

# Gilchrist 4-H Festival is Saturday

Gilchrist County 4-H would like to invite everyone to come out and enjoy all types of fun and entertainment on Saturday, Apr. 26, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Gilchrist County Agricultural Complex.

The Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office will hold an officer K-9 demonstration for the public to enjoy beginning at 11:30 a.m.

There will also be a Camo Beauty Pageant, clown magician, music and

singing by the 4-H Guitar Club, self defense demonstrations, a beekeeper demonstration and much more.

All kinds of food will be available from various vendors and yes, they will have funnel cakes!



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## Boaters urged to stay off flooded rivers

By Carrie A. Mizell

Citizens who live along the Suwannee River near Hart Springs attended the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners meeting on Monday intent on voicing their frustrations over flood related issues with a representative from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC).

County Administrator Bobby Crosby told the county commissioners and citizens gathered that he had spoken with Dawn Griffin of FWC and been told that it would likely be two months before she would be able to attend a meeting of the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners to listen to residents' concerns.

"We need to get their [FWC's] attention," said County Commissioner D. Ray Harrison, Jr. "We've got a lot of concerned citizens in this room. We could sit here and talk about it all night, but it's not going to do any good if they're not here. They need to know we're not too happy."

County Commissioner John Rance Thomas agreed, pointing out that two months from now, when an FWC representative is available to attend a meeting, the river will likely be down.

Many residents who live along the river near Hart Springs feel that the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) should calibrate their monitoring machine at Hart Springs so that accurate, localized water level readings can be taken there, rather than going by the gauge at Wilcox.

"When it's nine feet at Wilcox and declared at 'flood level' it's already two feet deep under our house," Lynn

Davis said.

Davis, who lives along the river near Hart Springs, would like to see No Wake signs posted earlier and if there are lights on the signs, she would like to see them working.

Residents also would like FWC officers to enforce the No Wake restrictions, for boaters who are not smart enough to stay off the flooded rivers.

Commissioner Harrison pointed out that FWC does not care if boaters along the flooded rivers destroy private property by speeding through a No Wake zone.

"The only thing we can sell them on is safety," Harrison said.

Crosby gave out a phone number for FWC's Boater Safety Division and asked residents to call, (850) 617-9493, with issues. Harrison reminded residents that if they do call the FWC number to talk about safety concerns related to the danger of objects like docks and trees floating down the flooded river and what that might mean for boaters traveling at unsafe speeds, instead of complaining about the harm those boaters are doing to private property.

Hart Springs resident Paul Redd said there is absolutely no reason for anyone to put a boat in the Suwannee River right now.

"People who don't have any property down there [at Hart Springs] don't have any business being down there," Redd said. "People drive down there by the truckloads, they're fascinated by the [flood] water."

The county administrator explained that Gilchrist County lies in what FWC and the SRWMD have deemed Zone 4, which is a 37-mile stretch from Rock Bluff to Fowler's Bluff.



The sign "Road Under Water" didn't deter this driver on CR 344, but the water covering the highway leading into Hart Springs must have.

According to the county administrator, officials are working to divide Zone 4 into three different zones, so that different wakes can be set related to the rising waters and the variance in river bank. For instance, Rock Bluff is a high, rocky bank, but the river bank gets progressively lower as one goes down river. However,

county officials have no idea when the changes will be implemented, and without a representative from FWC in attendance at their Monday meeting, it's really anyone's guess.

In the meantime, the county commissioners directed the Board's attorney, David M. Lang, Jr. to study how the county can properly close

boat ramps along the river in times of flooding. Last week, the Levy County Board of County Commissioners and the Levy County Sheriff's Office announced a combined decision to close all boat ramps on the Suwannee River in Levy County, due to rising river conditions and hazardous navigation. The ramps at Clay

Landing, Fowler's Bluff and Camp Azalea were all closed until further notice.

Levy County officials gave notice that anyone who is on the water needs to be respectful of the No Wake provision, which is implemented to reduce damage to homes on waterfront properties.

## Elections supervisor moves toward electronic poll books

By Carrie A. Mizell

Casting a ballot in upcoming elections could soon be as simple as showing one's driver's license.

Connie Sanchez, Gilchrist County supervisor of elections, recently announced plans to purchase 12 electronic voter identification machines from VR Systems, a Tallahassee based electronic hardware and software company.

"The state has been pushing electronic poll books for awhile now, but I have been trying to hold off on buying them," Sanchez said. "Levy County has had them for awhile and Dixie County just got the electronic poll books this year."

Electronic poll books, or EViD, as they are commonly referred to, streamline voter verification and check-in, eliminating the need for paper registers. The machines communicate with the county's voter registration system and other EViDs, continuously receiving voter activity, which prevents double voting and provides up-to-date status of each voter.

According to Sanchez, once purchased, the machines will be loaded with Gilchrist County's voter database, and up-to-date eligibility information will ensure that elections are conducted with the highest standard of accuracy. The technology reads the voter's name and date of birth from a magnetic stripe, on the voter's driver's license. EViD then prints a ticket declaring the type of ballot a voter needs, for instance a democrat or republican ballot. Another advantage, according to Sanchez, is that EViD simplifies ballot accounting accuracy, because total tickets and voting authority slips generated by the EViD stations will help elections officials reconcile the vote-tabulation equipment ballot totals with the number of voters that checked in to vote.

On Monday, Sanchez said she can purchase 12 machines, which would be one for every precinct in the county, including her office, and one extra machine, for a total of \$18,000. With the additional training and setup fees included, the total cost is \$23,435. Marion County purchased the 12 machines last year, but traded them in for new, smaller versions before they were ever used for an election, Sanchez explained to the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners on April 7. The

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Bell's Lady Bulldogs District 6 1A Softball Champions are shown after Thursday night's win over the Hilliard Flashes. Pictured back row, left to right: Assistant Coach Drue Barry, Katarina Kresovic, Jaycee Thomas, Raychel Thomas, Ashley Williams, Shelbie Hutto, Kelsie Parrott, Head Coach David Halter, Bryn Thomas, Katelyn Blong, Baylee Rolling, and Assistant Coach Krystal Holley. Front row, left to right: Mika Ward, Makensie Parrott, Victoria Ryan, Savannah Loveday, Kylee Barry and Cassidy Panchyshyn. Photo by Donny Joiner Photography.

## Lady Bulldogs win third straight District 6 1A softball title

By John M. Ayers

The Bell Lady Bulldogs softball team clinched their third straight District 6 1A title Thursday evening by beating the Hilliard Flashes, 5-1, in Trenton.

Bell's Shelbie Hutto pitched a two-hitter to lead the Bulldogs defense in strangling the Flashes, who finish in the runner-up position in District 6.

"The Lady Bulldogs played great team defense in this championship game to take the title," Coach David Halter said.

The victory gives the Lady Bulldogs the home field advantage as they host Hamilton County on Tuesday, Apr. 29 at 7 p.m. in The Desert.

In last week's win, the Lady Bulldogs had a strong offense as

Katelyn Blong, junior shortstop, had 2 doubles and 1 RBI as she helped to provide a spark to the Bulldogs 3 runs in the fifth inning. Ashley Williams, a junior third baseman, had 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI. Vickie Ryan, senior second baseman, had 2 stolen bases and scored 1 run. Bryn Thomas, a seventh grade designated player, hit a solo homerun.

Bell scored 2 runs in the 4th inning and 3 in the 5th to take the title. The Bulldogs now sport a 16-10 regular season record.

Hamilton County, the runner-up in District 5, was defeated by Lafayette County, 11-0, on Thursday afternoon in Mayo. Hilliard will travel to Mayo on Tuesday, Apr. 29, to face the Lady Hornets in the Region 4 semi-finals.

## Rotary Club's 5th Annual Fishing Tournament is Saturday

By John M. Ayers

The weather is beautiful and the fish are biting!

Everyone in the community is invited to participate in the 5th Annual Trenton Rotary Club Fishing Tournament at Suwannee Marina on April 26.

This year's event will get underway at safe light with anglers participating in three categories: inshore, freshwater, and offshore.

The weigh-in for inshore and freshwater divisions will be a 3 p.m. and the offshore fishermen will report to the scale by 4 p.m.

The anglers participating in the tournament are invited to attend a captain's meeting dinner and calcutta on Friday beginning at 6 p.m.

The entry fee is \$125 per boat. This includes dinner for both the captain and first mate, plus a t-shirt for both, for the first 50 entries.

Additional anglers, age 15 and older, are \$25 each.

For more information, as well as an entry form, go to [TrentonRotaryClub.org](http://TrentonRotaryClub.org), or call Charlie Smith at (352) 463-6613 ext. 306 or Damon Leggett at (352) 215-4580.

# Community Events

## Character Celebration

The Character Council is sponsoring its annual "Character Celebration and Dessert Auction" on Tuesday, Apr. 29 at Otter Springs Park Lodge, beginning at 5:30 p.m., with doors opening at 5 p.m.

The dinner is free, but each attendee is asked to contribute a home made dessert for the auction. Please place dessert on a plate or in a container which you do not want returned.

An RSVP is required by contacting Suzi Wright at (352) 316-8806 or (352) 225-2625 or email WrightKarenSue@yahoo.com.

## American Legion hosts Family Night

Come join us for Family Night every fourth Friday at 6 p.m.! We serve dinner for a donation of \$5.00 adults, \$2.50 children. The canteen is open during the movie. Each month, we show a different family-oriented movie. Admission for the movie is free. The American Legion Auxiliary uses the donations for the dinner and snacks to help with programs, activities, and needed supplies for the veterans and children in our community.

The Legion Post is located on US 129 on the curve between Trenton and Bell, across from the Field of Dreams. We look forward to seeing you!

## THS Alumni Reunion will be Sept. 27

The Trenton High School Alumni Reunion will be held on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014, at Trenton Elementary School from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited, even if you did not graduate from THS, and you want to come, come on.

We will be honoring the Classes of 1964 and 1965. We do not have everyone's address, so please spread the word and call me so we can get an address.

Invitations will be mailed sometime in August and the price will be \$20 per person.

Please mark your calendar, and if there are any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact us: Jennie Lou Colson Sharp at (352) 493-4638 or Diana Webb Harrison (352) 463-2147.

## Strength team will perform

Breaking Barriers and Building Lives with Mike Hagen's Strength Team will perform free of charge at the Suwannee River Fairgrounds on May 2-4 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. nightly.

Sponsored by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), the event is open to all ages.

