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NEWS BRIEFS

Local tax exemption deadlines ahead

March 1 is the deadline for applications and renewals for homestead exemptions, low income senior citizen exemption, disability exemption, certain veterans exemptions and agricultural classifications.

For questions concerning these exemptions and classifications or for copies of these applications, please contact the Gadsden County Property Appraiser's Office, 3 W. Calhoun St., Quincy, FL 32351. For information, call 627-7168.

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Taxpayers are asked to bring proof of identity, all tax forms (W2, 1098, etc.), information for other income, Social Security cards for you, your spouse and dependents, proof of account for direct deposit, identification number for child care provider, information for deductions/credits and a copy of last year's tax return.

Call 850-875-7255 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

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GCSO nets another stolen property suspect

ROBERT ALLEN
Times Reporter

In their continuing investigation of stolen equipment sales, the Gadsden County Sheriff's office arrested Ricardo Denaz Jackson on Thursday, Feb. 20, on two counts of dealing in stolen property.

The arrest comes in the wake of GCSO interviews with suspects Charles Hayes and Homer Garner. Both men were arrested earlier this

month after a confidential source provided GCSO with information about a stolen tractor sale.

Jackson's arrest report primarily references the GCSO's past report on Garner's arrest. According to his arrest report, Garner insisted his involvement with stolen property was strictly as a middleman. Jackson was one of the men for whom Garner claimed to broker, ac-

cording to Garner's arrest report.

Jackson's arrest report gives an account of how in 2011 Jackson and Garner allegedly sold a nearly new New Holland tractor for \$3,000 to a Gadsden County man. With front scoop and backhoe, the New Holland tractor is valued at \$15,000. The local man paid with a check. He recently provided GCSO a copy of the check, front and

back, for their files, according to sheriff's office records.

According to Jackson's arrest report, the local man also included his older tractor and older attachments as additional payment for the New Holland tractor.

According to Jackson's arrest report, both he and Garner were present for the

2011 sale of the tractor. In Jackson's report, Garner also alleges he worked with Jackson when procuring the tractor from the individual who transported it from Leon County.

Jackson's arrest report does not include any comments from Jackson.

Jackson's bond was set at \$10,000.



Ricardo Jackson

Stepping into his story



Jaylin Stripling, an East Gadsden High School drum major, marches Saturday, Feb. 22, in the Black History Month parade in Quincy. Photo by Robert Allen

Quincy parade honors Black History Month

ROBERT ALLEN
Times Reporter

When the marching band stopped midway through the parade route, Jaylin Stripling carefully placed his drum major's mace on the street. A moment later, it became clear why. The whole band began to dance.

"It was fun," said Stripling, East Gadsden

High's drum major. "Each year it's something different."

The parade, organized in honor of Black History Month, moved east along West Crawford Street. Both sides of the street were lined with spectators. Stripling said he looks forward to the performance every year.

"Everyone chipped in to make the dance routine," he said.

The parade involved a wide variety of participants, including local businesses, churches, charities and social organizations. Morris Young, sheriff of Gadsden County, led the procession.

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Chili cook-off Relay for Life fundraiser set to simmer

ROBERT ALLEN
Times Reporter

Gadsden County is holding its inaugural chili cook-off from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, on the courthouse lawn. The event is part of the county's involvement with Relay for Life, an American Cancer Society fundraiser to combat cancer.

"It will really have a community feel," said Olivia Smith, Gadsden County's special projects coordinator. "We're going to have a great time and raise

some money."

At least 10 cooks will be participating in the contest, which organizers plan to turn into an annual event.

"We want to have real people with real down-home recipes," said Smith.

According to Smith, one of the recipes will feature venison. She could not, however, comment about other chili entries' key ingredients.

"There's going to be a lot of secret recipes," she said.

The county will set

up a tent and provide power for each participant's slow cooker or cooking surface.

"It's supposed to be cooler weather, which will be great since we're cooking chili," said Laurel Bradley, an executive assistant with Gadsden County and another member of the county's Relay team.

"We'll probably learn a lot from this event, and next year it will be even better," she said.

Bradley explained

three judges will sample each chili entry, assigning a score to every pot. These numbers will then be totaled. Awards will be presented to the first-, second-, and third-place cooks.

Tickets are \$5. Each includes a bowl of chili, a drink, and crackers. They are currently on sale at the county administrator's office. They will also be available at the event.

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ROBERT ALLEN
Times Reporter
Sustainability and connectivity were critical concepts at the recent Gadsden County Chamber of Commerce Go Gadsden meeting. The group gathered at 8 a.m. Feb. 21 in Midway at the Tri-Eagle Sales Center. The meeting included announcements about both local and regional developments.

"If we succeed, if Gadsden County succeeds, if our region succeeds, we all succeed," said Sue Dick, president of the Tallahassee/Leon County Chamber of Commerce.

Stew Parsons, former judge and current executive director of Sustainable Tallahassee, discussed a new solar project the chamber is currently pursuing. Parsons installed a solar energy system at his own home and reported highly efficient results.

When the project is completed, the chamber will become the first commercial operation in Quincy to install a fully integrated solar energy system. Independent Green Technologies, a sustainable energy firm based in Tallahassee, will install the Chamber's system.

The company has completed projects at the Tallahassee Regional Airport and the Franklin County Courthouse Annex in Apalachicola. Independent Green Technologies offers a

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Obituaries

Anderson 'Andy' Hayes

Anderson "Andy" Hayes, 83, of Glassboro died on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at the Vista Hospice In-patient Unit in Stratford following an extended illness.

Born in Bridgeton on September 14, 1930 to the late Anderson G. Hayes and Ida Mae Bradwell Hayes, he was the husband of the late Violet Cooper Hayes. During his illness he had resided at his daughter Sharon's home for the past five years. Anderson had been raised in Bridgeton but had lived in Vineland for a period of 25 years.

Prior to his retirement, "Andy" had worked as a supervisor for Owens Illinois Glass Co. for over 30

years. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force where he proudly served during the Korean Conflict as a communications and radio specialist. He was a championship caliber golfer who enjoyed basketball, especially the Philadelphia 76ers. "Andy" had been a Varsity runner on the track team in high school for four years. He also enjoyed fishing and landscaping his home.

He is survived by his daughter, Sharon Hayes of Glassboro; three sons; Andy Hayes and his wife Dorothy of Port St. Lucie, FL, Jeffrey Hayes of Absecon and Mark Hayes of Quincy, FL; a sister, Thelma Marie Hayes of Bronx, NY; four grandchildren, Nicole Williams,

Sharyce Hayes, Jasmine Hayes and Markia Hayes; a great-granddaughter, Makayla Lockett and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by four brothers; Ralph Hayes, Louis "Joe" Hayes and George Hayes.

Funeral services will be held at the PADGETT FUNERAL HOME, 1107 State Highway 77, Upper Deerfield Twp. on Wednesday February 19th at 11 AM. Interment will take place at Cedar Hill Memorial Park in Hopewell Twp. Friends will be received at the funeral home from 9 AM to 11 AM prior to the services. Written condolences can be sent to the family through the funeral home website at www.padgettfuneralhomes.com



Dr. Carolyn E. Poole, Director

Harry Holt

Harry K. Holt, 83 years of age, or Quincy, FL, died on Tuesday, February 18, 2014. The funeral service is Saturday, March 1, 2014, 11:00 am at St. James A.M.E. Church of Quincy, FL with burial

at Sunnyvale Cemetery, of Quincy, FL. The wake will be from 6 pm to 8 pm on Friday, February 28, 2014, at New Zion A.M.E. Church of Quincy, FL. He is survived by his wife Geraldine Barnes Holt of Quincy, FL;

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Q: What's the difference between Instagram and Skype?

A: Come to free workshops at the Library to find out!

If you're befuddled by newfangled terminology, or just curious to learn how new technologies can enhance your life, let the Gadsden County Public Library System introduce you to a couple of fun classes that just may turn you into a techie in a flash.

An Instagram workshop will be offered from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Monday, March 3, at Havana Public Library.

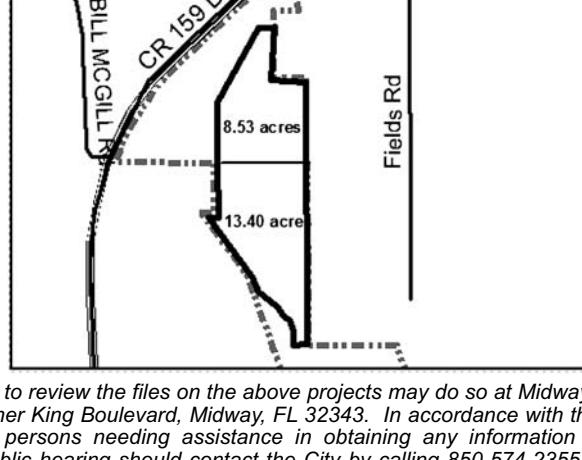
Here's a sneak peak at Instagram: It's a popular photo-sharing and social media network accessed via an application installed on an iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad or Android camera phone. Users can take and edit photos, then share them on a variety of social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Flickr and Tumblr.

