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50 YEARS



School District Fetes A Golden Anniversary Of Public Service

By TOM STAIK Of The Herald-Advocate

It was a different world when Joann McCray reported for her first day of work at Hardee Junior High School.

Man had yet to step on the moon. The month, September. The year, 1968. It was a time of nationwide unease.

Mere months had passed since the assassinations of presidential candidate Bobby Kennedy and civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

Protests raged across the United States as casualties continued to mount in Vietnam. Richard Nixon battled Hubert Humphrey, a Democrat, and George Wallace, a staunch segregationist, on his campaign trek that would lead to a presidency.

"A lot of things have changed," McCray said.

McCray, who currently serves as sec-

retary to the Hardee County School Board, reached a milestone this month as she celebrates 50 years of public service.

Schools Superintendent Bob Shayman feted McCray, who also serves as secretary to the superintendent's office. He called McCray's service "instrumental" to the success of the School District of Hardee County.

"I could not do this job without her," Shayman said. "There are three legs that make the superintendent's office work: the superintendent, a good deputy, and Joann McCray."

Nearly 100 colleagues, family and friends gathered earlier this month for a surprise reception honoring McCray at the School Board Training Center.

"I can't believe this," McCray said as she walked into the center.

McCray was presented with an engraved glass bowl



Wildcats Nab Spot On AP Football Poll

By TOM STAIK Of The Herald-Advocate

The boys in orange and blue are getting a little statewide attention.

The Wildcat football squad from Hardee Senior High School jumped onto the Associated Press's Florida High School Football state rankings last week.

Hardee (4-0, 1-0) received 18 points in the Week Five rankings to slip onto the bottom of the Top 10 ranking of Class 5A football.

Hardee is ranked sixth overall in the Week Five Sunshine State Top 25 Rankings pub-

lished by the Prep Zone (www.floridahsfootball.com).

The Wildcats are the only squad in the Heartland region – or in the district – to earn a slot on either poll.

The Wildcats are enjoying an impressive start to the football season after amassing a 4-0 record after blanking Fort Meade, Avon Park and Booker (Sarasota).

Hardee's only major challenge thus far this season came in its matchup against the visiting Sebring Blue Streaks. The Wildcats won that outing in a thrilling 29-28 double overtime

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Smuggling Charge Jails HCL Officer

By CYNTHIA KRAHL Of The Herald-Advocate

A corrections officer has found himself on the wrong side of the bars after being accused of augmenting his income by selling contraband to inmates.

James Edward Anderson, 22, an employee of Hardee Correctional Institution, was booked into the Hardee County Jail on the afternoon of Wednesday, Sept. 12, and remained there as of late this Tuesday afternoon.

He is charged with possession of more than 20 grams of marijuana and conspiracy to introduce contraband into a correctional facility, both felonies, and possession of narcotics equipment, possession of a suspended driver's license and driving while license suspended, all misdemeanors.

Bond has been set at \$2,250.

Anderson has yet to be arraigned in Hardee Circuit Court, and no court date has

been set, according to court records.

Anderson, who lists an address in Avon Park but who was staying in Wauchula, allegedly crossed over onto the wrong side of the law after two Hardee Correctional Institution inmates approached him and asked him to smuggle in cigarettes for them.

Anderson reportedly agreed, leaving the cigarettes at specified locations, to later be

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Anderson

WEATHER

DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
09/18	84	74	0.00
09/19	95	74	0.54
09/20	95	73	0.02
09/21	92	72	0.01
09/22	91	73	0.01
09/23	93	73	0.00
09/24	94	73	0.76
Rainfall to 09/24/2018 - 44.68			
Same period last year - 46.86			
Ten Year Average - 49.17			
Source: Univ. of Fla. Ona Research Center			

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IDA Agrees To Repay \$224,700

By MICHAEL KELLY Of The Herald-Advocate

The Hardee County Industrial Development Authority has agreed to reimburse Rapid Systems \$224,700 for additional costs it incurred through the failed partnership among the company, the IDA and the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance.

The board did not grant Rapid Systems' request for an additional \$720,000 to upgrade the network capacity to 10 gigabits. Rapid Systems originally received a \$2 million grant from the Economic Development Authority in 2010 after partnering with the IDA to blanket the county with high-speed, wireless internet capabilities.

The IDA and Rapid Systems signed a memorandum of understanding with FRBA to use the Hardee County system as a matching portion of a federal stimulus grant in 2009 that would provide other rural communities in the area with a

EYEING OREOS



Lilyana Wilson, a fourth grader in Ashley Wheeler's class at Wauchula Elementary School, keeps a steady eye and hand on Friday as she sees how high she can stack cookies for the Oreo Challenge. In the challenge, students in her and teacher Sarah Idsardi's class used the number of cookies in their stacks as data for math and science questions and for graphing.