### Tide Tables For The Week of 4/24 to 4/30 for the mouth of the Suwannee River

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Fri Apr 25, 14		0.422 ft. 6:05 AM	2.991 ft. 12:08 PM	0.415 ft. 6:37 PM	
Sat Apr 26, 14	2.994 ft. 12:27 AM	0.469 ft. 6:55 AM	3.214 ft. 12:46 PM	0.002 ft. 7:28 PM	
Sun Apr 27, 14	3.093 ft. 1:23 AM	0.553 ft. 7:38 AM	3.390 ft. 1:21 PM	-0.301 ft. 8:13 PM	
Mon Apr 28, 14	3.127 ft. 2:12 AM	0.672 ft. 8:17 AM	3.507 ft. 1:54 PM	-0.475 ft. 8:55 PM	
Tue Apr 29, 14	3.095 ft. 3:09 AM	0.809 ft. 8:53 AM	3.567 ft. 2:26 PM	-0.526 ft. 9:34 PM	
Wed Apr 30, 14	2:56 AM 3:014 ft.	0.948 ft. 9:27 AM	3.574 ft. 2:58 PM	-0.477 ft. 10:11 PM	
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## Veterans' Resource/Job Fair is May 15

CareerSource Florida Crown has announced they will present the 2014 Resource/Job Fair event to be held in Fanning Springs, on Thursday, May 15, 2014.

The job fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Suwannee River Shrine Club, located at 7821 Highway 26, Fanning Springs.

This will be a resources and job fair for employers, veteran and civilian job seekers and community partners.

The first two hours, from 10 a.m. to noon will be reserved for veteran job seekers.

Employers with job openings are encouraged to sign up and reserve a table at no cost. Civilian job seekers, veteran job seekers, active duty military members, Guard and Reserve members, qualifying military spouses are encouraged to attend. Veterans and service members are asked to bring a copy of their DD-214 or proof of their military status/service. Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of their current resume.

This is also an excellent opportunity to network with potential employers, build professional contacts and test the job market. All are encouraged to "Dress-For-Success" while taking this next step into a professional business environment.

## Farm Bureau to hold speech contest

Gilchrist County Farm Bureau is sponsoring a speech contest for students.

All participants must be a resident of Dixie County or Gilchrist County and be between age 14 and 18 (having their 19th birthday no later than September 19, 2014)

The county winner will participate in a district contest and the district winner will then compete in the state contest at the Florida Farm Bureau Convention later in the year.

The county deadline is May 5, 2014. The contest will be May 12, 2014 at the Gilchrist County Farm Bureau office.

The first place winner in the county will receive \$200 and the second place winner will receive \$100 and the third place winner will receive \$50.

Please contact the Gilchrist County Farm Bureau office for copy of rules, entry application and additional information at (352) 463-2298.

## Pioneer Days Festival is this weekend

Submitted

Enter your favorite pie in the Pie Baking Contest. There will be three prizes, with each winner receiving a ribbon and a gift certificate to the Great Outdoors Restaurant. The judges will be chefs from our local restaurants and the first place winning pie will be featured on the menu at the Great Outdoors Restaurant for the month of May.

We have two local celebrities joining us this year,

Cowboy Steve from the Big 98 in Live Oak will be doing live broadcasts from the festival on Saturday morning, and Big Red of K Country will be doing live broadcasts on Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

There will be two historic Shoot Outs each day.

This year's Pioneer Costume Contest is open to all ages. There will be two categories; infants, children up to 17, and adults 18 and up.

Three prizes will be awarded in each category and the first place winners and their families will be invited to ride on the Chamber Booth in an Annual Twilight Christmas Parade in December.

At the Historic High Springs Elementary School Building there will be several major attractions, including a new display in the Railroad Museum, a Historic Quilt Show featuring quilts with a story, and the Black History Museum artifacts and displays of historic black culture in High Springs.

Visiting the 38th Annual Pioneer Days Festival will be the perfect family outing!

Please feel free to call (386) 454-7610 for additional information.

## Relay For Life meeting for team captains

All team captains, or a team member, mark your calendars for Bank Night, April 29, 2014, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Fanning Springs Community Building (behind the Cadillac Motel). We would like to have monies collected to that point turned in. Also, tee shirts for participants will be given to the captain or representative that attends.

"Paint the Town Purple" is April 28, 2014 and those participating in the contest need to have the photos for judging to Tracy Ridgeway by May 1. We are getting closer to the event date, Relay For Life of The Tri Counties, May 2, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gilchrist County Agricultural Complex (travel approximately 4 miles north on Hwy. 129 from traffic light in Trenton) as we are "Hunting for a Cure".

For more information, contact Tracy Ridgeway at tridgeway@gilchrist.fl.us or (352) 463-3445 or Kyle Stone at (352) 246-5920 or (352) 376-6866.

## Garden Club

The April meeting of The Garden Club of the Tri Counties will be held on Tuesday, Apr. 29, beginning at 7 p.m. Our program for this month will

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be Gardening for Butterflies and the importance of Habitat Creation.

Our speaker will be Jeff Hansen from Florida Museum of Natural History and McQuire Lepidoptera Center.

For any members that have not paid their dues, this month's meeting is the deadline. Our dues are \$10.00 a year. Just a reminder for anyone interested in hearing the program, or any of our programs, membership is not required for one to attend. Visitors are always welcome.

## Mystery Tea will benefit Guardian ad Litem

Dress in your Sunday best on Saturday to attend a Downtown Abbey Mystery Tea, benefiting the Guardian ad Litem program.

Hosted by the Guardian Foundation Board, the third annual tea will be held at the Suwannee Valley Shoppes Ice House, located at 517 North Main Street in Trenton. Tea sandwiches, brewed tea cookies and quick breads will be served at the Mystery Tea, which will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Reserve your seat today by stopping by or calling the Suwannee Valley Shoppe at (352) 463-3842. Cost is \$30 per person.

A 501 (c)3, the Guardian Foundation provides resources not available through state funding to help normalize the lives of abused, neglected and/or abandoned children by offering the same opportunities afforded children outside the dependency system.

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For more information on the Guardian ad Litem Foundation, contact Susan Faulkner-O'Neal at (352) 745-1212, susanoneal@live.com . For information on the Guardian ad Litem Program, contact Lynn Deen, 352-548-3823, lynn.deen@gal.fl.gov



Hunter Wills and Julie Nobs

## Miss Nobs, Mr. Wills announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. James Nobs of Bell are thrilled to announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Marie Nobs to Mr. Hunter Baker Wills, son of Mr. Alan Carol Wills of Moultrie, Georgia and Mr. and Mrs. J Stephen Gupton Jr. of Valdosta, Georgia.

Julie and Hunter are graduates of Wiregrass Georgia Technical College of Valdosta with an Associate of Applied Science Degree of Culinary Arts. They are both employed by Steel Magnolias Restaurant in Valdosta, Georgia.

The wedding is planned for October 2014 in a Georgia vineyard.

## Marriages filed in Gilchrist

Leslie Adam Junkin, 30, and Jessica Lynn Blythe, 28, both of Trenton, were married on April 5, 2014, by Minister George Ellis Blythe.

Roy Lee Foshee, Jr. 42, and Amanda Lynn Hodge, 32, both of Fanning Springs, were married on April 11, 2014, by Beverly Nash, notary public.

Andrew Hilary Valentino, 27, and Diane Marie Cowart, 25, both of Trenton, were married on April 19, 2014, by Mary T. Dotson, notary public.

## Marriage applications filed in Gilchrist

Jeffrey Scott Sharp, 44, and Andrea Joven Pe Benito, 28, both of Newberry.

William Jack Owens, 24, of Fanning Springs, and Lacy Dee Graham, 19, of Gainesville.

Patrick Owen Smyth, 34, and April Danielle Gilliam, 31, both of High Springs.

## Socials

Happy Birthday wishes to Anna Smagacz, Jennifer Guthrie Wilkerson, Donald Hilliard, Marie Lane, John Parrish, Maria Lord on April 24th; Gary Rexroat, Vida Watson, Donna Rancey, Joanne McLeary, Stephen Thurman, Buddy Taylor on April 25th; Amanda Thomas, Courtney Martin, Brett Diaz, Leslie Jenkins, Pat Calonge, Jacklyn O'Donnell, Regina Pearce, Rhett Watson, Jan Warren on April 26th; Chris Rogers, Kendrick Gent on April 27th; Mike Harrell, Will Knighton Robinson, Rick Gooding, Charles Middlebrooks, Jay Wallace on April 28th; Amy Deen, Flora Sandlin, Beth Latner, David Allaire, Tracy Brown on April 29th; Donna Owens, Henrietta Percivat, Gabriel Kaleb Coulon on April 30th.

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Randy Layfield, Mr. and Mrs. David Day on April 30th.

## Dean's List

Vivian Kisha Bwenge, of Newberry, was named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2013 semester at Washington University in St. Louis. Bwenge is enrolled in the university's College of Arts & Sciences.

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By Cindy Jo Ayers

"God made fish to be fried."  
- John Gray Taylor

When in the right mood, I do love to test a recipe. My husband loves to fish, so as you might guess we have cooked fish about every way you can imagine. John is partial to smoked fish while I like mine...well, just fried. My father liked baked flounder with fresh blue crab meat stuffing.

You see, after a career of farming he left the farm and moved to Cedar Key, where he bought himself a bird dog (mullet net fishing boat) and began to do a little mullet fishing as a hobby. This was the mid 70s when fishing with a net was still legal. On occasion, while fishing, a flounder would get rolled up in the mullet net.

Now, I wonder if it was legal for daddy to keep the flounder. Oh well, as I said, it was the mid 70s so it really does not matter what FWC thinks today. Daddy, the bird dog and net, as well as the flounder, are all long gone. My daddy never cared too much for game wardens as they were known back in those days. I'm pretty sure this dislike, was an inherited trait.

Our neighbors, the Campbells who lived across the creek from us were crabbers. Mr. Campbell would pull up to our dock and give daddy blue crabs from time to time. We would sit under an old mulberry tree at the end of the drive and pick out fresh boiled blue crab meat that would be made into a stuffing that was packed on top of the flounder and baked. Daddy and I would pick a little crab to go into the bowl for stuffing and then eat a little crab. By the time we were through we had eaten about half the crab meat. But, we were happy just spending time together and we both loved the sweet taste of fresh boiled blue crab.

Ah, there is a lot to be said for the memories that were made under the shade of that old tree. Anyway, all that to say, no matter how many ways I've ever tried to cook fish I always return to cooking them fried. It is the quickest, simplest and best way as far as I'm concerned. The ingredients are so simple, fresh fish (fresh is a must), corn meal, salt, pepper and hot grease.

One side dish that our family really enjoys with our fish, besides a big pot of cheese grits, is a pan of slow baked beans. Recently I had the opportunity to cook baked beans for a crowd so I did a little testing and searched through a lot of recipes finally coming up with a combination of several.

While reading a Chef John Folse's baked bean recipe I noticed that he added cane syrup to his recipe. Well,

knowing that cane syrup is good for a lot more than pouring on hot buttermilk biscuits, I added some to the beans and it gave them a really good flavor. As most born-and-bred Southerners know, cane syrup is as much a part of our food heritage as sweet potatoes and cracklings. So why would cane syrup not be good in baked beans?

Here is my recipe for one gallon of baked beans, well they have cut the gallon size can of baked beans down a little so it is not quite a gallon any more.

