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1 dead, several injured in Monday crashes



Connie Caldwell, of Archer, reportedly drove through the intersection of SR 47 and CR 340.



Jonathan "JJ" Spears suffered minor injuries in the crash.

By Carrie A. Mizell

Sirens were blaring throughout the day on Monday as two tragic vehicle crashes occurred in Gilchrist County.

Three children and three adults were seriously injured when the SUV they were traveling in failed to stop at a flashing red light and posted stop sign at the intersection of State Road 47 and County Road 340. Connie Caldwell, 59, of Archer, was traveling west on County Road 340 and drove her 2008 Toyota SUV into

the path of a 1996 Peterbuilt tractor trailer driven by Jonathan Spears, 40, of Bell. Spears was traveling south on State Road 47 when the accident occurred. He apparently slammed on brakes, but was unable to avoid crashing into the SUV.

Spears was wearing a seatbelt, and traveling alone at the time of the accident. He received minor injuries in the crash.

Caldwell was also wearing a seatbelt, and had several occupants

in her SUV at the time of the crash. She incurred serious injuries and was taken to Shands. Her passengers included Glenda Caldwell Young, 60, of Homeland, who reported only minor injuries. Back seat passengers Connie Russell, 37, of Archer, suffered critical injuries; Dylan Russell, 8, of Jacksonville, incurred critical injuries; Lauren Russell, 8, of Jacksonville, also suffered serious injuries; Brandon Russell, 14, of Jacksonville, suffered minor injuries

in the crash. All were taken to Shands Hospital in Gainesville.

According to Trooper M.W. Corrao, of the Florida Highway Patrol, all of the occupants of the SUV were wearing seatbelts at the time of the accident. Charges are pending further investigation.

In a second accident on Monday, a 25-year-old Chiefland man died in a head-on collision near the Wilcox curve.

Caleb A. Young, 25, was traveling

west on State Road 26 at 4:23 p.m. According to physical evidence and witness statements, Cpl. K. M. Boatright, Jr. of the Florida Highway Patrol, was able to determine that Young properly negotiated the sharp curve at Wilcox, but once he exited the curve his vehicle drifted from the westbound lane into the eastbound lane. Johnny L. Hill, 54, of Gainesville was driving a 2009 Freightliner semi truck east on State Road 26. He saw Young's vehicle, a 2005 Chevrolet

HHR, approaching within his lane and began to slow, while trying to negotiate an evasive steering maneuver to the right. Unfortunately, Hill was unable to avoid the collision with Young and the vehicles collided in the eastbound lane. Young was pronounced deceased at the scene by Gilchrist County EMS. Hill was uninjured in the accident. Both drivers were wearing seat belts at the time of the accident. Charges in the accident are pending investigation.

County gets clean audit

By Carrie A. Mizell

Gilchrist County has received a clean audit, explained Alan Mast a partner at Carr, Riggs & Ingram.

The Gainesville-based CPA firm studied the county's financial statements from 2013 and according to Mast, found no violations of laws.

"I can give you a nice, clean audit opinion," Mast said. "We audit 19 counties in Florida and it's not always that I can stand up and say everything is clean."



July 10, 2014



Trenton Middle FFA member Lauren Roberts won the state FFA public speaking contest last week.

What's all the buzz about?

Roberts wins state FFA public speaking contest

By Carrie A. Mizell

As she sat in an ag. class at Trenton Middle-High School and listened to a lesson on pollination, Lauren Roberts, 13, thought to herself that bees might make an interesting topic for a speech.

Little did she know her speech, "Honey Bees: Sweet Success or Food Frailty?" would land her on the stage of the 86th Annual Florida FFA State Convention in Orlando. A finalist in the middle school prepared public speaking contest, Lauren competed and won the sub-district and district contests earlier in the year. While at state convention last week, Lauren competed against 12 other middle school FFA members from throughout the state in the preliminary round. She then qualified for the final round of the state contest as one of the top four speakers. Ultimately, Lauren was named state winner during the fourth general session on Wednesday.

This is Lauren's second year in FFA and her first year competing in the prepared public speaking contest. When asked if she was nervous during the competitions, Lauren pulled a worn piece of paper from her pocket with Bible scripture written out on it. She said her favorite is Philipians 4:6-7, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Lauren has learned so much about bees while researching the topic of her speech. She would now like to get into organic beekeeping and plans to get a few bee hives.

Read more about Trenton FFA's shining stars at State Convention on page 10.

Sidewalk to the Senior Center nears completion



Construction of a new sidewalk along County Road 307-A will soon be open to citizens. The sidewalk will provide seniors with a path to get from Main Street in Trenton to the Senior Center for lunch and activities.

Community Events

Summer Reading Program begins Thursday

The Gilchrist County Public Library will hold its Summer Reading Program in July. Open to kids Kindergarten to 4th grade, the program will run as follows:
 July 10 at 11 a.m. - Mystic Jungle
 July 17 at 11 a.m. - Mad Science
 July 24 at 11 a.m. - Magician Cesar Domico
 July 31 at 11 a.m. - Fizz, Boom, Splash!
 For more information on the Summer Library Program visit: www.3riverslibrary.com

AARP Picnic will be held at Otter

It's July, and that means it is time for AARP Chapter 2133's annual picnic and Independence Day Celebration. Come celebrate with us as we feast on hamburgers and hot dogs provided by Ayers Health and Rehabilitation Center located in Trenton Florida. Come listen to music provided by the Philman Family band.
 Meeting will be at Otter Springs Campground, July 15, 2014. We will be starting at 10:30 a.m. Join us for a fun filled day.
 Please bring canned food, used eyeglasses and cell phones for the less fortunate.

Fantastic Friday in High Springs

Join us for an evening of fun for the whole family at our Fantastic Friday - Celebrating American and Local History, July 11, 6 p.m., downtown High Springs
 Pan for gold nuggets, visit a Colonial Tea Room, join in the Scavenger Hunt, make an entry into the All American Pie or Chowder Cook-Off Contest. Activities for children include face painting, coloring contest, the Huckleberry Finn Mini Fair with multiple games and more.
 There will be a variety of sidewalk vendors, live music, and more.

Guardian ad Litem needs volunteers

Remember your childhood and summertime. Close your eyes and think about the good times, feeling safe and loved and not worrying about anything except enjoying summer vacation. Pause to think how different you would feel if you had just been taken from your parents, were in a strange home, separated from your siblings and those you love, afraid of what could happen in the future. Will you get to go back to your family? If you can't go home, is there anyone who will like you and want you? You would be feeling what it would be like to be a child who has been taken from their families due to neglect, abuse or abandonment.

What a dramatic difference. These children need a lifeline...someone who makes them feel normal in a very unusual situation. Someone who helps them feel safe. Someone who can make the future less terrifying and even something that they can look forward to. Guardian ad Litem Volunteers can be that someone.

Guardian ad Litem Volunteers are appointed by the court to represent the best interest of children in the dependency system. They make sure these children are safe and also gather incredibly important information for the court so that the best decisions possible can be made for the children. But they do so much more than that. They are also mentors and someone who spends time with the children, letting them know they are important and helping them find some joy and hope again in their lives.

Join us in advocating for the children. The next evening class starts July 28th. Call 352-493-6051 for information.

County Commission sets budget workshops

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners has set budget workshop dates for fiscal year 2014-15, which starts October 1, 2014.

Those dates are: Friday, July 11 at 9 a.m., Thursday, July 17 at 1 p.m. and Monday, July 21 at 1 p.m. Additional dates may be added as needed.

All workshops will be held in the BOCC Meeting Facility, located at 210 South Main Street in Trenton.



Trenton Rotary Club President Theresa Sapp, is shown with Leiza Fitzgerald and incoming President Lindsey Lander.

Fitzgerald speaks to Rotarians

Submitted
 Leiza Fitzgerald, who is a familiar face to many in this community because of her employment at the Gilchrist Club, has moved on. She is now membership director and

tournament director of the Coastal Conservation Association (CCA). This is an organization dedicated to conserving and protecting Florida's marine resources.

Fitzgerald explained the goals of CCA and the statewide fishing tournament are dedicated to raising funds for those goals. For more information, e-mail Leiza Fitzgerald at lfitzgerald@ccaflorida.org or visit ccaflorida.org.

Marriages filed in Gilchrist

Job Rory Cole, 26, and Barbara Ann Oden, 25, both of Branford, were married on June 28, 2014, by Charles J. Simpson, notary public.

Richard Jason Randolph, 43, and Maria De La Paz Perales-Olvera, 36, both of Newberry, were married on July 3, 2014, by Joan D. Ferguson, notary public.