In the Instagram workshop, you will learn

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NOTICE OF INTENT FOR TRANSMITTAL OF A FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Midway Planning Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. intends to hear CPA-2014-02, a large scale Future Land Use Map amendment to the Midway Comprehensive Plan, to change the land use of property located at Tax Parcel ID #s 4-05-1N-2W-0000-00130-0000 and 4-05-1N-2W-0000-00131-0000 from Agriculture-1 (Gadsden County) to Agriculture (Midway) on the Midway Future Land Use Map. The parcels are owned by Henry B. Dover, Jr. and consist of a total of 21.93acres.

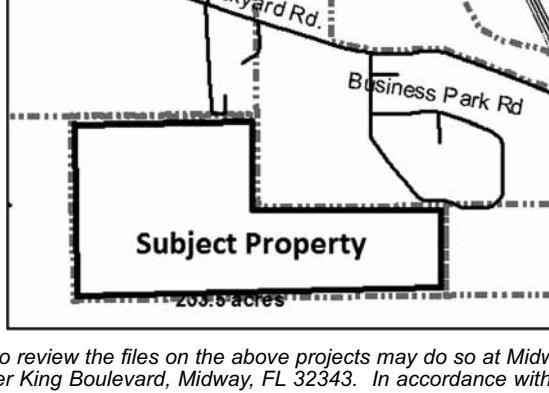


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Opinion

Along Twin Ponds Road

If only the world could maintain the true humane and brotherly spirit of what the Olympic Games should be, all 365 days of the year.

I guess that would be the same as keeping the real meaning of Christmas alive and well all year, 24/7, as well, wouldn't it?

I don't know about you, but I usually can't wait until the winter Olympic games begin as I become excited about watching countries from around the world meet together in some beautiful, wintery place to compete in a sport they've given their all to for many years.

There is nothing like becoming excited or fascinated while watching a competition and not caring much about who wins or what country they represent. Isn't that what the games are all about?

I love watching a competitor give his or her all to a certain sport and just forgetting about what country he or she is from.

Sure, it's great when an American wins, but isn't it just as thrilling when a youngster or old timer wins, and they may be from some relatively unknown country that doesn't normally make the evening news?

When these 2014 Olympic Games began my neighbor, Bill stepped out to walk his dog one morning, and we greeted one another.

Bill is from the Netherlands and has spent most of his life living in Canada.

"I'll bet you're having a heckuva time rooting for teams if you're watching the Olympics, Bill," I said.

"You know, Ray, you're right; I have to root for three teams," he replied.

I congratulated him for the great victories the Dutch had achieved in speed skating and started to walk away.

Bill blurted out in a friendly manner: "Go Dutch!"

Now that to me is what the Olympic games can do for a body: that is, make one want to wish his neighbor, not born in America, well wishes for whatever country's team he hoped would win, or in Bill's case, any of three different teams.

I haven't met my neighbors from across the street who happen to be from Russia. If I did meet them I would be excited about congratulating them for the medals Russia has won thus far in the games.

What does make me unhappy about the 2014 winter Olympics is the biased, yea, rah, rah, broadcasts from America's news media. But then, what else is new?

Why can't networks just air the games and report on the events without bias, prejudice or condescension?

It started out weeks before the Olympics had begun when the major network that would be sponsoring the games started airing gloomy and negative reports about Sochi, Russia, not being ready for the games.

Worse, when the games finally began they didn't give daily news viewers a chance to turn down their TV volumes or leave the room so watching that day's competitions wouldn't be spoiled by knowing the results ahead of time.

I do remember in the past that news anchors at another of the three networks had always given

you a chance to tune out if one had chosen to. Arrrrrgh!

The opening night of this year's Olympics was spectacular as most of them are. It is so wonderful to see any country go all out to make the opening night festivities enjoyable for those around the world.

What did our American broadcasters do? Why, they highlighted the failure of one snowflake not turning into an Olympic ring as all the other snowflakes had done! Arrrrrgh!

In all fairness to the network covering the Olympics, I was able to view and enjoy most of the events televised and the beauty of Sochi's mountains and surrounding terrain.

As badly or negatively as the U.S. press seems to want to make Putin out to be, I thought he was gracious, courteous and genuinely happy to be a part of the Olympic Games.

It warmed my heart a little to see him smiling and attempting to be gracious to athletes from other countries. His country had come together and proved a network wrong. The Olympics in Sochi did come about and with style, pomp and glory.

People from around the world have had a chance to view the games in all their splendor in yet another country where so many thought the games wouldn't come about.

Even the security afforded has been thus far successful, and no major terrorist action has occurred as predicted it would.

I have read a few newspaper editorials where an



...Ray Willis

individual columnist stated that if the Sochi coverage was an example of a free and fair American press, her profession needed to reexamine itself.

Did you happen to watch the games the night Jeremy Abbott, American figure skater, while attempting to do his quadruple toe loop in the Men's Figure Skate Short Program, fell and crashed into the wall?

You knew as a television viewer that you would be treated, or should I say taunted, with an instant replay of the fall, and yet another, another ...

Jeremy laid there in pain and agony until we thought he might not get up, and then suddenly surprised the world. Why, he not only arose from the ice, he smiled, and went about continuing his program. And then he performed a triple Lutz-triple toe combination with precision and grace.

God bless Jeremy Abbott and all those Olympians who suffered some type of misfortune but somehow were able to rise above the occasion, shake themselves off, and skate, ski, jump or slide to the finish line.

Now that's what the Olympic Games are all about!

God bless you.

Letters to the editor

Steer clear of unsafe meat

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is still expanding the list of retailers carrying meat unfit for human consumption to Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington and 970 locations in California alone.

About 8.7 million pounds were shipped all through 2013 by Rancho Feeding Corporation of Petaluma, Calif.

The recall comes in the wake of USDA's new "inspection" program that allows the meat industry to increase speed of processing lines and replace federal inspectors with plant employees.

According to the USDA inspector general, this has resulted in partial failure to remove fecal matter, undigested food and other contaminants that may contain deadly E. coli and listeria bacteria.

Traditionally, USDA has catered more to the interests and profitability of the meat industry than health and safety of American consumers.

Consumer interests come into play only when large numbers of us get sick. Having USDA protect consumers is like asking the fox to guard the henhouse.

The Obama administration should re-allocate responsibility for all food safety to the Food and Drug administration. In the meantime, each of us can assume responsibility for our own safety by switching to the rich variety of soy-based meat products offered by our favorite supermarket.

Glen Claus

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Gardening and Advocacy take patience

I've come to learn that gardening is one of the most satisfying ways to exert energy for a greater good. A garden has five basic components: soil, seeds, water, sunshine and labor — simple, yet profound!

Since time immemorial, diverse civilizations have developed methods of plant cultivation for both nutritional survival and, for many, beautification of their home and community environments.

My dear Grandma Minnie grew up in a small Russian shtetl where potatoes, beets, cabbages and assorted greens were the staples of existence. Upon coming to this country in 1908 her love of the land traveled with her across the Atlantic.

Even in the crowded tenement apartment on Ludlow Street in lower Manhattan where she lived as a teenager, she found a corner of a fire escape or sunlit window where she could keep a plant or two. She so enjoyed watching the new green leaves come to life — just like she herself was growing into her new life in America.

When my grandparents settled in the rural Bronx in 1918 (yes, the Bronx was considered the countryside back then), she planted a garden plot in her back yard every spring tomatoes, cucumbers, beans, eggplant and many other varieties were set in rows, providing delicious



Jack Levine
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Our Tallahassee in-town yard has five raised beds where we grow many seasonal varieties of organic vegetables and many flowering plants. Our nearby beehive serves as a launching point for the busy insects whose work is focused on locating flowers to pollinate, then returning back home with nectar and specks of pollen with which they produce honey to feed themselves and their queen.

Our bees produce plenty of honey, enough for us to harvest our percentage of the profit as payment for our investment as their landlord!

The process of tending a garden is one of life's great opportunities for learning patience and participating in the nearly miraculous process of natural life cycles. I was raised to appreciate gardening, and we nurtured that interest in our sons who are both "foodies," to our great delight. I truly believe the more children are given the opportunity to be gardeners, the greater the likelihood they will grow to appreciate nature, learn the power of patience and understand more about healthy nutrition.

I must admit that my wife, Charlotte, is the true horticulturalist in the family, but I pitch in with weekend manual labor at her direction. There is special satisfaction I feel in pulling out a pesky clump of weeds by the root, pruning and trimming a flowering bush for healthier seasonal growth and planting a tree. I ascribe to the Chinese proverb, "We plant trees today so generations to come will enjoy the shade."

Edible landscaping is an awesome trend. I'm especially excited to learn how many schools, early childhood centers, neighborhood parks and elder care facilities are utilizing open spaces to create garden spots. This wonderful website www.kidsgardening.org is a valuable resource for promoting this movement.