*Slow Baked Beans*

- 1 gallon baked beans
- 2 1/2 links of smoked sausage
- 6 slices of bacon
- 1 cup chopped, bell pepper
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/3 cup barbecue sauce
- 1/4-1/2 cup cane syrup
- 1/2 cup dark brown sugar
- salt and black pepper to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 3 tablespoons bacon grease aka drippings
- 1/2 teaspoon dried mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon Creole seasoning

When the gallon of beans are opened there will be a lot of bean sauce on top of the beans, pour this off and discard.

Cut smoked sausage links into 1/4 inch slices and fry until done. Fry bacon that has been cut into 1/2 pieces. Save the bacon grease.

While meat is frying chop the vegetables.

In a large bowl or dishpan stir together all the ingredients and pour into a large baking pan that has been greased.

Bake at 350 degrees for 1 1/2 hours or more depending on how thick you like your beans. If you have plenty of time you can reduce the temperature to 325 degrees and cook them a full 2 hours. Remember the beans will become thicker as they cook.

Notes: I use Tony Chachere's Original Creole Seasoning™, smoked sausage from the Newberry Cold Storage, Sweet Baby Ray's™ barbecue sauce, Bush™ original baked beans and local Gilchrist County cane syrup. I noticed that Scalf's up in Bell has cane syrup for sale.

You can make a smaller amount of beans by using two 28-ounce cans of beans and cutting all the other ingredients in half. Even if you make only half the recipe the cooking time should be about the same.

Enjoy!

**John's Comments**

By John M. Ayers

I want to thank the Education Foundation of Gilchrist County for holding the fish fry on Friday, Apr. 11 to raise funds for scholarships for Gilchrist County's graduating seniors.

The event was a success because it brought people out to the arena not only to eat a good meal, but also to visit and enjoy one another's company. That is what I enjoy, the opportunity to experience our community, and allow other people to experience it and see just how special Gilchrist County is.

I think we often take it for granted just how blessed we are to live here.

I enjoyed seeing and talking with people who attended. I have to admit that I was so looking forward to eating fish, however it is cooked, I just love eating fish, but the swamp cabbage turned out to be what I enjoyed most. Marilyn Thompson and Robert Townsend prepared this local dish and it was delicious.

That being said, all the homemade desserts looked so tasty. Our granddaughter, Allie Claire and I took a stroll by the sweets and found some treats that we just could not live without. For Allie, it was the strawberry colored cake and pinkish colored icing with the colorful sprinkles on top that caught her eye. The particular piece she selected was rather large and she said that she could eat it all, so I handed it to her from the table. I took a plate of two chocolate brownies that were also scrumptious. When we got back to the table, our grandson Whitt was waiting to share our treats. He was thrilled with the brownies and the smidgen of the strawberry cake his big sister let him taste.

We all enjoyed the occasion and look forward to the fish fry becoming an annual event.

*Thank you*

March 1, 2014 was a day our family will never forget. As we stood and watched our home burn completely to the ground, we felt an overwhelming sadness. Our grief quickly changed to an overwhelming feeling of love and gratitude. That day, we learned how amazing the human spirit could be.

Some people came and gave us every last dollar they had. Others came with arms full of food, clothing, toys and goodies for all of our five children. Even though we had lost so much on the Saturday afternoon, we went to bed that night and had never felt more blessed.

We want to say thank you to each and every one of you. Thank you to the families, friends, schools, churches, businesses and even complete strangers that have helped us over the past few weeks.

The love and support this community has given has been beyond amazing.

We will never forget the kindness you all have shown. We sincerely thank you all so very much.

All our love,  
The Carlisle Family



Jessica Langford will graduate from Saint Leo University on May 16, 2014.

**Langford recognized as top graduate**

By Kathryn Maclean

Jessica Langford is a top graduate from the Class of 2014 at Saint Leo University's Trenton Center.

Jessica is graduating Summa Cum Laude honors on May 16, 2014. She has earned a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with ESOL Certification and Reading Endorsement. Jessica graduated from Trenton High School and lives on her family farm in Trenton. She is the daughter of Sheila and Mark Langford of Trenton.

Jessica decided to become a teacher because she says she "loves

inspiring kids and making learning fun." She chose Saint Leo University because it is "close to home with friendly people, small class sizes and a great reputation." She has worked her internships in Gilchrist, Levy and Alachua counties and hopes to teach at a local elementary school full time after graduation.

Mrs. Jean Ledvina, one of Jessica's instructors, says "Jessica Langford is an excellent future teacher who shows sincere interest in her students and strives to utilize the best educational practices to help students learn. She is a positive individual who will definitely be an asset to any

elementary school."

We at Saint Leo University in Trenton wish Jessica all the best in her future and teaching career. It has been an honor having her as a student and we feel certain she will be an excellent teacher. Jessica, chosen to represent her class, will be giving a speech at our graduation ceremony on Friday, May 16, 2014. Graduation will be held at Florida Gateway College in Lake City and starts at 5 p.m.

For more information about graduation, or how you can earn your Bachelor's Degree in Trenton, please call (352) 463-8541.

**Gilchrist County Woman's Club**

Submitted

Spring is in the air, and the April meeting had a spring theme, with spring colors and all those Easter candies. The Welfare Committee presented another delicious dinner. The guest speaker was from the Partnership for Strong Families. This community organization helps abused, neglected or abandoned children and their families.

Our last meeting of the 2013-2014 year will be held on May 8 at the Gilchrist County Woman's Club. It will have a Patriotic theme in remembrance of Memorial Day, so wear your red, white and blue attire. We will be installing the 2014-2015 officers during the meeting, so you do not want to miss this meeting. The social starts at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting follows at 7 p.m. Note: Dues of \$30.00 are due at the May meeting for the upcoming year.

Members are encouraged to bring a guest who is interested in joining the club.

The Gilchrist County Woman's Clubhouse is available for rent for festive occasions and for business meetings, weekdays and weekends. If interested, contact Connie Sanchez, Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections (or Tracy or Lisa) at (352) 463-3195 from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. For more information, go to [www.GilchristCountyWomansClub.org](http://www.GilchristCountyWomansClub.org).



Gilchrist County Woman's Club members Patricia Yates, Mary Jo Mansfield and Denise Hudson.

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# Now & Then

By Carrie A. Mizell

Last week I met a man at Winn Dixie who had \$8 in his left pocket and was trying to decide between buying diapers for his baby girl or milk and bread to sustain his wife and three children.

It was an unlikely meeting since it occurred on Tuesday afternoon. You see, I'm never in Callahan on Tuesdays. I'm always tied to my desk at the Journal working on the newspaper until at least 5 p.m. But last week, I worked half the night on Monday at the paper, so I could finish before 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday and somehow get Allie Claire to school in Folkston, Georgia on time. She was 20 minutes late, but we made it. Our life is more than a little chaotic these days!

After I picked my girl up from school that afternoon, we broke from our traditional Wednesday grocery shopping adventure and hit Winn Dixie on Tuesday. I loaded the kids into the buggy and headed for the bakery to secure two complimentary cookies, all the while praying that the cookie would help my son, who hates to shop, behave for the 30 minutes it would take me to fill our buggy. Unfortunately, I rolled up to the bakery only to find an empty cookie box. No kidding, there was nothing but a few crumbs left. Little did I know, the Cookie Monster shops Winn Dixie in Callahan on Tuesdays.

Allie Claire accepted the news with a solemn shake of her head. Whitt, on the other hand, demanded, "Took-e, mom-e! Took-e, mom-e!" He was ticked and didn't care who knew about it. I wheeled down the neighboring baby aisle and was staring at the products in front of me, trying to recall if my 2-year-old (who will likely never be potty trained) needed diapers or wipes. All the while, he's hollering from the buggy, "Took-e! Took-e!" I was shame faced, but not surprised. After all, this is pretty much how our buggy rolls at Winn Dixie.

Out of the corner of my eye I noticed a man standing halfway down the aisle from me. He was studying the smallest package of generic brand diapers and he would pick one up and put it back. Pick one up and put it back. He was completely unaware that I was watching him, in an effort to distract myself from the heathen child strapped in my buggy. I smiled to myself and thought bless his heart, his wife didn't tell him what size diapers to buy and he's right this minute trying to guess how much his baby weighs. Finally, he walked away, with no diapers. I watched him walk to the end of the aisle, and turn toward the end cap, with his back to anyone who might be walking by and notice him. I watched as he dug in his pocket and pulled a five dollar bill out, followed by three ones. Then I watched as his shoulders sank and in that moment, my heart also sank. You see, I realized that he didn't have enough money to buy diapers for his child. Not even the smallest package of off brand diapers.

Without thinking, I turned to Allie Claire and told her to keep an eye on Whitt, who was still bellowing for a cookie. I said, as I so often do, "Start screaming if anyone walks up and lays even a finger on you or your brother, Allie." Then, I walked to the end of the aisle and said, "Sir, do you need some diapers?" He looked up at me, as if he hadn't known just moments before that we were both sharing the baby aisle. How in the world could he have missed me? Me?! OI screamer's momma, I'm

hard to miss in a store these days. He shook his head and said, "No ma'am. No ma'am, I'm okay." I said, "No, you're not okay. You need diapers, or you wouldn't have been on the baby aisle looking at them. Please let me buy you some diapers."

And just like that he started to cry. And then I was crying.

Crying for a man in a Hardee's uniform who was getting up and going to work every day, trying to support his family, but was still forced to choose between diapers and staples like bread and milk. I knew he wasn't on government assistance, because if he was bread and milk would be free (and probably the diapers too). He told me that he and his family were trying to get by, but there just never seemed to be enough money. I looked at my two precious children over in our buggy. The oldest looked bored, while the other was still steady begging for a "took-e" and I thanked God silently that they have never known such desperate times. Sure, it's raining cats and dogs and some of daddy's tractors are parked and about under water, but they've not once gone without food, and generic diapers have never touched their backsides. How blessed are we?

I bought the man a case of diapers and would have given him every dime I had in my purse, but he refused any other assistance. He wouldn't let me buy formula, wipes, or even the bread and milk he needed. And he even refused Pampers™ and insisted that a generic brand would be just fine for his baby girl, who he's clearly crazy about. He told me how that little bitty girl has him wrapped around her finger already, and his eyes twinkled as he talked about her.

I had the opportunity to pray with this man, both of us still crying, and later I watched him walk out of Winn Dixie with a great big smile on his face, but not before he turned back to me and said, "God bless you, ma'am." He had a box of Kuddles™ under one arm and a bag with milk and bread in the other.

And I was still crying, because meeting this man wrecked my heart.

I really struggled with sharing this because I worried that people might misinterpret my actions. I'm not saying, look at me, look what I did, because what I did doesn't amount to much in the grand scheme of things. I share this only to say that there are SO SO SO many people around us hurting, some with physical needs, others facing spiritual turmoil.

Every night Adam and I pray that God will help us slow down and recognize opportunities to share our faith. We know the Lord places people like this man, who just need a little help, in our path each day, one right after the other they come by, but so often we get caught up in what we have going on and we miss the chance to show love to others.

I could have easily let my own little Cookie Monster distract me, and keep me from meeting a need in this man's life, but I'm so grateful that I didn't just keep walking.