Marriage applications filed in Gilchrist

Justin Van Barron, 35, and Julia Ann Lord, 33, both of Trenton.

Isaiah Bernard Minter, 32, and Muriel Monique Showers-Bishop, 34, both of Gainesville.

Fausto Barrios Galindo, 26, and Trinida Cruz Juarez, 25, both of Jacksonville.

Marty Owens Bruce, 53, of High Springs, and Tina Marie Thomas, 45 of Branford.

Carl Johnny Harris, III, 24, and Jesse Lynn Gray, 21, both of Bell.

Roger Wayne Hand, 43, and Theresa Lee Stone, 55, both of Fanning Springs.

Note to candidates:

Candidates seeking election in the 2014 election may submit political announcements stating their intention to run to the *Gilchrist County Journal*. Announcements run free of charge with a single picture of the candidate on the front page.

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Reunions

Doke Family Reunion

It's time again for the Doke Reunion. Come let's make it one to remember on Saturday, July 19 at the Community Center in Trenton.

Bring family and friends, and a basket lunch. Paper goods and ice will be furnished.

If any information is needed, please call Dorothy Beck at (352) 463-2319 or Thelma Allen at (352) 493-4970.

Davis and Johnson Reunion

Welcome all Davis & Johnson families to the family reunion event planned for July 18-July 20, 2014, in the city of Trenton. For additional information, please visit the family website at davisjohnsonfamilyreunion.webs.com. It's going to be a "Family Celebration".

32nd Annual Akins Reunion

We are having the 32nd Annual Akins Reunion on Saturday, July 19, 2014, at the Suwannee River Shrine Club, Hwy. 26, between Trenton and Fanning Springs at noon. We will start eating by 1 p.m. Please bring a covered dish and homemade door prize, if possible.

Parrish, Nettles, Polk Reunion

The annual Parrish, Nettles, Polk reunion will be held on Sunday, July 20, 2014 at the Hart Springs Park, Bell. There is an entrance fee.

Lunch will start at 12:30 p.m. All paper goods will be provided. Bring all the family and your favorite food.

Come early and stay late. If you have any questions, call Patti at (352) 871-3960.

Shepherd-Crews Reunion

The Viola Crews Shepherd family will be having a reunion on Saturday, August 2, 2014, at the Bell Community Center.

All family and friends are invited to attend. A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon.

Tide Tables For The Week of 7/10 to 7/16 for the mouth of the Suwannee River

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Jul 11, 14	2:26 AM	7:49 AM	1:20 PM	8:50 PM
Sat	3.147 ft.	1.451 ft.	4.171 ft.	-0.538 ft.
Jul 12, 14	3:10 AM	8:39 AM	2:09 PM	9:35 PM
Sun	3.203 ft.	1.305 ft.	4.160 ft.	-0.430 ft.
Jul 13, 14	3:51 AM	9:27 AM	2:59 PM	10:18 PM
Mon	3.243 ft.	1.160 ft.	4.043 ft.	-0.203 ft.
Jul 14, 14	4:29 AM	10:15 AM	3:49 PM	10:59 PM
Tue	3.280 ft.	1.037 ft.	3.820 ft.	0.117 ft.
Jul 15, 14	5:06 AM	11:05 AM	4:40 PM	11:40 PM
Wed	3.315 ft.	0.955 ft.	3.508 ft.	
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COOKING AND CARRYIN' ON

By Cindy Jo Ayers

"This is my kitchen and I'll fry if I want to!"

-From a kitchen sign

This is the time of year when the gardens in our area are pretty much gone. All the peas have been shelled and put up and the tomatoes are pretty much canned. But the okra is thriving, it just loves the heat. Okra is good cooked so many ways, a few young pods floating on top of a pot of acry peas, or okra cooked in gumbo. You just can't beat okra stewed down with tomatoes and a little onion and some bacon grease for seasoning, so good and, of course, there is fried okra.

Oh my, how I do love fried okra, all crispy and golden brown. Sometimes I make a simple egg wash and dip okra into the wash before rolling it in cracker crumbs. Other times I use the following recipe for fried okra that I found in a north Florida recipe book printed over 20 years ago.

After giving fried okra some thought, I decided the only thing that could possibly make it better was a little dipping sauce. With a dipping sauce, fried okra could become an official appetizer and you could eat it before a meal. Better yet, forget the meal and just serve fried okra and this dipping sauce as a finger food at a party. Serving fried okra with a dipping sauce has to be a sure fired way to make your guests mighty happy, and besides it would be a down right Southern thing to do.

Buttermilk Fried Okra

- 2 pounds fresh okra
 - 1 1/4 cups buttermilk
 - 2 cups plain corn meal or cracker meal
 - 2 teaspoons salt
 - Vegetable oil for frying
- Wash and cut okra into slices about 1/2 inch thick. Place okra in bowl and cover with buttermilk. Let it marinate in buttermilk for 30 minutes. Drain okra in colander or strainer for a few minutes. Mix the corn meal or cracker meal with salt in shallow pan. Pour about 1 1/2 inches of oil into large

Now & Then

By Carrie A. Mizell

Just before 8 a.m. on Monday morning I walked into the newspaper office with a kick in my step, anxious to take over the role as editor/owner of the *Gilchrist County Journal*. I dropped my purse and walked to the back of the Journal, soaking up all the smells of fresh ink, and looked over the dusty old metal letterpress type. With a reverent tug, I pulled my late grandfather J. Min Ayers' old Royal typewriter off the shelf and blew the dust off before reading his last column, which is time-worn, but still clamped down in the paper table waiting to be finished after all these years. With a smile, I closed my eyes and prayed that God will be glorified in all I say and write as editor of the *Gilchrist County Journal*. I also prayed that I would make my PePa and my Daddy proud.

With anything in life, I believe that you have to look back before moving forward. The *Gilchrist County Journal* has been a fixture in this county for over 83 years and I'm proud to say that I am the third generation of my family to serve as its editor.

Working in the newspaper business is not something I ever thought I would do when I graduated from Trenton High School, it's just something I came to realize I was born to do. It's like my fondness for fresh seafood, and the freckles on my nose-the love of the newspaper business must be genetic. My parents never encouraged me to take over the Journal. Growing up in the business, I knew the hours were long, vacations were rare and there is no such thing as privacy, but at the same time I recognize what an important service a small town newspaper provides for a community.

Some critics may say that newspapers are dead, but to that I would cite the National Newspaper Association's 2013 survey, which showed that about two-thirds of the adult residents of small towns read their community newspaper. I would ask, where else can you read coverage of the local county commission meeting, wedding announcements and obituaries? When someone celebrates a 100th birthday around here, we get excited about it and print it on the front page. And when the unthinkable happens and a family's home burns down or someone is diagnosed with cancer, we write about it, in an effort to rally the community to support the individual or family during their time of need, simply because it's the right thing to do.

We're not corporate-owned, we're family-owned and that means we're vested in this community. My daughter Allie Claire will start kindergarten at Trenton Elementary School next month and my 2-year-old Whitt will become the ward of Mrs. Kathy Spears, of Kathy's All Things Preschool in Bell beginning in August. (I'm already praying for you, Mrs. Kathy). We buy groceries here, eat at local restaurants and cheer on the Tigers and the Bulldogs.

The *Gilchrist County Journal* is not a link in a corporate chain where the bottom line rules, we're home-owned and proud of it.

Allegiance to this community is not enough on its own, I hope that my education and ten years of work experience in the newspaper business, both in Trenton and in Callahan, will help the *Gilchrist County Journal* continue to grow in the future.

I know my generation wants news as it breaks rather than waiting several days for the newspaper to arrive on newsstands, that's why I hope to offer subscriptions to an E-edition online later this year. This will be in addition to our print edition that hits newsstands on Wednesday afternoons and mailboxes on Thursday mornings.

I have several other plans in mind, but for the most part the *Gilchrist County Journal* will continue to serve the community as it has done these last 80 plus years.

Thank you to all of our faithful readers, and our advertisers who allow us to continue doing business after all these years.

I would love to hear from you. Please call 463-7135 or e-mail me at gcjreport@bellsouth.net to let me know what you would like to see in your weekly newspaper.

Viewpoint:

Sabal Trail Pipeline

Listening to public, moving forward

By Andrea Grover
Spokesperson, Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC Project

After holding more than 50 open houses and public meetings in communities along the pipeline route, and hearing from government officials, public agencies, landowners, community organizations and key stakeholders, the Sabal Trail natural gas pipeline is moving forward.

