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Pair charged with taking over \$10,000 in coins & antiques from Calhoun home

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*

Two people have been charged with taking an estimated \$10,000 in antiques as well as gold and silver coins from the home of a Calhoun County man.

An alert clerk at a Marianna motel noticed that two people staying there Saturday were acting suspiciously and appeared to be selling a large amount of coins and antiques. She let them use her computer to compare some prices on some of the property in their possession. When the clerk learned that the woman had been working at the home of an elderly man in Calhoun County, she contacted the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office and asked that they check on him.

"The woman was a caretaker (for the victim) for several months," according to Calhoun County Sheriff Glenn Kimbrel. "He was in the hospital for a short stay and when he came home, she was gone."

Kimbrel said he believes that about half of the man's property has been recovered.

With the assistance of the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Danielle Marie Renna, 27, and Charles Allen Stewart, Jr., 22, were arrested and charged with grand theft from a person 65 years of age or older.

Stewart also had an active warrant out of Polk County for worthless checks. Both were transported to the Jackson County Correctional Facility where they are awaiting transfer to Calhoun County.

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Commissioner hospitalized with head injuries after ATV accident

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*

Liberty County Commissioner Scotty Phillips is in intensive care at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital after suffering severe head injuries in an ATV accident Thursday. His four-year-old son, who was riding on the back of the vehicle, escaped with just a few bruises.

Phillips, 36, was riding south on SR 67 sometime after 1 p.m. Thursday when he apparently lost control of the four-wheeler just north of Yellow Creek, about 10 miles south of Telogia. He was found lying in the road next to the overturned ATV, which was leaking fuel. His son was walking around at the scene of the crash.

"It was real shocking, almost unrecognizable," said Ginger Nichols, who drove up on the crash and stopped to help. The retired state worker, who has had some nurse's training, says it's not the first time she's assisted at an accident scene. In fact, she says she keeps sterile gloves in her car and her purse for such emergencies.

When she saw the overturned four-wheeler and saw the injured man in the road, she grabbed her gloves and went to his side.

She said blood was pouring from his face and she was concerned with keeping his airways open. "I swabbed out his mouth with my fingers and wiped the blood out of his nose," she said.

"I just held on to his head and made



SCOTTY PHILLIPS

sure it stayed straight until the ambulance got there," she said. "He was lying in the middle of the road and I was sitting on the yellow line."

Liberty County Sheriff Nick Finch, Sgt. Chad Smith and Deputy John Tadlock responded to the scene, along with an ambulance crew and an emergency helicopter out of Tallahassee.

Lt. Wes Harsey said Phillips was at the hospital within 45 minutes of the accident.

Phillips was going a short distance away to work in his bee yard with his brother-in-law when the accident happened, according to a family friend.

His sister, Tammy Prichard, posted an update on her Facebook page that said he was responding well to assessments by the medical staff. Visitation is limited to immediate family.

"At this point, he's moving forward in his recovery but it's the kind of thing that's going to take a while," said his family's pastor, Eric Durham.

Anyone who would like to contribute to his recovery can send checks to Telogia Baptist Church at P.O. Box 4, Telogia, FL 32360. Checks should be made payable to Telogia Baptist Church. Please write "Scotty Phillips Benevolence Fund" in the memo line.

Phillips and his wife, Angel, are the parents of two young children. They live in Telogia.

Accounts set up at Credit Union and Centennial Bank to help with expenses

Calhoun boy diagnosed with Joubert Syndrome needs kidney transplant

by Teresa Eubanks,
Journal Editor

Rachel Hatcher was six months pregnant when she learned her baby was in renal failure.

Doctors tried to prepare her for the worst. They told her he would not look good at birth and would die soon afterward. "They were giving me a horror story," she said.

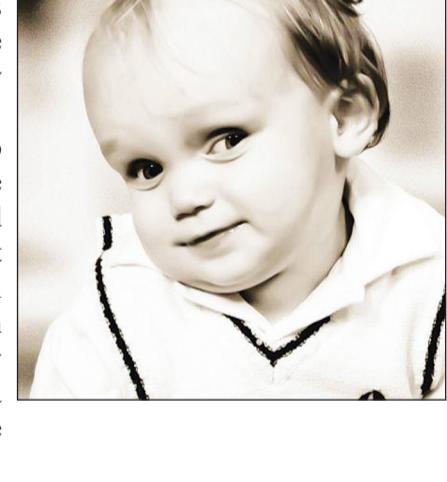
When Bryson was born, "He looked like a normal, healthy baby," she said.

She and Bryson's father, Phillip, knew their little boy would one day need a kidney transplant. When he was five months old, they learned that his vision is so impaired that he is legally blind. When he was 18 months old, they discovered he had a rare disorder.

"We went a year and a half without knowing what his true diagnosis was," Rachel said.

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Couple charged with taking trimmer & tools from Calhoun Road Dept.

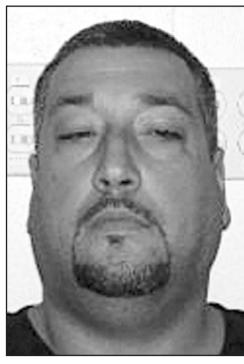
A former Calhoun County Road Department employee and his wife have been charged with grand theft after a missing weedeater and a set of tools were found for sale in a local store.

The owner of the Bargain Mall on Hwy. 69 North in Blountstown told Calhoun County Sheriff's Office Lt. Jared Nichols that Laurie Pegaz, 39, of Blountstown sold him the trimmer for \$40 on April 8. He said she told him she was selling it because it was too heavy for her husband to use due to a back problem.

The store owner also told Nichols

that he gave Pegaz \$20 for a socket set she brought in before he bought the weedeater. A road department employee had since come in and purchased the socket set after

recognizing it as one that was stolen four weeks earlier from a work truck during the time it was being driven by Dennis Pegaz, 44, according



DENNIS J. PEGAZ



LAURIE ANN PEGAZ

to Nichols' report.

Calhoun County Public Works Director Joe Wood told Nichols he knew it was the missing socket set because it

included his own 17mm wrench he had added to the set. Wood had a sales receipt showing the stolen trimmer was purchased from

Blountstown Small Engine on July 10, 2010 for \$483.

Dennis Pegaz from fired from the road department on April 12.

When questioned at their Hwy. 69 residence about the thefts, the couple denied having anything to do with the weedeater but Laurie Pegaz admitted to selling the tools. She said the store owner reported her in retaliation for her reporting one of his employees to the Department of Children and Families.

Laurie Pegaz was also charged with two counts of dealing in stolen property.

Bristol man first to be charged under new Liberty Co. ordinance banning synthetic drugs

A 37-year-old Bristol resident is the first to be charged under the new Liberty County Ordinance 13-02 banning synthetic drugs after he was found with an unspecified amount of fake marijuana known as "Mojo" during a traffic stop Sunday night.

Christopher Wayne Willhite was a passenger in a vehicle that was stopped on CR 12 South after Deputy Josh Shepard saw it run off the road and then cross the center line several times. It also had one taillight that was not working.

The driver, Dolly Parrish, told the deputy she had a faulty tie rod that was making it difficult to stay in her lane.

No contraband was found when deputies searched the car and then searched Parrish and one passenger. During the search of a second passenger, Willhite, some synthetic marijuana was found wrapped in plastic and stuffed into a cigarette package. Willhite acknowledged that it was Mojo and said he had no idea it was illegal.

He was taken into custody and is being held on \$1,000 bond.

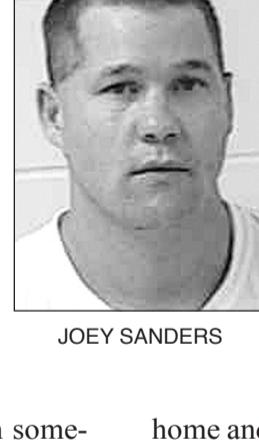
The driver received verbal warnings for the faulty taillight and failure to maintain a single lane.

Loud man charged with disorderly intoxication on Shuler St. in Hosford

A man who was reportedly walking along Shuler Street in Hosford and creating a disturbance last week was charged with disorderly intoxication after he repeatedly refused to quiet down and go home.

The complainant said Joey Sanders, 34, was "highly intoxicated" and was disturbing neighbors by walking up to their homes.

Deputies found Sanders sitting on a neighbor's porch some-



JOEY SANDERS

time after 8 p.m. on April 16. No one was home at the time.

When confronted by deputies, Sanders said he wasn't doing anything wrong. The arrest report noted his speech was slurred and he was having a hard time keeping his balance.

Sanders refused when deputies repeatedly asked him to return to his home and he was taken into custody.

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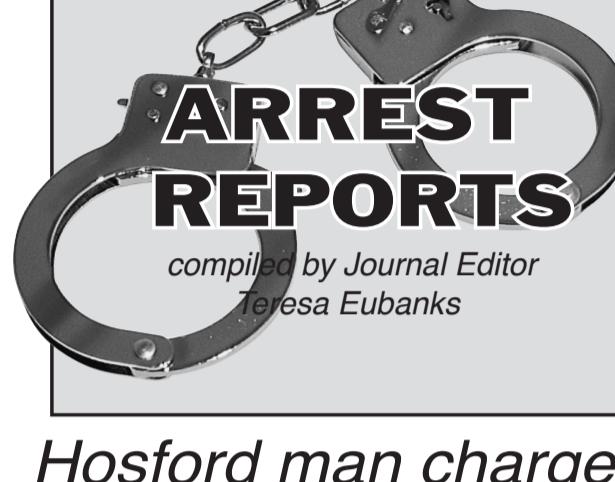
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Hosford man charged with battery Saturday

A 28-year-old Hosford man was charged with battery after he allegedly made threats, tried to start a fight and finally hit a 19-year-old man Saturday, according to a report from the Liberty County Sheriff's Office.

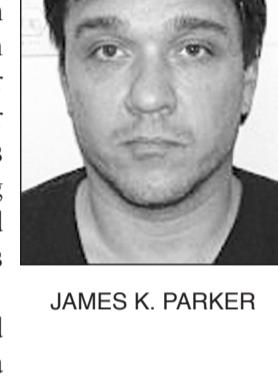
The younger man said his ex-girlfriend was trying to get him arrested after she and Oren O'Neal caught up with him while he was riding in the woods with friends Saturday.

The victim said O'Neal began calling him and making threats. When he went to the woods, he said O'Neal tried to come up to his truck but he drove off. After that, he said O'Neal called him three times to tell him to meet him for a fight.

The victim said they met in front of a friend's house to talk but O'Neal came after him, hitting him twice in the left arm as he sat in his truck.



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JAMES K. PARKER

Kinard man arrested for firing a gun at his father-in-law's home

A Kinard man who allegedly fired a gun, threatened family members and said he would take his own life has been charged with discharging a firearm at a residence and resisting an officer without violence.

A relative called the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office on April 11 to report that James Kevin Parker, 37, was shooting a gun and he feared family members were in danger.

Deputy Christian Smith arrived at the property on Cain Fortner Road just after 7 a.m. to find that Parker had walked into the woods with a gun after threatening to kill himself. His wife and children fled to a neighbor's home.

Sheriff Glenn Kimbrel and Lt. Emory Godwin arrived a short time later. His father-in-law told the sheriff that Parker had been "acting crazy" and threatened to kill him. He said Parker fired two rounds toward his home before running into the woods.

Smith checked Parker's home and then outside, where he saw Parker emerge from the east corner of the property. His hands were empty.

According to the arrest report, Parker stated that he had nothing to live for and commented that family members "could possibly be buried in the woods." He said that next time the sheriff's office comes to his home, they will need to bring body bags.

The rounds of .410 shotgun shells were found in his pocket. Two spent rounds were found on the ground.

The deputy and Godwin had to physically put Parker in a patrol car to be taken to the county jail.

Sheriff's Log

CALHOUN COUNTY

April 15

•Antonio Peterson, VOP, CCSO.

April 16

•Leigha Megan Knowles, grand theft (times 2), dealing in stolen property (times 7), CCSO.

April 17

•Wanda Mockinson, failure to appear, CCSO.

•Debra Cook, VOSP, CCSO.

•Leigha Knowles, grand theft (3 counts), dealing in stolen property (6 counts), CCSO.

•Brittany Hillbrant, suspended sentence violation, CCSO.

April 18

•Franklin Simmons, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, violation of county ordinance for possession of synthetic marijuana (Mojo), CCSO.

April 19

•Robert Tensley, VOP, CCSO.

•Darius Middleton, driving with license suspended or revoked, BPD.

April 20

•Markquis Miller, driving with license suspended or revoked, BPD.

April 21

•Dewey Smith, DUI with property damage, FHP.

April 22

•Laurie Ann Pegaz, grand theft, dealing in stolen property (times 2), CCSO.

•Dennis James Pegaz, grand theft, dealing in stolen property, CCSO.

•Karen Bryant, VOP, CCSO.

•James K. Parker, direct discharge of a firearm, resisting arrest without violence, CCSO.

LIBERTY COUNTY

April 15

•Shaye Riley, VOP, introduction of contraband, LCSO.

April 16

•Leigha Knowles, holding for CCSO, CCSO.

•Joey Sanders, disorderly intoxication, VOP, LCSO.

April 17

•Katherine Lott, holding for Franklin County, FCSO.

•Oren O'Neal, battery, LCSO.

•Debra Sue Cook, holding for CCSO, CCSO.

•Brittany Hillbrant, holding for CCSO, CCSO.

April 18

•Teresa Bailey, holding for CCSO, CCSO.

April 19

•Christopher Willhite, possession of synthetic herbal incense, LCSO.

April 20

•Laurie Ann Pegaz, holding for CCSO, CCSO.

•Karen Bryant, holding for CCSO, CCSO.

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.

Blountstown Police Dept.

April 15

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CALHOUN CHILD NEEDS KIDNEY TRANSPLANT

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An MRI was taken of Bryson's brain during a stay at Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, OH. A pediatric neurologist showed her a white image on the scan of what appeared to be a molar. "It looked like a tooth sitting in his brain," she said. "There's no doubt," the doctor said. "He has Joubert Syndrome."