Instead I had the opportunity to teach my little girl what it means to show love to people who are hurting. It's unlikely that Allie Claire will grow up to be a star athlete, but hopefully, she will develop a servant's heart and a desire to help people who are struggling. In the grand scheme of things, I would say that's far more important than taking home a championship trophy. Sure, it's great to be a winner, but what's really important is how you play the game. Where's your heart?

## Defending State Champs to host District 6 1A tournament

Top seed Trenton High School is hosting the District baseball tournament this week.

The District 6 1A baseball tournament got underway Tuesday night as Hilliard faced Cedar Key in game 1 at 4 p.m. The Bell Bulldogs faced Hawthorne in the night cap at 7 p.m. The winner of these two games advanced to play on Thursday.

On Thursday night the Bronson Eagles, (second seed team) will play the winner of Bell vs. Hawthorne at 4 p.m. The Trenton Tigers will face the winner of the Hilliard vs. Cedar Key game at 7 p.m. The winner of the Thursday night games will advance to Friday night to play in the championship game that will begin at 7 p.m.

## Relay For Life's Paint the Town Purple Day is Monday

Submitted

We would like to invite you to participate in the "Paint The Town Purple Day" event for the Relay For Life of The Tri Counties on Monday, Apr. 28, 2014.

Paint the Town Purple is an activity of the American Cancer Society that promotes cancer awareness, and gives individuals, teams and communities an opportunity to fight back against cancer. It helps create a world with less cancer and more birthdays by helping people get well, stay well, and find cures for cancer.

This day encourages businesses, churches, and community members to wear purple and display purple ribbons/decorations to bring awareness to the American Cancer Society's many programs and services in our community.

The color purple represents every type of cancer and is the official color of Relay For Life.

A panel will judge the best decorated place and the winner will

be placed in the newspaper.

Everyone participating in this contest needs to submit your photos for judging to Tracy Ridgeway by e-mail or bring them to the Gilchrist County Courthouse by May 1. If you can't submit a photo but want to be included in the competition, contact Tracy.

The winner will be announced at the 2014 Relay For Life of The Tri Counties on May 2, 2014 at the Gilchrist County Agricultural Complex in Trenton, beginning at 6 p.m. as we are "Hunting for a Cure".

The American Cancer Society invites everyone to join the fun, simply by logging onto the website [www.paintowntownpurple.org](http://www.paintowntownpurple.org) to find ideas on how to "Paint The Town Purple" at a school, town, college or workplace.

For more information, contact Tracy Ridgeway at [tridgeway@gilchrist.fl.us](mailto:tridgeway@gilchrist.fl.us) or (352)463-3445 or Kyle Stone at (352)246-5920 or (352)376-6866.

## Live music at Wild Hog Canoe Race Saturday

Donna Stacy & Kentucky Sleepy Hollow will perform at the Wild Hog Canoe Race on Saturday Apr. 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., playing the traditional sounds of Bluegrass & Gospel music, with roots that run deep, out of the hills of the Appalachian mountains. Their unique blend of traditional music and harmonies brings to life that high lonesome sound.

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## Spring Ridge Church to hold fish fry

Submitted

On Sunday, Apr. 27, Spring Ridge Church will be having an "Old Fashioned Fish Fry" at Poe Springs Park (on County Road 340, approximately 3 miles west of High Springs) from 1:00 p.m. til dusk. The large, air conditioned pavilion in the park has been reserved for the day. Table games, outdoor games, swimming in the springs and fishing from the bank, are all part of the days activities.

If you would like to be part of this wonderful day, please call the Spring Ridge Church office for more information (386) 454-3600 or (386) 454-4844. Come relax, have fun, enjoy a great meal, meet some old friends, make new ones, and just have a really good time! Don't miss out on this special day! Spring Ridge Church, where *the difference is worth the distance!*

## Heart Matters

By Angie Land

Kids are awesome. If we would only pay attention, we could learn so much from the way kids operate. They have this undisguised way of letting you know what they need and are perfectly honest about what they have to give. Caden is my two year old grandson, and I am his "Gigi." Just for the record, I am also Gigi to his 6 month old sister, Jolee, but he is not willing to acknowledge this fact to date. When he and Jolee are at my house, he patiently allows me to hold her just long enough for a feeding, but is soon ready for me to give her back to Mom or Dad. Obviously, he has more important tasks for me like playing trucks or reading his newest book.



The next morning while I was reading my Bible, I remembered mine and Caden's time in the "closet." It occurred to me that Jesus' motives behind his invitation to meet us in our prayer closets are likely the same as Caden's. He wants to spend time with us, with our full attention on him. In fact, Jesus was the best example of this one-on-one time with His Father. In the gospels we read such verses: "...he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray." (Matthew 14:23) and "But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed." (Luke 5:16). People flocked to hear Jesus teach and to be healed, but he made sure to have opportunities to focus His full attention on God alone. Like Jesus, we need time to withdraw from the all the things that compete for our attention and spend time alone with God. Like Caden, we need to get in position so that all His attention can come our way.

Last week, Caden and Jolee, along with several other family members came to our house for dinner. I was busy the entire time getting the meal finished up and making sure everyone had what they needed. When dinner was over and the kitchen clean, Caden came and grabbed my hand and pulled me back in the kitchen. Thinking he wanted dessert, I followed. He led me right into the walk-in pantry and closed the door behind us. There we stood, in complete darkness. I couldn't see anything, and wondered if he was about to get scared. So I said, "Well, Caden, what are we going to do now?" In the dark, I felt his little hands pat my legs. In that moment, I understood exactly what he wanted: my undivided attention. He wanted to be with me in a place of no distraction from anything or anyone else. So we stood, in the dark, without saying a word, until he was ready to re-join the family. He opened the door, gave me a big grin, grabbed my hand, and off we went to play the next round.

I have a feeling this little guy is going to teach me way more about Jesus than I will end up teaching him. Because every heart matters!

## Old Fashioned Tent Revival next week

Landmark Baptist Church is holding an old fashioned tent revival April 27-May 2 at 7 p.m. each night. Bro. James Lockhard of Somerset, Kentucky will be the guest speaker. The church is located one and one-half miles north of the Santa Fe River, one mile south of Hwy 27 on SR 129.

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## Gilchrist County School District earns continuing SACs accreditation

Submitted Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI), an accreditation division of AdvancED. This action was taken at the AdvancED Accreditation Commission meeting held on January 23, 2014.

SACS CASI provides nationally-recognized accreditation, the purpose of which is continuous school improvement focused on increasing student performance. To earn accreditation, schools must meet SACS CASI's high standards, be evaluated by a team of professionals from outside the school and implement a continuous process of school improvement. Accreditation is granted on a five year term.

"Accreditation demonstrates to our students, parents, and community that we are focused on raising student achievement, providing a safe and enriching learning environment, and maintaining an efficient and effective operation staffed by highly qualified educators," stated Superintendent Rankin.

## Kindergarten orientation and registration for 2014-2015 school year

Submitted Orientations will be held for the next year's Kindergarten students at Bell Elementary School and at Trenton Elementary School.

Bell's Kindergarten orientation will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 6 p.m. Trenton's orientation will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 6 p.m.

Parents and children will meet in the cafeteria of each school and will have an opportunity to meet school personnel and visit the Kindergarten classrooms. Cookies and milk will be provided for the children. After the orientation, parents may register their Kindergarten for the 2014-2015 school year.

A new Kindergarten student must be five years old on or before September 1, 2014. The following documents are needed to complete the registration:

1. Proof of child's birth
2. Child's recent physical (dated within one year of starting school)
3. Child's current immunization record (\*\*Read about updates below)
4. Child's Social Security card (optional)
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Children who have attended Pre-Kindergarten or Head Start Programs and are to start Kindergarten this year are required to have updated:

1. Registration forms
2. Immunization records (\*\*Read about updates below)

3. Proof of County residence Beginning with the 2008/2009 school year, children entering kindergarten are required to receive TWO doses of varicella vaccine.

Parents may pick up a registration packet at either school. If the parent does not have all the required documentation needed for registration, they may turn in the packets when they have all the information or return the completed packet in before school starts.

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## Children's summer theatre opens auditions

Submitted Open auditions will be held for Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Pirates of Penzance Jr.* at the Chief Theatre, home of the Suwannee Valley Players, on Saturday, May 3 and Saturday May 10 at 10 a.m. at the Chief Theatre, which is located at 25

East Park Ave., Chiefland. Participants should be between the ages of 6-18 and still be attending school.

Show dates will be July 25-27 and August 1-3. For additional information, please visit our website at [svplayers.com](http://svplayers.com) or call (352) 493-ARTS, you may also contact the director, Laura Blanton at (352) 221-3976 or email her at [lblan2001@gmail.com](mailto:lblan2001@gmail.com).

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4/24-5/7	FCAT Testing	
4/24-4/25	Volunteer Week	
4/24	Pre Kg Field Trip (Museum)	@Gainesville
4/25	Kg Field Trip (Homosassa Springs)	
4/29	4th 9wks Progress Reports go Home	
<b>BELL HIGH SCHOOL</b>		
4/24-5/7	FCAT Administration	
	Varsity Baseball District Games	@Trenton
4/24	JROTC Compass Course	@Hart Springs
	USSA Basketball	@BHS New Gym
	6:00pm FFA Banquet (Cafeteria/Auditorium)	BHS
	Grad Bash	@Bush Gardens
4/25	5K Running of the Bulldogs	@BHS Track
4/26	4th 9wks Progress Reports go Home	
4/29	Varsity Softball Regional Semi-Finals	@Trenton
<b>TRENTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</b>		
4/23	Kindergarten cap and gown pictures	
4/29	Pre-K end of year program for Buck/Caron and McGee/Roberts classes	
3-6	AR Family Night	
	Progress Reports go home	
<b>TRENTON MIDDLE SCHOOL/TRENTON HIGH</b>		
4/24	3:30 Free sports' physicals - football/cheer/boys' weightlifting	Gym
	Open gym for girls interested in volleyball in the fall	
4/26	3:00 Grad Bash for Seniors	
4/28	"Miss Relay for Life Pageant" forms due to Mrs. Atkins at TES	
	Civics EOC starts	
	Basketball Banquet	
4/29	6:00 Progress Reports Printed	

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# Kindergarten

## Orientation and Registration

<p><b>BELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</b></p> <p><b>Thursday, MAY 8<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>6:00pm IN CAFETERIA</b></p>	<p><b>TRENTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday, MAY 13<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>6:00pm IN CAFETERIA</b></p>
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### CHILDREN & PARENTS CAN:

- Meet school personnel
- Visit Kindergarten classrooms
- Register for next year

**BRING CHILD'S:**

- ✓ Proof of birth (Must be 5 on or before 9-1-2014)
- ✓ Recent physical (within 1 year)
- ✓ Current immunization record
- ✓ Social security card (optional)
- ✓ Proof of county residence



# Gilchrist's Got Talent

Gilchrist's Got Talent was held on Friday, Apr. 11 at Trenton High School. Hosted by the school's Tri-M Chapter, the event was a fundraiser for the Relay For Life. Wyatt Beach was named the winner and voted crowd favorite. Second place was The Orange Man Group. Third place was a tie between Steven Meyer and Evalyn Frazier. Judges were Jaleesa DeSousa, Mike Potter and Linda Gartin.