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The Herald-Advocate welcomes letters to the editor on matters of public interest. Letters should be brief, and must be written in good taste, signed and include a daytime phone number.



Kelly's Column By Jim

Seen on a bumper sticker Tuesday in Wauchula, "Slow down. Look around and enjoy God's creation."

One day I would like to see a bumper sticker that says "Bumper Sticker."

The late Bruce Campbell of Wauchula used to hand out business cards that contained only two words, "My Card."

Congratulations to Tiger Woods for winning his first golf tournament in five years over the weekend, The Tour Championship in Atlanta. This followed personal and marital setbacks and four back surgeries.

Congratulations to the Pittsburgh Steelers on Monday night for taking some of the "Magic Dust" from the Tampa Bay Bucs and quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick, winning 30-27 at Raymond James Stadium.

Congratulations to the Hardee Wildcats football varsity for being rated No. 6 and No. 10 in Class 5-A in two state football polls this week. The 4-0 Cats will host Englewood Lemon Bay Friday at 7:30 at Wildcat Stadium in a district game.

Brian Harding, assistant manager at Vision Ace Hardware, spoke to the Wauchula Kiwanis Club on Tuesday. He said the store has 33 employees. The store raises money for three main charities--Children's Miracle Network, Relay For Life, and Toys For Tots.

The local store pays rent to property owners Charles and Penny Nicholson, who used to own and operate Nicholson Supply Company/Ace Hardware. The couple now live in Gainesville.

The Wauchula store has a large lumberyard and is one of 14 Ace Hardware franchises owned by Jim Ackroyd, who lives in Naples and is also board chairman of the national Ace Hardware organization, said Harding.

Harding has been in Wauchula three years and formerly worked in management for Home Depot and Tractor Supply.

Charles Cannon, 91, of Wauchula served on the City Council from 1960 to 1977 and defeated challengers Joe Burke, Harmon Farabee and Bobby Evers in re-election campaigns. Cannon was defeated by George Heine Jr. by two votes.

Cannon worked for the FBI from 1947 to 1955, and at age 28 came back to Wauchula to help his father run Cannon Building Materials, which is the current site of the CVS store.

Cannon will be moving to Lakeland in mid-November to Carpenters Home Estates to be closer to his doctors. He has had one knee replacement, three stents and four defibrillators. He works out regularly at the Hardee Family YMCA and looks younger than his years.

He and his wife Judy, who insisted on being a stay-at-home mother, raised three very successful children, two boys and a girl.

Hardee Wildcat linebacker Matt Tyson is a senior and a four-year varsity starter, not a junior as reported here last week. It is not hard to make a mistake in this business, sort of like a missed tackle.

Michael Brune, executive director of the Sierra Club, says the Trump Administration has waged a campaign of terror against the environment, gutting regulations designed to keep chemicals from poisoning our water and carbon emissions from polluting our air.

Brune said the administration has advanced 19th Century fossil fuel energy over clean, renewable power and opened public lands to extraction and exploitation.

Nike has a new marketing campaign featuring unemployed NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick, who began kneeling in 2016 during the National Anthem to protest racial and social injustice. In 2017 and so far in 2018 no NFL team has hired him (he had a losing record as a starter with the 49ers). He believes the NFL owners are boycotting him.

The marketing motto is "Believe in something, even if it means sacrificing everything."

I always thought Tim Tebow could have been an effective quarterback with the right NFL team. Could his faith have cost him NFL opportunities?

Florida Trend lists the largest public and private based companies in the state and their location, number of employees, rev-

picked up by the inmates. His alleged sideline was discovered after a fellow corrections officer offered Anderson a room at his house when Anderson needed a place to stay, according to a report filed by Dep. Dean DeDominicis of the Hardee County Sheriff's Office.

Early in the morning on Sept. 12, the homeowner went into the bedroom he had allowed Anderson to use while searching for a mouse loose in the house. Looking under the bed, he found a bag and moved it up onto the bed.

He noticed it held about six items, the deputy noted, and removed an odd-looking one wrapped in plastic wrap and

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electrical tape. Unwrapping it, he found a plastic bag filled with a green leafy substance, DeDominicis alleged.

He called authorities. DeDominicis and Dep. Mitchell Johnson responded to the home. A field test of the substance was positive for marijuana, the report goes on to allege. It weighed in at 23.4 grams, according to the report.

Other packs in the bag held cell phones wrapped in rubber inner tubes and black electrical tape, the deputy described.

Anderson was interviewed while at work at HCI by the warden and detectives with the Hardee County Drug Task Force.

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similar wireless system as developed here.