With so many of our children eating too many of their meals out of fast-food bags and boxes, giving them the thrill of growing their own veggies is not only great for education, it's a powerful introduction to the world of delicious and diverse cuisine.

Gardening and advocacy

It's clear to me that effective public policy advocacy is closely akin to growing a garden. It certainly takes motivation and a perceived need to make a condition better.

Neither gardening nor advocacy is for everyone. Some people would prefer staying on the sidelines, keep to themselves and let others do the work, to be silent consumers rather than active participants.

I've found the world is made up of two kinds of folks: people who get things done and those who are just fine with the way things are and never get their hands dirty no matter

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Praise the Lord



tional Development Center Inc. hosts S. D. James Evangelistic Association Inc.'s 2014 International Women's Auxiliary Conference. Beginning Thursday, March 27, and ending Sunday, March 30, participants can enjoy daily seminars, evening services, tours of historical museums and a delightful banquet.

Nightly services will be at 8 on Thursday, March 27, and Friday, March 28. On Saturday, March 29, there will be a special banquet which will include a Hat Fashion Show and will begin at 7:30 p.m. On Sunday, March 30, service will begin at 9 a.m. Nightly and Sunday morning services are open to all. Services will be at 1477 Capital Circle NW, Tallahassee.

Registration is \$150, which includes conference materials, daily seminars and a banquet.

For information, contact: Host Pastor Vickie Rutledge, 850-504-0730; e-mail: vision5800@yahoo.com, Pastor Lucille Y. Mason, 561-842-0729.

Community clothes closet open

The Mount Zion Primitive Baptist Church, corner of 9th and Crawford, in Quincy, announces a free Community Clothes Closet. There are clothing items for youth and adults available free of charge. Anyone interested in receiving items should contact Mother Thelma Powell at 850-933-9405 from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday. Everyone is welcome!

PMaking melody at Fountain Head AME

Fountain Head AME Church will host a musical program. Church choirs, soloists and/or praise dancers are welcome to attend. The program will be at 7 p.m. March 8. For information contact Bro. Terrance Wood at 850-508-1318.

Women's conference planned

True Wisdom New Hope Ministries Interna-

Special Meeting Notice

The Gadsden County Tourist Development Council will hold a special meeting on Monday, **March 3, 2014** from 3:30p.m.-5:00p.m. This meeting will be to discuss the 2014 Funding Application Cycles and Funding Requirements, in addition to all agenda items from the advertised January TDC meeting. All interested vendors, committees, agencies, non-profits and local business owners are encouraged to attend.

The meeting will be held in the Commission Chambers located at 9 East Jefferson Street, Room 101, Quincy, FL.

Persons wishing to review the files may come to the Department of Planning and Community Development at 9 East Jefferson Street, Room 102, Quincy, FL. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing assistance in obtaining any information from the County or attending the public hearing should call 850-875-8659 or Facilities Maintenance at (850) 875-8665, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Church celebrating anniversary

Agape Christian Fellowship Center Inc. Church Anniversary Itinerary Feb. 26 to 28. Bishop Reginald Washington, Pastor and Agape Christian Fellowship Center church family will celebrate the church's 20th anniversary. Starting Wednesday Feb. 26, Guest Speaker: Co Pastor Judy Mandrell, Life Changers Ministries of Tallahassee; Thursday, Feb. 27, Guest Speaker: Pastor Jahaziel Dawkins, Bostic Temple Christian Center of Quincy along with Special Guest Pastor Loraine Gibson, Redeemed Believers Ministries; Friday, Feb. 28: Guest Speaker: Pastor Julius Harris, New Jerusalem M.B. Church of Havana. The public is invited to all the services and the speaker for Sunday will be announced Sunday, March 2.

Musical program ahead

Hwy. 12 Gospel Singers Third Anniversary March 7, 8 and 9, Friday at 7:30 p.m. with a great word from the Lord. The Musical Programs will take place at 7 p.m. March 8, and 3 p.m. March 9 at Neal's Temple Holiness Church, 240 Neal's Temple Road, Havana, Elder Clarence Rich, pastor.

The public is invited to come and worship. For information, contact Sis. Shane Bozman 850-688-5230, Sis. Versie Hill-Bryant 850-264-0360, or Sis. Linda Horton 850-491-3252, Minister Allen Jones, Manager.

Church plans prayer conference

Prayer Warriors Outreach Ministries will have a Prayer Conference at 6 p.m. March 1. The church is on Whispering Pine Lane in Quincy. The public is invited.

Miracle Temple COGIC Silent Auction Under The Stars with music, food

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GADSDEN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Gadsden County Planning Commission will hold at a regularly scheduled meeting on **Thursday, March 13, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Board of County Commission Chambers located at 7 East Jefferson Street, Quincy, FL. The proposed agenda will include the following public hearing items:

Public Hearings:

1. Housing Element (CPA-2014-01) – An amendment to the Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

2. Subsection 5002(B) of the Land Development Code: Non-conforming Structures and Uses (LDC-2014-01) – Amending the Land Development Code development standards regarding non-conforming structures and uses.

Persons wishing to review the files on the above projects may do so on the County website at gadsdengov.net or at the Gadsden County Planning and Community Development Department located at 1B East Jefferson Street, Quincy, FL. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing assistance in obtaining any information from the County or attending the public hearing should contact the County by calling 850-875-8665 or 850-510-7842, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at such public hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, he or she 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 used.

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Education



West Gadsden High School students practice for the FCAT 2.0 Writing test. Photo submitted

Preparing writing scholars at West Gadsden High School

JASMINE SAILOR
West Gadsden High School

Testing season is here and success is in the air at West Gadsden High School! Fourth-, eighth-, and 10th-graders across the state of Florida took the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) 2.0 Writing on Tuesday, Feb. 25. To ensure all

eighth- and 10th-graders in Panther Nation were prepared for take-off on this rocket to success, Ms. Jasmine Sailor, the seventh- and eighth-grade Language Arts teacher, designed and coordinated a writing workshop for the writing scholars. Sailor and Ms. Nahketah Kirkland, the ninth- and 10th-grade English in-

structor, presented various topics and tips.

Students were grouped inside the Panther cafeteria, and were introduced to the workshop. Ms. Kirkland presented two sessions: "Power Planning and Transitioning from One Idea to the Next" and "Ending It with a Bang!" Ms. Sailor presented three sessions:

"Introducing Your Ideas," "Creating the Beautiful Body" and "Is There Such Thing as a Perfect Paper?" Students participated in various interactive activities throughout the workshop.

To close out the workshop, snacks were provided by Kirkland and Sailor, and students completed a survey in which they stated

what incentives they wanted to receive for passing the FCAT 2.0 Writing Assessment.

On Monday, Feb. 17, to show what they learned from the previous week's writing workshop, the eighth- and 10th-grade students participated in an FCAT writing simulation. Upon arrival in the cafeteria, the students were given breakfast provided by the principal, Dr. Walker, and the administrative team.

After breakfast, last-minute writing tips and reminders were given. Students were given 60 minutes to plan, write and edit their essays. After completion, students used a checklist to ensure all elements of the essay were included in their writing. —

Top-performing STEM students selected as Sunshine State Scholars

Florida's top performing STEM students were recently recognized as Sunshine State Scholars and given the opportunity to attend a two-day event in Orlando, Feb. 13 and 14. It was an event that could possibly change the course of their future as they learned why Florida is the best place to learn and pursue an exciting career.

Each school district throughout Florida selected their top 11th-grade student based on their academic achievement in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). These students, along with their parents and a teacher chosen by each student, were invited to participate in the annual Sunshine State Scholars program.

The Sunshine State Scholars program is sponsored by the Florida Education Foundation, in collabora-

tion with the State University System of Florida, the Florida College System, and the Florida Department of Education. It began in 1997 to recognize excellence in Mathematics and Science.

Among those being honored this year were 19 students from the small rural school districts participating in the FloridaLearns Stem Scholars Initiative for Gifted and Talented Students. In addition to recognizing their academic success, the Sunshine State Scholars program gave these STEM students the opportunity to meet directly with highly successful professionals from STEM-related industries in Florida, and with recruiters from Florida's finest colleges and universities.