# TMS baseball team finishes season 8-2



Congratulations to the Trenton Middle School Baseball Team on a great season. The Tigers finished 8-2. Pictured back row, left to right: Coach Tommy Parrish, Will Sumner, Brayden Dukes, Deyton Green, Cody Jackson, Tyrique Baber, Jackson Feather, Zach Russo, Trevin Dukes, Trey Sanchez, Wyatt Langford, Coach Ronnie Jackson and Coach Michael Langford. Front row, left to right: Justus Jones, Landon Parrish, Daniel Plank, Trent Becker, Zach Bloom and Carson Jones.

# BHS track team finishes strong season

Submitted

After a very long day in Central Florida, the Bell High School Bulldog Track team had a strong showing at the District 1-A Regional Track Meet at The First Academy School in Orlando on Wednesday, Apr. 16.

The girls and boys teams faced great competition from hundreds of student-athletes from dozens of public and private schools from around the state of Florida. "It was a great day, and many of our individual athletes and relay teams had their best times of the year," said Coach Brad Surrency.

Highlights of the day included the girls 4x100 meter relay team finishing in 6th place and the boys 4x400 team finishing in fifth place with only three seconds away from qualifying for the state finals.

Ashton Mathews placed second in the girls shot put, throwing 31 feet, 7.5 inches allowing her to go the state finals in Jacksonville at the University of North Florida. The State Finals will be on May 2nd.

"Ashton has worked hard and did a terrific job at shot put today," Coach Terry Carnley commented. "We are extremely proud of her."

It has been an outstanding year for Bulldog Track and Field and the future is looking very bright for this program.

Many thanks for all of the wonderful support from the Bell community, teachers, administration, and parents

this season. Go Bulldogs!

**Individual and Team Results:**  
 Girls Shot Put – Ashton Mathews – 31 feet, 7.5 inches – 2nd place  
 Boys 4x400 m relay – Dillon Reid, Jacob Floyd, Logan Cutts, Randy Oslager – 3:43.00 – 5th place  
 Girls 4x100 m relay – Samantha Lea, Marsha Ovwigho, Aida Valdes, Tori Lea – 56.64 – 6th place  
 Girls Discus – Ashton Mathews – 89 feet – 7th place  
 Boys Shot Put – Jonathan White – 39 feet, 00.25 inches – 9th place  
 Girls 4x400 m relay – Tori Lea, Marsha Ovwigho, Taylor Rogers, Samantha Lea – 4:41.90 – 9th place



Boys 4x100 m relay – Cole White, Randy Oslager, Justin Terry, Austin Ritchey – 47.01 – 9th place

110 Hurdles – Jonathan White – 18.19 – 9th place

Boys 4x800 m relay – Johnny Zuniga, Devin Townsend, Jovani Arenas, Logan Cutts – 9:32.48 10th place

300 Hurdles – Jonathan White – 46:18 – 11th place  
 800 m run – Logan Cutts – 2:13:57 – 12th place

Boys Discus – Justin Terry – 98 feet – 13th place  
 110 Hurdles – Von Woodby – 20.80 – 14th place

Boys Triple Jump – Von Woodby – 36 feet, 5 inches – 14th place

For official scores and times for all area teams, go to [www.eliterunning.net](http://www.eliterunning.net).

# Arrest Report

**April 14, 2014**  
 Desire Lynn Watts, 23, of Trenton, was arrested by Deputy Hendricks, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, for Out of County Warrant, Dixie County, \$2,000.00 bond.

**April 15, 2014**  
 Byron Leonard Dawson, 32, of Bell, was arrested by Sargeant Gaston, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, for Resisting Arrest Obstruct without Violence, Failure to Appear X3, Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, \$38,000.00 bond.

**April 17, 2014**  
 Christopher William Davis, 29, of Old Town, was arrested by Sargeant R. Browning, Dixie County Sheriff's Office for Gilchrist County Warrant, for Failure to Appear for Possession of a Controlled Substance, \$25,000.00 bond.

Paul Manuel Langford, 29, of Fanning Springs, was arrested by Deputy Lee, Battery Touch or Strike, \$2,500.00 bond.

Ronald Wayne Rudd, III, 25, of Bell, was arrested by Deputy Scotty Douglas, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, Out of State Fugitive - Georgia, no bond.

**April 19, 2014**  
 Kassie Leighana Dewees, 24, of

Trenton, was arrested by Deputy Thomas Strickland, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, Contempt of Court and Out of County Warrant X2, Alachua County, \$10,000.00 bond.

Joseph Michael Hummel, 33, was arrested by Trooper Sullivan, DUI-Unlawful Blood Alcohol or Drugs, Non-moving Traffic Violation, Possession of More Than One Valid Drivers Licenses, Possession of not More Than 20 Grams of Marijuana; Possession of Drug Parphernalia, \$3,500.00 bond.

Alagie NMN Manneh, 30, of Trenton, was arrested by Deputy Hendricks, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, Out of County Warrant Alachua County, \$30,000.00 bond.

**April 20, 2014**  
 Dewayne Guy Edwards, 61, of Bell, was arrested by Deputy Taylor Lindsey, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, Battery, \$5,000.00 bond.

Kyle William Stull, 22, of Trenton, was arrested by Deputy Taylor Lindsey, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, Violation of Probation, no bond.

James Frances Koltz, 86, of Trenton, was arrested by Deputy Whitaker, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office, for Larceny \$20K less than \$100K and Shoplifting Petit Theft Second Offense, pending.



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Sheriff Bobby Schultz was awarded a Law Enforcement Certificate of Commendation from American Legion Post 91 last week.

## North Florida Livestock Report

Finally got a break in the weather this week and with that came some good cattle on Wednesday, Apr. 16. Slaughter cattle continued to sell really well. We had a nice run of replacement cattle this week and the prices reflected that with the highest bringing \$1.85/lb! Yearlings fell right in line with the cows and held strong once again with the highest selling at \$3.50/lb.

Sarah Wilkerson topped the slaughter bull market this week with \$122.00 bought by Central Beef, Ronnie Spencer, Etheridge Cattle, and Cracker Cattle tied for top slaughter cow price this week at \$109.00 bought by Brown Packing and Central Beef. Doubler Farms sold the highest price replacement cow at \$185.00 (WOW!) bought by Circle R Ranch. R. H. Holder topped the replacement bull market with \$134.00 bought by Jack Burney. Spencer Green sold the high price pair this week at \$1880.00 bought by Diamond D Cattle and the high price yearling went to Jeff Jordan at \$350.00 sold by Sarah Wilkerson.

**Be in the Know!** The new Animal ID rule became effective February 19, 2014. A period of continued education has been established to help everyone become familiar with the rule requirements. Please contact Tallahassee to get your Premise ID and your FREE tags to start tagging your cattle now. Call Thomas Holt, State Veterinarian at (850) 410-0900 or Stephen Monroe, Program Director, at (850)410-0944 for more information.

**STEERS: LOW: HIGH: AVG:**  
 150-199, 150.00, 350.00, (295.00)  
 200-249, 140.00, 330.00, (252.50)  
 250-299, 140.00, 300.00, (218.75)  
 300-349, 135.00, 235.00, (202.77)  
 350-399, 125.00, 200.00, (183.42)  
 400-449, 130.00, 194.00, (177.93)  
 450-499, 160.00, 184.00, (172.04)  
 500-549, 160.00, 177.50, (169.58)  
 550-599, 140.00, 177.50, (163.13)  
 600-649, 140.00, 150.00, (146.00)

**HEIFERS: LOW: HIGH: AVG:**  
 150-199, 255.00, 295.00, (278.33)  
 200-249, 155.00, 300.00, (235.00)  
 250-299, 160.00, 230.00, (199.64)  
 300-349, 167.50, 205.00, (181.21)  
 350-399, 125.00, 192.00, (178.86)  
 400-449, 136.00, 196.00, (172.69)  
 450-499, 130.00, 190.00, (162.20)  
 500-549, 135.00, 150.00, (147.00)  
 550-599, 125.00, 160.00, (145.00)  
 600-649, 132.00, 140.00, (136.00)

**COWS: LOW: HIGH: AVG:**  
 600-800, 67.00, 160.00, (111.05)  
 800-1000, 76.00, 160.00, (107.12)  
 1000-1200, 70.00, 185.00, (101.78)  
 1200-1400, 69.00, 137.50, (100.49)  
 1400-1600, 84.00, 109.00, ( 96.75)  
 1600-1800, 87.00, 100.00, ( 94.00)

**BULLS: LOW: HIGH: AVG:**  
 1000-1200, 91.00, 110.00, (100.50)  
 1200-1400, 90.00, 122.00, (110.75)  
 1400-1600, 90.00, 95.00, (93.00)  
 1600-1800, 110.00, 134.00, (121.00)

**PAIRS: AVG:**  
 (1300.00)  
**TOTAL: 430**

## Speak out for Agriculture

Florida Farm Bureau Federation is seeking young agriculturists between the ages of 18-35 to apply for its 2014-2016 State Federation Young Farmers & Ranchers Leadership Group. The group consists of young men and women who are actively involved in their county Farm Bureaus and are interested in representing production agriculture and the farm families who make it successful. The Young Farmers & Ranchers Leadership Group allows members to develop and refine their leadership abilities by focusing on personal growth, public speaking, media training, legislative awareness, issue advocacy, business development, networking and service leadership. Farmers and ranchers interested in serving on the Leadership Group should submit an online application by Aug. 1. For more information, call Michael Rogalsky at (352) 384-2668.

# Obituaries

### Mr. Lee Ballard

Mr. Lee Ballard, 83, of Gainesville formerly of Cross City, passed away Saturday, Apr. 12, 2014.

Mr. Ballard graduated from Loyola University in Baltimore, Maryland and then enlisted in the Maryland National Guard in 1951. He served in Alaska from 1953-55. He worked as a Manager for Loss Prevention for the Ford Motor Company in Detroit, Michigan retiring in 1990 after 27 years of service. He was a long time member and Past Executive Director of the International Association of Auto Theft Investigators (IAATI) and a Shriner. He enjoyed scuba diving all over the world and was a member of the Professional Association of Diving Instructors. He was an avid traveler, having covered all of the 50 states and Canadian provinces. He and his grandson, Geoff, enjoyed touring many of the national parks together. Mr. Ballard was a member of the Westside Baptist Church where he was a deacon and senior adult Sunday school teacher.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, of 42 years, Pat Ballard; daughter, Diana Brown; and great granddaughter, Keeley Thomas.

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Ann Ballard of Gainesville; daughter, Dawn Ballard; step-daughter, Brenda (Chris) Hartwell of Gainesville; grandson, Geoffrey M. (Laura) Brown; step-grandson, Copelan Hartwell; granddaughter, Krissey Ashbaugh; and great grandsons, Joey Brown and Brett Williams.