FRBA, a non-profit organization formed in part by the Florida's Heartland Regional Economic Development Initiative, applied for and was awarded \$24 million through the federal American Recovery & Investment Act of 2009.

IDA Executive Director Bill Lambert served on the FRBA board as Hardee County's representative before being removed and replaced by former county commissioner Grady Johnson.

Terms of the memorandum of understanding, which was put together hastily by all three parties to meet the grant deadline, outlined a plan for Rapid Systems to tap into bandwidth from the Level 3 connection running through Ona and send it via microwave signal using the towers located throughout Hardee to Highlands County, where it would then be dispersed to the other counties in the region.

In the memorandum, FRBA agreed to pay for the additional cost of increasing Rapid Systems bandwidth to provide enough capacity for the other counties.

Rapid Systems was also going to be the last-mile provider, which served the individual customers, in the other counties as part of the deal that would have greatly expanded its customer base.

Even though the memorandum of understanding was signed by all parties, a formal contract was never executed

and FRBA backed out of the deal and left Rapid Systems owing more than \$500,000 for the increased bandwidth from Level 3 that it did not need.

Rapid Systems ultimately sued the organization and some individual board members and other involved parties for \$25 million.

In 2013, while the lawsuit was ongoing, the IDA began the process of transferring ownership of the 15 poles, which were on county rights of way, over to Rapid Systems since it had fulfilled its obligations under the contract.

FRBA tried to intervene and block the transfer, citing some of the equipment on the towers was theirs.

Rapid Systems attorneys asked the IDA to proceed with the transfer, which the board did.

Later in 2013, the IDA board agreed to pay Rapid Systems \$127,878 for half of the costs it had incurred to date in its legal dispute with FRBA. Under terms of the agreement, Rapid Systems would reimburse the IDA if the company prevailed in court.

The IDA also voted to turn over ownership of the poles to the company, which by that point had a \$93,000 UCC-1 lien placed on the equipment and poles by FRBA.

Rapid Systems and FRBA reached a settlement in 2016 and all parties involved in the lawsuit signed a non-disclosure agreement, although the lien issue was not addressed and remains binding on the poles.

WILDCATS Continued From A1

win before a home crowd at Wildcat Stadium.

Hardee hopes to shake off a potentially momentum stalling bye schedule last week as they prepare to face the Manta Rays of Lemon Bay (Englewood) High School (1-3, 0-1) on Friday.

Kickoff for the Class 5A District 11 match is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Wildcat Stadium.

enue, revenue change from previous year, and business type.

- The Top 20 public companies are:
1. Tech Data, Clearwater, 14,000, \$36.8 billion, up 40.2%, computer distribution.
 2. World Fuel Services, Miami, 5,000, \$33.7 billion, up 24.7%, petroleum products distribution.
 3. Auto Nation, Fort Lauderdale, 26,000, \$21.5 billion, down 0.3%, auto dealerships.
 4. Jabil Circuit, St. Petersburg, 170,000, \$19.1 billion, up 3.9%, electronic components.
 5. Carnival, Miami, 97,200, \$17.5 billion, up 6.8%, cruise line.
 6. NextEra Energy, Juno Beach, 14,700, \$17.2 billion, up 6.4%, energy provider.
 7. WellCare Health Plans, Tampa, 8,900, \$17.0 billion, up 19.5%, health insurance services.
 8. Lennar, Miami, 9,111, \$12.6 billion, up 15.5%, home construction.
 9. CSX, Jacksonville, 24,000, \$11.4 billion, up 3.1%, railroads.
 10. Office Depot, Boca Raton, 45,000, \$10.2 billion, down 7.1%, office products retail/distribution.
 11. Fidelity National Information, Jacksonville, 53,000, \$9.1 billion, down 1.3%, information technology support services.
 12. Hertz Global Holdings, Estero, 37,000, \$8.8 billion, no change, car rental.
 13. Royal Caribbean Cruises, Miami, 66,000, \$8.8 billion, up 3.3%, cruise line.
 14. Fidelity National Financial, Jacksonville, 24,367, \$7.7 billion, up 5.6%, title insurance.
 15. Ryder System, Miami, 36,100, \$7.3 billion, up 8.0%, transportation services.
 16. Darden Restaurants, Orlando, 175,000, \$7.2 billion, up 3.4%, restaurants.
 17. Mastec, Coral Gables, 17,300, \$6.6 billion, up 28.7%, telecom infrastructure services.
 18. Raymond James Financial, St. Petersburg, 12,700, \$6.5 billion, up 18.2%, financial services.
 19. Harris, Melbourne, 17,000, \$5.9 billion, down 1.5%, telecommunications equipment.
 20. Norwegian Cruise Lines Holdings, Miami, 28,000, \$5.4 billion, up 10.8%, cruise line.