The following students currently enrolled in the FloridaLearns STEM Scholars Initiative that were honored as Sunshine State Scholars include:

1. Blountstown High School: Donovan Ebersole

2. Columbia County High School: Priyanka Patel

3. DeSoto County High School: Eve Pence

4. Franklin County High School:

Chaseon Taranto

5. East Gadsden High: Jewelisia Fagg

6. Moore Haven Jr/Sr High: Bronson Bass

7. Wewahitchka High: Justin Barrier

8. Hardee Senior High: Allison Farr

9. La Belle High: Magali Salinas

10. Bethlehem High: Erin Dady

11. Jefferson County High: Stefan Roberts

12. Liberty County High: William Hosford

13. Madison County High: Courtney Strickland

14. Okeechobee High: Michael Daniel

15. Palatka High: Carlie Dennard

16. Taylor County High: Rohan Patel

17. PK. Yonge Development Research High: Abigail Austin

18. South Walton High: Wes Fegely

19. Vernon High: Sarah Boullard



Jewelisia Fagg from East Gadsden High School has been designated a Sunshine State Scholar. She is pictured here with Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart. Photo courtesy of Panhandle Area Educational Consortium

Summing up success



Gadsden Magnet School is victorious again in regional math competition

During the month of February, 33 middle-school students from Gadsden Magnet School participated in the Sumdog Florida Big Bend Math Contest. The contest was held online throughout a two-week window. The students competed against 554 students from 15 other schools in the Florida Big Bend Area. Of the 554 students in the competition, 33 of the students were from Gadsden Elementary Magnet. One of Gadsden Magnet's students placed in the top 10. The students answered correctly 14,099 math questions during the contest, which was the winning total in the contest. Gadsden Elementary Magnet School was the overall winner in the Sumdog Florida Big Bend Math Contest in October 2013. Photo submitted

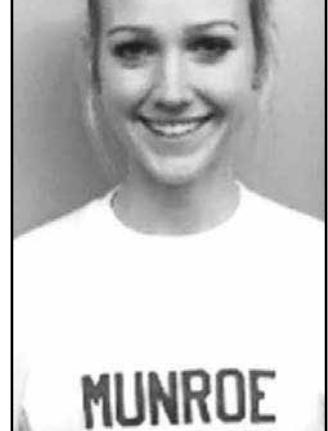
Science in the sun



The third-grade students at Robert F. Munroe Day School recently conducted an experiment with homemade thermometers. The students were studying energy and the effects of the sun's rays on the outside temperature. The students were also learning about the tools scientists use to conduct research and experiments. The thermometers were made with recycled soda bottles, straws, water and red food coloring. Photo submitted

Fundraiser to spike a killer

The Robert F. Munroe Day School Anchor Club and Volleyball teams recently donated \$690 to the Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare Foundation designated for Cards for a Cure benefiting Cancer Center Programs at Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare. The proceeds were raised during their annual "Volley for the Cure" volleyball game. Pictured is senior Olivia Fletcher holding the check from the fundraiser.



MUNROE ANCHOR CLUB

RASHEEN JAMISON-RICHARDSON

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Focusing your child's creative energy

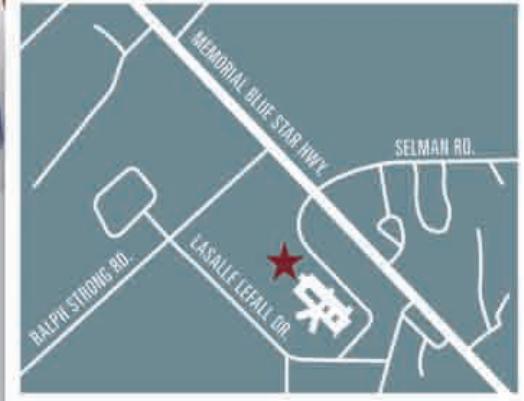
It can be assumed that identifying your child's creative side is easy, but it's not always identifiable, especially when you have a child who is a busybody and is always into everything around the house, banging on pots and pans, flipping over dangerous objects for fun, singing every song that comes the

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Sports

WGHS championship quest ends

TERRANCE
CHISOLM
Times

Sports Correspondent

This past Friday night in Chipley, the West Gadsden Panthers and the Tigers of Chipley High squared off in front of a sold-out crowd in the semi-final round of the 1A playoffs; the winner of this highly anticipated game would travel to Lakeland to play in the championship game.

The Panther's three-point assassin Lajarous Davis scored the first points of the

game on a three-pointer from the left corner of the arch to give his team a 3-0 lead. Both teams struggled to produce points during the first three minutes of this contest, and with 5:30 remaining in the first quarter, a free throw by the Tigers tied the game up 3-3. The final minutes of the first quarter turned into a perimeter game. Two additional three-pointers and a jump shot by the Panthers resulted in an 11-10 lead by West Gadsden

with just over three minutes to play in the opening period. The Tigers played hard on both ends of the court to regain the lead during the last two minutes of the quarter, and as a result took a 18-14 lead into the second quarter.

The Panthers began to commit several turnovers during the second quarter, and the Tigers cashed in on their extra offensive possessions by producing points and adding to their lead. As the momentum of

the game shifted to the Tigers, Chipley increased the pace of the game on both ends of the court. The Panthers had minimal success scoring on Chipley's interior defense and also had some questionable fouls called against them. The Tigers held a 40-24 lead as the first half came to an end.

West Gadsden's turnovers and lackluster offensive play carried over to the third quarter, and as 4:40 remained in the period the Panthers found themselves facing a 50-30 disadvantage. Chipley's athletic big men continued to play aggressively inside the paint, scoring many baskets and denying West Gadsden's shot attempts near the rim. The Tigers carried a 60-38 lead into the final quarter of play.

The fourth quarter was punctuated by whistle-blowing as referees continued to agitate Panther fans by making several more questionable calls against the visiting team. West Gadsden continued to fight through the adversity and with 4:11 remaining in the game, a tip-in by Marquis Brown cut the Tigers lead to 63-50. In an effort to milk the clock, the Chipley players began



Opposed by a Chipley Tiger, a Panther player heads toward the net. Photo by Reginald Forehand

to dribble and pass the ball around on offense with just over two minutes left to play. As the remaining minutes turned into seconds, a huge portion of the

Panther Nation began to exit out of the gymnasium. The Tigers topped off their 73-53 win with two final points from the free-throw line.

Panthers handle business at home before disappointment in Chipley

TERRANCE CHISOLM

Times Sports Correspondent

On Feb. 18, the Panthers ran onto their home court to play a crucial playoff game against the Chiefs of Northview as an opportu-

nity to face Chipley High on the road in the semi-finals hung in the balance. Minutes before tip-off excited fans of both teams were al-

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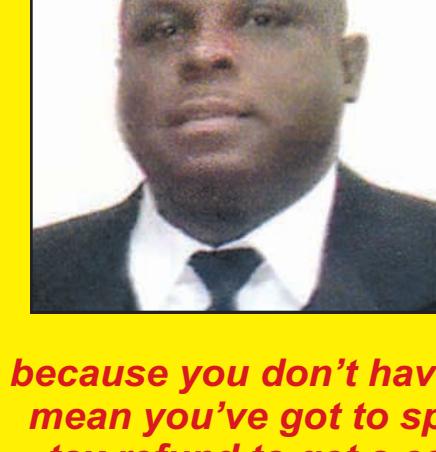
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Bobcats defeat Bonifay, Early County

The Robert F. Munroe baseball team enjoyed a second consecutive two-win week, besting the Blue Devils of Holmes County (Bonifay) 13-1 at Bradford May Field this past Tuesday. Quickly following suit on Saturday, RFM won the "Battle of the Bobcats" by making short work of Early County (Blakely, Ga.) by the score of 11-0.

The Bobcats have begun the regular season with four straight victories and will begin district play this week.

"We've gotten off to a good start," said Head Coach Jayme Williams. "Our pitching has been sound and we continue to be aggressive at the plate. The key now is to remain consistent as we

get into the meat of the schedule."

RFM has three games this week: Monday, Feb. 24, at home against Florida High; Tuesday, Feb. 25, on the road at Wakulla; and Thursday, Feb. 27, at home against FAMU in the first district match-up.

"Pitching will be a key," said Williams. "We've got to do a good job of managing our innings. The guys on the mound have to keep throwing strikes."

Against Holmes County, the Bobcats had 11 hits and drove in 10 runs to best the visitors 13-1 in five innings. Bo Bailey, Nolan Haire, Myles Edwards and Casey Mathers had two hits each to lead the Bobcats offense. Haire

and Steven Miller had four and three RBI's respectively. Mathers pitched all five innings, limiting the Blue Devils to one run and two hits while fanning seven.

Defensively, the Bobcats committed only one error and restricted the offensive opportunities of the visitors.

"I was pleased with our defense," said Williams. "We were a little shaky against MacClay, but we looked much better last night."

In the finale of the Bainbridge Bearcat Preseason Invitational, RFM quickly got on top of the Bobcats from Early County (Georgia) and held them scoreless for the 11-0, five-inning decision.

"We didn't hit the

ball as well as we have been," said Williams, "but we were disciplined at the plate (13 walks) and put the ball in play enough to score some runs."

For the afternoon, RFM collected only five hits, two each by Steven Miller and Nolan Haire and one by Johnny Walkup. Haire pitched four complete innings for the win, striking out two and limiting Early County to two hits. Will Harris pitched the final frame, striking out one and yielding no hits.

"It's about to get tougher this week," said Williams, referring to the schedule. "We'll see what we're made of with this three-game stretch. We're about to find out a lot about our pitching staff!"