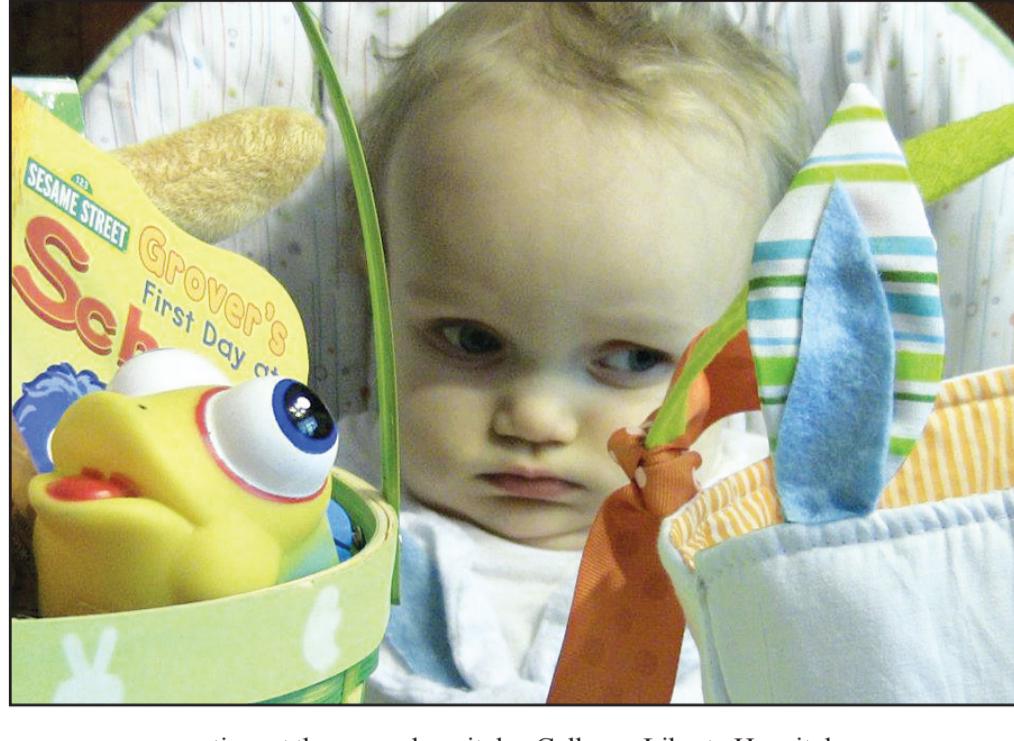
Even though the news was not good, it was a big relief "I had taken him everywhere," she said. "Someone finally told me what was wrong."

Joubert Syndrome affects the area of the brain that controls balance and coordination, and often results in kidney and liver complications. Bryson's condition is considered moderately severe. He is almost three years old. He cannot yet crawl or walk.

Despite the many challenges he has faced, "Bryson has accomplished more than the doctors ever said he would," his mother said. "He is a happy, loving child. He smiles all the time, even though he has traveled a rough road. He is still mommy and daddy's baby."

The Hatchers juggle their jobs and their family life around Bryson and his two-month-old little brother, Samson.

Phillip Hatcher, 33, is a Blountstown native who works with the State of Florida. Rachel, 27, grew up in Chipley. She is a registered nurse who works part



time at three area hospitals - Calhoun-Liberty Hospital, Gulf Coast Hospital and Jackson Hospital in Marianna.

They take turns caring for Bryson, whose treatment includes being hooked up to home peritoneal dialysis machine at bedtime.

There are many medical appointments. Blood work is done weekly. There are frequent trips to Shands in Gainesville and Jackson Hospital in Miami.

"As a nurse, I've had patients who died from kidney failure," said Rachel. "I just try to keep a positive outlook." She said seeing the bad part of it is discouraging, but said they have had plenty of support along the way.

The biggest boost has come from the congregation at the Altha Church of God. "They have supported us all the way," she said. "They're brought us suppers and donated things we've needed. If it wasn't for them, we wouldn't have made it this far," she said.

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They are now taking steps to get Bryson on a kidney transplant list.

A fund has been established at Centennial Bank as well as Calhoun-Liberty Credit Union to help with Bryson's medical expenses.

The family is reaching out to the community in hopes of finding a suitable kidney donor for their little boy.

"We've already tested everybody in our family. Everybody is A Positive," Rachel said. Bryson needs a donor whose blood type is O Positive or O Negative.

The ideal donor would be a young male between the ages of 18 to mid-30, Rachel said. Young women are discouraged from donating because it would prevent them from carrying a child in the future, she said.

Living donors are best for transplant recipients. The kidney tends to last longer.

"Not only do we need a kidney, we need a miracle," she said. "In order for him to survive and live a full, happy life he will need a kidney."

Anyone who feels they could meet the criteria to donated a kidney is urged to call (850) 447-1368.

Classes offered at Chipola College in May

LIFEGUARD CLASS MAY 3, MARIANNA—Chipola College will offer the American Red Cross Lifeguard Training course beginning Friday, May 3.

All interested students must be 15 years of age on or before the first day of class. The course requires a minimum of 32 hours of training in water rescue, CPR and First Aid. Attendance is required for all class meetings.

Students must be in good physical condition, able to swim 500 yards without stopping, able to swim freestyle, breast-stroke and side-stroke. Students also must be able to: retrieve a 10 pound brick from a seven foot depth, and tread water without hands for two minutes.

A prerequisite swim test must be taken prior to the course on May 3. There is no charge to take the test.

Course meetings will be held from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m., May 6-9

and May 13-16, with the final test on May 17.

Cost of the course is \$200. Students must register and pay the fee prior to the first meeting.

For information about the course, call Rance Massengill at (850) 718-2240. To register, call 718-2405 or visit www.chipola.edu/ContinuingEd.

LAW ENFORCEMENT and CORRECTIONS CLASS MAY 20, MARIANNA—The Chipola College Criminal Justice Training Center will offer an evening Law Enforcement Academy and a Corrections to Law Enforcement Cross-over class beginning Monday, May 20. Qualification deadline for all materials is Wednesday, May 15.

The program will meet weeknights from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. The course is 770 clock hours in length.

Chipola also offers an ongoing

Basic Corrections academy with open enrollment. Students may start within a week of qualification. Classes are weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Candidates must be at least 19 years of age and earn a passing score on the Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT). Applicants must have a standard high school diploma or its equivalent and must undergo a medical physical examination, background check and drug screening. Financial Assistance is available based upon need and eligibility.

The Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT) is offered at the Public Service Building on Chipola Campus every Tuesday at 12:30. Cost of the test is \$45.

For information regarding the application process, contact Steven Stewart, Law Enforcement Coordinator, at 718-2286.

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Woman charged with stealing jewelry from inlaws & friend

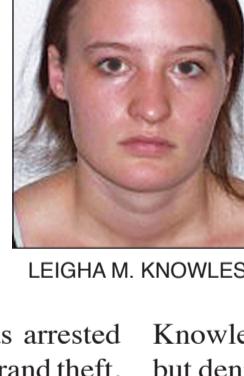
A young mother separated from her husband and living with his parents has been charged with grand theft and dealing in stolen property after an investigation by the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office found that she had sold a large amount of stolen jewelry, including a long list of items taken from her in-laws.

Leigha Knowles, 21, was arrested last week on five counts of grand theft. She sold stolen jewelry 14 times to Gold Party Group, LLC, which operates out of Starstuck Movie Rentals in Blountstown, and pawned some jewelry in Jackson County, according to the arrest report. She received over \$1,000 for the combined sales.

Knowles had only been living with her in-laws for about a month when they realized things had gone missing.

Their daughter reported that \$22 in cash had been taken from her room on April 11. When Knowles' father-in-law started to check the home, he realized some trophies in his room had been moved around. His wife discovered that several pieces of jewelry, including a wedding ring worth more than \$1,800, could not be found.

That same day, Deputy John Scheetz learned that most of the jewelry had been sold to Gold Party Group, LLC and the owners went to identify some of their property. Knowles' mother-in-law identified several items sold to Gold Party



Group, LLC and Marianna Gun and Pawn including five rings, two bracelets, several pendants and some earrings. The first sale was made on Dec. 21 of last year; the last was made on April 5 of this year. The value of her property was estimated at over \$3,000.

When she was interviewed the following day, Knowles admitted selling the jewelry but denied it was stolen. She named a friend who gave her the jewelry.

On April 16, the sheriff's office was contacted by the friend's mother, who realized she had several items of jewelry missing, including some pieces of sentimental value that had belonged to her late mother. She identified six rings and a bracelet that was sold to Gold Party Group, LLC on Feb. 14 for \$368, along with three sets of earrings and a ring sold to the same place on March 18 for \$81.

While the deputy was talking with the friend and her mother, Knowles called the girl. He recorded the conversation, during which Knowles - who had once helped her friend clean her mother's home - admitting taking the jewelry because she did not have a job at the time.

A short time later the deputy met with Knowles, who handed over a Blountstown High School Class of 1981 ring that belonged to her friend's mother before she was taken into custody. She is being held on \$15,500 bond.

Liberty County Sr. Citizens May events include annual Fishing Tournament, bingo & shopping

The Liberty County Senior Citizens Association has scheduled the following events for the month of May.

Liberty County Senior Citizens 12th Annual Flathead Fishing Tournament begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, April 25 and continues until 1 p.m., Saturday April 26. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, French Fries, and drinks will be available for purchase at 11 a.m. on Friday and on Saturday. Come enjoy the fun and have lunch. Cash and other prizes will be given away after the Tournament ends and all fish have been weighed. We look forward to having you join us.

Thursday, May 2 – This week's shopping trip is to Marianna. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, April 29 to arrange your Transit ride.

Tuesday, May 7 – Would you like to go to the movies in Tallahassee and have lunch? We have a trip scheduled. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Thursday, May 2 to arrange your Transit Pick Up.

Tuesday, May 28 – Bristol Senior Center at 11 a.m. – We are going to have fun playing Bingo with Cindy from Blountstown Health & Rehab. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, May 6 to arrange for transportation to the center.

Thursday, May 9 at 1:30 p.m. – The Liberty County Senior Citizens Advisory Council will meet at the Bristol Senior Center. If you need transportation, call 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, May 6.

Tuesday, May 14 at 10 a.m. – The Hosford Monthly Craft Class will meet and then we will have a "Chair Exercise Session". If you need transportation to the Center, call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than

3 p.m. Friday, May 10.

Wednesday, May 14 at 10:30 a.m. – The Bristol Monthly Craft Class will meet and follow up with a Senior Friendly "Chair Exercise" Session. For Transportation to the Center, call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Friday, May 14.

Thursday, May 16 – The Hosford Senior Center will host a Bingo Game at 11 a.m. Come join the fun and enjoy something extra with the Lunch Meal. For transportation to the Center, call Liberty Transit no later than 3 p.m. Monday, May 13.

Thursday, May 16 – This week the Shopping trip with Transit is to the Wal-Mart in Tallahassee. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, May 13 to arrange for Transit to pick you up.

Monday, May 20 – The Liberty County Senior Citizens Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m. in the Bristol Senior Center. The public is welcome to attend.

Tuesday, May 21 – A representative of Legal Services of North Florida will be at the Bristol Senior Center at 11 a.m. to discuss legal issues/concerns you might have. Please call 643-5690 if you would like to meet with the Representative.

Tuesday, May 21 at 11 a.m. – Heidi from Gentivia Home Health will be at the Bristol Senior Center for more fun games. For transportation to the Center, call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Thursday, May 16.

Wednesday, May 22 at 11 a.m. – Heidi from Gentivia Home Health will be at the Hosford Senior Center for more fun games. For transportation to the Center,

call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Friday, May 17.

Thursday, May 23 – Your shopping trip and lunch is in Bristol this week. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, May 20 to reserve your Transit Pick Up.

Monday, May 27 – The Bristol and Hosford Senior Centers and Liberty County Transit will be closed for observance of Memorial Day. There will be no meal deliveries on this date.

Tuesday, May 28 at 11 a.m. – You can enjoy another Senior Citizens Sponsored Bingo Day at the Hosford Senior Center with something extra for the Lunch Meal. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Thursday, May 23 to schedule your Transit Ride.

Thursday, May 30 – You will be going back to Marianna this week for shopping and lunch. Call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, May 27 to arrange your transportation.

The Bristol Senior Center is open Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. The Hosford Center is open Monday thru Thursday 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Seniors are welcome to come for a hot meal served at 12 p.m. and to enjoy socialization with others. Call 643-5690 to make a meal reservation the day before you plan to attend; if you need transportation to either center, you will need to call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 three (3) working days before you plan to attend.

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Florida's March 2013 unemployment rates the lowest since Oct. 2008

Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 7.5 percent in March 2013, the lowest since October 2008 when it was 7.4 percent. The March rate was down 0.3 percentage point from the revised February rate of 7.8 percent and was 1.4 percentage points lower than the year ago rate of 8.9 percent. There were 706,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 9,411,000. The U.S. March unemployment rate was 7.6 percent. Florida's seasonally adjusted total nonagricultural employment was 7,507,100 in March 2013, an increase of 32,700 jobs.

The unemployment rate for the Chipola Workforce Region (Calhoun, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty, Washington) was 6.1 percent in March 2013. This is 1.8 percentage points lower than the region's year ago rate. Out of a labor force of 48,897 there were 3,007 unemployed region residents.

---- UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ----

	Mar-13	Feb-13	Mar-12
Liberty	5.8	6.3	7.4
Calhoun	6.3	6.9	8.2
Holmes.....	5.6	6.2	7.1
Jackson.....	5.7	6.2	7.3
Washington.....	7.0	7.6	8.7
Chipola Region....	6.1	6.8	7.9

St. Stephen AME Church plans SPECIAL SERVICE WITH ELAINE JONES

Elaine Jones will be ministering at St. Stephen AME Church in Sweetwater on Saturday, April 27 at 4 p.m.

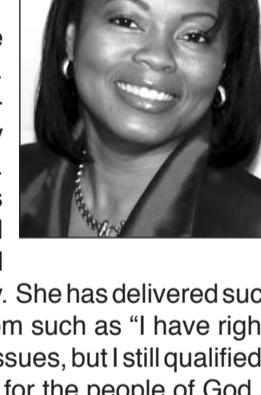
Everyone is welcome to come worship with us.

Elaine Jones is a member of Mount Calvary Church in Englewood, NJ. She is a woman that loves God. She has preached throughout the United States and internationally. She has delivered such profound words of wisdom such as "I have right" and "I am a Woman with issues, but I still qualified."

Elaine has a true heart for the people of God.

She desires to see the lives of people changed through applying the word of God. She has experienced the love and forgiveness of Christ first hand and knows that one word from God can change someone's life and situation.

Elaine is the mother of three wonderful children, Corin, Faith and Trey. She is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Education and will graduate in 2014.



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Ballet Concert in Bristol on May 4

Students of The Bristol Ballet School ranging from ages 4 to 16 will perform on stage at Veterans Memorial Civic Center on Saturday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m. (ET). The Bristol Ballet School and The Liberty County Arts Council are co-sponsors of the event.