A memorial service was held, Saturday, Apr. 19, 2014 at Westside Baptist Church, Gainesville with Minister of Youth and Families, Asa Walker and Dr. Fritz Fountain officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you make donations to the Florida Baptist Children's Home or The Westside Baptist Church Building Fund in Gainesville.

Arrangements were under the care of the Rick Gooding Funeral Home.

### Mr. Norman Francis Garrett

Mr. Norman Francis Garrett of Old Town, born January 25, 1931, passed away April 17, 2014 from an extended illness.

Mr. Garrett was born in Pleasantville, Iowa and attended elementary schools there. He later moved to California, continued his education and graduated from Castlemont High School in Oakland, California in 1948. He retired in 1993 from Elliott Corporation in Jacksonville, where he was a Gas and Steam Turbine Technician and a Master Machinist. He lived in the Yulee area for 29 years before moving to Old Town approximately 10 years ago. Mr. Garrett was a Korean War Veteran and a past member of the V.F.W., the Fraternal Order of Police (F.O.P.) auxiliary and had a private pilots license with a single engine rating. He attended the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Cross City.

He was preceded in death by son Brian Shayne Buford; father, Frank Barnett Garrett; mother, Dorothy Elizabeth Haug Garrett; sister, Florene Thelma Hancock Garrett; and brother, Garland Barnett Garrett.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Vada June Ritchie Garrett of Old Town; daughters, Starla Buford Bennett of Augusta, Georgia, Josephine Hancock Mericle of Tampa, Dawn and Michelle Garrett, both of California; son, Darrin Buford of Yulee; granddaughters, Tabatha Pearson Treagar of Fayetteville, North Carolina (Ft. Bragg) and Cheyenne Buford from Yulee; grandsons, Jedediah Pearson and Quintin Pearson of St. Augustine, Jackie Pearson of Folkston, Georgia, Caleb Mericle of Tampa, Anthony Eubanks and Dakota Eubanks of Tampa, and Shayne Buford of Yulee; and a number of great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Memorial services and interment will be held at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL with full military honors at a later date.

Arrangements have been placed

under the care of the Rick Gooding Funeral Home.

### Mrs. Martha Smith Gulick

Mrs. Martha Smith Gulick, formerly of Suwannee, passed away on Thursday, Apr. 17, 2014 at her home in The Cove at Tavares Village, Tavares, where she has lived for the past 11 years.

Prior to moving to Tavares, she and her husband Jim Gulick lived in Suwannee for 23 years. They served as Republican State Committeeman and Committeewoman for Dixie County for 17 years. She was a member of Mid Lakes Christian Church in Tavares.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jim Gulick.

She is survived by her daughter Tika Gulick and two nieces, Genieve Smith and Tirrill (Tom) Colberg.

A memorial service will be held at The Cove in Tavares Village on Saturday, Apr. 26, 2014 at 2 p.m. Interment will be held at a later date in Keen Cemetery, Suwannee.

Arrangements have been placed under the care of the Rick Gooding Funeral Home, Cross City, (352) 498-5400.

### Mrs. Betty Jo Hicks

Betty Jo Hicks, 83, of Plain City, Ohio, passed away on April 14, 2014. Mrs. Hicks moved to Ohio several years ago to be closer to her family, after residing in Bell for over 20 years. She was a former member of the New Hope Advent Christian Church. She enjoyed country music and Elvis, flowers, arts and crafts, and traveling in her motor home with her husband, John Jackson Hicks, who passed away in December 2005.

Mrs. Hicks is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Larry Allan and Linda Hicks of Plain City, Ohio; two grandchildren, John Hicks and Lori Sundbury; and three great-grandchildren, Ryann Hicks, Brenna Hicks and Brady Sundbury.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Apr. 22, 2014 at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, where she was laid to rest next to her husband.

Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services, was honored to serve the Hicks Family. Condolences may be offered by visiting our website at www.hiers-baxley.com.

### Mrs. Joan Malinda Holt

Joan Malinda Holt, 73 of Lake Butler passed away Sunday, Apr. 13, 2014 at ET York Haven Hospice in Gainesville. Mrs. Holt was born August 18, 1940 at Lake Shore Hospital to the late Howard and Isabel Banks Mann. She has lived most of her life in Lake Butler moving away to Gilchrist County where she worked as a CNA at the Medic Ayers Nursing Home until she returned to Union County 17 years ago. Mrs. Holt was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Lake Butler and also volunteered at the S.R.E.C.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas A. Holt, Sr.

She is survived by her two daughters; Beverly (Ron) Wise, and Christine (Bruce) Smith, of Lake Butler; son, Thomas A. Holt, Jr. of Lake Butler; seven grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren; and her sister, Torena Rowe of Starke.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Holt were held Wednesday, Apr. 16, 2014 in the First United Methodist Church in Lake Butler with Pastor Dan Search officiating. Burial followed at Elzey Chapel Cemetery.

Archer Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

### Mr. Donald O. Mathis

Donald O. Mathis, age 78, passed away on Sunday, Apr. 20, 2014 at Haven Hospice Care Center in Chiefland. Donald was born on December 26, 1935 in Chiefland, to Jack Mathis and Hattie Thomas Mathis. He was a lifelong resident of the area and retired from the Division of Forestry.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a son, Bradley Mathis and a sister, Nell Hutchinson.

He is survived by his wife, Moena Watson Mathis of Trenton; a daughter, Cindy (Jerry) Driggers of Trenton; a son, Brady Mathis of Trenton; two sisters Nancy (Richard) Stone and Debbi (Gerald) Lanier of Trenton; a brother, Earl Mathis of Chiefland; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, Apr. 23, 2014 at Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery with Pastor Bobby Lindsey officiating.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to: Haven Hospice of the Tri-Counties, 311 N.E. 9th Street, Chiefland.

Arrangements are under the care of Watson Funeral Home.

Condolences may be offered at www.watsonfhrenton.com



### Mr. Ronald E. Nettles

Ronald E. Nettles, age 65, passed away on Sunday, Apr. 13, 2014 at his residence.

Ronald was born on April 14, 1948 in West Palm Beach, to James Edward Nettles and Mary Christine Griffen Nettles.

He has resided in Gilchrist County for about 15 years. He worked as a butcher his whole life. He was a simple man who enjoyed riding four wheelers, playing in the mud and hanging out with the guys.

He is preceded in death by his parents, James and Christine Nettles and his brother Michael Nettles.

He is survived by his three children; Larry (Barbara) Nettles of Williston, Terrie Nettles of Boynton Beach, and Tina (John) McCleese, of Trenton.

He was Papa to five grandchildren: AJ Davis, Trevante McCleese, Lacianna Davis, Mackenzie Nettles and Marissa Nettles.

The family will be having a Memorial BBQ and bonfire on Saturday, Apr. 26, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at Larry's house, 14650 NE 75th Street (CR335) outside of Bronson.

Arrangements are under the care of Watson Funeral Home, (352) 463-8888.

Offer online condolences or sign the guest book at www.watsonfhrenton.com.

### Mrs. Vida Faye Weeks

Vida Faye Weeks, age 79, passed away on Sunday, Apr. 20, 2014 at Haven Hospice Care Center in Chiefland. Vida was born on August 20, 1934 in Zephyrhills, to Henry Taylor and Mildred Smith Taylor. She was a lifelong resident of Dixie County, a member of Suwannee Fellowship Church in Suwannee, and she was retired from the Dixie County School Board where she was a bookkeeper.

She is preceded in death by her husband, M. J. Weeks, Jr.

She is survived by her daughter, Sheila (Roger) Watson of Cross City; son, Mike (Deloris) Weeks of Suwannee; 4 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside Services were held on Wednesday, Apr. 23, 2014 at New Prospect Baptist Church Cemetery in Old Town with Pastor Jim Hurst and Dr. Michael Lowery officiating.

Arrangements were under the care of Watson Funeral Home.

Offer online condolences or sign the guest book at www.watsonfhrenton.com.

## Newberry man dies in Saturday accident

By John M Ayers

A Newberry man was driving north, in a 1998 Mitsubishi, with one passenger, on US 27 when he was involved in a freak accident that left him dead and his passenger in serious condition Saturday morning in Alachua County.

Wayne Parker, 43, was driving a Montero when he pulled to the east shoulder of the roadway, preparing to make a U-turn onto US 27 to travel south. Florida Highway Patrol Corporal Mark Boatwright reported the driver had performed the turn when he lost control of the vehicle as it entered the west grass shoulder of the

roadway. The vehicle entered into a counter clockwise rotation within the grass shoulder while traveling south. The vehicle began to overturn on the shoulder of the roadway. Wayne Parker was ejected during the time the rollover occurred. Emergency Medical personnel were on scene and identified the driver died at the scene of the accident. A female passenger, Latanya Parker, 43, of Newberry, was reported to have suffered serious injury in this accident. The passenger was transported to UF Health Shands hospital. FHP reported the driver and the passenger were not wearing seat belts at the time of the accident.



This is the quilt top in the frame in the sewing room. There is plenty of room for you to come out and help.

## Log Cabin Quilters

The Log Cabin Quilters met Thursday, Apr. 17 at the Levy County Quilt Museum at 11050 NW 105th Ave, Chiefland. We had more material that had been donated and several guests that might join us again on another Thursday.

Greg and the boys were out to do our yard work. We also finished the hanging the Bible verse quilt blocks on the south wall. They also cleaned out the display cabinet from Ida Mae's and found a "priceless" rate fee schedule for hair cuts (\$1.00), teasing, loving care, manicures and other work done at the Beauty Shop. Thanks Lancaster, your help is so important to us.

This week we got a package from Fran in Gladwin, Michigan, of quilt blocks for the porch. One block is a stained glass butterfly that you really need to see. Give me a week or two to put it on the porch. Many of our snowbird friends have been very busy making quilt blocks for the porch. Thank you all very much.

Now that Easter is over, come on out before we go straight to summer. The roses are blooming and the rocking chairs are waiting.



The price menu from Ida Mae's Beauty Shop. Too bad, the prices are much higher now - good news the wages are also much higher today.

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Case No.: 21-2014-DR-0072  
Division: DR

**James F. Goff,**  
Petitioner  
and  
**Lora D. Goff,**  
Respondent.

**NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE**  
TO: Lora D. Goff  
423 Constitution Ave.  
Portsmouth, Virginia 23701

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on JAMES E. GOFF, whose address is 5940 NW 12th Court, Bell, FL 32619 on or before April 30, 2014, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 112 SOUTH MAIN ST., TRENTON, FL 32693, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

**WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.**  
Dated March 31, 2014.

(SEAL)  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: Kendra Cathey  
Deputy Clerk  
Published April 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2014b.