Campaign 2014

Green seeks District 1 city commission seat in Quincy

My name is Ronterious "Ron" Green. I am so excited about the great things that are on the horizon for the city of Quincy! I know that Quincy is on the cusp of a remarkable revitalization!

As your next District One Quincy City Commissioner, I will work to ensure that the concerns of citizens direct the choices of City Hall. I believe in transparent, trustworthy leadership. By sharing in the process of government, by voicing your concerns, we can all share in the progress of efficient, effective city government.

I am a Quincy native, and a graduate of James A. Shanks High School. I served as Senior Class President of my high school class. I attended Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. I earned an Associate of Arts degree from Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Services. I also earned a Bachelor's in Leadership Administration from Beulah Heights Christian University.

I have a tireless work ethic. I am currently employed by The Community Learning Institute. I also serve as Director of Staff at Williams Funeral Home.

I am a man of faith. My faith is the foundation of everything I do. I am the leader of Hope Optimistic Tabernacle outreach/mission ministry. I am the president of the Youth Department for the Florida Northwest Jurisdiction of the Church of God In Christ.

My mission in life is to enlighten and enhance the people and places I encounter. I am the founder of Hot Has Hope Transitional Foundation (H3TF); a foundation promoting the necessity of securing life and burial insurance, and providing assistance to families in need of burial funding. I will further fulfill my life's mission by working for responsible, community-centered actions by the Quincy City Commission. I will be a servant-leader who keeps you and your family's interests as the focus of the initiatives and objectives of city government.

Let's get to work!!! Quincy will be better than ever! Elect me, Ronterious "Ron" Green, as your next District One Quincy City Commissioner on April 29, 2014. I'm committed to the community and focused on progress! Thank you for your support!



Girls high school tennis and softball continue

SUSIE MORRIS
Times
Sports Correspondent

AUCILLA 10

MUNROE 0

The Lady Warriors of Aucilla Christian waited 10 months to avenge a season-ending, heartbreaking regional semifinal loss to Munroe. The Warriors outlasted Munroe 9-3 and outscored them 10-0 to take the first of two regular season

district games this past Thursday in Monticello.

Aucilla scored one run in the first, five in the second and four over the final two innings for the mercy-rule win. Garnering one hit each for Munroe were Mary Pat Thomas, Jeri Sloan and Hannah Wilde.

Sloan got the loss on the mound. The right-handed sophomore

struck out two and walked four in her second loss of the season.

FLORIDA HIGH 15

EAST GADSDEN 0

TENNIS

The Munroe varsity tennis team is 1-3 thus far on the 2014 season. All three games were district opponents the Bobcats will have to get by come district tournament time in April.

The team lost 5-2 to

John Paul II in their season opener. This past week, the team, led by first-year coach Tamra Erde, defeated North Florida Christian 7-0 for a District 2-1A win.

Wednesday, Feb. 19, they were overwhelmed from start to finish by Maclay. The Marauders took all five singles and both doubles matches for a 7-0 blanking.

The African American Dance Troupe from

Tallahassee Community

College moves the audience with their traditional sounds at a Black History Month breakfast

Feb. 25.

Photo by
Robert
Allen

Breakfast in harmony



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TV and radio, constantly walking and twirling on their tippy toes everywhere they go.

That's why I am writing this new monthly column centered on the notion that, while every child is created equal, not all children have the same learning style. The goal is to help you discover and cultivate the inner champion in your child. More importantly, this column is designed to offer simple tips parents and caregivers can use to empower and enhance their child's learning at home and in school based on some best practices I have used over the years in my capacity as a Florida K-12 certified music educator, classical vocalist and artistic director and founder of Legacy School of Performing Arts Training Institute in Quincy.

Also, I was once a child who struggled academically in school, not knowing I had hidden talents and potential inside of me that was uncultivated until a teacher helped discover the champion in me, and I have been thriving ever since. As for today's topic, the No. 1 question I am asked by parents and caregivers alike is: "What do I do with my child's cre-

ative energy?"

In response, I often share the pros and cons — being creative is a gift and natural talent for some children, but a struggle for others. Nonetheless, the good news is that in any case, every child can learn, grow and blossom regardless of their age, gender, or socioeconomic status if the parent is willing to put forth the time and effort into cultivating their child's creative energy until it manifests into a stupendous work of art.

However, if parents fail to cultivate a child's creative energy it could lead to boredom, underachievement, lack of attention at home and in school, social disenfranchisement and ultimately leads to behavior problems even among the most talented children because they do not have a structured outlet to express themselves. To be sure you are being proactive about cultivating your child's creativity, follow these three tips:

■ Tip 1: Discover how your child learns. Start by identifying your child's learning style by researching Howard Gardner's Multiple Intelligence Theory through preliminary observation. You can go more in-depth by having your child professionally tested to discover their learning style, but this can be very

costly.

■ Tip 2: Two heads are better than one. Involve those you trust by talking with your child's teachers, caregivers and family members to see if they've noticed either the same or different creative attributes about your child and ask them to join you on your quest to narrow your child's creativity down to one or two qualities so that you can start cultivating the inner champion in your child immediately.

■ Tip 3: Let the performance begin. Seek professional outlets to allow your child to publicly display their gifts and talents in a safe nurturing environment and reward them for a job well done. This can be accomplished by placing them in performance-based music lessons, dance classes, theater productions or art enrichment activities that provide a platform for exposure.

Parents who have followed these three basic tips have reported feeling less stressed because they now know how to provide a creative outlet for their child to express herself freely, and as a result she excels in school and at home.

For more information, visit www.LegacySchoolOfPerformingArts.org or send me an email with your questions.

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ready assembled inside the gym. It was easy to see the eagerness of the crowd as the players came onto the court and began to warm up.

There was very little scoring during the opening quarter and with 4:28 remaining in the period, two successful free throws by Lajorous Davis gave the Panthers a small 4-2 advantage. The second half of the first quarter was a back-and-forth battle in which three lead changes occurred.

Several missed shots inside the paint coupled with a few mental mistakes played a big part in the Panthers trailing 10-6 heading into the second quarter.

The Chiefs offense continued to execute at the start of the second quarter, scoring five unanswered points within the first minute, which led to a 15-6 advantage over the Panthers. West Gadsden quickly began to claw their way back into the game, and after a layup by Mark Bradwell with 4:18 left in the half, they had cut into the Chief's lead by a score of 17-15.

The bottom half of the second period played out in dramatic fashion as each team intensely fought

to gain control of the game. A basket in the paint by Marquis Brown tied the game at 23-23 with 1:46 remaining before the half.

Two more lead changes occurred during the last 90 seconds of the half, and another lay-in by Brown gave the Panthers a 28-25 lead as the second period came to a close.

A countless amount of unsuccessful free-throw attempts and lay-ups underneath the basket prevented the Panthers from running away with the game in the first half.

West Gadsden got the ball first in the second half and never looked back after Archie Albritton nailed a three-pointer 12 seconds into the period.

Northview committed several turnovers during the first four minutes of the third quarter, which allowed the Panthers to gain a 38-28 advantage with 3:20 left in the period.

Despite a late run by the Chiefs at the end of the period, the Panthers

continued to fight and as 4:20 remained in the game, they tied the game up 44-44 with a basket inside.

The Panthers were able to close out the game and seal their victory in the final four minutes of the game by knocking down their shots from the free throw line as he drained two shots with 9.9 seconds to play. The game came to an end as the Chiefs scrambled to get a shot off, while the Panthers fans and players began to celebrate their 61-54 win.

After a team prayer in the locker room, senior forward Marquis Brown shared his thoughts on the game: "We played a good game, but we didn't play hard enough. We just got to come to practice (to) get ready for our next game and go down to Chipley and play hard, and we'll win and head to state."

Coach Moten had mixed emotions after the game.

"We missed too many free throws. I'm happy and proud of our guys," he said. "We executed with perfection at times and at times we looked like we didn't know what to do. We've got to get the ball inside to our big guys and they've got to dunk the basketball."

What's Up?

New York painter Owen Gray exhibits at Gadsden Art Center

"Owen Gray: The Florida Landscape," 15 works by critically acclaimed New York painter Owen Gray, are on display at the Gadsden Art Center through March 8. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For information, call 850-627-5020.

Born and raised in Wayland, Mass., Gray has painted in Maine, Massachusetts and New York. He was inspired in South Florida to paint its flora and fauna.

Trees and all kinds of wildlife serve as a stage for the fantastical 'alphabet soup' mix of animals and insects that interact in daylight and nocturnal scenes. His imaginative work is known as sublime, unconscious, and dream-like.

The New York Times critic Ken Johnson wrote that "his stroke is relaxed, but exacting" and described Gray's work as "all-over abstractions as a kind of primordial, peaceable kingdom, as far from the frenetic hard-edged modernity of New York City as one cold get. It is also a slightly creepy and scary Freudian never-never land where the ego lives in close touch with churning instinctual energies."