The Sabal Trail underground pipeline is a 474 mile, open-access natural gas pipeline that will bring additional affordable, clean natural gas supplies to Florida, while increasing the diversity and reliability of the region's energy delivery system and positively impacting the economy in the Southeast region of the United States, specifically Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

Should the project be approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), construction of the pipeline is scheduled to begin in mid 2016, with an in-service date of May 2017. Currently, various re-routes are being evaluated, including those suggested by individual landowners, homeowners associations, and other interested parties that participated in the FERC Scoping Meetings, as well as right-of-way agents, environmental team members, and engineering design and construction team members. Following the FERC Scoping Meetings, Sabal Trail filed its Draft Resource Reports to the FERC in June 2014. And, as the project moves forward, Sabal Trail is committed to keeping this line of communication open as we continue to work with landowners, government agencies and community leaders to refine the Sabal Trail project.



Andrea Grover

As you might imagine, interstate natural gas pipelines are extensively regulated and monitored by federal and state regulatory agencies. FERC is the lead federal agency responsible for pipeline construction, and it is conducting a thorough review of the project, evaluating the need and overall impacts of the construction. The FERC scoping process and the permitting processes of other federal and state agencies provides the public with multiple opportunities to comment on the proposed pipeline project.

It is also important to note that because the pipeline is an interstate line, it will be regulated by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Pipeline Safety. The Sabal Trail pipeline will be constructed and operated to meet or exceed all federal safety requirements and regulations. The project will utilize both tried-and-true methods, as well as the latest proven technologies, and it will be monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Once complete, it will be one of the safest natural gas pipelines in North America.

In addition to safety, minimizing the impact on the environment is a top priority of ours, and an extensive environmental review is being conducted to ensure that environmental impacts are minimal. FERC is evaluating environmental impacts and will summarize its findings in either an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement. This report will not only consider the local wildlife and their habitat, but will stretch beyond that and examine all potential impacts on important geographic features, including the Santa Fe River, Ichetucknee River, Ginnie Springs, Waccasassa Flats, karst terrain and the aquifer. FERC's final determinations on the project will be based on this environmental analysis.

The construction of the natural gas pipeline can also have a significant economic impact for the state and the counties along the pipeline route. In addition to the immediate impact of construction jobs and the economic activity associated with a large construction project, the pipeline will also generate considerable tax revenue in each county it crosses and permanent jobs in operations and monitoring offices. And, as an open-access pipeline, it is possible for future economic development to occur along the entire pipeline path, with natural gas supplying the project's energy needs.

Building Sabal Trail is a long process. We look forward to becoming a part of the community, and we encourage all stakeholders to join us as we ensure the safety of the project and work to minimize the impact on landowners, communities and the environment.

SCV will meet

The John Hance O'Steen Camp #770, Sons of Confederate Veterans monthly Camp meeting will be

Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 7 p.m. at the Bell Community Center on Main Street in Bell. Our speaker will be Dr. Andrews from Cedar Key. Dr. Andrews will be speaking about the

history of Cedar Key. The meeting is open to all who are interested in the War Between the States and local history. For information, call (352) 472-0047.

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I look forward to seeing the continued successes in each of our schools!

Thank you!

Michelle Walker-Crawford



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Annual Gospel Concert is Saturday

Submitted
On July 12, 2014, Christian Music lovers from near and far will gather at Bell High School's Auditorium for an unforgettable evening of music and ministry. This 2014 event will mark the 16th consecutive year of, what has become, the most anticipated Christian Music event in North Central Florida.

This year's concert is scheduled to feature ten great performing groups. Those scheduled to perform are The Celebration Singers of Vero Beach; Great Day of Apopka; Gulf State Quartet of Bowling Green; The King's Royal Heirs Quarter of Tampa; LifeSong of Live Oak; The Peytons of Port Richey; The Reflectsons of Trenton; Shirley Bradner of Mt. Dora; The Sounds of Joy of Ocala; and, Stephen Jones Band of Lake City.

Admission is FREE; so, make plans now to attend. Donations will be accepted to help offset the expenses of the event for those wishing to participate.

The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will conclude at 10:00 p.m. Bell High School is located on South Main Street in Bell. For more information or group reservations, please contact Glen or Mandie at (352) 463-0312.



Great Day

Gulf State



Heart Matters

By Angie Land

Three years ago. Someone recently shared with me that was the last time she felt content. Our conversation took another direction, but later I couldn't help but wonder what was going on in her life during that time to cause it to stand out as a time of contentment. What about you? When is the last time you remember feeling content? I'm talking about actually experiencing contentment that was tangible enough to make you say or at least think, "I am really okay with life right now." My next question is this: what were the circumstances that surrounded your state of contentment? Was everything going well for that season? Bills all paid, kids all healthy, and no major catastrophes? Maybe you were even on vacation, sitting at the beach with a whole week ahead of you and thinking, "Ah, now this is life. If I could just stay here, I would be content!"

This has often been my experience, and I'm willing to bet yours as well. However, the Bible offers a fresh perspective on the reality of true contentment. In Philippians 4:11-12, the Apostle Paul becomes our mentor in this lesson:

"...for I have learned to be content, whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well-fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want."

Okay, so the first obvious thing we notice is that Paul's contentment was not dependent on circumstances, at least not external ones. As we scratch our heads over this verse, let's take a look at the definition of contentment for a little insight. Webster's dictionary says that "content" is an adjective meaning "to appease the desires of; to



limit oneself in requirements, desires and actions." This definition opposes our assumption that contentment is only possible if everything is going well. It also stands in contrast to a passive stance of just deciding that nothing is worth opposing. Even a quick glimpse into Paul's life will tell us that was not his mentality!

This definition gives us a vital approach to "fleshing out" life as a Christian. In our determination to live within the will of God, we are called to limit ourselves, especially our desires and actions, to those things that are pleasing to God. That will result in contentment, no matter the circumstances. Paul had this figured out, but notice that two times he mentions learning how to be content. Biblical contentment is not natural. In fact, left unchecked, our sin nature reeks of discontentment. Understand that limiting ourselves to God's plan for our lives will not always be easy, but it will be worth it. And we can learn to be content with that, because our hearts really do matter.

Water Management District hosts STEM students

Submitted
For the second year in a row the SRWMD hosted the Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) students and teachers from Trenton and Madison High Schools for eight days of first hand experiences of the typical work of engineers, scientists and administrators.

The Florida Learns STEM Scholars/ the North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC) STEM Talent Development 2014 Summer Field Site/ Workplace Experience Opportunity partnered with the District and instructors Paige Thomas (Madison Central High School) and Ryan Pass (Trenton High School) to bring this program to seven deserving students.

Students who attended were Logan Fitzgerald, Tela Powers, Alex Simons, Daniel Crane, Tyler Burnett, Jacob Moore, Easton Sapp, and Leslie Sapp.

Students were asked what they hope to gain from this experience. They expressed a desire to learn about the various occupation types at the District as well as job functions. The students went on to say they had heard of the District, but they were not clear on the relationship between the District, public lands, and springs.

Dave Dickens, Administrative and Operations Bureau Chief and coordinator at the District for the STEM experience commented, "Providing students with this intimate hands-on opportunity is not only informative towards their prospective career paths, it also increases their levels of environmental awareness."



Dickens coordinated with other staff to expose the youth to a range of professions. Over eight days they were taught the history of the Water Management Districts, met with the Executive Director, Dr. Ann Shortelle and members of leadership. With Water Resources Division Engineers they worked on permits and put their new Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Mapping and Geonavigational skills to use by spending multiple days getting real hands-on experience

in the field with district personnel. These shadowing activities included: inspecting storm water structures and wetland restorations, observing timber harvesting and forestry management, using scientific instrumentation to measure water quality parameters, monitoring the flow of water in streams and rivers, inspecting agriculture best management practices on local farms, monitoring groundwater wells, and participate in many other responsibilities of the

District." Students expressed appreciation for staff tailoring the experience to make it relevant and applicable. Visiting Belli Farms greenhouse and riding a Global os sys GPS satellite controlled tractor are some of the highlights they cited. The tour took them to a variety of places such as Poe Springs, Adams Tract River Camp, and Suwannee Valley Agricultural Extension Center just to name a few. The Edible Aquifer Demonstration

was a hit with all involved. Instructor Ryan Pass expressed his gratitude for the event and eagerly hopes to continue with the next STEM and District work experience.

The NEFEC explained the investment in STEM and students, "Recognizing the need for small and rural districts to enhance science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) curricula for gifted and talented secondary students, the Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (PAEC), in partnership with the Heartland Educational Consortium (HEC), and NEFEC will implement the FloridaLearns STEM Scholars (FLSS) program." FormoreinformationvisitPanhandle Area Educational Consortium in partnership with Heartland Educational Consortium and North East Florida Educational Consortium at www.floridalearnsstemscholars.org.