The music of Vivaldi, Strauss and Von Karajan will accompany the young ladies as they perform classical pieces. A jazz piece performed to music from Glee will also be a part of the

12th Annual Quilt Show to be May 4

We would like to invite everyone to participate in our 12th annual quilt show on Saturday, May 4 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (CT) at the Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown. Come view the quilts we will have on display or display one or more of your quilts.

We do not judge the quilts but we do have visitors vote on their favorite one and the winner receives a prize. Have your treasured quilts appraised! A Quilt Appraiser will be present to give you a verbal appraisal for \$15 or a written appraisal for \$35. A written appraisal can be used for insurance purposes.

If you would like to bring a quilt, please let us know by email at info@panhandlepioneer.org or phone at (850) 674-2777, as soon as possible.

The show lasts one day and quilts can be delivered for set up from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. (CT) on Thursday, May 2. They can be picked up on Saturday afternoon after 3 p.m. Admission is \$3.

For more information call (850) 674-2777 or email info@panhandlepioneer.org.

Liberty Women's Club sets up Elly Paulin Scholarship

The Liberty County Women's Club has established the Eleanor Carolyn McGehee Paulin Scholarship Fund in honor of Ms. Elly, who passed away on April 11.

Ms. Elly was President of the club for four years. As President, she established an annual local parade, a Christmas toy drive and purchased teddy bears for the Liberty County Sheriff's Office. She was always full of energy and an activist for the community.

Friends and family wishing to make contributions may do so at Centennial Bank, made out to the Liberty County Women's Club, Elly Paulin Scholarship Fund. This scholarship will go to a deserving Liberty County student in 2014.

For more information contact Connie Epperson at 348-3554.

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Big River Cattleman's Association to meet in Blountstown on April 29

The Big River Cattleman's Association of Calhoun and Liberty Counties is making an effort to reorganize and revitalize.

Whether you are a current member, previous member, or never a member, please accept this invitation to meet and discuss the future of the Big River Cattleman's Association on Monday, April 29 at 7 p.m. (CT). The meeting will be held at the Calhoun County Extension Office, 20816 Central Ave East, Blountstown, FL 32424.

This association provides opportunities for gaining knowledge about cattle, benefitting our community, and teaching the next generation of ranchers. Current topics of interest to the Florida Cattleman's Association include private property rights, best management practices, animal identification, and the importance of educating

and encouraging youth in agriculture.

Come join us for a hamburger dinner, fellowship, and more information about the goals and future of our local Cattleman's Association. Please invite anyone else you feel may be interested in attending.

Please contact the Extension office at (850) 674-8323 if you have any questions.

Garden and Lawn Tractor Pull to be held Saturday at Pioneer Settlement

The Panhandle Pioneer Settlement will be hosting a Garden and Lawn Tractor Pull on Saturday, April 27 at 1 p.m. (CT).

This is to have an event so that father, son or daughter can work together on a project. We see children today that have no interaction with adults. This is an opportunity to work together on something that has many skills involved and that will have lasting memories. The children will benefit in many ways; learn to be creative, think outside the box, learn how to communicate, the list goes on. Bring a kid, yours, a neighbors or one you have to borrow. Drive to the backside of Sam Adkins Park, go around the horse arena, head west, and keep driving.

See you there!

Mears reunion set for May 25 - 26 at Pioneer Settlement

The Mears family reunion will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 25-26 at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement on Hwy. 20 West, approximately 1 1/2 miles west of Blountstown.

On Saturday bring your sports equipment and a covered dish or hotdogs and hamburgers to grill. We plan to meet at 9 a.m. at a covered pavilion on the west side of the park near the baseball fields. We will visit, play ball and greet old friends and family.

Sunday we will gather at the Frink Gym between 10 a.m. and noon. Setup for lunch begins at noon. Again, bring a covered dish or dessert to share. Steve Mears, Sr. will be doing his wonderful BBQ ribs. Drinks, plates, napkins and utensils will be furnished.

We will enjoy going over this past years events and catch up with relatives. Special door prizes will be awarded. Buddy and Carol Mears will share on how to access our family genealogy on the internet.

For more information or questions contact Buddy and Carol Mears at (423) 443-5535, Etta Mears Parker (850) 447-305 or (850) 674-2485, Linda Marshall (850) 535-2646.

Bateman/Baker reunion April 28

The Bateman-Baker family reunion will be held at Torreya State Park on Sunday, April 28.

Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. (ET). Come early and visit with family you haven't seen in a while.

For more information contact Vance Bateman at (850) 762-8323.

Spring Business Bounce on May 9

Just in time for Mother's Day, the Calhoun Chamber of Commerce is coordinating a Spring Business Bounce on Thursday, May 9 from 5 - 7 p.m.

If you would like customers to "bounce" to your biz for special savings and promotions, call or email Kristy at (850) 674-4519 or kristy@calhounco.org.

More details on specific sales and promotions coming soon!

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Community Calendar

Wednesday, April 24

BIRTHDAYS ~ Curtis Anders, Donifan Anders, Darren Fant, Jay Brown

TODAY'S MEETINGS

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



Thursday, April 25

TODAY'S MEETINGS

- AA, 7 p.m., basement of Calhoun Courthouse
- Bristol Girl Scout Troop #303, 6:30 p.m., The Club, Bristol.
- VFW Post 12010, 7:30 p.m., Veterans Civic Center



Friday, April 26

BIRTHDAYS ~ Kathy Brown, Leann Summers, Courtney McMurtry, Wendy Phillips, Tim Wingate, Kathy Hayes, Kathy Drew

Flathead Fishing Tournament

Bristol Boat Landing at 5 p.m.



Saturday, April 27

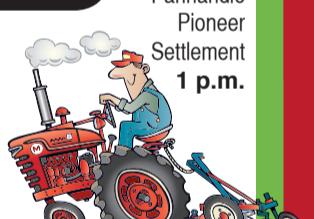
Flathead Fishing Tourney continues through 1 p.m. today

Altha Pride Work Day

meet at 7 p.m. at City Hall

Blountstown Library Arts Series

6:30 p.m.



Sunday, April 28

BIRTHDAYS ~ Mary Frank Brooks, Robin Clemonns, David Sandusky, Darwin Monson

HOME IMPROVEMENT TIME



Monday, April 29

TODAY'S MEETINGS

- Boy Scout Troop 206, 7 p.m., Veterans Civic Center

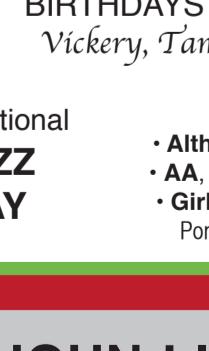
NATIONAL YOUTH SPORTS SAFETY MONTH



Tuesday, April 30

BIRTHDAYS ~ Sara Beth Brown, Faye Vickery, Tami Mullins, David Combs

INTERNATIONAL JAZZ DAY



TODAY'S MEETINGS

- Altha Boy Scouts, 7 p.m., Altha VFD
- AA, 6 p.m., Altha Community Center
- Girl Scout Troop #39, 6 p.m., Page Pond Assembly of God Church in Altha



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Keep Calhoun County Beautiful, Inc. receives national recognition

Keep Calhoun County Beautiful, Inc. has recently received the President's Circle Recognition Award from Keep America Beautiful, Inc. recognizing the standard of excellence achieved by our affiliate in 2012. In addition, Troy-Bilt Lawn and Garden Equipment has recognized us for our efforts in keeping America beautiful with a gift of a backpack blower and a straight shaft string trimmer.

We are so appreciative of this donation, and look forward to utilizing it in maintaining our existing community beautification projects, as well as those to come. KCCB, Inc. is committed to keeping our county beautiful, and it is this type of support that helps us continue our mission.

Pictured at right is Dowling Parrish, showing off one of the new items donated by Troy-Bilt Equipment, along with Doris Traylor, Geraldine Sheard, Joann Roberson and Peggy Hall.



NEWS FROM THE PEWS

ST. MARY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

-St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church, located at 16345 SE River Street in Blountstown, will be celebrating our Pastoral 12th Pre-Anniversary on Friday, April 26 -Sunday, April 28.

We invite you to be our guest as we show our appreciation to Dr. C.L. Wilson and First Lady Betty Wilson. Each night we will be blessed with guest churches helping us lift up the name of Jesus with inspirational words from on High.

Our guest churches on Friday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m. (CT) will be:

- Apostle G.B. Sheard and Prayer Chainer Mission of God Church - Blountstown.

- Pastor Matthew Mitchell and Fresh Start Assembly Church - Blountstown.

- Pastor Christopher Baker and New Beginning C.O.C.W.I.H. Church - Grandridge.

Our guest churches on Saturday, April 27 at 6 p.m. (CT) will be:

- Rev. Charlie Dilworth and St. Rose A.M.E. Church - Grandridge.

- Rev. Sterling George and Rockyville Missionary Baptist Church - Bristol.

We will climax on Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. (CT) with:

- Rev. Sandra Jones and Grant Tabernacle A.M.E. Church - Chipley.

- Rev. Larry Brown and St. Paul A.M.E. Church - Blountstown.

- Rev. Carlos Redding and St. Stephen A.M.E. Church - Bristol.

Come be blessed and be a blessing. For information call Evangelist Patricia Mosley at (850) 718-3710.

HILLCREST BAPTIST CHURCH - On Sunday, April 28, Richard and Cleide Parker will be speaking about their ministry with Word of Life Brazil at Hillcrest Baptist Church, which is located 5 miles West of Shelton's Corner on CR 274.

Richard has over 50 years of ministry in the country of Brazil. In addition to starting a Bible School to train Brazilians for the ministry, Richard and Cleide are part of a boat ministry on the Amazon River that is reaching many of the remote villages with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Come and hear them share how God is working in Brazil. Richard will be speaking at the 10 a.m. Sunday School hour and also at the 11 a.m. worship service. A covered-dish fellowship dinner will follow the morning service. See you Sunday.

LAKE MYSTIC BAPTIST CHURCH - Sunday, April 28, is a special day at Lake Mystic Baptist Church.

We will be having a One-Day Spring Revival with Dr. Jerry Moore preaching and Johanna Plummer as guest soloist.

Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. with the morning revival service to follow at 11 a.m. Immediately after the morning service, there will be a covered dish luncheon in the church fellowship hall.

To close out the day, Discipleship Training begins at 5 p.m. with the evening revival service at 6 p.m.

You are invited to come and share this special day with us.

Lake Mystic Baptist Church is located at 15292 NW County Road 12, Bristol.

NOTE OF THANKS

The family of Doris Stewart would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation for the support, kindness and caring that was shown by so many in the loss of our loved one.

The medical staff at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital and Big Bend Hospice could not have been more attentive and compassionate in their care. We are grateful for so many friends and relatives who brought food.

The service by Pastor Ron Baker and Rev. Bill was heart warming. Steve Small was outstanding in the musical presentation. We are grateful for each and every visit, card, flowers and calls and each and every act of kindness and compassion shown by everyone. Your expressions of support will live with us in the years ahead. May the richest blessings of life be showered on each of you.

The family of Doris Stewart

Deadline for submissions is Monday, July 1; winner to receive \$350 NW FL Artists Guild 2013 poster contest announced

MARIANNA - The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc., 2013 poster contest is for the benefit of the 19th annual Sunday Afternoon with the Arts. The event is sponsored by The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. and The UPS Store™, Marianna.

Deadline for poster submission is Monday, July 1. There is no entry fee and the winner will receive \$350.

Entries should be delivered to The UPS Store™, 4415-C Constitution Lane, Marianna, FL 32448. The store is open Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CT) and is closed weekends.

The winning poster will be used for promoting the 9th Annual Sunday Afternoon with the Arts on Sunday, November 3 from 1-5 p.m., Reception and Exhibit, November 4 to 15, Chipola Cultural Center, Chipola College, Marianna.

Guidelines for the contest are as follows:

Eligibility: Contest is open to all artists 18 years old or older. Art is to be original in composition and design. The subject matter must be appropriate for all ages.

Theme: This year's theme is the "VIVAFLORIDA 500. 1513-2013". The subject matter should be of the Northwest Florida Region, for example, historical, cultural, ecological, etc. Visit www.vivaflorida.org for more information.

Size: Image Size: 11x14, portrait or landscape, unframed. No other size is accepted. We are looking for imagery only. No lettering.

Submission: Only 1 entry. Submitting art must be in hard copy form. If possible, include an electronic version on a CD or memory stick. (Photography and/or computer generated imagery must provide both the hard copy and electronic version).

Contact Information: Ensure your name, address, and phone num-

ber are included with your poster.

Rights: The winning entry will be selected at the sole discretion of The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. The winning art in hard copy form and image rights become the sole property of The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. The winning artist will be required to sign an assignment of rights for the winning poster. The hard copy form may be used for fundraising purposes.

The image design will be adapted for any use, including but not limited to, promotion, publications, programs, post cards, t-shirts, pins, web site, internet promotion, and any other electronic use, presentation, printing or other purpose. The use will be at the sole discretion of The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. to promote the arts.

For more information contact Michele Tabor Kimbrough, Mtk4art@embarqmail.com or (850) 557-0655, or visit www.tagnwfl.org.

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BIRTHDAYS**JAIDEN ALEXANDER BERRIUM**

Jaiden Alexander Berrium will celebrate his fourth birthday on Friday, April 26. He is the son of Chris Berrium of Rock Bluff and Ladrika Bennett of Fayetteville, NC. He enjoys watching movies, going to Headstart and playing with his classmates. Most of all, he loves playing with his big brother, Te'Kori and his little sister, Tacarra.

**MADDIE GRACE RICHTER**

Maddie Grace Richter celebrated her sixth birthday on Tuesday, April 23. She is the daughter of Michael and Heather Richter of Bristol. She enjoys being in Mrs. Summers' Kindergarten class. She has many hobbies which include playing outside, singing and dancing to her favorite tunes, riding her bike and golf-cart, playing school, and getting into her mom's make-up. She celebrated with a surprise from her daddy to see Taylor Swift in concert.

Library hosts Flutes and Storytelling program with Paul McAuliffe for kids

The Blountstown Public Library hosted two Flutes and Storytelling programs by Paul McAuliffe for the children that attend Storytime and for the second, third, and forth graders from Blountstown Elementary School.

Paul played music from his large ethnic flute collection telling about each one's "specialty". Bamboo Native American, Bolivian Pan Flute, Japanese, Red Cedar Anasazi Flute, PVC pipe (to name a few) made his original songs a quiet time for the kids. A hush filled the room.

The presentation was sprinkled with Paul's witty and well delivered stories keeping everyone's attention. "Storytelling, even before there was any real language, was the first form of teaching. It's a great way to teach and entertain kids," explains McAuliffe, adding that many of the stories he tells are personal and involve animals. His experiences playing flutes for wild animals such as Florida Panthers, Grey Wolves, Otters and even bears at the zoo helps teach that "everyone" loves music.