Corrections

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Go To The Head Of The Class!
SCHOOL NEWS DEADLINE IS THURSDAY AT 5 PM

He reportedly told the officers two inmates had asked him to smuggle marijuana into the prison, and that his contact was a woman in Highlands County.

An ounce of marijuana would earn him \$400, detectives alleged in their report.

Other alleged payments were \$500 for a cell phone, \$300 for an ounce of synthetic marijuana and \$50 for a pack of cigarettes.

Anderson was arrested at the prison, and was walked out of the prison for transport to the county jail.

A later search of his truck in the employee parking lot allegedly revealed cigarettes and electrical tape, the report stated.

The IDA has carried the original \$127,878 loan to Rapid Systems on its books since then.

IDA attorney Ken Evers told the board last week the IDA never actually voted to pay for half of the increased costs occurred by the company.

Board members ultimately agreed to pay for half of the accrued costs and forgive the original \$127,828 loan since the IDA was a partner in the deal with FRBA.

Dustin Jurman, CEO of Rapid Systems, said the lien being placed on the poles prohibits the company from putting the infrastructure up as collateral to borrow money against it to upgrade the network.

He said the upgrades would allow for up to 100 megabytes of wireless service available to the more than 2,000 customers in Hardee County.

The board seemed reluctant to fund the \$720,000 request to upgrade the network and did not take any formal action to grant or deny the request.

Tommy Watkins did say he would like to get the lien issue resolved and be willing to assist the company in that process.

FRBA has since dissolved after spending the millions it received from the federal stimulus grant without ever developing a functioning system in any of the other counties.

In the end, the failed partnership with FRBA ended up costing both the IDA and Rapid Systems \$352,000 each.

Extension Office Hosts Sheep & Goat Conference

If you own sheep or goats, there's an event coming up for you.

The Heartland Sheep & Goat Conference will be held on Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the University of Florida Institute of Food & Agricultural Sciences Extension Office.

The conference will include topics about science-based practices to improve goat herd and sheep flock productivity. Some of those topics are sheep and goat diseases, marketing strategies, small ruminant nutrition, cool season and annual forage alternatives, and poisonous plants.

Live animal demonstrations will be held at the event.

Registration costs \$25 per person; the cost covers snacks, lunch and materials for the conference.

To register, call the Extension Office at 773-2164 or buy tickets from eventbrite.com. There is a \$3.45 convenience fee if you purchase your ticket online.

You must register by 5 p.m. on Oct. 8.

The Extension Office is at 507 Civic Center Drive in Wauchula.

SAVE THE DATE

SEPTEMBER

- 27 - Storytime, HC Public Library/315 N. 6th Ave., Wauchula/10 am
- 27 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am
- 27 - Pokemon Limited League/Sanctuary Gaming Club/1321 E. Main St., Wauchula/3:30 pm

- 28 - Friday Night Magic/Sanctuary Gaming Club/3:30 pm

OCTOBER

- 3 - Adult Coloring Club/HC Public Library/10 am
- 4 - Storytime/HC Public Library/10 am
- 4 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am
- 5 - Homecoming Parade/2:30 pm
- 10 - Adult Coloring Club/HC Public Library/10 am
- 11 - Storytime/HC Public Library/10 am
- 11 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

- 12 - Medicare Enrollment Education/Hardee Help Center/10 am
- 15 - Open Mic Night/Heritage Park/6 pm

- 16 - Devotion & Lunch/Hardee Help Center/Noon
- 17 - Adult Coloring Club/HC Public Library/10 am

- 18 - Storytime/HC Public Library/10 am
- 18 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

- 24 - Adult Coloring Club/HC Public Library/10 am

- 25 - Storytime/HC Public Library/10 am
- 25 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

- 27 - Community Fall Festival/Main Street Wauchula/4 pm

- 31 - Adult Coloring Club/HC Public Library/10 am
- 31 - Fall Fest/Florida's First Assembly of God/6:30 pm

NOVEMBER

- 1 - Storytime/HC Public Library/10 am
- 1 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

- 7 - Adult Coloring Club/HC Public Library/10 am

- 8 - Storytime/HC Public Library/10 am
- 8 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

- 14 - Adult Coloring Club/HC Public Library/10 am

- 15 - Storytime/HC Public Library/10 am
- 15 - "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

Save The Date will keep residents informed of upcoming community happenings. To have your non-profit meeting or event posted for free, e-mail features@theheraldadvocate.com as far ahead as possible.

HONORED INDUCTEES



COURTESY PHOTO

The newest members of Wauchula Elementary School's National Honor Society were inducted in a special ceremony held on Thursday, Sept. 6. For students to become members of the National Honor Society, they must maintain a 3.5 grade point average or higher all year long. Officers for this school year are (front, from left) Jay Southwell, Ulrick Virgile, Ryan Rivas and Emma Jane Johnson.