Reel in bargains at big event

2014 Whale of a Sale, Big Food Truck Bash, will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at the Tallahassee

Mall. Early shopping admission is \$5; general shopping is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 1; admission is \$2.

Hosted by the Junior League of Tallahassee (JLT), this is JLT's signature fundraising event. The Whale of a Sale is our community's largest and most popular garage sale showcasing gently-used, high-quality items at bargain prices, including house wares, furniture, sporting goods, children's items, and much, much more. Through our mission to enhance the lives of children and families, 100 percent of the funds raised by this annual event go directly back into the JLT's Community projects. This year we will also be hosting a Community Service event during the Whale of a Sale with the Boys and Girls Club of Big Bend.

Early Shopping and General Ticket information can be found at www.jltallahassee.org. Be sure to like the Whale on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/JLTHaleofaSale> and follow the @jlthaleofaSale on Twitter for exciting news and updates.

Relay For Life garage sale and breakfast planned

The Bradwell Enterprises Relay for Life Team will have a garage sale and breakfast from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 1, in the garage behind Bradwell Mortuary, 18300 Blue Star Hwy, Quincy. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society.

day, March 10, at McGill Library in Quincy.

■ 1:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, at Cowen Public Library in Chattahoochee.

In this class you will learn how to install the Skype software application on your computer, laptop, mobile phone, tablet or TV. Then you'll go through the step-by-step process of setting up a free account, creating your profile and contacts, and actually making a call.

Once an Internet connection is established between registered users, they can call each other for free on their Skype ID. The users can even dial or receive calls from an unregistered user. You need a microphone along with some hardware on your computer to make these calls. To see the person with whom you're speaking, you need a

web camera. All the necessary equipment will be available during these library workshops.

There are more than 340 million Skype users around the world, so don't be left out of this global conversation. Whether you'd like to chat with a best friend from high school or a relative serving in the military in Timbuktu, now's a good chance to try out the technology.

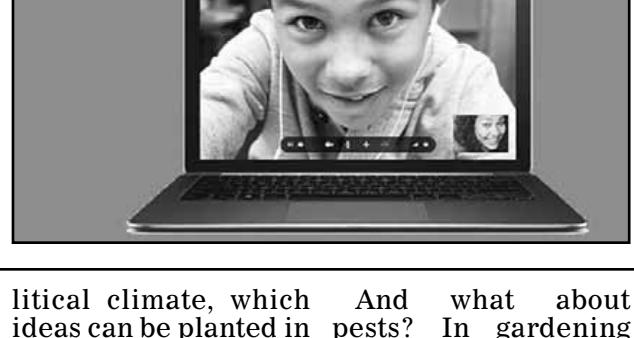
Mark your calendar for these dates and phone the library location to register

where you plan on attending these free workshops.

The Havana Public Library can be reached at 539-2844. The William A. "Bill" McGill Library phone number is 627-7106. Call the Cowen Public Library in Chattahoochee at 663-2707.

Please remember to visit and "like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/gcps, where you'll find more library activities and events.

Come in, and linger longer!



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Public meeting planned in Chattahoochee

There will be an election to reconstitute the common law grand jury in Gadsden County at 1 p.m. March 1 at the Chattahoochee Public Library, 300 S. Maple St., Chattahoochee.

There will be a short speech beginning at 1:30 then a 35-minute video, followed by a show of hands as to who desires for the common law grand jury to be reconstituted in the respective counties followed by questions around 2:45. For questions call 352-502-2060.

Event explores tasty side of pioneer life

The 14th annual Folk Life Days will be celebrated at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement on Friday, March 14 and Saturday, March 15, starting at 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Central Time. The settlement will have all the cabins open and staffed with volunteers dressed in period clothing demonstrating the skills American pioneers had to have for daily survival. Ms. Frances Price will make and cooking her luscious biscuits. There will be demonstrations of: how cracklin's are made; bread-making; carving bowls; butter churning; soap-making; quilting, and much more.

Friday, March 14, is reserved for school-children and also homeschooled children to have the Settlement. Saturday, March 15, the settlement is open to the public to enjoy the settlement's living history museum and all the demonstrations of pioneer life. Volunteers will give everyone a day they'll remember. Please call Diane Watson at (850) 674-2777, or email ppsmuseum@yahoo.com for more information or to register students for Friday's event.

Carter-Parramore High School alums plan Super Reunion

Attention classes 1956-1970. It's Super Reunion time again. The three-day event will be May 16 through 18. All classes have been represented at the previous meetings. If you have not been contacted, please get in touch with your class representative or chairperson. For information call Mary McLeroy, chair-

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DEATHS

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both of Quincy, FL; 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

Services are entrusted to: Betsey Funeral Home, 110 S 9th St, Quincy, FL 32351, 850-627-9541.

Condolences may be received by the family via postal mail or telephone. Mrs. Geraldine Holt, 1116 Laura Street, Quincy, Florida 32351, 850-627-7223.

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how pressing the problem or how great the potential to make a difference. I call that latter group CAVE people — Citizens Against Virtually Everything!

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pesticide-free produce.

Also, I urge you to do all you can to serve as an advocacy voice for issues you care about and interests that need your attention and action — joining together with others is the effective way to make a positive difference.

Jack Levine is the founder of 4Generations Institute. He can be reached at Jack@4Gen.org or 850-567-5252. <http://4Gen.org/>.

1-877-676-1403 Classifieds



Today's New Ads	Today's New Ads	Professional	Trades/ Skills	Career Opportunities	TVs/Stereos	Garage/ Yard Sales	Mobile Homes For Rent	Rent: Houses Unfurnished
Adult Literacy Coordinator Part-Time Library Services Position Number: 0106 Salary: \$14.29 to \$22.14 Hourly Closes: March 3, 2014 To obtain additional information about this position visit our website at www.gadsdencountyfl.gov or contact Lonyell L. Black at 850-875-8660. EEO/AA.	QUINCY LARGE 10 TO 12 FAMILY YARD SALE Sat, March 1st, 7am Thomas Memorial Church Parking Lot 937 W Washington St Locatedoff Hwy 90, behind the old American Muffler Shop. All proceeds go to RFM class of 2018, Washington DC trip	Adult Literacy Coordinator Part-Time Library Services Position Number: 0106 Salary: \$14.29 to \$22.14 Hourly Closes: March 3, 2014 To obtain additional information about this position visit our website at www.gadsdencountyfl.gov or contact Lonyell L. Black at 850-875-8660. EEO/AA.	DRIVERS Driver Trainees Needed NOW! Become a driver for Werner Enterprises. Earn \$800 per week! Local CDL Training (877)214-3624	AIRLINE CAREERS begin here - Get FAA approved Aviation Maintenance Technician training. Housing and Financial aid for qualified students. Job placement assistance. Call AIM 877-741-9260 www.fixjets.com	DISH TV Retailer. Starting \$19.99/month (for 12 mos.) Broadband Internet starting \$14.95/month (where available). Ask About SAME DAY Installation! CALL Now! 1-800-980-6193	QUEINY LARGE 10 TO 12 FAMILY YARD SALE Sat, March 1st, 7am Thomas Memorial Church Parking Lot 937 W Washington St Locatedoff Hwy 90, behind the old American Muffler Shop. All proceeds go to RFM class of 2018, Washington DC trip	3 BR 2 Bath Doublewide Mobile Home HUD Accepted St. John Community 850-875-1026	QUINCY 3 BR /1BA, Carport, Washer/Dryer hook up. Central air & heat on Thomas Street HUD Certificate Welcome (850) 933-6539
Lost	Toy Fox Terrier spayed 13 yr old female, white with black spot. Red collar w/ rabbit's tag. Named Dot. Lost in Springwood. (850) 421-3324	Experienced OTR Flatbed Drivers Earn 50 up to 55 cpm loaded. \$1000 sign on to qualified drivers. Home most weeks. Call: (843)266-3731 / www.bulldoghighway.com EOE	Now Hiring: OTR CDLA Drivers New Pay Package and \$2500 Sign-On Bonus! Mostly 5-10 days out. Full benefits, achievable bonuses. Call for details. 1-888-378-9691 or www.heyl.net	Heating And Air Conditioning Technician Training! Fast Track, Hands On, National Certification Program. Lifetime Job Placement. VA Benefits Eligible! 1-877-994-9904	QUEEN PILLOW TOP MATTRESS AND BOX SET BRAND NEW, NEVER BEEN USED, STILL IN BAG. \$195 OBO 850 727 0390	GUN SHOW MARCH 1-2 SAT. 9-5 & SUN. 10-5 ATLANTA EXPO CENTER (3650 JONESBORO RD SE) BUY-SELL TRADE. INFO: (563) 927-8176	Mobile Homes with acreage. Ready to move in. Seller Financing (subject to credit approval). Lots of room for the price. 3B 2Ba. No renters. 850-308-6473 VMHomes.com	QUINCY For Sale \$10,000. ea. or Rent to own 56 PINE CONE Sawdust Area 4 BR/1BA Call CRM (229) 248-1612
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cate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 5th Day of March, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.
 Dated this 20th DAY OF February, 2014
 NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gadsden County, Florida
 BY: Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk
 February 27, 2014.