This event was made possible through donations from the Cultural Arts Fund. To help support the arts in our community library please contact Anna Layton at 674-8773, ext. 22.

'From High Wire To Swiftwater' art series at Library Saturday

Stop by the Blountstown Public Library Saturday, April 27 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. for another free and fun Arts Series Event. "From High Wire To Swiftwater" will feature a local author and local musicians.

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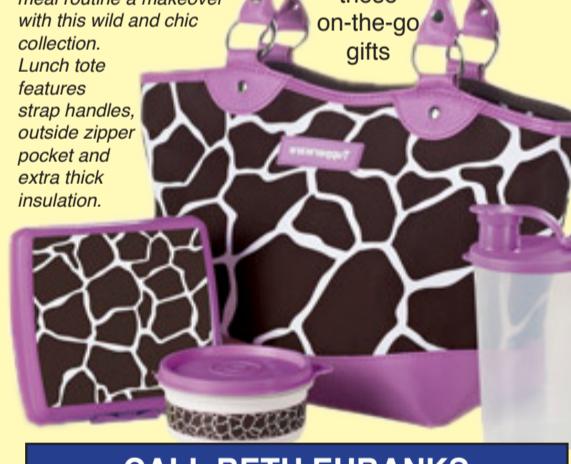
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Scientists have discovered that the feeling that you're being watched is hardwired into our brains. In fact, the only people who don't have the feeling of being watched are on prime time here at NBC.

— JAY LENO

Did you know there are Earth Day greeting cards? There is no better way to celebrate Earth Day than chopping down trees to make cards.

— JIMMY KIMMEL

There are rumors that Selena Gomez and Justin Bieber are back together. I just want that adorable little girl to be happy again. Maybe Selena can get something out of it, too.

— CRAIG FERGUSON

Reese Witherspoon got into trouble. She was arrested for disorderly conduct. She asked the cop, "Do you know my name?" Does that ever work? The answer is either "No," which is embarrassing or it's "Yes, I do, and you're going to jail."

— JIMMY KIMMEL

Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries have finalized their divorce, and they did it two weeks before they were scheduled to go to trial. Even their divorce ended before it really started.

— JIMMY FALLON

TMZ is reporting that Sharon Osbourne is not going to reconcile with Ozzy Osbourne until he proves to her that he can stay sober. After hearing this, Ozzy said, "Who's Sharon Osbourne?"

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A man in New York City is convicted of stealing more than \$376,000 worth of copy machine toner from the law firm he worked for. They're known for their work with big corporations and investment banks, and also for not ever having any toner in their copier.

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The movie "Oblivion" takes place in the year 2077. Humans have abandoned earth. But strangely, Jay Leno is still hosting "The Tonight Show."

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Someone sent President Obama a suspicious letter containing the poison ricin. It's a deadly poison made from beans. They said it's the third worst substance you can send in the mail behind anthrax and packing peanuts.

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Chicago has approved a \$500 million renovation to the Chicago Cubs' Wrigley Field. The upgrade will include a new video screen, enhanced lighting, and an entirely different baseball team.

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Two rides at Disneyland have been temporarily shut down due to safety concerns. The most dangerous of these is probably "Mr. Toad's Wild Ride While Texting."

— CONAN O'BRIEN



Let sleeping dogs lie

My grandmother had a saying for most every situation. When someone would start talking about controversial issues, her comment was, "Let sleeping dogs lie." From many years of experience, she had learned that some things are best left alone, some things better left unsaid. Politicians should follow her advice.

When congress and state legislatures are in session...watch out. Politicians have to prove that there is some reason for them to be there, and they start "legislating." It's a perfect time to "legislate" their personal views on the public.

Politicians think they know best as to what we all need, but much of their effort is to use government to promote their political ideology and religious beliefs on the public at large.

Abortion is one of those emotional, red meat political issues. In a democratic society... well, we think we have a "democratic society"...the abortion issue can never be resolved in the interest of all people. The Supreme Court has ruled in Roe v. Wade that women have a right to abortions under certain circumstances.

Republican dominated state legislatures are on the abortion issue like a yard dog on a bone. Without regard to Roe v. Wade, some states are essentially banning abortion, efforts that will be litigated in the court system.

The only means of totally preventing abortion is to establish a "police state," as did the Soviet Union, particularly in the former East Germany. But that isn't going to happen, so let sleeping dogs lie.

Gun control is another emotional, red meat political issue. I support the Second Amendment. I have a license for a concealed weapon. I always have one of my pistols in my truck. If I am in "Deliverance Country," I take "gauge" with me. Gauge's full name is 12-Gauge, and he brings along his buddies, "Buckshot." Buckshot's full name is Double-Ought Buckshot.

The gun issue is that people kill people with guns. Nothing new about that. People have been killing each other since the beginning of time. Guns just do a more efficient job than does a brick or rock.

Paranoia abounds in the American psyche. Many believe that they need guns to defend themselves against a tyrannical government. That's about as dumb as dirt, but no point trying to convince people otherwise. This is America. People can believe whatever they want to believe.

The Congress isn't going to pass any sig-

nificant gun control laws. People will continue to kill each other with guns, knives, rocks or whatever happens to be within reach when the fight starts. Gun control is another sleeping dog. Leave it alone and accept the consequences.

The state representative that represents my area of Florida is one of those "I know best" politicians.

Clearly pandering for the vote, he has introduced legislation that will permit the state legislature to interject itself into the state court system. What could possibly go wrong with that plan?

He introduced legislation to put a limit on the amount of time a person has to pay alimony. That will ensure the "divorced man" vote.

I've never been divorced, but I do work for lawyers in divorce cases. My view is that the husband and wife finally duke it out, and the results are nobody's business except for the two of them.

If this representative wanted to help divorced women, he would put some teeth into the law that requires deadbeat dads to pay child support. I don't have much sympathy for divorced adults, but I do know that children suffer. The father of one of my granddaughters rarely paid child support; complaints to the state agency fell on deaf ears. My wife and I made sure she had whatever she needed as she grew up.

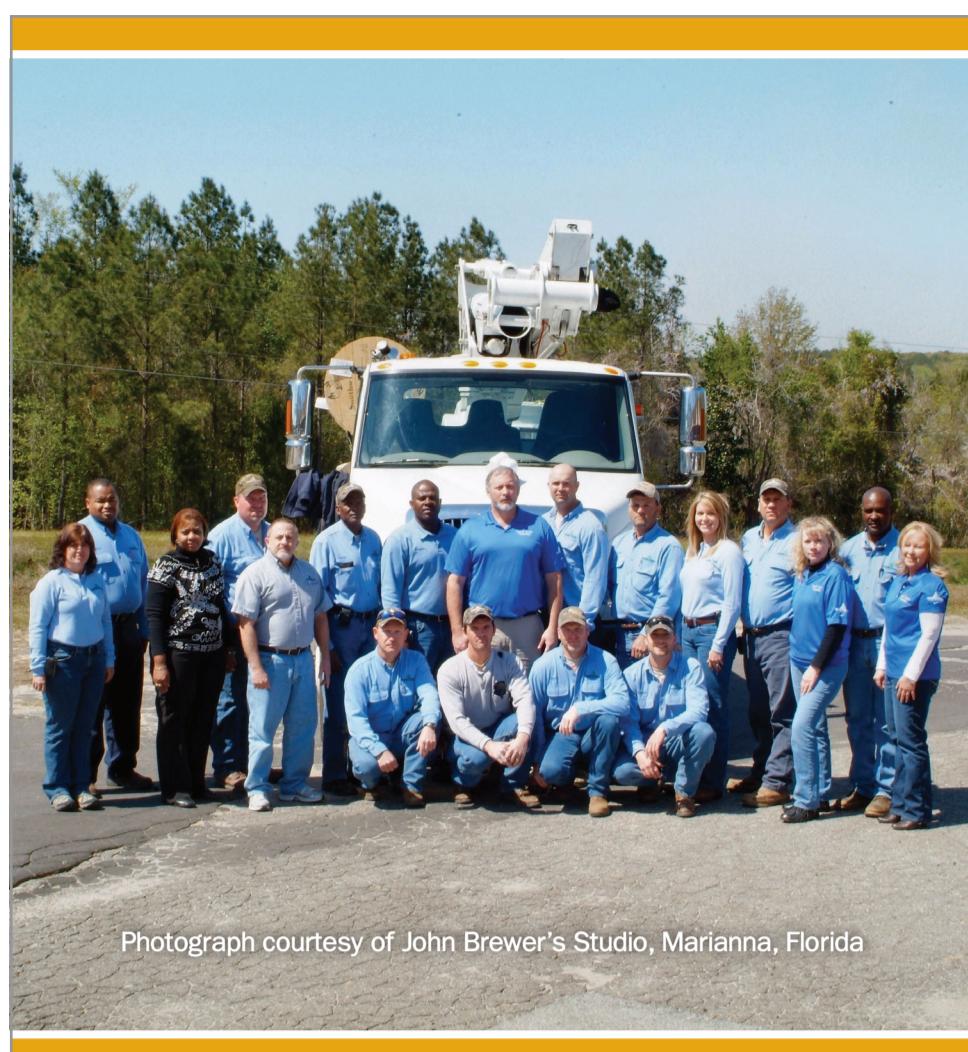
Apparently, my state representative has a lot of idle time. He and a local state senator have proposed a law that service stations can sell gasoline without ethanol. Seems that some of the locals complained that their truck didn't "run good." It's that hated corn in the tank. Without ethanol, add about fifty cents to the price per gallon.

Local county commissioners need money for the budget, and they are afraid that the pitchfork brigade will show up if they raise property taxes. Their plan...add five cents per gallon to the existing seven cents per gallon county gas tax.

The state legislature passed laws outlawing "bongs." Really? They passed a law to prevent the courts from using "foreign law" in court rulings. Really? Even if the accused or court litigants are from the Middle East, does anyone believe the judge is going rule based on Sharia law and customs? Another case of legislative idle hands and idle minds.

To paraphrase Will Rodgers, "Politicians in session are like a baby with a hammer. They break stuff."





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*Sorry Jerry, big government is not the answer
Perhaps I missed your point while
reading my Bible, cleaning my guns*

To the editor:

This is in response to Jerry Cox's article in the *Calhoun-Liberty Journal* dated Wednesday, April 10.

First, I would like to thank you for your years of military service. I believe however, our military is much better off now without you in it. Jerry, are you a big government person? Do you believe the bigger it is, the better for its citizens? Government control of everything is always better? I wonder what the citizens of China, Cuba, Venezuela and North Korea have to say about that. Oh, that's right, they can't speak out against their leaders. I wonder what would happen to them if they did.

You stated in your article that Republicans would end social programs like Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security and other programs. Is this just your opinion or did you get this from MSNBC? The issue is reform the system not abolish it. I know, the Republicans and their stupid, outdated ideas. After all, just look at how they're ruining the states of New York, California and Illinois. Oh wait, my bad, Republicans don't control those states. Well, just look how they're ruining cities like New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. My bad again, they don't control those cities either.

You made reference to Republicans' so called War On Women as a form of Islamic Sharia Law. Really? The next time a conservative woman expresses her beliefs, read what is said should happen to her by the liberal Democrats. If you really want to read some vile and disgusting comments, read what they say when a conservative African-American woman voices her beliefs. In countries with Sharia Law, 14-year-old girls are shot because they want an education.

Teenage girls are killed in honor killings. Journalists are beheaded. Are you suggesting that Republicans embrace and encourage that form of law? If they do, I must have missed all that. Probably happened when I was reading my Bible and cleaning my guns. Yes, I know, if it wasn't for those darn Republicans and their stupid supporters, this country would be great. A utopia you might say.

Do we need big government because we citizens just don't know how to take care of ourselves? Do we need liberals and progressives to tell us what we can and cannot have, what we can and cannot do? I guess they think we are just too stupid to entrust in ourselves. Sorry Jerry, big government is not the answer. Have you ever heard of the free enterprise system? Private companies making an investment in America. Creating jobs. Making American products. I know to some that is an outdated concept. It used to work and it still can. Government needs to get out of the way.

One more thing. If I have to show my ID to rent a car or sometimes when I use my credit card, why is it so wrong to ask someone to show ID when they vote? Don't get me wrong. I'm not anti-government. A limited form of government is needed. I just don't think an overbearing, all encompassing form is the answer. It just might be the problem. And before I end, yes, I was in the military. I was in the United States Navy, the greatest Navy in the world. I took the oath to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States. I stood behind that oath 36 years ago and I still do today. I only wish our elected officials who took that same oath would do the same.

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HAPPY CHANDLER: One man who gave politics a good name

There's a hit new movie this spring, "42," the story of how in 1947 Jack Roosevelt Robinson made baseball history and American history by breaking the color barrier to become a Brooklyn Dodger and the first black man to play in the Major Leagues.

It is also the story of Branch Rickey, the general manager of the Dodgers, who in his lonely commitment to desegregate baseball, chose Robinson, a star in four sports -- football, basketball, track and baseball -- at UCLA before entering the Army and being commissioned a second lieutenant. Rickey believed, rightly, that Jackie Robinson had the courageous self-discipline required to endure the hate, hostility and isolation that awaited him in the grandstands, locker rooms, restaurants and hotels of pre-civil-rights America.

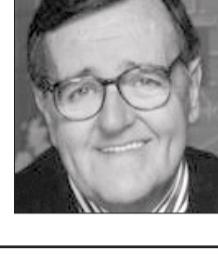
But one American hero gets short shrift in this good new movie. His name: Albert B. "Happy" Chandler. A native of Corydon, Ky., veteran of World War I and a graduate of his home state university's law school, he was a rising political star -- a state senator at 32, lieutenant governor at 33, governor at 37 and U.S. senator at 41.

Happy Chandler left the U.S. Senate in 1945, when the owners of the then-16 Major League teams elected him to be commissioner of baseball. The game had been lily-

AMERICAN COLOR

by Mark Shields

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



white for eight decades, and when the owners later met for two hours in secret at New York's Waldorf Astoria to deal with Branch Rickey's unwelcome push to integrate the game, they voted 15-1 against Rickey and for continued racial segregation.

Nobody much expected Chandler, a self-described "Confederate" who had governed a state where the races were by law separated, to rock the boat.

But that is exactly what the commissioner did. As he later explained his decision to overturn the owners' vote and allow Jackie Robinson to play for Brooklyn, "I'd have to meet my Maker some day, and if He asked me why I didn't let this boy play, and I said, 'Because he was black,' that might not be a satisfactory answer." Chandler went on: "I just decided it (excluding African-Americans from the sport) wasn't just. It wasn't decent. It wasn't fair, and I was going to end it."