IDA Rejects 'Lowball' Offer On Old Winn-Dixie Property

By MICHAEL KELLY
Of The Herald-Advocate

The Hardee County Industrial Development Authority rejected what it considered a "lowball offer" presented by Executive Director Bill Lambert for the former Winn-Dixie property.

Last month the IDA board agreed to list the property at \$2.75 million. It paid \$1.55 million last October for the 55,000-square-foot building and 10 acres at the intersection of REA Road and U.S. 17.

Lambert presented the board with a letter of intent to purchase the property from William Harvey for \$1,450,000.

Last month Harvey purchased the Torrey Oaks Golf Course from Lambert for \$1.6 million, and plans on turning that property into a recreational vehicle park.

Lambert encouraged the board to consider accepting the offer or risk "sitting on the building for a while."

Vanessa Hernandez said she

didn't feel the offer was legitimate.

"We don't have to accept a lowball offer," she said. "I am not willing to sell it at a loss after we just agreed to sell it last month."

Lambert said he has told people the property is available for purchase but had not listed it with any Realtor.

"If we were in a hotter market we could take different approaches," he said. "I feel fortunate that someone has an interest in expanding retail development here."

He went on to say Harvey wanted to option the property, and then shop it around to various retail companies before closing on it.

Attorney Ken Evers told the board he "despises" letters of intent, and encouraged the board to have a standard real estate contract drawn up if it was going to entertain an offer.

Hernandez said she was a fan of the developer, who put in the plaza containing Publix in Arcadia, but she felt the

board needed to hold out for a better offer.

County commissioner and IDA liaison Mike Thompson joined the conversation after Lambert said he had Harvey meet with Thompson and County Manager Lex Albritton last week.

Thompson said he believed Harvey got the number wrong in his offer, and his intent was to pay the IDA what it paid for the property last year.

"The IDA is not in the business to make money on real estate," he said, adding it would not be a bad thing if the board profited from the deal.

Lambert wanted the board to come up with a counter-offer for him to take back to Harvey.

Hernandez said the board just set the price last month and she felt Harvey should make the board another offer next month. "If he offered us \$2 million next month I think the board should strongly consider it," she said.

Thompson said he thought that number was too high. Tommy Watkins countered that \$2 million was too low.

When the board discussed putting the property up for sale last month, Lambert had said, "I feel like we can recover our costs and make some money on it."

Last year, when he first pitched the idea of purchasing the property, he said it was a "great deal" after it was appraised at \$3.2 million.

He also said at the time he liked the idea of controlling what was located in the very visible location.

Prior to the IDA purchasing the property, it last sold for \$3.6 million in 1997.

The Hardee County Property Appraiser lists the current just (market) value at \$2.6 million.

Lambert and the IDA originally purchased the building when CareSync was looking to expand its operations, and he felt moving them into the building was a good fit.

Once CareSync abruptly closed, Lambert said he no longer had a viable option for the property.

The board did not take any formal action when rejecting the offer and told Lambert to have Harvey come up with a legitimate offer if he was interested in the building.

• Add 37 to the number of chirps a cricket makes in 15 seconds and you've got a rough approximation of the outside temp.

GOLDEN

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PHOTOS BY TOM STAIK

School's Superintendent Bob Shayman presents an engraved crystal bowl to Joann McCray commemorating her 50 years of service to the Hardee County School Board. A photo from her first days in 1968 is projected on the screen behind them.

honoring her golden anniversary with the school system. There were many remembrances of her service with Shayman and four past superintendents, including revealing insights into politics needing to be schooled by McCray on how to prepare and present a meeting agenda.

"This puts in perspective how long Joann has served the school system. We were able to dig up her application from when she applied to the district office from the elementary school, and the phone number listed only has five digits," Shayman said.

McCray, who shies away from limelight whenever possible, said her tenure with the district is "nothing special."

"There was a job in front of me that needed done," McCray said. "I have been lucky enough to have a job I truly enjoy. I come to work and try to do the best that I can do."