4071-0227 GCT (Cert# 2398)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2398 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

LOT 3 BLK "J" ORION'S POINT PHASE 2 PER PLAT BK 2 PAGES 145-148 OR 731 P 1815; OR 731 P 1833

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 4061N2W154300000J0030

Name in which assessed: G&A LLOYD NO 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 LLC

Sold Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 7th Day of May, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 16th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013

NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gadsden County, Florida

BY: Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk

February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2014.

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2397 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

LOT 2 BLK "J" ORION'S POINT PHASE 2 PER PLAT BK 2 PAGES 145-148 OR 731 P 1815; OR 731 P 1833

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 4061N2W154300000J0020

Name in which assessed: G&A LLOYD NO 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 LLC

Sold Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 7th Day of May, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 16th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013

NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gadsden County, Florida

BY: Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk

February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2014.

4072-0227 GCT (Cert# 2397)

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2397 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

OR 731 P 1833; OR 731 P 1815; OR 705 P 1715; OR 666 P 1399; LOT 7 BLK "J" ORION'S POINT PHASE 2 PER PLAT BK 2 PAGES 145-148

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 4061N2W154300000J0070

Name in which assessed: G&A LLOYD NO 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 LLC

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NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gadsden County, Florida

BY: Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk

February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2014.

4073-0227 GCT (Cert# 2401)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2401 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

OR 731 P 1833; OR 731 P 1815; OR 705 P 1715; OR 666 P 1399; LOT 7 BLK "J" ORION'S POINT PHASE 2 PER PLAT BK 2 PAGES 145-148

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 4061N2W154300000J0070

Name in which assessed: G&A LLOYD NO 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 LLC

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4074-0227 GCT (Cert# 2401)

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2401 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

OR 293 P 707 LOT 2, BLK 2, UNIT 2 GRETNA ESTS, OR 386 P 1156.

PARCEL NUMBER: 2323N4W043500000B0020

Name in which assessed: Sandra Bethea and Monterrius Redshard Bethea

Sold Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 7th Day of May, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

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4075-0227 GCT (Cert# 2401)

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2401 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

OR 561 P 1649; OR 519 P 2017; OR 334 P 1032; OR 329 P 213 LOT 4, MT CALVARY SUBDV; A MINOR SUBDV: COMM AT THE NORTH QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 3-3N-4W AND RUN N88 DEG 38' 53" E 526.67 FT TO BEGIN; THENCE N 88 DEG 38' 53" E 198.00 FT; S 00 DEG 31' 21" E 26.60 FT; S 00 DEG 31' 21" E 633.40 FT; S 88 DEG 38' 53" W 198.00 FT; N 00 DEG 31' 21" W 632.47 FT; N 00 DEG 31' 21" W 27.53 FT TO THE P.O.B.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2033N4W4910000000040

Name in which assessed: Genelia Weston; Genelia Weston Butler

Sold Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 7th Day of May, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

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NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gadsden County, Florida

BY: Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk

February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2014.

4076-0227 GCT (Cert# 178)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 178 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

OR 449 P 747 LOT 21 BLOCK A FOREST HILLS SUB., RECORDED

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 2083N2W01530000A020

Name in which assessed: Marion R Van Luven

Sold Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 7th Day of May, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

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BY: Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk

February 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2014.

4077-0227 GCT (Cert# 2686)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2686 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

OR 624 P 324; OR 608 P 954 COMM AT THE SEC OF SW 1/4 OF 35-1N-4W, RUN N 01° 11' W 763.77 FT; N 14° 04' E 140.13 FT ALONG ROAD TO BEGIN; N 14° 04' E 100 FT N 89° 12' W 82.65 FT; S 00° 34' W 96.33 FT; S 88° 01' E 59.33 FT TO POB. IN SECTION 35-1N-4W ALSO AN UNDIV. INT. IN ACCESS AREA PER OR 161 P 284. AND NOW ALSO THAT LOT OWNED AS 1-E PER OR 315 P 868, LESS FROM ALL THE ABOVE A .20 ACRE LOT SOLD TO LARRY MELTON PER OR 324 P 681 FOR THE SOUTH END. IN SECTION 35-1N-4W, OR 121 P 596

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 4351N4W000000341020

Name in which assessed: Bert C Miranda & Connie L Miranda

Sold Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 7th Day of May, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 16th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013

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BY: Glenda McPherson, Deputy Clerk

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4078-0227 GCT (Cert# 2390)

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 2390 **YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

OR 387 P 988 COMMENCE AT THE SW 1/4 OF THE E 1/2 OF THE W 1/2 OF THE SW 1/4 SEC- TION 26-2N-5W AND RUN N 01 DEG 17' 05" W 474 FT; N 01 DEG 17' 05" W 200 FT; N 01 DEG 38' 58" E 218.42 FT; S 15 DEG 45' 11" W 168.07 FT; S 72 DEG 28' 10" E 30' FT TO BEGIN; THENCE S 72 DEG 28' 10" E 117.05 FT; S 41 DEG 28' 36" E 47.42 FT; N 89 DEG 31' 41" E 45' 55" FT; S 01 DEG 17' 05" E 81.59 FT; N 02 DEG 46' 00" W 226.48 FT; N 15 DEG 45' 11" E 128.28 FT TO THE P.O.B.

PARCEL ID NUMBER: 3262N5W000000343000

Name in which assessed: Mary E Wright

Sold Property being in the County of Gadsden, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 7th Day of May, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated this 16th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013

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whatever it is I think a Christian should be.

I remember being interviewed by a woman who had called to determine my suitability as a retreat speaker for her church women's group. One of her questions was, "How much time do you spend in the Word every day?"

My face felt hot, and my stomach knotted because I knew the truth would expose me as a fraud. So, I forced a lighthearted laugh

and said, "Not nearly enough," and left it at that. The conversation ended shortly after that, and I never heard from her again, to my relief.

I want so badly to present a beautiful cake, but the truth is, any cake I make is going to have toilet paper inside propping it up, so to speak. I suspect that's true of yours, too.

Maybe the better, even the best thing we can do for each other is to be honest and up front about ourselves and not try to be better than we are.

The Bible tells us to "consider how we may

spur one another on toward love and good deeds" (Hebrews 10:24), which I interpret as a kind and gentle way of relating to one another, a way of encouraging each other, of holding each other up, bearing one another's burdens.

My pastor often talks about us as the church walking to heaven together. It's a beautiful picture of true humility and honesty, of the stronger holding up the weaker among us and of no one despising another's weakness.

Maybe if we stop measuring ourselves against each other,

and instead rely more on the grace of God to fill in the gaps, maybe we actually would become better.

That deserves a piece of cake, don't you think?

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coming. Contact person is Hattie Blackshear, 850-875-2359.

Dress up for special event

Missionary Annual Evening in White will start at 6 p.m. March 16

at Salem A.M.E. Church, 205 Kemp St., Greensboro, hosted by the missionary society of Salem A.M.E. Church.

The guest preacher will be the Rev. Anton Elwood, pastor of New Mt. Zion

AME Church in Tallahas-

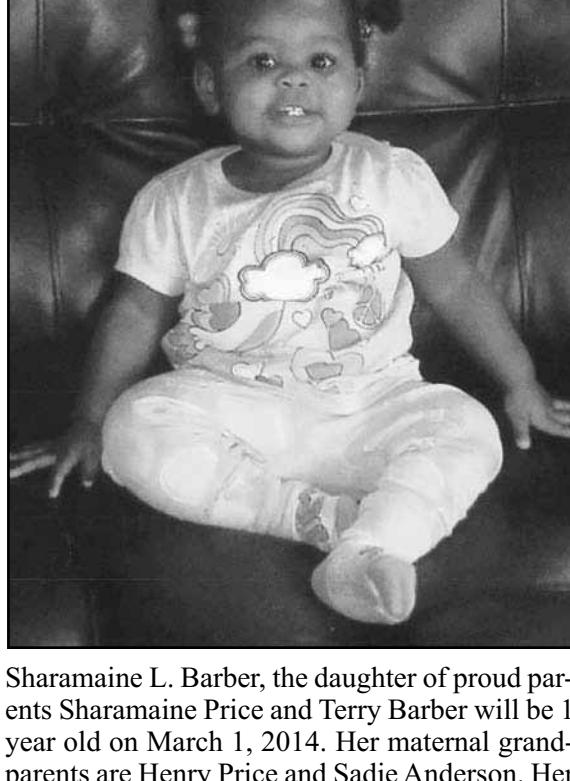
see, along with his congregation. The public is invited.

Contact person is Belinda George at 850-539-7609.

Free clothes giveaway planned

A free clothing give-away for men, women, and children will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 1, when the First Baptist Church of Quincy opens its Koinonia Boutique for residents of Gadsden County to receive free clothing.

