critical safety issues at the school, most notably replacing a leaky roof and changing out windows so they can serve as emergency fire escapes in the future. "It extended the life of that building for 50 years, at least," said Calhoun County School Board member Danny Ryals. He explained all of the front windows were replaced, with the window space reduced by 30 percent and insulated to make it "very energy efficient." He expressed the county's appreciation for the help of inmate work crews, who stayed on the job throughout the hot summer.



Calhoun County School Board Member Danny Ryals speaks with Representative Marti Coley after the ceremony.



ABOVE LEFT: Carr School Principal Darryl Taylor shares a few words with the crowd. CENTER: State Senator Bill Montford talks with Howard Johnson. RIGHT: Calhoun County Superintendent Ralph Yoder speaks to the group. BELOW: The guest speakers. JOHNNY EUBANKS PHOTOS



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