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- In 1963 At 10:59 AM census clock, records US population at 190,000,000
- In 2012 The Mars Curiosity rover discovers what evidence of a fast-moving streambed in Mars
- In 2017 Researchers confirm existence of giant tree rat "Vika" in the Solomon Islands that can crack open coconuts

HARDEE COUNTY FOOD PANTRIES

Alpha & Omega Freedom Ministries

113 N 7th Ave Wauchula, FL 33873
Tele: 863-773-5717
Requirements: Identification, Social Security card
When: Wednesday ONLY | 10 am – 12 noon

Bowling Green Church of God

121 W. Broward Bowling Green, FL 33834
Tele: 863-375-2231
Requirements: Identification
When: 3rd Saturday of the month | 8 am – noon

Cutting Edge Food Ministry

3059 Elm Street Zolfo Springs, FL 33890
Tele: 863-773-2484
Requirements: Identification
When: Tuesday & Friday
10 am – noon & 1 – 3 pm

First United Methodist Church of Wauchula

207 N. 7th Ave Wauchula, FL 33873
Tele: 863-773-4267
Requirements: ID & Physical address (Light Bill, Lease etc.)
When: 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month
1:00 – 3:00 pm (first come, first serve)
Other Program: Bagged Lunch - M, W, F
8 am – 12 pm for pre-school age kids & adults.
Wednesday Night Free Community Dinner:
5:30 – 6:30 pm

Hardee Help Center

713 E. Bay Street, Wauchula, FL 33873
Tele: 863-773-0034
Programs: Crisis Food (3 times a year)
Requirements: Application with proof of hardship
When: Office hours: Monday to Friday
9am-12pm and 1-2pm
For more information, Contact the Hardee Help Center

St. Michael's Catholic Church Food Pantry

408 Heard Bridge Rd, Wauchula, FL 33873
Tele: 863-773-4089
Requirements: Identification or Light Bill
When: Every Saturday 6:00 – 8:00 am
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Once a month -
http://feedingtampabay.org/mobile-pantries/



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Wells Motor Company
1600 US Hwy, 27 S., Avon Park

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Crime Blotter

Sheriff's deputies and city police officers investigated the following incidents and made the following arrests during the past week. All suspects or defendants are presumed innocent of the charges against them.

COUNTY

Sept. 23, Richard Kinder, 23, of 1850 Heard Bridge Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Cpl. Donny Eversole and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Sept. 23, Adrian Estrada, 32, general delivery, was arrested by Dep. Mitchell Johnson on two out-of-county warrants.

Sept. 23, Otho Allen Barber, 42, of 1421 Maude Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. Edilberto Soto and charged with contempt of court.

Sept. 23, thefts were reported on the 4500 block of Seminole Trail and the 600 block of Rainey Boulevard.

Sept. 23, a residence was burglarized on the 3900 block of Jean Drive.

Sept. 22, Cameron High, 26, of 2438 Apple Blossom Lane, Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. Edilberto Soto and charged with criminal mischief and a pre-trial release violation.

Sept. 22, Gerardo Ramos, 48, of 828 S. Eighth Ave., Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. Dean DeDominicis and charged with three counts of battery.

Sept. 22, a theft was reported on the 4000 block of Dixiana Drive.

Sept. 21, Enrique Gonzales Jr., 43, of 3018 N.E. Beechwood Circle, La Belle, was arrested by Sgt. Chris Albritton and charged with three counts of withholding child support.

Sept. 21, thefts were reported on the 7100 block of Cloud Nine Ranch and the 2400 block of Apple Blossom Lane.

Sept. 20, Jamie Pantoja, 32, of 2414 Ralph Smith Road, Wauchula, was booked into jail by Corrections Ofc. Joshua Clemente on a probation violation charge.

Sept. 20, Jesse D. Fowler, 21, of 620 Grove St., Bowling Green, was arrested by Dep. Kim Pfeiffer and charged with probation violation.

Sept. 20, Ezequiel Rio Garcia, 26, of 1834 Dishong Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. Kim Pfeiffer and charged with withholding child support.

Sept. 20, fights were reported on the 800 block of Altman Road and the 900 block of East Summit Street.

Sept. 19, criminal mischief was reported on the 1100 block of South Florida Avenue, on Lake Branch Road, and on the 600 block of Chamberlain Boulevard.

Sept. 18, Michael Dean Roberts, 41, of 2100 Mango Ave., Sarasota, was arrested by Sgt. Todd Souther and charged with probation violation.

Sept. 18, a theft was reported on the 800 block of Hudson Street.

Sept. 17, Michael Dean Patton, 29, of 220 S. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia, was arrested by Sgt. Todd Souther and charged with grand theft vehicle.

Sept. 17, a fight was reported near the corner of Rainey Boulevard and Stansfield Avenue.

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Sept. 23, animal cruelty was reported on the 700 block of East Townsend Street.

Sept. 23, a theft was reported on the 900 block of South Sixth Avenue.

Sept. 22, Honesty Martinez, 22, of 711 E. Palmetto St., Wauchula, was arrested by Chief John Eason and charged with DUI alcohol or drugs, possession of marijuana not more than 20

grams, and possession of narcotics equipment.

Sept. 22, Alex Enrique Barajas, 18, of 135 Oak Meadow Lane, Wauchula, was arrested by Ofc. Christopher Gicker and charged with DUI alcohol or drugs.