Of Jackie Robinson, Chandler said: "He had a chip on his shoulder, and I don't blame him for that because he thought everybody was

against him, and nearly everybody was."

How good a politician was Happy Chandler? In American history, there have been nine different governors who, when presented with a vacant U.S. Senate seat to be filled, have gone through the scripted ritual of resigning as governor in order to have the "new" governor then appoint him (all nine were men) to the U.S. Senate. Not surprisingly, voters dislike this charade, and eight of the nine governors who arranged their own Senate appointments have been defeated in the next election. The only exception: Gov. Happy Chandler, who in 1939 effectively had himself appointed to the Senate and went on to win Kentucky Senate elections in 1940 and 1942.

So Chandler understood the risk he was taking by ignoring the owners and by welcoming Jackie Robinson to baseball.

He was fired by the owners in 1950, but Don Newcombe, the great Dodgers pitcher, would speak eloquently of when Chandler had stood up for blacks, including Robinson, Roy Campanella and himself: "Happy Chandler cared when it wasn't fashionable to give a damn about black baseball players."

How about that, sports fans? A successful politician who was a genuine American hero.



Chipola School of Education gets new home

MARIANNA—Chipola College officials cut the ribbon to formally open the new School of Education last week.

The new building is home to the college's five teacher education programs: Elementary Education, Exceptional Student Education, Math Education (5-9 and 6-12), Science and Biology Education (5-9 and 6-12) and English Education.

Dr. Gene Prough, president of Chipola College, says, "We are very proud of our Teacher Education program. I am happy that our students and faculty have a new place to learn so that they can go out and teach the next generation of students."

Chipola's old teacher education building was one of the oldest buildings on campus and was short on space. The new School of Education features five classrooms, an ample conference room, a computer lab, and a large gathering area for students. Space in the common areas where students can work together has more than tripled in the new building.

Chipola's School of Education has been successful since the college first began offering bachelor's degrees in 2003. Since that time, more than 176 teacher education graduates have earned bachelor's degrees. Most of those graduates are teaching in the K-12 schools throughout the college's five-county district and in neighboring counties.

All 2012 graduates from Chipola's Elementary Education, Science Education and Mathematics Education programs who sought positions were hired for the 2012-13 school year. This continues a hiring trend that has been consistent since Chipola graduated its first mathematics and science teacher candidates in 2005.

Dr. Lou Cleveland, Dean of the Chipola School of Education, says, "Because of rigorous course requirements, Chipola teachers are classified as 'highly qualified' with many of them having both reading and ESOL endorsements upon graduation. Our curriculum provides teachers with a strong foundation which makes them valuable employees."

Chipola Executive Vice President, Dr. Jason Hurst, says, "Chipola's School of Education is one of our very best programs. Our teacher education graduates are highly qualified and effective. This is evidenced by the fact that many of our graduates have been recognized as teachers of the year at the school and dis-

trict level."

From seven students in 2004, the program has experienced tremendous growth. By May, a total of 176 teacher candidates will have graduated from Chipola. The majority of these have been employed in the five county district; others have earned teaching certificates and positions in Alabama, Georgia and Louisiana. There are 33 traditional K – 12 schools in Chipola's district. Thirty-one of these schools employ Chipola graduates. The number is even higher when EPI participants are included. Vernon High School's entire math department is comprised of Chipola math education graduates.

Chipola first began offering courses in Secondary Mathematics and Biology in 2004 with seven students. In 2006, added Middle School Science and Middle School Math. The Educator Preparation Institute was also approved that year to serve non-education majors who were seeking teaching certificates.

In Fall 2008, Chipola began programs in Elementary Education and Exceptional Student Education. The Early Childhood Certificate and Associate in Science program also were moved under the newly named School of Education this year. In 2011, English Education was added. Chipola's first English Education teachers will graduate in May.

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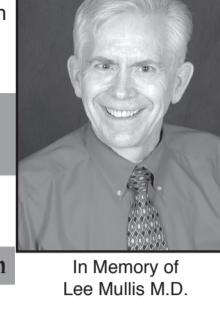
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FWC proceeds with easier-to-follow marine fisheries regulations

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) at its April 17 Commission meeting near Tallahassee discussed a draft proposal designed to make the state's marine fisheries regulations easier to read, understand and enforce.

Current regulations contain inconsistencies from one species chapter to the next. For example, definitions and the location of specific rules vary from chapter-to-chapter. It is because of issues like these that the public asked the FWC to streamline current marine fisheries rules.

Cleaning up marine fisheries information in 68B of Florida Administrative Code will make it easier for anglers to understand and therefore enjoy Florida's many saltwater fishing opportunities. It will do this by providing consistency among regulations and clarifying complex and confusing language.

The first part of the proposed cleanup and reorganization effort includes standardizing the format and rule language for 20 species chapters and relocating the regulations for swordfish, wahoo

and sheepshead to new rule chapters of their own, separate from chapters dealing with other species. Neither of the changes will alter the meaning of these rules or how they are enforced.

The second part of the proposal includes the creation of a new "General" chapter, which will house definitions and regulations that can be applied to all marine fisheries.

Currently, there is no place for general definitions or rules that apply to all marine fisheries. Instead, individual chapters contain repetitive definitions or rule language, which can be cumbersome and confusing to the reader, especially when worded differently. These changes will reduce confusion and enhance compliance by ensuring there is consistency among wording and meaning, and by eliminating repetition.

All proposed regulations for the new chapter have been taken from existing species rules, and are therefore not new



regulations. However, moving them to the new chapter will mean they apply to all marine fisheries, which could change how certain rules are currently enforced for certain species.

For example, a rule in place for red drum, reef fish and king mackerel, specifying vessel operators are responsible for any fishery violations that occur aboard a vessel, will be moved to the "General" chapter and applied to all saltwater fishing. This change will improve enforceability even if no one on the vessel is willing to claim responsibility.

Changes in definitions could also improve how the regulations are enforced. For example, the proposal would expand the definition of "Florida waters" to include any potential fishing site and the adjacent parking area. The definition of "harvest" would be expanded to include the unnecessary harming or destruction of marine organisms.

This rule-cleanup proposal, which will be brought before the Commission for final approval at its June meeting in Lakeland, is the first phase of an extensive rule-cleanup process being conducted by FWC staff, including members of the FWC's Legal Office and divisions of Law Enforcement and Marine Fisheries Management.

The public is encouraged to offer input on this proposal by attending a public webinar Wednesday, April 24 from 6 - 8 p.m. (ET). Learn more by visiting MyFWC.com/Fishing and clicking on "Saltwater," "Rulemaking" and "Upcoming Public Workshops."

Future phases of the cleanup will include standardizing the remaining chapters in 68B; conducting a review of the FWC's current local laws, which are specific to counties or regions, to determine which ones are still needed; and conducting a comprehensive review of Florida Statutes to determine which statutes need to be transferred to FWC rule or recommended for repeal.

License requirement for lionfish harvest permanently waived

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) on Wednesday, April 17 at its meeting near Tallahassee discussed waiving the commercial and recreational bag limit and the recreational license requirement for divers harvesting lionfish using certain gear.

In August 2012, the FWC put a temporary rule in place that waived the recreational fishing license requirement when targeting lionfish with a hand-held net, pole spear,

Hawaiian sling or any other spearing device designed and marketed exclusively for lionfish. This temporary rule change also removed any bag limits when recreationally or commercially harvesting lionfish. Prior to the change, recreational anglers could not catch more than 100 pounds of lionfish without being required to have a commercial license.

The temporary rule change expires Aug. 3.

The Commissioners will finalize the license waiver

and the bag limit removal at their June meeting in Lakeland.

Lionfish are a nonnative, invasive species that negatively impact Florida's native saltwater fish and wildlife. Currently, the most effective method of removing lionfish from Florida waters is by spearing or using a hand-held net. Removing the license requirements and bag limits will increase lionfish harvest opportunities.

For more on the proposal, visit MyFWC.com/Com-

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE 1st Public Hearing Notice

The City of Bristol is considering applying to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of up to \$600,000. These funds must be used for one of the following purposes:

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The categories of activities for which these funds may be used are in the areas of housing, neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, or economic development and include such improvement activities as acquisition of real property, loans to private-for-profit business, purchase of machinery and equipment, construction of infrastructure, rehabilitation of houses and commercial buildings, and energy conservation. Additional information regarding the range of activities that may be undertaken will be provided at the public hearing. For each activity that is proposed, at least 70% of the funds must benefit low and moderate income persons.

In developing an application for submission to DEO, the City of Bristol must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of planned CDBG activities. In addition, the City of Bristol is required to develop a plan to assist displaced persons.

A public hearing to receive citizen views concerning the community's economic and community development needs will be held at Bristol City Hall on Monday, May 6, 2013 at 6:30 PM EDT. For information concerning the public hearing contact Robin Hatcher at (850) 643-2261 or at 12444 NW Virginia G. Weaver St., Bristol, FL 32321.

The public hearing is being conducted in a handicapped accessible location. Any handicapped person requiring an interpreter for the hearing impaired or the visually impaired should contact Robin Hatcher at (850) 643-2261 or at 12444 NW Virginia G. Weaver St., Bristol, FL 32321, at least 5 calendar days prior to the meeting and an interpreter will be provided. Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact Robin Hatcher at (850) 643-2261 or at 12444 NW Virginia G. Weaver St., Bristol, FL 32321 at least 5 calendar days prior to the meeting and a language interpreter will be provided. To access a Telecommunication Device for Deaf Persons (TDD) please contact Robin Hatcher at (850) 643-2261 or at 12444 NW Virginia G. Weaver St., Bristol, FL 32321. Any handicapped person requiring special accommodation at this meeting should contact Robin Hatcher at (850) 643-2261 or at 12444 NW Virginia G. Weaver St., Bristol, FL 32321 at least 5 calendar days prior to the meeting.

A few random thoughts from a wandering mind

Here are some highlights from the discussions I've been having with myself lately, presented in no particular order:

- I hate it when someone's first deer is bigger than any I've ever killed. I especially hate it when it's a kid... or my boss.
- I've come to realize that these days I'm only carrying a comb in my pocket for sentimental reasons. I'd probably be better off trading it for a small tube of sunblock for the top of my head.
- I believe if the Good Lord had sent no-see-ums to Egypt, He wouldn't have needed more than one plague. Pharaoh would have not only freed the Jews, he probably would have wandered in the desert himself to get some relief.
- Instead of background checks for potential gun buyers, why don't we mandate background checks for would-be parents? That would prevent more crime and probably head off a lot of other problems as well.
- Having a garage sale is a good reminder that all those little trinkets you paid a fortune for are pretty much worthless.

- An Australian Cattle Dog is a terrific pet – if you have cattle or live in
- I'd probably be a better person if I could focus as intensely on a church sermon as I can on a fishing cork.

Australia. I don't, but I've got a red heeler that would make the Dog Whisperer scream obscenities. Just an FYI,

Cesar, hissing at a dog that's bred to get kicked by cows isn't all that effective.

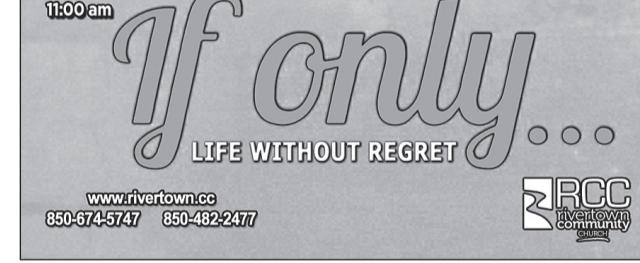
• Every time Mary watches American Idol, I have to wonder what the judges would have to say

to a young Gregg Allman. I'm sure Willie Nelson would have been sent home early and Bob Dylan would have been on the gag reel.

• I've heard that back in the '60s, my grandfather, Daddy Mac, would get so mad watching the news that he would occasionally throw a shoe at the television. Mother Mac would remind him that he had a heart condition and try to get him to calm down. I don't throw shoes, but Mary has suggested recently that my anger over the news might be a bit excessive.

• I'd probably be a better person if I could focus as intensely on a church sermon as I can on a fishing cork.

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



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12th Annual Liberty County Senior Citizens Flathead Tournament

Starts Friday, April 26 at 5 p.m. (ET), Ends Saturday, April 27 at 1 p.m. (ET) at Bristol Boat Landing



REGISTRATION FEE PER ADULT: \$50 for KIDS 14 & younger \$25

"Complimentary Tournament Cap to all competitors. Each fisherman will receive a ticket for a door prize."

CASH PRIZES

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| 1st place..... | BIGGEST FLATHEAD: \$1,000 and Trophy |
| 2nd place..... | BIGGEST FLATHEAD: \$500 and Trophy |
| 3rd place..... | BIGGEST FLATHEAD: \$400 and Trophy |
| 4th place..... | BIGGEST FLATHEAD: \$300 and Trophy |
| BIGGEST NON-FLATHEAD CATFISH..... | \$100 and Trophy |
| MOST FLATHEAD LBS. PER PERSON..... | \$100 and Trophy |

An additional cash prize of \$800 will be awarded to the fisherman with the most combined poundage in the Four(4) area tournaments: 14th Annual FL Catfish Classic, 9th Annual Gaskin Park Flathead Tournament, 12th Annual Liberty County Senior Citizens Flathead Tournament and the 3rd Annual Gator Classic Catfish Tournament.

For further info, please call Rudy Sumner at (850) 643-4318 or (850) 566-0812 or Ann Kincaid (850) 643-5690 or (850) 566-9343.

TIDBITS: In our 11th annual Tournament, 107 fisherman weighed in a total of 1962.10 pounds of fish! 2012 First Place Winner: Michael Pierce

Proceeds will go to Liberty County Senior Citizens.

REFRESHMENTS

Hamburgers.....\$2 Hotdogs.....\$1

French Fries...\$1 Cold Drinks...\$1 Hot Coffee...50¢

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- Donate \$1 for a ticket for a chance to win \$500.
- Donate \$1 for a ticket to "Split the Pot."
- All drawings will be held Saturday, April 27, 2013





Wildcats win last regular season game Thursday night against Franklin County 11-2

Altha head Coach Arthur Faurot coaches final baseball game

Head coach Arthur Faurot coached his final baseball game of the regular season last Thursday night at the Cotton Patch against the Franklin County Seahawks. The Wildcats came out with a win of 11-2.

Coach Faurot reinstated the baseball program here at Altha 23 years ago when he began his teaching career. He not only devotes his time to baseball but to Altha School where he is instrumental in making things happen. We appreciate everything he has done in the past years and he will definitely be missed.

Seniors recognized last Thursday included players Corey Barton, Jacob Ratliff, Justin Waldroff, Ryan Wood, and "The Voice" of the Wildcats, Devin Ferrell.