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Larry Culp

Otter Springs hosts grand 4th of July celebration

Submitted

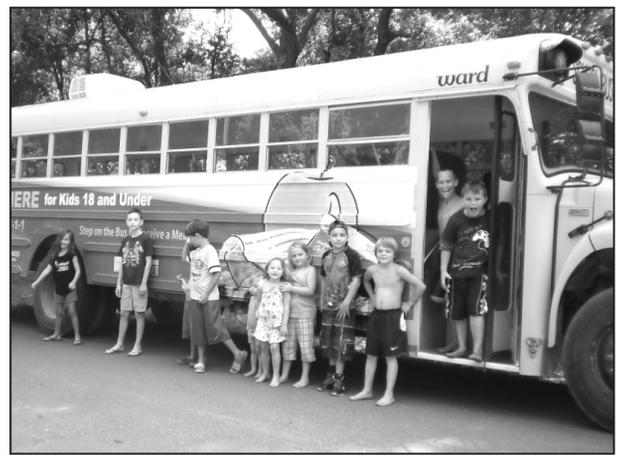
It was a great 4th of July celebration at Otter Springs over the weekend!

The golf cart races were a blast. The kids had a wonderful time with planned games and dancing to the music with the adults on Friday night.

Lari Busta won the 50/50 drawing and went home with over \$100. Winners of our raffle drawing were Pat Gaylord, first prize. She received a free week of camp on dates of her choosing. Wendy Shelton took second prize. She received a free weekend

of camping. Jamie Stoney won third prize. She also won a great prize, a family pool pass.

We are looking forward to our Labor Day celebration in September. Of course every weekend is a great weekend at Otter Springs.



Kids get free lunches during summer break

Submitted

Gilchrist County Schools are continuing to feed children during the summer by using a school bus converted into a mobile lunch bus.

Many parents either don't have transportation or work during the day and kids cannot get to the sites where meals are served. The mobile lunch bus has helped to solve that issue by bringing the meals to areas where there are larger numbers of children living.

Many of the children in the county received free meals at school, so these free meals are welcomed by parents on limited budgets.

Two new sites have been opened this summer to make lunches available to more children. One of the new sites is the North West 5th Avenue Park in Trenton. It is in a neighborhood where the kids can walk to and receive a nutritious lunch. The other site is the last stop for the

mobile lunch bus, in Suwannee River Estates, in the area of NW 22 Ct and NW 65th Street, north of Bell.

As in the past two years, the mobile lunch bus serves lunches in the Fanning Springs area and in the Waccasassa Lake area.

The bus is easier to spot now since the bus has a new look. It still looks like a school bus but it has a colorful wrap with FREE MEALS HERE written on the side.

Students step into the mobile lunch room and get a different balanced meal each day including at least 3/4 cups of fruits and vegetables along with whole-grain bread with 2 to 2 1/2 oz. of meat or meat alternate and low fat milk or fat-free chocolate milk.

The meals served at sites other than the schools operate Monday through Friday and serves more than 100 meals each day.

These meals will be available through August 1.



Gilchrist Lightning 14U players and coaches are pictured back row, left to right: Heather Sapp, Jenna Holley, Zoey Maksimov, Juliana Whiting, Autumn Aderholt, Madison Sapp, and Hailey Pope. Front row, left to right: Madison Hodge, Savannah Capps, Nicole Deen, Jenny Lynn Johnson, Hailie White, and Lee Deen.

Season ends for Gilchrist Lightning 14U

Submitted

The Gilchrist Lightning 14u softball team ended a great season upon falling short against an Orlando team in a state quarter final game. The Lightning were district runners up, coming up short against a state finalist Gainesville team in the District Championship game.

Congratulations ladies on a great season!

Culp dies in head-on collision

A dear friend to Gilchrist County was tragically killed July 1 when his Chevy pickup was hit head-on in a Lake County accident.

Larry Culp, 62, of Sanford, was traveling east on SR 46 near the intersection of CR 437 when the accident occurred. A 19-year-old driver reportedly crossed the center line of the highway and into the path of Culp's pickup truck, causing the truck to spin into another vehicle, a PT Cruiser being driven by a woman from Longwood.

The 19-year-old driver who caused the accident, Ryder Medlin was killed, along with Culp who died after being transported to an Orlando hospital.

Larry Culp was a friend to many people in Gilchrist County. He worked for 31 years for The Andersons, Inc. (formerly Douglass Fertilizer & Chemical), most recently as the industrial products manager.

"Big Jim" Jones became friends with Larry Culp through agriculture as Larry was associated with the fertilizer and chemical company.

On Monday, Big Jim recalled the many times Larry would bring crates of sweet corn to the Gilchrist County Education Foundation's Wild Beast Feast.

"There were several times when the corn would be hard to locate in early April and expensive," Big Jim said. "On Friday afternoon he would deliver the corn and enjoy the fellowship at the Beast Feast."

Married for 36 years to the love of his life, Anna, and the father of four children, Larry supported activities that benefited children and the local Cattlemen's Association.

Recently, Big Jim said he and Larry went to the 25th Annual Red Power Roundup Antique Tractor Show in Huron, South Dakota. Larry's 5-year-old grandson, Jackson, accompanied them. Larry loved antique tractors and had amassed quite a collection. He frequently traveled to shows around the country to show off his restored antiques and swap stories with friends who shared his passion. Larry wanted to pass on his love of antique farm equipment to his grandson, Jackson.

Funeral services for Larry Culp were held on July 6 in Sanford.

Epic End of Summer Bash

Submitted

Free community family fun, on Saturday, August 9, 2014, at the Chiefland First United Methodist Church, 707 N. Main Street, Chiefland.

There will be free food, activities, back packs, school supplies, prizes, fun and information, plus much more. Supplies limited.

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Vets helping Vets

By Toni C. Collins

As the United States Congress attempts to untangle the crisis surrounding the shortcomings of the health care being provided to America's Veterans, one local veterans group is looking out for their own. The Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association of Florida, Chapter 20-6, with support from the AMVETS Post 42, AMVET Riders, AMVETS Sons, the VFW Chiefland Ladies Auxiliary, and many friends and supporters answered the call to raise funds to assist veteran Dale "Texas" Kolden and his wife, Marilyn. Recently Marilyn suffered a heart attack and stroke and spent eight days in the hospital. Although Marilyn has recovered, the family has been left with some staggering medical bills. Kirk "River Brat" Layman, Chapter Commander of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association 20-6, was overwhelmed by the support and compassion shown for the group's fund raising activities which helped raise \$3,135 to ease the Kolden's financial burdens. A burden which could befall any one of us.

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The History of Gilchrist County



While looking through an old trunk his mother had, Doug Beach found that Mrs. Edith Beach had saved a copy of "The History of Gilchrist County."

Mr. Beach can't say who wrote the historical account, though he suspects it was a family member.

Regardless, it is an interesting account:

Gilchrist County was created on December 4, 1925, by an Act of the Florida Legislature, from a portion of Alachua County adjacent to the Suwannee River, between ranges 16 and 17. It is the newest member of the 67 counties of Florida.

The occasion of this separation from the mother county is somewhat of a standing joke among old residents of Gilchrist. They really had not wanted a new county; they were perfectly satisfied to remain a part of Alachua. What they actually did want at that particular time was a new road from the Suwannee River at Fanning Springs to Gainesville, the county seat. But Alachua remained obdurate. The road was not forthcoming, although the district needed it, had asked for it repeatedly and was entitled to it on account of the high rate of taxation.

Determined to obtain their road, "by hook or by crook," a group of citizens devised a plan whereby they believed they could bluff good, old Alachua into giving them what they wanted. In other words, they would threaten to withdraw anticipating that a threat would be all that was neces-

sary. A committee was appointed; this committee drew up plans for a new county. Armed with this document, they delivered their ultimatum to Alachua: "Give us our new road or we will withdraw!" And the big and wealthy county of Alachua called their bluff. Instead of the road they received a laugh. The unvoiced attitude of the Commissioners was in effect, "If you are so anxious to have a new county, go ahead and get a county-if you can-and see if we care. We are so big and solid, we will not even miss you."

Crestfallen, to save their faces, they had to have a county. And these progressive citizens have the spirit it takes to make good in anything. They made good their threat. No time was lost in sending a petition to the Legislature which was then in special session. The bill was introduced by Dr. J. H. Colson, a state senator from the district. After much opposition in both houses, due to the short session and the specific business for which the special meeting had been called, the bill finally passed and was signed by Governor John W. Martin.