Sept. 20, Heath Barkley Sanchez, 35, of general delivery, was arrested by Cpl. Bryanna Lott and charged with felony petit theft.

Sept. 19, Gary Allen, 43, of 606 S. Eighth Ave., Wauchula, was arrested by Det. Pablo Bermudez and charged with battery.

Sept. 18, Bobby Lewis Thompkins, 45, of 1232 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., Wauchula, was arrested by Ofc. Estella Islas and charged with probation violation.

Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

FILE NO.: 25-2018-CP-000088

IN RE: ESTATE OF

DONALD ARTHUR WOOLSEY, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of DONALD ARTHUR WOOLSEY, deceased, whose date of death was February 9, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hardee County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is PO Drawer 1749, Wauchula, FL 33873. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 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 decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: September 27, 2018.

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Attorney for Personal Representative
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SUZANNE WOOLSEY
Personal Representative
7747 Brookside Way
Zolfo Springs, FL 33890
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PUBLIC NOTICE SPECIAL MEETING DATE

The Hardee County Housing Authority will meet for a Special Meeting on Tuesday, October 16 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at 701 LaPlaya Drive, Wauchula.

9:27c

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

WARNING

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The property will be sold at a public auction on the 10th day of October, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., unless the back taxes are paid. To make payment or for questions concerning real property taxes, contact the Hardee County Tax Collector's Office at (863) 773-9144 (PO Box 445, Wauchula, FL 33873). To receive further information regarding the Tax Deed Sale, contact the Hardee County Clerk of the Courts, immediately, at (863) 773-4174 (P.O. Drawer 1749, Wauchula, Florida, 33873).

The holder of the following tax certificate has filed the certificate for a tax deed to be issued. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are:

CERTIFICATE NO.: 586
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2011
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: Guillermo Garcia and Maria Elena Garcia

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 03-34-25-0480-00005-0007

COM AT SE COR OF LOT 5 BLK 4
RUN N 284 FT FOR POB N 50 FT
W 101.20 FT S 50 FT E 101.10
FT TO POB LESS R/W
WAUCHULA VILLAS SUBD
451P53 464P574 533P69

SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS, COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

All of the property is in HARDEE County, Florida.

Unless the certificate or certificates are redeemed according to law, the property described in the certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder on October 10, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.

By: Norma M. Juarez, Deputy Clerk

Pursuant to F.S. 197.512
Victoria L. Rogers
Hardee County, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Tax Deed File: 252018TD033XXXX
Date: 09/04/2018
Ad No.: 1

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 107
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2014
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: Guadalupe M. Ramirez Estate

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 04-33-25-0060-00003-0001

LOTS 1 & 2 BLK 3
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431P245P246 433P267 495P743
496P58 DC-602P290 (RR)
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Peavy's Ponderings

By Jonell Peavy

Sugar Possum of the late Truman Thomas

As long as I can remember I have had a love for growing things. It all started with a vegetable garden. We made lots of mistakes along the way, but we did learn from our mistakes.

When we planted our first garden we really didn't have anything to garden with. We started out with just the basics--a rake, shovel, a regular hoe, and a grubbing hoe. It got the job done but, let me say, I was never so proud to get a job done as I was to finally get that little garden spot ready to plant.

We didn't have a tiller but someone gave us an old plow that had handles like a wheelbarrow and a wheel up front about the size of a bicycle wheel. There were several attachments, and one of them was for making furrows for your seeds or plants. I think pushing that plow was more work than using the hoe to make your rows.

I learned a lot from that first garden, and we did buy a roto-tiller to make our gardening a lot easier. There were always fresh vegetables on the table, and there was always enough to share with family and friends.

My husband also bought me a canner so I could can the vegetables that would have gone to waste had I not had the canner. Learning to can was another big experience for me. My mother-in-law was like a second mother, and I can still remember the first thing she taught me was how to can tomatoes.

She taught me the basics, and a friend gave me a book that contained everything there was to know about food preservation. From raising the vegetables to preserving them always gave me a sense of pride and accomplishment as a young wife and mother to see all the jars side by side on the shelves and know when the garden was gone we would still have garden fresh vegetables on the table.

From that same book I also learned to make all kinds of pickles, preserves and jellies, and have continued to make jelly every year as the strawberries, peaches and blueberries are ready to be harvested.

In the last few years my youngest daughter decided she wanted to learn to can vegetables and make her own jelly. She has successfully learned to do both, and as of today she still has my canner at her house from when she used it months ago.

Jonell Peavy lives in Avon Park and can be reached at 863-453-3589.