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CASE NO.: 21-2013-CA-96  
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF  
1998 FORD F-150  
VIN# 1FTZX1726WNB81200

**SUMMONS: PERSONAL SERVICE ON AN INDIVIDUAL**  
ORDEN DE COMPARECENCIA: SERVICIO PERSONAL EN UN INDIVIDUO  
CITATION: L'ASSIGNATION PERSONAL SUR UN INDIVIDUEL  
TO/PARA/A: JAMES CANNON  
7129 NW 32ND PL., BELL, FL 32619

**IMPORTANT**  
A lawsuit has been filed against you. You have 20 calendar days after this summons is served on you to file a written response to the attached complaint/petition with the clerk of this circuit court, located at: GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF COURT PO BOX 37, TRENTON, FL 32693.

A phone call will not protect you. Your written response, including the case number given above and the names of the parties, must be filed if you want the Court to hear your side of the case.

If you do not file your written response on time, you may lose the case, and your wages, money, and property may be taken thereafter without further warning from the Court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service or a legal aid office (listed in the phone book).

If you choose to file a written response yourself, at the same time you file your written response to the Court, you must also serve a copy of your written response on the party serving this summons at: LINDSEY LANDER, ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER, 3560 SW CR 334, TRENTON, FL 32693

If the party serving summons has designated e-mail address(es) for service or is represented by an attorney,

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Case No: 2012-CA-99  
GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,

Plaintiffs,  
v.  
SHARON ALLEVA,

Respondent.

**SUMMONS: PERSONAL SERVICE ON AN INDIVIDUAL**  
ORDEN DE COMPARECENCIA: SERVICIO PERSONAL EN UN INDIVIDUO  
CITATION: L'ASSIGNATION PERSONAL SUR UN INDIVIDUEL  
TO/PARA/A: SHARON ALLEVA  
1648 CARDINAL CT., MELBOURNE, FL 32935

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Pub. April 10, 17, 24 and May 1, 2014b.

**NOTICE OF PRE-BID MEETING PLEASE BE ADVISED** that the Gilchrist County School Board will conduct a pre-bid meeting on Monday, May 5, 2014 for the following 2014-2015 school year contracted services:

- Carpet Steam Cleaning
- Custodial Services for the schools of Bell High, Trenton Elementary and Trenton High
- Diesel Fuel
- Painting Services
- Paper Products & Custodial Supplies
- Potable & Wastewater Plant Operator
- Power Washing
- Propane Gas
- Tile Floors to include Stripping, Sealing, Waxing, and Burnishing

This meeting will be held at the Gilchrist County School Board's Operations facility, located at 1699 S US HWY 129, Bell, Florida 32619 at 2:00 p.m. Attendance is mandatory for bid acceptance. Bid packets will be available at this meeting. If you have questions contact the Operations Department at (352) 463-3230.

David C. Spencer  
Director of Operations  
Pub. April 17, 24 & May 1, 2014b.

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA,**

**PROBATE DIVISION**  
CASE NO. 21-2014-CP-2

IN RE: ESTATE OF TARA NICOLE BRUDERLY, Deceased,

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the Estate of Tara Nicole Bruderly, deceased, File Number 21-2014-CP-2, is pending in the Circuit Court for Gilchrist County, Florida Probate Division, the address of which is Gilchrist County Courthouse, 112 South Main Street, Trenton, FL 32693. The name and address of the personal representative and the attorney for the personal representative are set forth below.

All creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent, or unliquidated claims, on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the Decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 17, 2014.

/s/ David R. Bruderly  
David R. Bruderly  
Personal Representative  
79 SE 95th Place  
Trenton, FL 32693

/s/ Dawn M. Vallejos-Nichols Esq.  
Dawn M. Vallejos-Nichols Esq.  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
Avera & Smith, LLP  
Florida Bar No. 0009891  
dvallejos-nichols@avera.com  
2814 SW 13th Street  
Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 372-9999/Fax 375-2526  
Published April 17 & 24, 2014b

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
PROJECT NO. CDBG #11DB-C5-03-31-01-PS16

Gilchrist County, (herein referred to as the "County") is requesting sealed bids for the Gilchrist County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Drainage and Paving Project. This project is funded by the State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunities and is described as follows:

The SE 79th Lane Area Roadway and Drainage Improvements includes the paving of approximately 1.33 miles of existing residential limerock roadway, reconstruction of adjacent driveways, addition of driveway culverts, cross drains, and side drains where required, and construction of two stormwater management facilities.

A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, May 7, 2014, at 2:00pm, at 210 S. Main Street, Trenton, Florida, in the Board of County Commissioners Board Room.

The bid deadline for receipt of proposal for this project is 2:00pm on Wednesday,

May 28, 2014, after which bids will be opened and publicly read. Proposals shall be designated as "Sealed Bid" Gilchrist County CDBG Project#11DB-C5-03-31-01-PS16. Sealed bids will be received at the office of the Gilchrist County Administrator, 209 SE 1st Street, Trenton, Florida. All bids must be received by the County prior to the bid deadline date and time to be considered.

The project is funded through the Community Development Block Grant Program administered by the State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunities. Any bids received after the specified time and date will not be considered.

Electronic Bidding Documents may be obtained at no cost from: CHW, Inc., Attn: Wendy Mercer, 132 NW 76th Drive, Gainesville, FL 32607, Phone: (352) 331-1976 or wendym@chw-inc.com. Questions regarding the bid documents should be directed to: Chris Gmuar at CHW, (352) 331-1976 or chrisg@chw-inc.com. No questions will be accepted after 5:00pm on Friday, May 23, 2014.

All contractors considering bidding must pay special attention to the MBE/WBE/Section 3 requirements as required by Federal Regulations 24 CFR Part 85.36.

Each bidder must deposit with his/her bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. Sureties used for obtaining bonds must appear as acceptable according to the Department of Treasury Circular 570.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids.

The contractor shall begin mobilization and procurement of materials within ten working days of the receipt of the "Notice to Proceed".

Attention of Bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the Contract, Section 3, Segregated Facilities, Section 109 Executive Order 11246, and all applicable laws and regulations of the Federal Government and State of Florida, and bonding and insurance requirements.

An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid to contract with a public entity for the construction of a public work as set forth in Florida Statute Chapter 287.134.

Any person or affiliate may not submit a bid to or contract with a public entity for construction of a public work as set forth in Florida Statute Chapter 287.133.

Bidders shall certify to eligibility in the bid proposal.

The right is reserved to accept or reject any or all bids.  
Pub. April 24 and May 1, 2014b

**REQUEST FOR BID**

The Board of County Commissioners of Gilchrist County, Florida is requesting BIDS for a 2003 Ford F450 Ambulance, VIN # 1FDXF46P63EC43971. This ambulance has a reserve price of \$3,000.00.

A dollar amount for the ambulance is to be submitted in writing in order for the BID to be accepted and considered. Also listed on the BID submission, must be listed the name of the bidder, and the VIN # of the vehicle you are bidding on. Please note, the ownership of the ambulance will be transferred to the highest bidder (above the reserve price), in its current "as is" state and the successful bidder will have seven (7) days to move the ambulance, at his/her expense, from the County's property. Payment for ambulance will only be accepted in the form of cash or a cashier's check.

Ambulance is located at 3250 N. US Highway 129, Bell, FL 32619. You may contact Chief Mitch Harrell at (386) 935-5400, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, to set up a time to look at the vehicle.

BIDS must be submitted to the office of the County Administrator, located at 209 SE 1st Street, Trenton, FL 32693, via in person or by U.S. Mail. They may also be submitted via email to bcosby@gilchrist.fl.us. BID submission deadline is May 2, 2014 @ 12:00 pm (local time). Late bids will not be accepted and will not be considered for award recommendation. **SUBMITTED BID MUST HAVE THE VIN # LISTED ON THE OFFER THAT IS TURNED IN.**

Gilchrist County adheres to the American with Disabilities Act and will make reasonable accommodations for access to county services, programs and activities. Please contact (352) 463-3169 (Voice & TDD) or via Florida Relay Service (800) 955-8771.

Gilchrist County reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals submitted in response to the Request for BIDS, and the right to waive any technical irregularities or immaterial defects in a BID that does not affect the fairness of the competition and the right to re-advertise for proposals when determined by the Board to be in the best interests of the County.  
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## Gilchrist County Land Transactions

Patricia O. Peet f/k/a Patricia O. Callahan Trustee, Allie Lee Owens Trust to Henry Mitchell Owens, simplified warranty deed, \$10,00, 18-10-15.

Patsy Jane Coyne Personal Representative of Wilkerson B. Mathis, Jr. Estate to Patsy Jean Mathis and Patsy Jane Coyne, personal representative deed, \$10,00, 22-09-14-0000-0007-0000.

Patsy Jane Coyne Personal Representative of Wilkerson B. Mathis, Jr. Estate to Patsy Jean Mathis and Wilkerson Berry Mathis, III, personal representative deed, \$10,00, 10-09-14-0000-0004-0000.

Patsy Jane Coyne Personal Representative of Wilkerson B. Mathis, Jr. Estate to Patsy Jean Mathis and Tracy Lee Wilkinson, personal representative deed, \$10,00, 10-09-14-0000-0003-0011.

Patsy Jane Coyne Personal Representative of Wilkerson B. Mathis, Jr. Estate to Patsy Jean Mathis and Wilkerson Berry Mathis, III, personal representative deed, \$10,00, 15-09-14-0000-0003-0030.

Patsy Jean Mathis to Patsy Jean Mathis and Tracy Lee Wilkinson, warranty deed, \$10,00, 15-09-14-0000-0003-0020.

Patsy Jean Mathis to Patsy Jean Mathis and Wilkerson Berry Mathis, III, warranty deed, \$10,00, 10-09-14-0000-0003-0020.

Patsy Jean Mathis to Patsy Jean Mathis and Tracy Lee Wilkinson, warranty deed, \$10,00, 10-09-14-0000-0003-0010.

Patsy Jean Mathis to Patsy Jean Mathis and Patsy Jean Coyne, warranty deed, \$10,00, 10-09-14-0000-0003-0020.

Patsy Jane Coyne and Wilkerson Berry Mathis, III to Tracy Lee Wilkinson, simplified warranty deed, \$10,00, 14-09-14-0000-0006-0000.

Patsy Jean Mathis to Patsy Jean Mathis and Patsy Jane Coyne, warranty deed, \$10,00, 23-09-14-0000-0010-0000.

Kevin Sellars and William Ashby to Roseanne Taylor, warranty deed, \$10,000.00, 17-08-14-0017-000-0080.

Penny Langston to Steven Michael Langston and Penny Langston, simplified warranty deed, \$10,00, 13-8-16.

Floyd S. Underhill and Michael D. White, Jr. to Kenneth Prout, warranty deed, \$3,000.00, 190815058000000060 Lot 6 Woodland Acres.

Ameris Bank to Terif Investments LLC, warranty deed, \$28,500.00, Lot 7 Waccasassa Campsites Unit 1.

Bronson Road Baptist Church, Inc. to Kenneth Scott Tucker, corrective warranty deed, \$0.00, 1410160556000E0050 Lt 5 Blk E Sun N Fun Unit 6.

Kenneth Scott Tucker to Doris Elaine Anderson, warranty deed, \$32,250.00, Lot 5, Blk E Sun N Fun Unit 6, 1410160556000E0050.