ABOVE: This year's Seniors stand with their parents as they are recognized during the game. BELOW: Coach Faurot stands at the fence talking to loyal fans. RIGHT: The team presented coach with a special plaque. BELOW RIGHT: The school, team and friends thank coach for the 23 years of hardwork and dedication to the school and the baseball team.

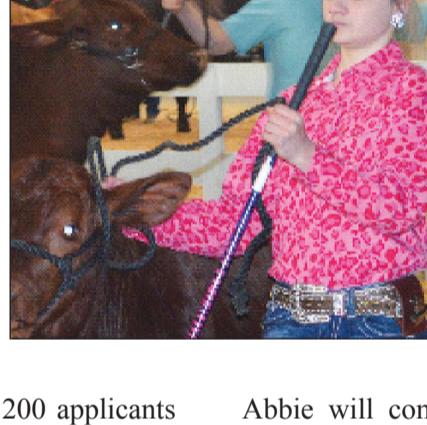


Altha's Abbie Edenfield selected as finalist for 'Stars of Florida' award

The Florida FFA Association recently selected 21 student members as finalists in the highly coveted "Stars of Florida" award recognition program.

This program symbolizes the highest competitive recognition for FFA members and their Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program(s) in six different categories. Nearly 200 applicants were considered during the selection process. Each candidate will be interviewed by a team of FFA, industry and Agriculture Education representatives to determine the winner in each area.

Each finalist, their family and agriculture instructor(s) will be recognized on Thursday, June 13 at the 85th Florida



FFA Convention in Orlando.

We are excited to announce that Abbie Edenfield was chosen as one of the finalist for the State Star Discovery Award. We are proud of Abbie and her hard work with her Supervised Agriculture Experience Project.

Abbie will complete an interview, where a panel of judges visit her project in a few weeks and will find out at the convention if she was selected as the winner.

Abbie is the daughter of Marcia Sewell and Jamie Edenfield. Her advisors are Erin Stoutamire Walker and Tyler Stoutamire.

Education Consortium course offered at Altha School for fifth grade students

The Panhandle Area Educational Consortium in conjunction with Altha School is offering a five week course for the parents and students of the fifth grade.

This course will be packed full of information that will benefit the student and the parents during this important transition from the elementary to middle school.

This course will be offered on Mondays, beginning April 29 and ending May 27, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The sessions will meet at Altha School. Dinner will be served each night.

You should have gotten a flyer mailed to your home, but if you did not or would like additional information please contact Kennessee Dew at (850) 762-3121 or Bonnie Wertenberger at (850) 638-6131, ext. 2259.

BHS Cabinetmaking program gets donations from local stores and Blountstown Police to assist with projects

Principal Debbie Williams, Mr. Sidney Granger, his cabinetmaking students and VICA Members are very appreciative for the community support they have received recently.

The local Alco store donated numerous items that they pulled from their shelves during inventory. The items ranged from sand paper to power tools. Mr. Granger will use these supplies and tools with his classes as they work on projects for their class and the community.

The Blountstown City Police showed their support for the program and Blountstown High School by donating a large cooker and stainless steel sink attached to a mobile trailer. The cooker will be used to assist with fundraisers for Cabinetmaking Classes, VICA and other BHS fundraising and student reward events.

BACK ROW FROM LEFT: Travis Wood, Anthony Wyrick, Taylor Wood, Jordan Willis, Hunter Price and Ryan Flowers. Middle Row: Mr. Sidney Granger (Instructor), Elijah Boyd. Seated in front: Kemuel Cedeno.



Last call for Team Curl shirts at BHS

At BHS we have some Team Curl shirts available in on a first come, first served basis. Quantities are limited.

See Dana Ayers or call 674-5724 and leave your phone number. Mrs. Ayers will return your call. All shirts are \$16.

All profits go to Teresa Curl who we support in her fight against leukemia. This is the last shirt order.

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Calhoun County Tobacco Free Partnership

Interested in improving local tobacco-related policies? The Calhoun County Tobacco Free Partnership invites you to attend our monthly meetings:

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3rd Tuesday of each month at 3:30 p.m.

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LCHS Lady Bulldogs win District, defeating Port St. Joe 6-2



The Liberty County Lady Bulldogs defeated Port St. Joe 6-2 in the class 1A District 4 championship.

Carly Sapp went 3 for 4 with 3 runs, 1 RBI, and a homerun. Ashley Smith went 1 for 1 with a homerun. Kayla Johnson got the win. Kayla's record for the season is 14 wins and 3 losses. The Lady Bulldogs season record is 21 wins and 3 losses.

The Lady Bulldogs will host the Wewa Lady Gators on Tuesday, April 30 at 7 p.m. in the Regional Semifinals.

Bulldog Beat

• YEARBOOKS – Senior Parents, yearbook ads for seniors are on sale now. A full page ad is \$150, halfpage is \$125, quarterpage is \$80. All ad prices include a yearbook. Call Ms. Austin at 643-8345 for more information.

Yearbooks are now on sale also for \$40 each. Books must be paid for in advance. There will be very few extras ordered so reserve your copy now.

• CAP & GOWN PICTURES – Senior Cap and Gown pictures have been moved to Wednesday, May 1 pending arrival of medallions.

Liberty County Pre-K screenings May 6-8

Liberty County Schools will sponsor Pre-K screenings for the upcoming school year. Any parent/guardian that would like to have his/her 3-4 year-old child screened should call for a Pre-K screening appointment.

Screenings will be held at the Early Childhood Center Monday through Wednesday, May 6 - 8.

The parent or legal guardian must provide permission for the child to participate in the screening. Please bring the following documents to the screening:

- Proof of residency with your 911 address
 - Proof of income (6 weeks)
 - Child's birth certificate
 - Child's Social Security card
 - Parent/Guardian identification (driver's license)
- Screenings will be by appointment only. Call (850) 643-2275, ext. 242 to make an appointment.

Gospel sing & fundraiser at Hosford School April 27

A free gospel Sing will be held at Hosford School lunchroom on Saturday, April 27 at 7 p.m.

Music will be by The Fortress group, Claudie Black Family, Telogia Praise Team and Pat Summerlin, with Ken Hosford as MC of the program.

The Hosford School 8th Grade Class will be selling BBQ pulled

pork plates for \$6 starting at 5:30 p.m. in the lunchroom for their trip to Orlando.

Please come and enjoy the music and fellowship as the students serve you.

The 8th Grade Class would like to say Thank You to all who have help them on this journey. Without

your help this trip would not be taking place and they would not have the memory of this adventure or the process that it took to take their trip.

What a learning process it has been. Your help has been appreciated by all that has been connected in the adventure. May God bless each and everyone of you in His very special way.

Tolar's first grade shines at Spring Musical

The first grade class at W.R. Tolar delighted families, friends, faculty and staff at a Spring Musical held on Thursday, March 21.

The 77 students sang about bears, bunnies, railroads, our country, rainbows, sunshine and how they're going to let their light shine.

The students had so much fun and sang their songs with enthusiasm! Great performance first grade.



This Land is Your Land is performed by (from left) Caleigh Peddie, Kayelyn Franklin, Aubrie Arnold, Gracie Shiver, Emily Barber and Lauren Grantham.



BMS Student Council explores the Florida Capital

Blountstown Middle School Student Council enjoyed a day at the Florida Capitol, Friday, April 19.

The students participated in a mock session in the Florida House of Representatives Chambers and had the opportunity to meet and talk to Representative Marti Coley. The students also went on a guided tour of the Capitol and the Old Capitol

building.

The following BMS Student Council members that attended

the field trip were: 6th Grade Representatives Aliya Everett, Blasé O'Bryan, Courtney Payne and Emma Richards, 7th Grade Representatives Sofia Coley, Jamal Howard, Jeff Price, Alison Roberts and Drew Willis, 8th Grade Representa-

tives and Officers, Mikel Engram,

Citlali Gutierrez, Bianca Martinez,

Daniel Ryals, Tyreek Sumner, Brock

Williams, Mackenzie Eubanks, Tiff

any Dees, Caroline Howell, Seth

Brown, Seth Brown, Shad Johnson,

Lana Wood, J.T. Richards and Em

ily Shuler. BMS Student Council

Sponsors are Wendy Eubanks and

Janice Moore.

Carr FFA Spring Fling 5K and Fun Run results

Carr FFA hosted a Spring Fling 5K and Fun Run on Saturday, April 13, at the Train Depot in Blountstown. We appreciate the runners, sponsors, Carr School staff, and supporters that helped make this a success!

Place J.K. Newsome 57:53

60 and Over Male: 1st Place David Farnsworth 28:04; 2nd Place Tom Stallworth 36:07; 3rd Place Jeffrey Barth 42:55

Fun Run Winners:

6-9 Female: 1st Place Holly Sewell 9:48; 2nd Place Sidney Sewell 10:36



LEFT: Fun run winners Sidney Sewell and Holly Sewell. BELOW: 50-59 Female & Male, Susan Fitzgerald and Glen Kimbrel and 60 & over, 1st place winner David Farnsworth.



11-14 Male: 1st Place Josh Schneider 25:56

15-19 Female: 1st Place Faith Plazarin 27:29; 2nd Place Amber Raisbeck 31:58

15-19 Male: 1st Place Austin Britt 23:42; 2nd Place Drew Bryant 24:02

20-29 Female: 1st Place Heidi Stone 35:10; 2nd Place Amber Godwin 55:01

30-39 Female: 1st Place Sybil Plazarin 34:27; 2nd Place Robyn Hill 54:13

30-39 Male: 1st Place Beaver Yoder 22:59; 2nd Place Ben Hall 24:11

40-49 Female: 1st Place Paulette Bryant 27:16; 2nd Place Tracie Taylor 29:24; 3rd Place Melissa Lheureux 44:42

40-49 Male: 1st Place Eric Miller 26:01; 2nd Place Scott Sewell 32:31; 3rd Place John Sewell 32:32

50-59 Female: 1st Place Susan Fitzgerald 30:55

50-59 Male: 1st Place Glen Kimbrel 35:08; 2nd

SCHOOL LUNCH Apr. 24 - Apr. 30 MENU

CALHOUN

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST: Grits with ham cubes and sweet potato muffin. **LUNCH:** Spaghetti and meat sauce or pepperoni pizza or taco salad served with broccoli polonaise, carrot sticks with ranch dip, bread stick and fruit.

THURSDAY

BREAKFAST: Sausage and egg biscuit and potato rounds. **LUNCH:** Meatball sub or cheese burger or chef salad served with french fries, easy baked carrots, whole grain roll and fruit.

FRIDAY

BREAKFAST: French toast sticks with syrup and a turkey sausage patty. **LUNCH:** Cheese pizza, chicken

LIBERTY

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST: Cheese grits and a sausage patty with orange juice. **LUNCH:** Sizzling hard shell beef tacos or open faced turkey sandwich or BBQ chicken salad with crackers and croutons served with shredded lettuce and tomatoes and refried beans.

THURSDAY

BREAKFAST: Whole wheat cinnamon toast, a ham slice and tropical mixed fruit. **LUNCH:** Oven fried chicken with a dinner roll or toasted turkey and cheese on Texas toast or cobb chef salad with crackers served with mashed potatoes with gravy and steamed broccoli. 2nd & 3rd grade cheese pizza

FRIDAY

BREAKFAST: Scrambled eggs, grits and orange wedges. **LUNCH:** Beef and bean burrito with cheese or pepperoni pizza or chef salad with cheese, crackers and croutons served with green beans, tossed salad with tomatoes and light dressing.

* Each breakfast includes a choice of assorted cereal, whole wheat buttered toast and juice.

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Touch A Truck coming to Landmark on May 4

DOTHAN --Calling all kids! On May 4 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Landmark Park will host the third annual Touch A Truck, featuring dozens of trucks for kids and adults to touch, explore and learn about their uses.

Thanks to local business, many trucks will be featured at the event. Some of the equipment that will be present includes a recycling truck and street sweeper from the City of Dothan, a NASCAR racecar and more. Visit www.landmarkpark.com for updated lists of vehicles that will be present at Touch A Truck. A 'quiet hour' will take place from 10-11 a.m. for kids who are afraid of loud noises.

New to Touch A Truck, a special advance family pass will be available for \$20. This pass must be purchased in advance and will allow five people in to the event.

Admission to Touch A Truck is \$5 for kids, \$7 for adults and free for park members and children 2 and under. This event is sponsored by The Joy 94.3 FM. Refreshments will be available.

Landmark Park is a 135-acre historical and natural science park located on U.S. Highway 431 North in Dothan, AL. For more information, contact the park at (334) 794-3452 or visit www.landmarkpark.com.

Blountstown Blasters lose in elimination game April 13 in Marianna

The Blountstown Blasters smelled victory but tasted defeat in Marianna April 13. After overcoming an early deficit, the Blasters lost to Jackson County 9-8 in the opening game. Despite the loss, Kaiden Hatchett had a break-out performance on the mound recording 6 strike-outs over 3 innings.

The Blasters defeated Wiregrass Sports Academy in the second game by a score of 13-3. Shawn Dunkle pitched a complete game while giving up no walks. It was the Blasters best defensive game of the year lead by Mi'kis Engram's outstanding play at 2nd base.

In an elimination game, outstanding pitching by Mi'kis Engram led to a 11-7 lead going into the 5th inning. After 3 extra innings, the Blasters suffered a heartbreaking loss to the Wiregrass Sports Academy by a score of 12-11.