There is clothing for all ages and all sizes. The boutique will be on the church lawn next to the Hardee's parking lot.

Look who's turning 1!

Sharamaine L. Barber, the daughter of proud parents Sharamaine Price and Terry Barber will be 1 year old on March 1, 2014. Her maternal grandparents are Henry Price and Sadie Anderson. Her paternal grandparent is Minnie Williams. Sharamaine's siblings are Jenny Barber, Sadie Barber, Janie Barber, and Jeremiah Barber. Her "Strawberry Shortcake" theme party will be held at Chuck E. Cheese's in Tallahassee on March 1, 2014 at noon. All family and friends are welcome.

Take the free train

Visit Veterans Memorial Park in Bristol on the second Saturday of the month, Saturday, March 8, for a free train ride around the park. Donations appreciated. Hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Time. The park has a walking trail, two pavilions, a railroad caboose, a playground, and an air-conditioned depot with a train table full of trains for young children's play. For information and to see all the trains, go to VeteransMemorial-Railroad.org. Call 850-643-6646 or 850-643-5491.

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man – 627-8740; Arrie Battles, co-chairman – 570-1296; Emma Gunn, secretary – 627-7715; or Charlie Shaw, treasurer — 627-8730.

Friends of the Library to host author dinner

Author Timothy Weeks will be the special guest at a March 20 fundraiser hosted by Friends of the Library.

You are cordially invited to attend the annual Friends of the Library Author Dinner starting at 6 p.m. March 20 at the Sawano Club in Quincy; the event includes social hour, dinner, talk, silent auction and book signing.

We are pleased to have Panama City native, New Orleans resident and European traveler Timothy A. Weeks. He is a journalist, storyteller and creator of three children books; "The Wise Mullet of Cook Bayou," "Ol' Middler Saves the Day" and "Goldie's Search for Silver." Timothy's mother, Jeanie, and wife, Lala, combine digital photos and paintings to illustrate the books.

Timothy dreamed up a crew of mullet that celebrate the resilience of life along the Gulf Coast. The mullet

dodge alligators, redfish, pelicans and cast nets in their journeys. The books help children understand hurricanes, loss, friendship and the importance of making wise decisions.

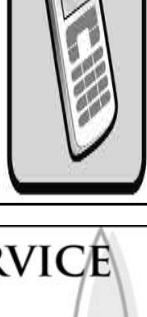
Make reservations by sending a check (\$40 per person) to: Nesta Cumbie, 404 Live Oak Lane, Havana, FL 32333. For information, call Nesta at 539-5689.

Hospice fundraiser sprouts in April

Spring Fling Under a Manhattan Moon, 7 to 9:30 p.m. April 24 at Tallahassee Nurseries. For information about this fundraiser, visit www.bigbendhospice.org or call 850-701-1341. All proceeds benefit the under-funded programs of Big Bend Hospice.



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Gadsden County Fire Services Coordinator Andre Walker, center, at lectern, speaks at a dedication ceremony for two new pumper trucks. Photo by Robert Allen

Two new pumper trucks roll in

ROBERT ALLEN
Times Reporter

The Mt. Pleasant and Robertsville-St. Johns volunteer fire departments are now the operators of two brand new Freightliner pumper trucks. One truck went to each department. The vehicles were dedicated at a ceremony Thursday, Feb. 20, at the Robertsville-St. Johns Station.

"These trucks, they're used to attack the fire," said Andre Walker, Gadsden County's fire services coordinator. Walker said the new equipment is the type that arrives first on the scene. According to the coordinator, the two new models are each worth around \$250,000 — and the cost of repairing the old

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SOLAR

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variety of solar panel options as well as a range of services, including cost analysis and custom designs.

According to a press release from the Chamber, Gadsden County residents will be able to observe the productivity of the solar panels. Chamber leaders plan to situate

a real-time video monitor inside a public part of the office, providing visitors with a way to visually conceptualize the efficiency of the new project.

"Change seems to be a key word," said Dick. "And what you choose to do with it to create opportunity is a defining moment."

"I truly believe if one community is growing, it helps our entire regions," said Kyle Touchstone, ex-

ecutive vice president of Leon County's economic development council.

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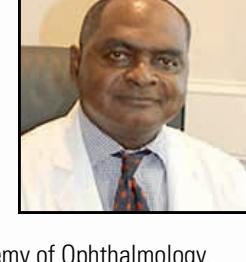
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He is known in the medical community as a trailblazer in vitreoretinal diseases and has been practicing in that area since 1990.

Dr. Aaron P. Appiah is a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology.



DR. KAREN YOUNG

Karen A. Young, MD is a graduate of Howard University College of Medicine. She completed a residency in Ophthalmology at Howard University Hospital, where she served as chief resident. This was followed by a fellowship in Glaucoma at the University of Florida in Gainesville.

Dr. Young is a board certified, and a member of the Academy of Ophthalmology, and the American Glaucoma Society. Dr. Young has been awarded The Woman of Excellence award for service to the Tallahassee Community, and served on the Medical Advisory Board of Tallahassee Single Day Surgery.

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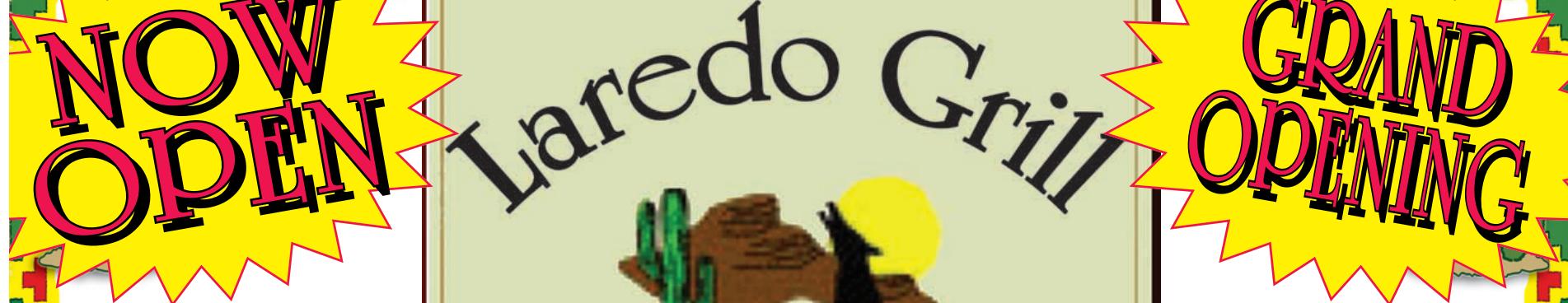
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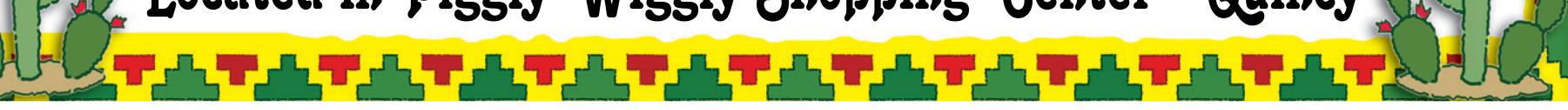
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Clockwise, from right: Girls from St. James AME church have happy faces for parade spectators. Bottom right: Horses are always a big hit. Left: Bikers rev up the crowd. Find more parade photos online at www.gadcotimes.com. Photos by Robert Allen



PARADE

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"It was a great turnout," said Young.

"I remember going to this parade when I was 8 or 9 years old."

Young said he now makes a point to be part of the parade every year in recognition of its im-

portance to the area.

"We have such a rich history here in Gadsden County," he said.

James A. Shanks Middle School's marching band performed in

the parade as well.

"This year it was a whole lot better," said Stan Norton, director of Shanks' marching band. "We had a lot of participants."

Norton said he would like to see the parade expand even further,

becoming a whole weekend event, complete with a battle-of-the-bands competition.

"Next year, I'm going to spearhead getting more bands in-

No. 8. While sitting behind the wheel, Fallis pointed to an array of handy features. He explained the new trucks can pump water while in motion. Fallis said this is especially useful when fighting a roadside brush fire. The old trucks could only pump water while stationary.

"We got the best equipment that money can buy," said Fallis.

Fallis founded the Mt. Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department in 1968. He has been involved ever since. He remembers working from a station with dirt floors. And he remembers fighting fires with 2.5-ton Army-surplus trucks.

Fallis isn't the only chief happy to have new equipment.

"We can't say we don't have the equipment," said Arduster House, chief of the Robertsville-St. Johns Volunteer Fire department. "The ball is in our court."

The trucks are American products. Both were built in Bradenton, just south of Tampa.

volved," said Norton.

After the parade, a festival immediately followed on the courthouse lawn. Musicians performed on the south side of the building and food vendors lined the sidewalk, cooking for lines of customers.

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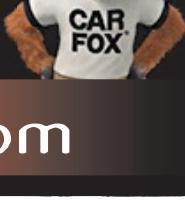
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