David J. Gangelhoff to David J. Gangelhoff, Lori K. Nelson, David J. Gangelhoff co-trustee, Lori K. Nelson co-trustee, warranty deed, \$10,00, Lot 6 River Bend.

Suwannee River Water Management District to Gilchrist County, deed of conveyance, \$10,00, 5 & 6-10-14.

Dennis L. Kendall and Alfretha J. Kendall to Dennis L. Kendall and Alfretha J. Kendall and Jerry Dale Rucker, quit claim deed, \$10,00, 290716000000060050.

Dennis L. Kendall and Alfretha J. Kendall to Jerry Dale Rucker, quit claim deed, \$10,00, 290716000000060070.

Gillian H. Crewson to Gary J. Hall and Kristina M. Hall, warranty deed, \$15,000.00, 08091500750000250.

Rosemary Burnham McDaniel to Rosemary B. McDaniel Family Trust, Rosemary Burnham McDaniel Trustee, simplified warranty deed, \$10,00, 15-10-16-0563-0000-1900.

Bank of America NA to Alan J. Lantz and Cheri L. Lantz, simplified warranty deed, \$38,500.00, 2-10-14.

Clinton Pedersen Family Trust, Ellen Kirkham Trustee to Michael A. Peters and Shannon K. Peters, general warranty deed, \$127,000.00, 080914-0023000H-0040.

Betty Vann to Larry R. Wise and Winnie S. Wise, warranty deed, \$36,500.00, 32-6-15.

Gene A. Rowe and Eugenia S. Rowe to Raymond A. Kerby and Jewell A. Kerby, warranty deed, \$67,038.00, 16-10-15-0048-0022-0040.

Rudolph Singh to John Singh, quit claim deed, \$10,00, 34-09-16-0235-0000-0050.

Bank of America NA to Alan J. Lantz and Cheri L. Lantz, simplified warranty deed, \$38,500.00, 02-10-14.

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Rudolph Singh to John Singh, quit claim deed, \$10,00, 34-09-16-0235-0000-0050.

Robert Beach and Jennifer Beach to Robbie Beach and Marnie Beach, warranty deed, \$10,00, 19-09-15-0000-0006-0000.

BAC Home Loans Servicing LP f/k/a Bank of America NA and Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, simplified warranty deed, \$10,00, 5-8-16.

John Cleveland Wilkerson and Shelda S. Wilkerson to Alva Barry Stanley and Pamela Kay Stanley, warranty deed, \$10,00, 35-7-14.

William Lee Wade and Shirley Ann Wade to Michael McCusker and Dena McCusker, general warranty deed, \$120,000.00, 141014-00000002-0040.

Arthur Michael Cannon to Jody Lee Robertson and Jessica Clemmons Robertson, warranty deed, \$110,000.00, 360816-02130000-0360.

Roger B. Wieland to Michael D. Moore and Tammy Moore, warranty deed, \$25,500.00, 080815-00000004-0020.

James Glenn Wright, III to Julio Cesar Valdez and Maria Piedad Santox, warranty deed, \$25,000.00, 16-10-15-0038-000B-0430.

D. Adam Cathey and Kendra L. Cathey to Randy A. Colson and Marci A. Colson, general warranty deed, \$45,000.00, 161015-00440000-0460.

Connie Sundeen to Daniel D. Joyce and Glenda S. Joyce, general warranty deed, \$43,000.00, 161015-00440000-0290.

Joel K. Kulcsar to Nathan Kulcsar and Maria L. Kulcsar, quit claim deed, \$10,00, 23-08-16-0323-0000-0370.

Ocwen Loan Servicing LLC to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, quit claim deed, \$10,00, Lot 4 and Lot 5, Block 52, Trenton Original Survey.

**Lost & Found**

**REWARD** tri-color male beagle "Barney" Last seen on NW 25th Ave. Bell 352-463-6044.

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**Motorcycle**

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tfnb,11-28

**DIXIE MONUMENTS:** 24347 SE Hwy 19, Old Town, FL 32680. Toll free 877-542-3432. [dixiemonuments.com](http://dixiemonuments.com). Facebook Dixie Monuments/Ben Barber. 20 years experience.

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**ELECTRICAL WORK:** State Certified, dependable, honest, experts, for any and all electrical needs call All Seasons @ 493-4888 or 1-800-542-1028. License number # EC13001855.

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**Help Wanted**

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**Nursing Positions Available:** Evening & Night Shift at Ayers Health & Rehab. Ctr. **Housekeeping/Laundry Relief:** Variable shift, Experience preferred. At Ayers Health & Rehab. Ctr. Please apply or send resume to: Career Source Florida Crown, 211-B SE 11th St, Trenton. EOE/DFWP.

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**Help Wanted**

**Seasonal Grounds Worker:** Gilchrist County has opening(s) for Temporary Summer Grounds Worker. Must be able to lift 45 pounds and have a valid driver's license. Employees will do varied work including mowing, cleaning, and working in office as needed. We are looking for employees to work through Labor Day. Employees must be available to work on holidays and weekends. These positions are Temporary with no benefits Applicant must have a valid Florida Driver's License. Gilchrist County is an EOE/DFWP. Positions are open until filled. This position requires a background check and participation in direct deposit. This position will pay will pay \$7.93 per hour. Applications must be submitted through any of Florida Crown Workforce Job Center locations. [www.employflorida.com](http://www.employflorida.com). The Trenton Florida Crown Workforce Job Center is located at 211 B SE 11th Street Trenton, FL Phone: (352) 463-3677. Applications must include a copy of your Valid Florida Drivers License. Do not contact our office or the Department directly.

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**DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
The Levy County Health Department is seeking an OPS (temporary) Dental Assistant (PSN# G120141504-28895). This is a full time (4-10 hour days) position. Must have a valid Dental Assistant Certificate. Expanded dental functions preferred. Must be fingerprinted. May be required to work extra hours or days in the event of an emergency. Rate of pay is negotiable. Applications will be accepted online at <https://people-first.florida.com/> State of Florida applications may be mailed to State of Florida, People First, Staffing Administration, PO Box 44058, Jacksonville, FL 32231 or faxed to (904) 636-2627 by 5/2/14. EEO/AA/VP Employer.

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# Easter bunny visits Ayers Health & Rehab



Caedman Searles of Mrs. Hines' Class is shown with Mrs. Taylor.



Makenzie Sapp of Ms. Kearney's class found a golden egg! She is pictured with Mrs. Mathews.



Jaiden Harvey of Mrs. Dean's PreK class is pictured with Mrs. Brantley and the golden egg he found.

By Angie Rexroat  
The cold snap late last week didn't stop everyone at Ayers Health & Rehabilitation Center, or the Easter Bunny, from coming to town!  
Ayers welcomed two kindergarten classes from Trenton Elementary School, Ms. Kearney's and Mrs. Hines' classes, as well as Mrs. Deen's and Mrs. Lovett's PreK classes from Bell Elementary School.

The kids hopped off the bus all bundled up as our residents waited patiently, bundled up too! The lawns were sprinkled with tons of colorful eggs and a golden egg, hidden well, for each class to find.

Once each child chose a resident partner to hold their baskets while they relayed the eggs back, the hunt began!

Oddly enough, only three of the four golden eggs were found! The lucky hunters who found the golden eggs were Caedman Searles of Mrs. Hines' class, Makenzie Sapp of Ms. Kearney's class and Jaiden Harvey of Mrs. Deen's Pre-K class. Each winner was awarded a big bunny rabbit!

As all of the children and residents enjoyed cupcakes and juice, a surprise visit from the Easter bunny excited everyone! Lots of photos were taken with that prized rabbit! Last, but not least, an impromptu game of Red Light! Green Light! with the kids before the buses came and scooped them up!

Thank you all for a great day and another wonderful egg hunt at Ayers!



## Electronic poll books

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supervisor of elections said she would like to see Gilchrist County purchase these machines at a cost of \$1,500 per machine, rather than purchase brand new machines at an estimated cost of \$2,495 each. The supervisor of elections has an annual budget of \$280,965, however, Sanchez has asked the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners to utilize funds from general revenue to cover the cost of the new equipment, because she would like to have the electronic poll books in place before the August primary election.

Sanchez said she may have money in her budget to cover the costs, but it's too early to say because she doesn't know what election related expenses her office will incur leading up to the primary.

Tammy Jones, supervisor of

elections in Levy County, said on Monday that Levy County has one electronic voter identification machine that has been used at the Willow Sink precinct for the last six or seven years. She indicated that poll workers love the convenience the machine offers.

Likewise, Dixie County Supervisor of Elections Starlet Cannon said that her office purchased 12 of the electronic poll books in March.

"Almost all of Florida's 67 counties have some type of electronic voter identification machines that they are utilizing," Cannon said. "When we purchased our machines for Dixie County, I was told that we were one of only 10 or 12 counties in the state that have not gone to this. I thought it was important for us to stay up with technology."



Chief Petty Officer Kimberly Vickers is shown accepting a citation from Commander Vinny George.

## Chief Petty Officer Vickers earns VFW Award

Submitted

Chief Petty Officer Kimberly Vickers, a member of the Manatee Division of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps and a resident of Trenton, was recently recognized for her citizenship.

She was presented a citation and medal from Commander Vinny George of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10087 located in Beverly Hills, Florida.

Kimberly earned the award for her "outstanding achievement and exceptional leadership" in the Sea Cadet program.

For the last year the chief has been heading up a volunteer program with a small group of her division cadets at the Malcolm Randall VA Medical Center in Gainesville.

Once a month on a non-drill

weekend, she meets her shipmates at the center where they visit with residents, play cards, help with meals and generally provide quality time for these heroes that don't always get the recognition they deserve.

Kimberly had been volunteering on her own for a few years, but her ability to turn her passion into something that other cadets could share, as well as multiply the benefit to the VA, demonstrates her leadership abilities.

Manatee Division meets at Station Yankeetown and learns about Naval Service.

The Sea Cadet Corps is a youth organization for Americans 11-17 years old.

For more information, call the Commanding Officer Lieutenant Todd Dunn at (352) 212-5473 or visit them online at [www.manateediv.org](http://www.manateediv.org)

## Tri County Nursing Home Easter Event

Submitted

Tri County Nursing Home would like to say a special thank you to everyone in our community that came out despite the weather on Saturday for our Easter event.

Also thank you to our volunteers, from New Beginning Baptist Church, AARP, Cookie the clown, as well as Martengale Bluegrass Band.

The weather would not cooperate completely with last Saturday's Easter event, however the show must go on.

The bounce house and Easter egg hunt had to be canceled due to the weather.

We did however continue on, Martengale Bluegrass played throughout the day, and we offered free hot dogs, drinks and chips to everyone that showed up.

We started the day with 200 free baskets to give away and we finished the day with only 60 baskets left.

Since the children could not hunt eggs, we filled each basket with candy-filled eggs and gave them to the children.

Cookie the clown painted faces, and in between the rain showers the children played some outdoor games. All in all, the day was a success!

Thank you again to everyone who had a hand in making this a day of FUN!

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