Since watermelons of luscious quality and superior weight are produced extensively in this area, the committee had decided that "Melon County" would be an appropriate and advantageous name. However, the Legislature decided otherwise. Former Governor Albert H. Gilchrist was ill at the time and the name "Gilchrist County" was adopted in his honor.

Gilchrist is bounded on the north

by Lafayette County, Suwannee and Columbia counties; on the east by Alachua County, on the south by Levy County and on the west by Dixie and Lafayette counties. The northern border line is formed by the Santa Fe River, which is tributary to the Suwannee, the latter dividing Gilchrist from Dixie and Lafayette on the west.

The county was authorized to begin its functions January 1, 1926, with the following county officials appointed by the governor: James E. Willis-Clerk of Circuit Court, A.D. Fields-Sheriff, W.J. Matthews-Judge, Mrs. Murray E. Johnson, superintendent of public instruction, J.T. Jones-tax collector, Gordon Philpot-tax assessor, and John W. Jones, supervisor of registration. Members of the county commission were: Frank Handley, T.J. Everett, J.O. Thomas, Dr. I.P. Philpot, and M.L. Langford. Members of the county school board were: R.C. Lang, Henry Everett, and Elijah Sapp. The first official meeting of the board of county commissioners was on January 7, 1926 in an old school building in Trenton.

The county has one of the lowest millage rates in the state. There is no indebtedness with the exception of \$40,000 in school bonds which were issued to construct new buildings. With the present income from local taxation, and from state taxes such as those on gasoline and race tracks, the county can continue its present low millage and be able to construct all necessary roads without placing an additional burden on the taxpayers. The percentage of court cases in the county is very low and its sessions of court are the shortest in Florida.

Trenton was selected as the temporary site for the court house, the commissioners first renting the old two-story frame school building on Main Street. On May 7, 1926, an election called for the purpose of selecting a permanent county site. The permanent site for the court house was purchased from the Colson Estate, \$3,446 was paid for this and the site for the jail.

Soon after the election, the commissioner purchased the wooden building and lot which were being used as a court house and courtyard. On the night of November 18, 1932, this building was destroyed by fire. All records were lost with the exception of those from the office of clerk of circuit court, and a few from the tax collector's office which were in an iron safe. This serious loss occasioned quite a bit of labor and trouble to county officials, as they immediately sought to replace such records as might be restored. Fortunately, the county judge was able to obtain from the Vital Statistics Bureau in Jacksonville copies of records such as births, deaths, and marriages; and the tax assessor was able to secure copies of reports previously made to the state comptroller in Tallahassee.

Smith, Holborn and Dozier, Engineers and Architects, of Jacksonville, were given a contract to direct construction of the permanent court house, their remuneration being 5 percent of the cost of construction. Contract for construction of the new court house was awarded to H. McN. Wade, for \$18,162 on March 29, 1933. The new court house was begun in the spring of 1933 and was completed on August 2, 1933, at a cost of about \$20,000. This was accomplished without any additional levy of taxes. This handsome, modern building is of brick construction. On April 3, 1934, work was begun on new concrete sidewalks around the court house and a very beautiful landscape planting in the courtyard. All materials and plants were furnished by the county, while the labor was furnished and directed through a FERA project.

Trenton is situated in the southern part of the county, eight miles east of the Suwannee River, and beautiful Fanning Springs which is just over the line in Levy County. The town has grown steadily since 1908. It was incorporated as the "Town of Trenton" on December 12, 1908, with the following officers elected: H.F. Brooker-mayor, O.N. Sanders, C.C. Duke, C.J. Fletcher, W.W. Smith, W.A. Lindsey, F.F. Williams-clerk, L. Yauncy-Marshall.

A private company furnished Trenton with electric lights from 1909 to 1929, at which time it sold its interests to the Florida Power Corporation, which provides continuous service. The city water was distributed by a private company from about 1908 to 1937. A new water system, built through a PWA project, was installed during the spring of 1937.

Before the arrival of the railroad in 1907, mail was brought twice a week to Trenton via the Star rural route from Gainesville.

Trenton is located in an area which is unsurpassed in this section as a farming center. No other community in the entire state markets more hogs and turkeys each season. The income from hogs alone was averaged \$200,000 a season and better.

The production of lumber and turpentine was of large and munificent

proportions in the early days of the area. Dollars grew on trees-and such trees! The county was one vast forest of big pines, hardwoods and some cedar. There are three turpentine plants now in successful operation, but all large timber has long since been cut over, with the exception of two or three large tracts owned by land-holding companies. A considerable portion of the cut-over land is undergoing reforestation.

However agriculture has always been the basic industry of the county. This embraces general farming, truck crops, livestock and poultry. The principal crops are corn, peanuts, tobacco, cotton (both long and short), watermelons, cucumbers, sugar cane and sweet potatoes. In 1930, there were 476 farms, which contained a total of 70,447 acres, or an average of 148 acres to the farm. There are thousands of acres, suitable for general farming, as yet undeveloped.

There is an abundance of game, consisting mainly of quail, doves, ducks, turkeys and squirrels. Fishing on the Suwannee River is a sport enjoyed the year around. The Suwannee River shores and Fanning Springs have been the playgrounds of this and adjacent territory since its first occupation by man. This is evidence by relics of various kinds which have been found. The waters of the spring are cold, and so crystal clear that the multi-colored bottom is plainly visible. It is set in a grove of live oaks and water oaks and empties into the Suwannee. There are facilities at the springs for bathing and boating.

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tempts were formerly made to mine the phosphate, but were discontinued on account of prohibitive freight rates.

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Especially mild and delightful is the climate of Gilchrist. The average rainfall is 49 inches and the average temperature is 70 degrees. Most of the country is high, well-drained and very wholesome.

Educational facilities are on a par with the other counties of Florida. There are two white schools, five of which are elementary. The two high schools, one at Trenton, valued at \$65,000, and the one at Bell, valued at \$45,000, are on the accredited state list. The total value of real property and equipment in white schools is \$125,697; in black schools, \$515. Some of the black churches are also used for schools. In 1936 the number of supervisors, principals and teachers was 29; the total number of enrolled white students was 985, of black 170. A school motor bus system affords comfortable transportation to high school students from all rural areas. There was formerly an old school building in Trenton known as the Trenton Academy. The old wooden school building known as the Suwannee Building, was sold by the county for \$85 on October 3, 1933.

See Part II in next week's paper

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How do you feel about the level of federal government involvement in our schools?

Like many of you, I would support efforts to improve education through increased autonomy and local authority. However, it is my goal to work hard under any set of circumstances to ensure that our students are able to achieve academically and become college and career ready. It is easy to shift our focus toward these outside forces when results are disappointing, but the bottom line is that we must work within the parameters of the law to ensure student success. We are not always in control of our circumstances, but we are always in control of our actions and choices.

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Log Cabin Quilters

The Log Cabin Quilters met Thursday, July 3 at the Levy County Quilt Museum on 11050 NW 10th Avenue. The ladies worked on the quilt in the frame. There is even room for non-quilters to sit around and watch. Now, I need to find out how they make the knot before adding a new piece of thread.

Greg and the boys were out during the week. Thanks Lancaster for making the place look great.

Steve, from Cross City, came by with donations of a dress form and foam rubber cushions. The dress form will allow us to display replicas of period pieces and later the 1900's wedding dress. Thanks so much for your support.

We now have on display a replica of an early 1860's Day Dress. A Day Dress would be worn to a social event, church or even a walk through the neighborhood. The dress is on loan from Linda, a member of General Robert Bullock UDC Chapter #2420, Ocala. Please come out and see our stylish lady.

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One of the many totes/purses that we have at the Museum.



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Mr. Hope Garrett (Buddy) Colson

A memorial service for Hope Garrett (Buddy) Colson will be held on July 12 at 11 a.m. at the Community Center in Trenton.

To honor his memory, a reunion luncheon with friends and family will be held. Those in attendance, are asked to bring a covered dish.

Jennings Lake SDA, Associate Pastor, Todd Troyer will officiate.

Ms. Laurel Ann Creel

Laurel Ann Creel, 51, of Cedar Key, passed away on July 1, 2014 at Shands Hospital at UF in Gainesville.

Laurel was born December 23, 1962, in Jacksonville, and lived most of her life in the Cedar Key area. She was a registered nurse for many years. She enjoyed sailing and time with her family.