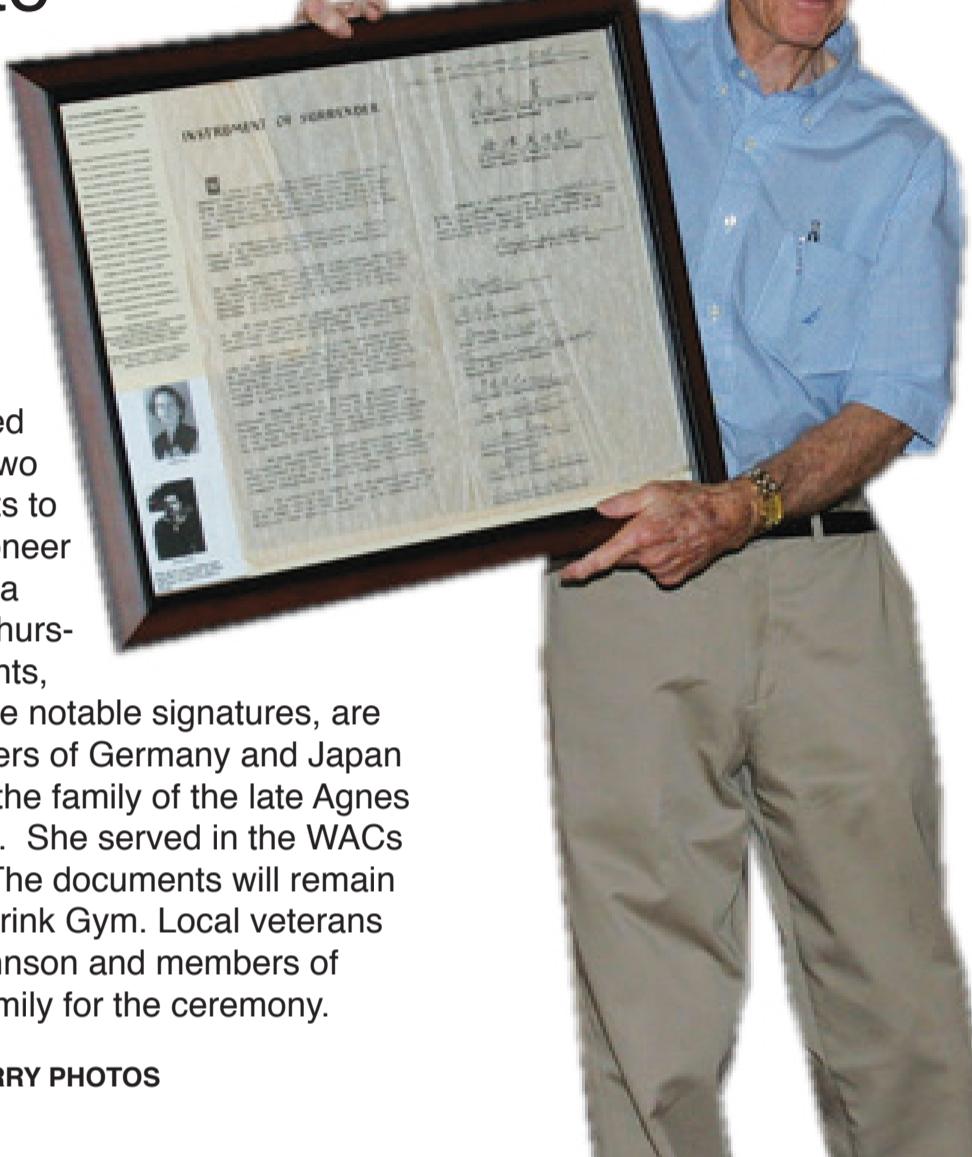
Dylan Chason lead at the plate with 6 hits and continues to dominate on the base paths. Despite the close losses, the Blasters continue to improve their pitching depth.



Copies of surrender papers to hang in Frink Gym

Howard Johnson Sr. (right) presented framed copies of two wartime documents to the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement during a special program Thursday. The documents, which feature some notable signatures, are the surrender papers of Germany and Japan that have been in the family of the late Agnes Sewell since 1945. She served in the WACs in World War II. The documents will remain on display in the Frink Gym. Local veterans (above) joined Johnson and members of Agnes Sewell's family for the ceremony.

SHELBY RODDENBERRY PHOTOS



**He Runs,
He Slides,
He's Out!**

ABOVE and RIGHT: Altha's shortstop Cody Barfield reaches out to catch the ball as a Franklin County runner slides into second. The runner was out.

DANIEL WILLIAMS PHOTOS

Altha Wildcats beat Seahawks 11-2 April 18

The Altha Wildcats baseball team played the last regular season game April 18 against the Franklin County Seahawks at the Cotton Patch in Altha. The Wildcats walked away with a 11-2 win for the night. LEFT: Altha's Jacob Ratliff slides to base. BELOW: Altha's outfielder Ray Wood throws the ball as Justin Waldorff runs to assist. RIGHT: Waldorff pitches.



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Liberty County Tax Collector Marie G. Goodman, CFC Reminds Taxpayers of the Nearing Property Tax Deadline AVOID ADVERTISING FEE

Liberty County Tax Collector Marie G. Goodman, CFC, reminds property owners, including taxpayers on an installment plan, that May 9, 2013 is the last day to pay property taxes before incurring advertising fees as required by law for real and personal property.

Property owners with taxes that are to be paid by escrow companies or to verify payment has been received, please access our website at www.libertycountytaxcollector.com to verify that payment has been posted to your account.

Tax payments can be made online at www.libertycountytaxcollector.com or at the Tax Collector's Office. Office hours are Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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Big Bend Hospice offers community resources following national and personal tragedies

In the wake of tragedies, such as the Boston Marathon Bombing, and the Newtown shootings, our national focus is drawn to painful encounters with death, trauma, grief, and a heart wrenching emotional struggle to understand.

We struggle to make sense of acts like these in within our own value systems – how can such terrible things happen to innocent people, including children?

What we may not focus on as often, are our own citizens right here in Leon and surrounding counties that have been touched by personal losses and tragedies.

They too struggle each and every day, although we may not always notice. They might be our family members, colleagues, classmates of our children, friends, and neighbors.

National events can re-trigger painful emotions for those who have experienced other losses in their lives.

We are fortunate to have not only Big Bend Hospice but other

local agencies and providers who are here to help. Call 2-1-1 Big Bend for a current listing of providers.

For your convenience we have listed those services provided free of charge by Big Bend Hospice, regardless of whether their loved one utilized hospice medical services.

Call Pam at 878-5310 ext. 799 or pam@bigbendhospice.org for more information or to register.

People grieving the death of loved ones have help available to them in their time of need.

Focus Groups For Youth

- Monthly Children's Nights: 4th Tuesdays of the month (concurrent parent/guardian support meeting) For children ages 5-12 that have experienced the death of a loved one.

- Monthly Teen Nights: 2nd Tuesdays of the month. For teens that have experienced the death of a loved one.

- Resources and referral: provide free materials and informa-

tion for children and those that support them.

- Trauma, Grief, and Loss Coalition for Youth: List serve for professionals and lay helpers that provide support to youth touched by trauma, grief, loss, bereavement and suicide. Quarterly meetings.

- Camp and Teen Woe-BE-Gone: Two annual bereavement camps hosted by Big Bend Hospice.

Focus Groups For Adults

- Six Week Support Groups: Next one runs May 16-June 27. Thursday evenings at 6:00 pm

- Grief Series: Educational sessions on different topics. Next session is May 6 and topic is "Grief 101" at 6 p.m.

- Suicide Loss Support Group: Meets 3rd Tuesdays of each month from 6-7:30 p.m.

- Annual Remembrance Services including Mother's and Father's Day, Veterans Day, Feasts of Remembrance and Hope for Holidays.

JAMIE BRANDON BOWMAN

QUINCY - Jamie Brandon Bowman, 86, moved seamlessly from this life to her eternal home in Heaven on Monday, April 22, 2013. She was born to Claude W. and Leona Brandon on May 25, 1926 in Quincy. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Quincy. She retired as an Office Manager with the Gadsden County Extension Office. Her life revolved around her children and family who have truly been blessed by having such a wonderful, kind, strong and loving mother and grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Columbus Bowman, Sr. and one son, Henry Columbus Bowman, Jr.

Survivors include one son, Ed Bowman and Lucy Patrick of Tallahassee; four daughters, Connie Fletcher of Tallahassee, Frances Fletcher of Quincy, Nancy Stewart and her husband, Wayne and Alice Woodward and her husband, Charles, all of Pensacola; 10 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Family will receive friends on Wednesday, April 24 from 4 - 6 p.m. (ET) at Charles McClellan Funeral Home Chapel.

Services will be held on Thursday, April 25 at 10 a.m. (ET) at the First Baptist Church of Quincy. Interment will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to Big Bend Hospice in Tallahassee for their compassionate care and support during the last days of her life. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308.

Charles McClellan Funeral Home in Quincy is in charge of the arrangements.

BRANDY MICHELLE BRUCE

HOSFORD - Brandy Michelle Bruce, 40, of Hosford, passed away on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at her home. She was born on December 31, 1972 in Sacramento, CA. In addition to spending time with family and friends, "Aunt B", as she was known, loved outdoor activities such as fishing, hunting and shelling at the beach. She was special to everyone who knew her and will be greatly missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Nancy and Richard Barmby, Jr. and her grandmother, Elaine Barmby.

Survivors include her husband of 17 years, Aaron Bruce of Hosford; one daughter, Brittany Bruce of Hosford; one brother, Charles Barmby and his wife, Marisa of Lakeland; her grandfather, Richard Barmby, Sr. of Orangevale, CA; her father and mother-in-law, Benny and Diane Bruce of Tallahassee; a brother-in-law, Bradley Bruce; a sister-in-law, Lindy Bruce; several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held April 18 at William Edwards Cemetery in Sawdust.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her name at Focus Credit Union.

Charles McClellan Funeral Home in Quincy is in charge of the arrangements.

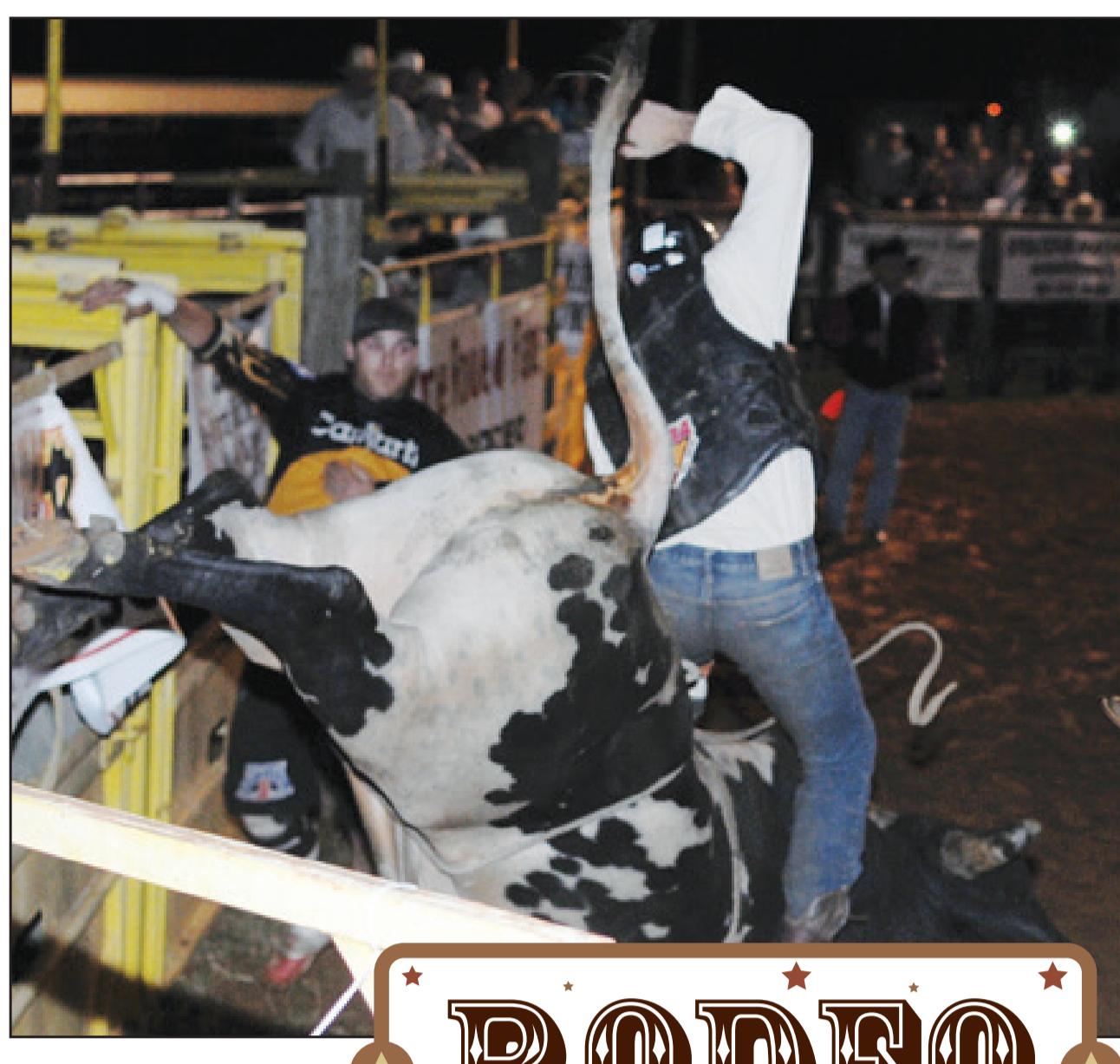
JO ANN CALLAIS

ALTHA - Jo Ann Callais, 59, of Altha, passed away Tuesday, April 16, 2013 in Marianna. She was born on July 30, 1953 in Altha and had lived in Altha for most of her life. She was a retired Certified Nurse's Assistant and a member of the Holiness Faith.

Survivors include one son, Johnny Herbert and his wife, Theresa of Altha; one daughter, Dianne Flanders and her husband, Richard of Altha; two brothers, Woodrow "Pug" Carr, Jr. and Johnny Carr, both of Altha; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, April 27 at 10 a.m. (CT) at Peavy Funeral Home Chapel. Memorialization will be by Cremation.

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



Barrett Purvis dusts himself off after taking his turn riding a sheep in the mutton busting round.

RODEO

Sponsored by the Florida Panhandle Saddle Club

The Florida Panhandle Saddle Club's fifth Annual Rodeo was held Saturday in Blountstown, bringing in more than 1,300 spectators to watch the riders kick up some dust at the Skeet Davis Arena in Sam Atkins Park.

Take Stock in Children (TSIC) hosted a side event and raised \$900 from local contributors which included Ralph Yoder, BMS, Florida Panhandle Saddle Club, Keith and Stephanie Brogden and an anonymous donor. This year Danny Ryals ran the barrel pattern in 42 seconds, just 18 seconds under one

minute for that fundraiser, which provides scholarships.

With 138 entries, the night was full of action with barrel racing, calf roping, break-away roping and mutton busting.

All five winners in the barrel racing event were local riders. Leslie Clemons of Blountstown took first place.

The Cherokee Trailblazer Drill team out of Marianna performed for the crowd.

LEFT: Jay Shiver of Calhoun County busts out of the chute on the bull for his ride. BELOW: Jay shows his high flying dismount from the bull after his ride.



ABOVE: Jaxson Williams rides a sheep in the mutton busting event, which he won. RIGHT: Lane Lambert of Pensacola gets bucked off of his ride. Lane won last year in the bull riding event. LEFT: The Cherokee Trailblazer Drill team of Marianna entertained the crowd. BELOW: Wendy Taylor of Blountstown takes part in the break away roping event.