She is survived by her father, Alvin Creel, of Cedar Key, a sister, Deborah Creel, brothers Lawrence Creel and Richard Creel. She was preceded in death by her mother, Elizabeth Creel in 2006.

Funeral Services were at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 5, at Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services Chapel with Pastor Walter Turner officiating. Burial followed at Shiloh Cemetery.

Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services is honored to serve the Creel Family. Online condolences can be made at our website www.hiers-baxley.com

Mrs. Ina Marie Sheffield Vernon Fisher

Ina Marie Sheffield Vernon Fisher, was born May 15, 1924, and passed away Thursday, July 3. She was born in Judson (Levy County) to James Dudley and Laverne Cannon Sheffield.

She was married to Ted Vernon and is survived by their two daughters, Beverly Cheryl (Gary) Hurst and Brenda Sue (Ed) Croft. She is also survived by grandchildren James Nelus (Stephanie) Ripley, Cecil Deen (Candice) Craft, Katherine Victoria (Richard) Edmonds, Tracy Craft, Christopher (Emily) Craft, Eugenia (Alan) VanSickle, eight great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

In later years, after the passing of her first husband, Ted, she married Henry Frank Fisher, who is now deceased.

In her early years, Ina attended school in Levy County. She worked with Western Union as a young adult, and then was a homemaker who went on to work in many restaurants in Levy and Dixie counties as a waitress. In her later years, she worked with the State of Florida in Trenton at Lancaster Youth Development Center in and in Gainesville at Sunland Training Center, which is now Tachachale. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Trenton.

Funeral services were conducted July 9 at 11 a.m. at Knauff Funeral Home Chapel in Chiefland. Rev. Brian Divada and Gary Heath officiated.

Burial was in Pine Gove Cemetery under the direction of Knauff Funeral Home.

Mrs. Geraldine Mary Hutchins Futch

Geraldine Mary Hutchins Futch, 79, of Crawfordville, went to with the Lord on July 4, 2014.

Gerry was born on January 10, 1935, in Michigan. Her family moved to Old Town when she was a young girl. She later met and married her husband, Marshall Futch. They raised their children primarily in Dixie County, and were members of Lydia Baptist Church. She retired after several years of service with the Wakulla County Sheriff's Department.

Gerry is best known to her children and grandchildren as being a hard worker, good wife and mother, and holding strong family values passing down traditions that taught them to come together. Some of those traditions included Thanksgiving and Christmas recipes and big family get-togethers. Gerry is best remembered as a generous, thoughtful woman. "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil... Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her."

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Marshall Futch, and her children: Jimmie (Marilyn) Futch, Ronnie (Ellen) Futch, and Linda Futch, all of Dixie County, as well as a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were held on Tuesday,

Obituaries

July 8 at 4:00 p.m. at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jarrett Thomas and Jimmie Futch officiating. Interment followed at Cross City Cemetery. A visitation was held at 3 p.m., one hour prior to the service. Following the services, family and friends gathered at Lydia Baptist Church for fellowship.

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



Mrs. Suzanne Elizabeth Royston Hogate

Suzanne Elizabeth Royston Hogate, 69, of Williston, went to be with our Lord and Savior on June 30, 2014 at Haven Hospice of the Tri County in Chiefland after a brief illness. She was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on March 6, 1945, to the late John M. and Marjorie (Wolf) Royston. Suzanne attended Meadowbrook Church in Ocala. She owned and operated Two by Two Preschool in Williston for 18 years and was known as Ms. Sue to the many children and their families that she provided love, guidance and care to. Her favorite pastime was spending time at the beach, and she also enjoyed cooking, traveling and eating out. Thanksgiving, Christmas and birthdays were special holidays to her, and spending time with her family and grandchildren.

Suzanne will be missed by those she leaves behind, her husband of over 50 years, Roy Hogate of Williston; daughters, Suzanne Mills of Williston, Sandy (Paul) Wilson of Williston, Robin (Jeff) Starnes of Bronson; sister Jeannie Steigerwalt of Pennsylvania; seven grandchildren, Alexandria Fugate, Woodroe Fugate, Kaitlyn Wilson, Hayden Wilson, Kole Starnes, Madison Starnes, Kylene Starnes; niece and nephew, Emily Steigerwalt and Peter Steigerwalt.

Funeral Services were Thursday, July 3, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Meadowbrook Church in Ocala, with visitation one hour before the services. Interment was in Orange Hill Cemetery in Williston.

Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services is honored to serve the Hogate family. Condolences may be offered by visiting our website at www.hiers-baxley.com.

Mr. James William "Jimmy" Johnson

Mr. James William "Jimmy" Johnson, 77, of Dade City, passed away Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at his home. He was born June 20, 1937 in Columbia, Tennessee. He moved with his family to Pasco County in 1947 and lived in Dade City most of his life. He was a 1955 graduate of Pasco High School and attended Florida Christian College in Temple Terrace in 1956. He owned and operated Johnson's Tractor Company in Dade City where he sold Oliver tractors and farm machinery until closing the business in 1980. He worked for Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, holding several different positions until his retirement in 1999. He also devoted approximately 10 years of volunteer service with Tri-Community Volunteer Fire Department, holding positions as firefighter, assistant chief and chief. He was a member of the Trilacoochee Church of Christ, where he lovingly served as a song leader for over 40 years.

Jimmy is preceded in death by his first wife, Ginger Russell Johnson. He is succeeded by his current wife, Denise Johnson of Dade City; two sons, Ted (Trish) Johnson and David (Nancy) Johnson of Dade City. He has five grandchildren; Josh, Allison, Gavin, Meg and Caleb; and one great-granddaughter, Kylie. He also has one sister, Nancy (Dub) Jeter of Tallahassee.

"A true gentleman, full of laughter and love for God, his family and fellowman."

Funeral services were held on 10:00 a.m., Saturday, July 5, 2014 at the 301 Chapel of Hodges Family Funeral Home. Interment followed at Floral Memory Gardens. Donations can be made to the Moffitt cancer Center in Tampa or a monetary donation in Jimmy's name to a relative or friend who may be struggling.

Mr. Allen E. Lomnick

Allen E. Lomnick, 77, passed away on July 6, 2014, in Gainesville. Allen was born on October 12, 1936 in Newberry, to Benjamin Lomnick and Agnes Hightower Lomnick. He was a lifelong resident of the area. He was an automotive technician.

He is survived by four daughters; Betty Kinder of Bell, Barbara Lomnick of Tampa, Cathy Sparks of Newberry, and Patty Menotti of Jacksonville; eleven grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements under the care of Watson Funeral Home.

Online condolences or to sign the guest book at www.watsonfhrenton.com

Mr. Walter A. Mock

Walter A. Mock, 79, of Old Town passed away July 5, 2014 following a brief illness.

Mr. Mock was born in Carrabelle, but had lived in Old Town for six years after moving there from Perry. Mr. Mock was a veteran of the United States Air Force and retired from the Proctor and Gamble Paper Company in Perry. Mr. Mock was a member of the Cross City Pentecostal Holiness Church and was preceded in death by his parents, Jessie and Mabel Mock, a son Walter A. Mock, Jr., three sisters and one brother.

Mr. Mock was survived by his wife of 45 years, Peggy Mock; his daughters Angelia J. (Ronnie) Dean and Stacy (Dean) Watson; his sons Jimmy Sutton and Freddie (Stacy) Mock, a daughter-in-law Bambi Mock; his brothers, Herbert (Catherine) Mock, Theron (Sherry) Mock, and Donnie (Betty Ruth) Mock; and a sister Jessie Mae (Jim) Bockelman. Fifteen grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and other family members, also survive.

A memorial service will be held for Mr. Mock at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at the Cross City Pentecostal Holiness Church with Pastor Randy Richardson and Pastor Wendell Rudd officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Watson Funeral Home.

Mr. Fred A. Shewmaker

Fred Shewmaker left his earthly body on Monday, June 30, 2014.

He was born December 3, 1931, in Beech Grove, Arkansas to L. G. and Grace Shewmaker. He moved with his family to Port Huron, Michigan and Long Beach, California.

Fred graduated from high school in 1949 and continued his education at Abilene Christian College in Abilene, Texas. His studies were interrupted by his enlistment into the U. S. Navy during the Korean conflict. He returned to Abilene to graduate in 1957. He married his wife, Joyce, in Portland, Indiana, in June of 1957. After spending 6 months in Hawaii they moved to California where they began to raise their family. Fred began preaching the gospel while living in California and from April 1964 to December 2001, worked as a preacher with many churches of Christ in the states of California, Ohio, Indiana and Florida. After his wife, Joyce, passed in January of 2001, he continued preaching with the North Miami Church of Christ in his last full-time work until he retired at age 70. He continued to preach the gospel as he traveled to Canada, Australia, South Africa, and India. In 2002 he relocated to the New Smyrna Beach area and worshipped with the Central Avenue Church of Christ until October of 2013 when he moved to Trenton. He became ill while traveling in Tennessee and passed from this earthly life in Franklin, Tennessee at 4:30 a.m., Monday, June 30.

He is survived by his sister, Marcella (Stan) Bethel, and by his 5 children, James (Cynthia) Shewmaker, Sarah Rosado, Suzi Harrison, John Shewmaker and Marti (Danny) Allen. He is also survived by twelve grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, a niece, a nephew and a host of friends and other family whom he cherished.

Fred enjoyed almost 83 years here with us and he left with a hope of a home eternal with our Lord. He would want us all to share his hope and be prepared to end our own earthly travels and enter eternal life on the day of resurrection and judgement when our Lord and Master, Jesus the Christ returns to gather home those who have been faithful.

A service was held on Saturday, July 5, 2014 at 2:30 p.m. at the Brentwood Roesch Patton Funeral Home, 9010 Church St. East Brentwood, Tennessee with his oldest son, James Shewmaker, of Winter Haven, officiating.

A graveside service will be held on Sunday, July 13, 2014 at 12:30 p.m. at Midway Cemetery in Bell. Interment to follow the service.

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Legal Notices

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City of Fanning Springs City Election

Qualifying for the 2014 City Election for City Council and Mayor begins August 4, 2014 at 12 Noon and ends August 8, 2014 at 12 Noon.

City Council seats available for election are Seat #4, Seat #3, and Mayor. Anyone interested in qualifying for a seat on the City Council or Mayor should contact Sheila Watson, City Clerk, 352-463-2855 X 201, at City Hall, or come by City Hall at 17651 NW 90th Ct., Fanning Springs, Florida. Publish July 3, 10 & 24, 2014b.

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

CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 21-2012-CA-000084 DIVISION:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, Plaintiff,
vs.
JUDY K. MONEY, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated June 26, 2014 and entered in Case NO. 21-2012-CA-000084 of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for GILCHRIST COUNTY, Florida wherein **BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP**, is the Plaintiff and **JUDY K MONEY; DAVID RUSSELL MONEY, JR.; DAVID RUSSELL MONEY, SR.; JUDY LEE MONEY; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS;** are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at SOUTH DOOR OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 25th day of August, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said

Final Judgment:

THE WEST 220 FEET OF THE NORTH 990 FEET OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 15 EAST, GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN GRANT OF EASEMENT OVER THE NORTH 20 FEET OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 AND THE NORTH 20 FEET OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 15 EAST, AS DESCRIBED IN INSTRUMENT 2003003217, GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 1849 NW 30TH STREET, BELL, FL 32619

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on June 27, 2014.

Todd Newton
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: L. Ayers
Deputy Clerk

****See Americans with Disabilities Act Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call 711.**

If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact Court Interpreter at interpreter@circuit8.org.

Published July 3 & 10, 2014b.

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

CASE NO.: 2013-CA-103

FARM CREDIT OF FLORIDA, ACA,

successor by merger to Farm Credit of North Florida, ACA, as agent nominee for itself and its wholly owned subsidiary Florida Federal Land Bank Association, FLCA, successor by merger to Farm Credit of North Florida, FLCA,
Plaintiff,

vs.
JENNIFER OWENS HALTER, an individual;
JOSEPH BRAXTON HALTER, an individual;
ALISHA MARIE HALTER KAGE, an individual;
DAVID EUGENE KAGE, an individual;
DAVID AARON HALTER, an individual, FAITH

HALTER CANAVAN, an individual; MONA BALLARD, an individual
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that Todd Newton, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Gilchrist County, Florida, will on July 28, 2014, at 11:00 a.m., in front of the south doors of the Gilchrist County Courthouse located at 112 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida 32693 offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash the real property situated in Gilchrist County, Florida more fully described as:

Commence at the Southwest Corner of Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 14 East and run thence N 89 deg. 30 min. E along the South line of said Section 35, 251.6 feet to the Southeast corner of Wilkerson's Suwannee River Heights Subdivision, as recorded in the public Records of Gilchrist County, Florida, for a POINT OF BEGINNING, then run N 0 deg. 30 min. W, along the East line of said Subdivision, 116.12 feet, thence run N 48 deg. 30 min. E, along said East line, 124.06 feet to a Point of Curve to the left, thence run Northeasterly along said curve, having a radius of 1536.81 feet an arc distance of 979.02 feet to a Point of Tangent, thence run N 12 deg. 00 min. E, 366.00 feet to the Northeast corner of said subdivision, thence run S 78 deg. 00 min. E, 83.88 feet, thence run S 12 deg. 00 min. W, 2.28 feet to the North line of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, said Section 35, thence run N 89 deg. 29 min. 38 sec. E along said North line, 318.89 feet to the East line of said Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, thence run S 0 deg. 48 min. E, along said East line, 1363.68 feet to the South line of said Section 35, thence run 89 deg. 30 min. W along said South line, 1068.40 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, LESS AND EXCEPT the South 18.0 feet thereof, now occupied by County Road. Said lands being a part of the West 1/2 (one-half) of the Southwest 1/4, Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 14 East. This property being the same property as shown in that certain deed from Cleveland O. Wilkerson, as administrator of the estate of Maude M. Wilkerson deceased, to Cleveland O. Wilkerson and wife, Fairy W. Wilkerson as recorded in Official Records Book 42, Page 157, et seq., of the public record of Gilchrist County, Florida, (the "Real Property"). The sale will be conducted pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered on May 21, 2014, in this action. The Real Property will be sold to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds. The successful bidder must deposit a minimum of five percent (5%) of the bid amount and return with the remaining funds by 12:00 p.m. on July 29, 2014. The successful high bid shall be exclusive of the Clerk's registry fee and documentary stamps on

the certificate of title.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS, MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Court on this 27th day of June, 2014.

Todd Newton
Clerk of the Circuit Court
(CIRCUIT COURT SEAL)
By: /s/ L. Ayers
Deputy Clerk
Publish July 3, 10, 2014b

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 21-2014-DR-137
Division: DR

Penny Browning
Petitioner
and
John Conard
Respondent.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

TO: John Conard
Address Unknown
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 PENNY BROWNING, whose address is 8249 SE 69th Terrace Trenton, FL 32693, on or before July 10, 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 June 10, 2014.

(SEAL)
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Kendra Cathey
Deputy Clerk
Published June 19, 26 & July 3 & 10, 2014b.

NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF FANNING SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN The City Council has called a Workshop to meet on July 29, 2014 @ 3:00 pm at the Fanning Springs City Hall, 17651 NW 90th Ct. Fanning Springs, FL.

The Agenda is:
2014-2015 Budget Workshop
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
Pursuant to Florida Statutes 286.0105 that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at such meeting he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made. Which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
DATED this 7th day of July, 2014,
By Sheila Watson, City Clerk, City Of Fanning Springs, Florida.
Pub. July 10, 2014.

NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF FANNING SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN The City Council will meet in a Joint Meeting with the NCRWA July 23, 2014 @ 5:00 pm at the Fanning Springs City Hall, 17651 NW 90th Ct. Fanning Springs, FL.

The Agenda is:
Discussion regarding the Interlocal Agreement between Nature Coast Regional Water Authority And The City of Fanning Springs.
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
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DATED this 7th day of July, 2014,
By Sheila Watson, City Clerk, City Of Fanning Springs, Florida.
Pub. July 10, 2014.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

Trenton Mini Storage and Gilchrist Storage, pursuant to the provisions of the Florida "Self-Storage Facility Act" (Fla. Stat. 83.801-83.809) hereby gives Notice of Sale under said Act, to wit:

On August 2, 2014, Trenton Mini Storage, 1606 East Wade Street, Florida, at 9:00 AM, Damon Leggett, owner, will conduct a Sale by Auction to the highest bidder over which is owed on the contents of the space rented by:

Tonya Akins, Blake Boyette, Regina Whitehead, Jody Surprenant
On August 2, 2014, Gilchrist Storage, 1643 SW SR 26, Florida, at 10:00 AM, Damon Leggett, owner, will conduct a Sale by Auction to the highest bidder over which is owed on the contents of the space rented by:

Stacie Smith, Valerie Silka, Allen Williams
consisting of personal and household items.

This sale is being made to satisfy a

statutory lien.

Dated July 14, 2014.
Trenton Mini Storage
Gilchrist Storage
Damon Leggett, Owner
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Publish July 10 and 17, 2014b.