DANIEL WILLIAMS
PHOTOS



Shuler, Eberly top runners in Health Dept. 5K at Coopers Park

The Florida Department of Health in Calhoun and Liberty Counties is in their fourth week of celebrating Public Health Month. This Friday, April 26, we will be offering free blood pressure checks at the Piggly Wiggly in Blountstown and Bristol. We have had a great turn out at all the business that we have partnered with. We want to say a big thank you to Centennial Bank in Calhoun and Liberty Counties, Calhoun and Liberty County Credit Union, Post Offices in both counties and the Piggly Wiggly in both counties and the Apalachee Restaurant. It is so wonderful to have community partners that are concerned about the health and well being of our communities.

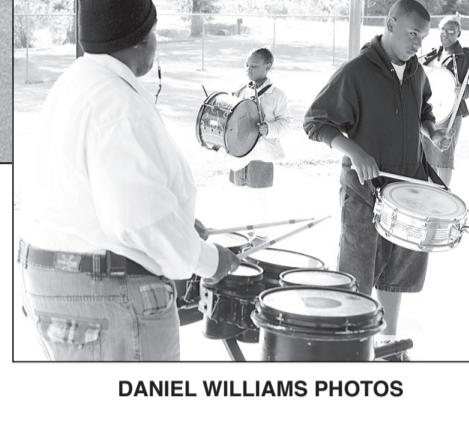
On Saturday, April 20, we hosted a free 5K run/walk at Coopers Park and had a great time and a great turn out. We want to thank everyone who came out to volunteer and participate in this event. A special thank you to the Prayer Chainers Mission of God drum line who started the race. This was a very special and unique way to begin the race. We would also like to say thank you to John Sewell for helping with the timekeeping and letting us borrow the time clock from Altha School. A big thank

you goes to the Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT) clubs and the Liberty Just program for their participation.

Although everyone who participated is a winner for taking an active approach to improving their health, there were three categories for the race winners: overall winners for male and female were Garet Shuler and Ruth Ann Eberly. In the under 35 age group, males: first place- Alex Mayo, second place -M. Brown and third place- Vance Williams. Female: first place - Kierstin Mosher, second place -Jody Granger and third place- Heidi Stone. Age group 35 to 50 male first place- Thad Simmons, female first place-P. Bryant, second place- A. Bryant and third place- A. Howell. In the over 50 category female: first place -Nela Wilson. The under 10 category: first place -Michasia Brown, second place - Lakyria Brown and third place- Annette Carroll. We appreciate everyone participating in this event.



Don't forget to pick up your FREE door and window alarms at both the Calhoun and Liberty County Health Departments for households that have access to a pool or a body of water such as a lake, river or canal.



DANIEL WILLIAMS PHOTOS

PUBLIC AND LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2013-03

Notice is given that the Board of County Commissioners of Liberty County, Florida, proposes to adopt the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REPEAL THE LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA ORDINANCE NUMBER 91-07 FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE; TO ADOPT A NEW LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA FLOOD-PLAIN MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE; TO ADOPT FLOOD HAZARD MAPS, TO DESIGNATE A FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR, TO ADOPT PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR DEVELOPMENT IN FLOOD HAZARD AREAS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; TO ADOPT LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA BUILDING CODE; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The first public hearing on the Ordinance will be held at 5:00 p.m. eastern standard time, on April 18, 2013, at the Liberty County Courthouse, Highway 20, Bristol, FL 32321.

The second public hearing on the Ordinance will be held

at 6:00 p.m. eastern standard time on May 9, 2013, at the Liberty County Courthouse, Highway 20, Bristol, FL 32321.

All interested persons are invited to attend. A copy of the proposed Ordinance may be reviewed at the Board of County Commissioners Office in the Liberty County Courthouse. In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Commissioner's Office at (850) 643-5404 at least seven days prior to the date of the hearing. Persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decisions made at this hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purposes, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2013.

Liberty County, Florida
Kathleen E. Brown, Clerk
to the Board of County
Commissioners

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES CHANGING THE USE

OF LAND

IN A JOINT MEETING OF LIBERTY COUNTY FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF BRISTOL FLORIDA AND THE LIBERTY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Liberty County Board of County Commissioners and the City Council of Bristol propose to adopt ordinances affecting the use of land by amending the Liberty County Comprehensive Plan and the City of Bristol Comprehensive Plan.

LIBERTY COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 13-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS, AS REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 163, FLORIDA STATUTES, DESIGNED TO UPDATE THE LIBERTY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE CITY'S EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT; ADOPTING A PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES ELEMENT, UPDATING THE FUTURE LAND USE AND FUTURE TRANSPORTATION MAPS AND UPDATING THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES OF THE FUTURE LAND USE, TRAFFIC CIRCULATION, HOUSING, INFRASTRUCTURE CONSERVATION, RECREATION, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITHE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AND POLICIES OF THE FUTURE LAND USE, TRAFFIC CIRCULATION, HOUSING, INFRASTRUCTURE CONSERVATION, RECREATION, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITHE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CITY OF BRISTOL ORDINANCE NO. 2013-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRISTOL, FLORIDA, ADOPTING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS, AS REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 163, FLORIDA STATUTES, DESIGNED TO UPDATE THE CITY OF BRISTOL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE CITY'S EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT; ADOPTING A PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES ELEMENT, UPDATING THE FUTURE LAND USE AND FUTURE TRANSPORTATION MAPS AND UPDATING THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES OF THE FUTURE LAND USE, TRAFFIC CIRCULATION, HOUSING, INFRASTRUCTURE CONSERVATION, RECREATION, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITHE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITHE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MAP OF LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA with Bristol shown and labeled

A Public Hearing on the ordinances will be held on **THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2013, at 5:15 P.M.** in the Courtroom of the County Courthouse. A copy of said ordinances and interlocal agreement may be inspected by the public at the Office of the Liberty County Clerk of Court and at City Hall.

Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, such person will need a record of these proceedings, and for this purpose such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, these proceedings are being conducted in a handicapped accessible location. Persons requiring special accommodations, a TDD device, or an interpreter to participate in these proceedings should contact Kathy Brown, Clerk of Court at ph: (850) 643-2215 or at the

Clerk of Court's office located at 10818 NW SR 20, Bristol, FL 32321 or Robin Hatcher, City Clerk at ph: (850) 643-2261 or at her office located at 12444 NW Virginia G. Weaver Street, Bristol, FL 32321 at least 5 calendar days prior to the hearing date.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

Liberty County Transit is placing up for bid a 2007 Dodge Caliber Vin number 1B3H-B4BB17D301603 Mileage 123974.

The Car is in Good Condition with Standard Packaging and Cloth Seats. Minimum Bid accepted will be \$1,000.00 Bids must be sealed and received by the Liberty County Clerk of Courts office no later than 3 p.m. May 9, 2013.

Bids will be opened at the Liberty County Court House at 4 p.m. with recommendations presented at the Board of County Commissioners Meeting for Approval. Bids can be mailed or walked into The Liberty County Clerk's Office. Bids must be labeled Liberty County Clerk's Office c/o Liberty Transit Sealed Bid P.O. Box 399 Bristol, FL 32321.

For More information regarding the vehicle you can contact Liberty County Transit Mechanic Rudy Sumner at 566-0812.

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MOBILE HOME PARK MANAGER/PROPERTY MANAGER

Duties include repairing and maintaining mobile homes, maintaining the park, leasing homes, collecting rent-laundry-soda revenues, and some office work.

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Any questions, please call (727) 289-7272.

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10 positions - Temporary/seasonal work planting, cultivating, and harvesting vegetables, fruits and flowers on a diversified crop farm from 5/6/2013 to 9/15/2013 at Witten Produce Patch, Lowell, Portland & Waterford, OH. Three months of previous experience required in the job described. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. Post-hire employer-paid background check required. \$11.74/hr or current applicable AEWR or applicable piece rates depending on crop activity. Workers are guaranteed 3/4 of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears or One Stop Career Center, 16908 Northeast Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. OH Job Order #OH556197.

Liberty County Board of County Commissioners is accepting applications for employment

CUSTODIAL-FACILITIES MAINTENANCE

Deadline for applications is April 30, 2013 at 5 p.m.

Request applications from the Liberty County Clerk's Office – PERMANENT PART TIME POSITION (4 HOURS PER DAY) – 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Monday thru Friday – Direct Deposit Payroll is required – Pay rate: \$8.00 Per Hour

This position is responsible for keeping County buildings clean and in orderly condition, performing minor maintenance; setting up building for functions and maintaining grounds. Incumbent ensures that County buildings and facilities are maintained in a healthy, safe and sanitary manner. Work is performed under the general direction of the Liberty County Clerk of Court.

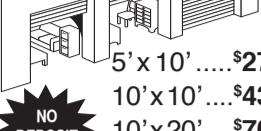
Illustrative Tasks: Cleans offices and meeting room chambers, lobbies, restrooms, elevators, stairways, and other work areas. Sets up meeting room chambers and conference rooms for scheduled events. Sweeps, mops, scrubs, waxes, and vacuums floors. Cleans rugs, carpets and window coverings. Dust furniture and equipment as required. Polishes metal work and washes mirrors. Empties trash and garbage containers: transports trash and waste to disposal area. Cleans kitchen sinks and counters. Replenishes restroom supplies and maintains adequate supply of cleaning materials and supplies. Maintains storage and cleaning equipment, materials and supplies in a safe and orderly manner. Notifies Clerk of Court concerning need for supplies, major repairs, or additions to lighting, heating, and ventilating equipment. Cleans sidewalks and grounds, removing debris and litter. Performs other related duties as may be assigned.

* Graduation from high school or possession of an acceptable equivalency diploma. Must possess at least one year of related custodial experience. Possession of valid Florida Driver's License with driving record acceptable for County Insurability. Must provide proof of vehicle insurance coverage and have a vehicle for transportation for one facility to another. A comparable amount of training and/or experience may be substituted for the minimum qualifications.

* Knowledge of standard cleaning procedures, chemicals, products and equipment. Knowledge of the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System. Skilled in operating vacuum cleaners, floor washers, buffers and related cleaning equipment. Ability to read and understand labels, instructions, use and application of cleaning chemicals and products. Ability to work with minimal supervision. Must be able to communicate directly with the general public and county staff. Employee must occasionally handle boxes and equipment weighing up to 50 pounds. The employee is frequently exposed to dust, mold and mildew and caustic and irritating cleaning chemicals; and is occasionally exposed to fumes and airborne particles associated with toner cartridges in printing, fax and copy equipment. The employee is regularly exposed to wet and/or humid conditions; moving mechanical parts; high, precarious places; outside weather conditions; and vibration. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is required to stand; to walk; to use hands to finger, handle, or feel; to reach with hands and arms; to talk and hear; and to smell. Must be willing and able to clean up unpleasant waste in a safe and sanitary manner.

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ITEMS FOR SALE

Watering cans with handle and long spout, neat for a display or for use inside or out. (ca early 1900s). Prices vary. Call 643-7567.

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Old kitchen items, all sizes of aluminum pots, porcelain and enamel pans, white enamel bowls for mixing, etc. For use or hand to display, (ca 1930-40s). Prices vary. Call 643-7567.

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Weber Baby Grand piano, new condition, \$5,500 OBO. Call 728-9742.

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Denim skirts, two boxes of long length, sizes 14-16. Also girls clothes, toys and household items. Call 566-8491.

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Portable toilet, \$100. Queen size wicker headboard, \$60. Call 674-3264.

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Five rolls carpet padding in good condition, \$20 per roll. Call 643-5469, leave message if no answer.

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Pool table, regulation size with accessories, \$150. Call 379-3263 or 570-3495.

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Fireplace, needs some parts. Paid \$600, asking \$300. Call 674-3264.

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Fish tank, 75 gallon, comes with aquarium pump, filter and tank accessories, \$200 OBO. Call 447-0438.

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Weightlifting machine, \$150. Call 643-6861 or 674-5625.

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All occasion pre-lit arch, white metal, 8 feet tall, used once, \$10. Large softside rolling black suitcase, 30.5" Hx21" Wx10" D in great condition, \$15. Two Altus ankle weights with five removable weight pouches on each and Velcro straps, \$5. Call 762-3881.

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Eddie Bauer infant car seat with all attachments and base, very clean, \$25. Call 762-3881.

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PSII and PSP games, \$5 each or will sell everything at a reasonable price. Call 237-2644.

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Treadmill, Gold's Gym Trainer 480, good condition, \$200. Call 442-3387.

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10,000 BTU for \$100 and GE 6,000 BTU for \$150. Call 674-4554.

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FURNITURE

Dining table and chairs, all wood, \$125. Glass top coffee table, \$40. TV stand, \$20. Black room divider, \$30. Call 643-8290.

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Primitive chairs straight/slat back with cowhide, cane, slatted wood, basket weave, all types of seats. (ca 1880s-1930s). Prices vary. Call 643-7567.

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Chiffarobe with four drawers, has areas for long and short mirror (mirrors are missing), \$20. Call 762-3455.

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Large suede sofa with recliners on each end, \$200 OBO. Call 566-8491.

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Table and two chairs, \$50. Queen size bed, \$75. Ladies chair lounge, \$35. Call 674-3264.

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Bedroom suite, 4 piece with a light stain. Includes a queen size bed and mattress, one bedside table, a dresser and a chest of drawers. Sleigh style bed with slats, headboard and footboard, like new, \$800. Call 643-6861 or 674-5625.

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Armoire style TV cabinet with storage underneath, \$100. Metal bunk beds with two twin mattresses, \$150. Computer desk, \$50. Small round oak dining table with four chairs, solid oak, \$200. Call 643-6861 or 674-5625.

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Cosco youth bed with mattress, 54" Lx28" Wx18" H in great condition, \$20. Call 762-3881.

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1941 7 piece bedroom set, maple, \$800 OBO. Queen Anne oak table, \$175 OBO. Bedroom chair, maple with yellow calico print, \$45. Call 674-5792.

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Lots of good used furniture for sale at the Calhoun-Liberty Ministry Center thrift store. Come check us out. Located on Hwy. 20 East of Blountstown. Call 674-1818.

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1941 7 piece bedroom set, maple, \$800 OBO. Queen Anne oak table, \$175 OBO. Bedroom chair, maple with yellow calico print, \$45. Call 674-5792.

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1997 Mercury station wagon, \$1,250. Call 674-3264.

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2000 Ford F-150 pickup truck, automatic, 4WD, toolbox and bed-liner, stereo, cruise control. In good running condition, \$6,400 OBO. Call 447-4512.

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1991 Ford F150, title in hand, needs battery, chrome wheels, diamond plate tool box. Can be seen at Mears Auto Repair in Blountstown, \$2,000. Call 643-6960.

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