NOTICE OF BUDGET WORKSHOP

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County, Florida, will hold a **BUDGET WORKSHOP on Friday, July 11, 2014, at 9:00 a.m.**, in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Facility, located at 210 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida. The following is a proposed agenda:
The purpose of this workshop is to discuss the FY 14/15 proposed budgets. The following subjects have been scheduled:

- General Government
- Courthouse Operations
- Other Building Operations
- Detention & Corrections
- Community Development
- Tourist Development
- Animal Control
- Library
- Rodeo Arena
- Solid Waste
- Fund Balance Discussion
- Millage Rate Analysis

"Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in the proceeding should contact (352)463-3169 (Voice & TDD) or via Florida Relay Service (800)955-8771."

PLEASE BE ADVISED that if a person decides to appeal any decisions made by the Commission with respect to any matter considered at said hearing, that person will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose, that person may need to insure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA
D. RAY HARRISON, JR., CHAIRMAN
ATTEST:
TODD NEWTON, CLERK
Pub. July 10, 2014b.

NOTICE OF BUDGET WORKSHOP

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County, Florida, will hold a **BUDGET WORKSHOP on Thursday, July 17, 2014, at 1:00 p.m.,**

Arrest Report

June 25, 2014

Michael Vincent Tipler, 26, of Williston, was arrested by Deputy Vanduren, Levy County Sheriff's Department, for Probation Violation, no bond.

June 30, 2014

Valerie Melinda Campbell, 33, of Bell, was arrested by Deputy Douglas, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Crimes Against Person Corrupt by Threat to Public Servant or Family; Resist Officer Obstruction Without Violence, bond \$52,500.00.

James W. Nessmith, Jr., 36, of Suwannee, Georgia, was arrested by Deputy Tucker, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Out of County Warrant, Possession of Less than 20 Grams of Controlled Substance, no bond.

Kendrick Keith Washington, 31, of Gainesville, was arrested by Deputy Davis, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Out of County Warrant, \$100 cash.

July 1, 2014

Rocky Steven Ross, 33, of Newberry, was arrested by Deputy Gentry, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Scheme to Defraud, Swindle to Obtain Property under \$20,000.00, bond \$15,000.00.

Marcus (NMN) Waugh, Jr., 24, of Trenton, was arrested by Sergeant Stalvey, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Cocaine Distribution of Schedule II Drug; Cocaine Possession; Possession and or use of Drug Equipment, bond \$32,500.00.

July 2, 2014

Gregory A. Hale, 37, of Trenton, was arrested by Deputy Simpson, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for DUI Probation Violation, no bond.

July 3, 2014

William Thomas Osteen, 33, of Bell, was arrested by Deputy Rexroat, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Battery Touch or Strike, bond \$5,000.00.

July 4, 2014

Joshua Neale Barron, 27, of Bell, was arrested by Deputy Douglas, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Dependency of Contributing to Delinquency of a Minor, Possession of a Controlled Substance Without a Prescription, Possession and or use of Drug Equipment, bond \$35,000.00.

Robert Gabriel Samson, 31, of Bell, was arrested by Officer Combs, Trenton Police Department, for Moving Traffic Violation, Driving While License Suspended First Offense, bond \$2,500.00.

Travis Ray Trowell, 20, of Gainesville, was arrested by Deputy Amanda Colson, Gilchrist County Sheriff's Department, for Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon

in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Facility, located at 210 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida. The following is a proposed agenda:

The purpose of this workshop is to discuss the FY 14/15 proposed budgets. The following subjects have been scheduled:

Constitutional Officers:

- Clerk of Court
- Supervisor of Elections
- Tax Collector
- Property Appraiser
- Sheriff

Other Departments:

- Code Enforcement
- Veterans Services
- Other Departments

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA
D. RAY HARRISON, JR., CHAIRMAN
ATTEST:
TODD NEWTON, CLERK OF COURT
Publish July 10, 2014b

Grace Ministry openings

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The course will have a strict limit of 30 students and will be on a first come first serve basis. Students may be of any age as long as they are able to understand the material and perform the hands on portion of the course.

Students that wish to obtain a two year CPR certification card may obtain one by passing a written test and paying a \$5 card fee at the end of the course.

Again, space is limited to the first 30 students that register and the class will require a minimum of 10 students. For more information or to reserve your seat contact the Gilchrist County Director of Emergency Management David Peaton at 386-935-5400, toll free at 1-866-751-1728, or email at dpeaton@gilchrist.fl.us.

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Trenton FFA chapters shine at State Convention

Submitted Members of the Trenton FFA chapters have had a busy summer already. Three members of the senior chapter and one member of the middle school chapter traveled with two members of the Bell Sr. FFA chapter to Haines City to attend the Florida Leadership Adventures conference from June 18 thru 21. During the leadership conference members participated with other FFA members from around the state in workshops focused on leadership, teamwork, communication, and social media. Our members even had the opportunity to participate in low and high rope challenge courses.

importance of honeybees and wants to continue to be an advocate for the honeybee. Additionally, while at convention both the middle and senior chapters were recognized as premier chapters for their work with student and community development throughout the school year. The middle school chapter was also awarded with 100 percent membership. During the High School Parade of Champions, members of the senior chapter dairy team, Austin Polk, Erin Jones, Amanda Williams, and Cody Norton, were recognized for placing fifth in the state Dairy contest, and Matthew George and Brooks Parrish were recognized for placing fourth in the state ornamental horticulture demonstration career development event with their demonstration on Daylily production. During the sixth general session on Thursday afternoon, Matthew George was recognized as a finalist in the Nursery Operations proficiency area for his work with his Daylily business, Josh Harrison was recognized as a finalist in the Special Animal Production proficiency area with his work with honey bees and honey production, and Erin Jones was recognized as a finalist in the Poultry Production proficiency area for her work with poultry production and the Specialty Crop Production proficiency area for her work with green peanut production. Matthew George was named as the



Austin Polk

Nursery Operation proficiency winner and Erin Jones named as the Specialty Crop Production winner on stage. Both of their applications will be forwarded to National FFA to compete in the national proficiency awards. During the eighth general session on Friday morning, Lori Harrison, Hunter Parrish, Katie Quincey, and Asheton Sanchez were recognized for earning the coveted American FFA Degree. Erin Jones, Austin Polk, and Amanda Williams were recognized for earning their State FFA Degree as well. Also during the session, Emily Horlocker of the middle school chapter was recognized as being one of the state winners in the Alumni Essay contest, "What Does FFA Mean to Me?", where she won a scholarship to attend the Florida Leadership Adventures conference.

This past week, 16 members of the Trenton FFA chapters attended the 86th annual Florida FFA State Convention in Orlando, FL. Our members joined nearly 4,000 other members from around the state to attend leadership workshops, participate in career development events, and attend sessions. Erin Jones of the senior chapter was a finalist in the Job Interview career development event and competed during convention. To become a finalist, Erin completed a job application, resume and cover letter, and participated in a phone interview, personal interview, and completed a follow-up letter while at convention. Lauren Roberts of the middle school chapter competed and won the sub-district and district contests with her speech entitled "Honey Bees: Sweet Success or Food Frailty?" While at convention, Lauren was named the state winner on the convention stage during the fourth general session on Wednesday evening. Lauren has learned and became intrigued with the

On Thursday, members also had the opportunity to meet with Congressman Ted Yoho, per his request. He congratulated the members on their accomplishments and expressed his support for the group. Trenton FFA chapters' wonderful week wrapped up with Austin Polk of the senior chapter being named as the 2014-2015 Area II State Vice-President. In April, Austin participated in a two day screening process of a written test, group activities, and several interviews to



Erin Jones and Ashley Young



Austin Polk, Amber Holder, Emily Horlocker, Dakota Horlocker, and Ashley Young.



Heather Rucker and Josh Harrison



At left: Hallie and Denny George are pictured with their son, Matthew.

be selected as an Area II State Vice-Presidential candidate. Throughout April and May Austin traveled across Area II attending chapter banquets to get to know other FFA members within Area II. While at convention, Austin served as a delegate committee chair, delivered his candidate speech entitled "Fired Up to Serve", participated in delegate question and answer sessions, and met many members from around the state. Over the next 365 days, Austin will serve as an advocate for agriculture and the Florida FFA Association. Austin and his six teammates will develop and present leadership workshops, visit schools and chapters to encourage students to participate in agricultural education and FFA, partake in an internship with Commissioner Putnam and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and many other responsibilities. Austin joins several others as leaders of the Florida FFA Association who have come out of the Trenton FFA.

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