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 118
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2016
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: Florencio Gonzales and Maria Balboa

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 05-33-25-0000-06530-0000

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TO POB
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257P805 274P422 306P875
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Obituaries

In Loving Memory



HINTON T. SHACKELFORD

Hinton T. Shackelford, 91, of Zolfo Springs, passed away in Sebring on Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2018.

He was born in Wauchula on July 25, 1927. "Shack" was a lifelong resident of Hardee County.

He served in the U.S. Army in Korea, formerly worked at Pioneer Park for 14 years as assistant manager, and was a member of New Hope Baptist Church.

Mr. Shackelford was preceded in death by his parents, Lonnie and Annie Shackelford; wife, Jewell D. Shackelford, and brothers,

Elmer "Shug" Clyde Shackelford and Terry C. Shackelford.

Survivors include one son, Gerald Shackelford and wife Dee, of Wauchula; one daughter, Renee Heither and husband Donnie, of Wauchula; one brother, Charles L. Shackelford, of Wauchula; three grandchildren, Annie Agarwal and husband Rahul, William Shackelford, and Jonathan Heither; and four great-grandchildren, Collin, Griffin, Eden, and Matthan Agarwal.

Visitation was Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018, from 1-2 p.m., at New Hope Baptist Church followed by funeral services at 2 p.m. Mr. Marcus Shackelford officiated. Interment with Military Honors provided by the American Legion Post #2 was at New Hope Cemetery. **Expressions of comfort may be made at robertsfh.com.**

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In Loving Memory



EDNA RUTH SMITH

Edna Ruth Smith, 72, of Bowling Green, passed away Thursday, September 20, 2018 in Flint Michigan. She was born in Searcy, Arkansas on August 18, 1946. She came to Wauchula, from Michigan in 1973. Edna was a manager for Gilliard's Group Home for many years. She was a Christian.

Edna loved to be outdoors. She especially loved to be on the water, whether on the houseboat, fishing or just at the beach. She loved her family and friends and she never met a stranger. She will be missed by so many.

She is preceded in death by her husband Don Smith; sons, Alan Ackley and Bobby Ackley; mother, Auda Campbell; father Neil Adcox; sisters, Hazel Youngblood, Pat Edwards and Margaret Miller; brothers, Robert Adcox and Roy

Adcox. Edna is survived by two sons, Michael (Becky) Swearingen of Bowling Green and Terry (Lynn) Swearingen of Bowling Green; sisters; June (Odell) Burks, of Missouri and Linda Nichols of Winter Haven; brothers, John (Kathy) Adcox, Junior Campbell, and Kenny (Lisa) Campbell, all of Michigan; eight grand children, Daniel (Elizabeth) Beckman of Auburndale, Darla (Billy) Evans of Wauchula, Michael Daniel Swearingen of Bowling Green; Bobby Ackley II of Wauchula, Brian Swearingen of Wauchula, Summer (TJ) Hall of Wauchula, Brandi (Trey) Strickland of Bowling Green and Christina Blackwell of Sebring; and 12 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be on Saturday, September 29, 2018 1 p.m., at Robarts Garden Chapel. Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m. Burial will follow at Bowling Green Cemetery. Mike Graham for Real Life Church will officiate.

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In Memory



MARCIAL 'HECTOR' CRUZ JIMENEZ JR.

Marcial "Hector" Cruz Jimenez Jr. passed away Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2018 at his home.

He was the son of Mimi Twiddy and Juan Garcia, of Zolfo Springs, brother of Miguel Rodriguez and Darren Twiddy, fiancé of Nikki Brown, also of Zolfo Springs, and the father of Aiden Marcial Jimenez, of Florida.

Hector was preceded in death by his aunt, Renee Twiddy, of North Carolina, and uncle, Jose Garcia, of Zolfo Springs.

He was loved greatly by his family and friends and leaves behind his aunt, Dolores King, and husband Wardell; aunt, Cindi; uncle, Buddy and wife Kimberly; uncle, Adrian Twiddy and wife Amber; aunt, Amelia Twiddy and fiancé Luis

Vazquez; aunt, Falana Twiddy-Gallaga and husband Juan; aunt, Maria Venegas and husband Antonio; aunt, Martha Felix and husband Obed; aunt, Rosi Garcia and husband Juan Duran; aunt, Sofia Garcia; uncle, Everado Garcia; aunt, Dalila Garcia and fiancé Beto Molina; maternal grandparents, Irdell and Rachel Twiddy; paternal grandparents, Guadalupe and Maria Garcia; and many cousins and friends.

Hector was a special soul. He knew no strangers and would help anyone in need. He enjoyed fishing but being with his family and friends was one of the most important things to him. His cheesy smile will forever live on in our minds and hearts.

Services were held at Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home chapel in Wauchula, on Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018, from 10-11 a.m. with the funeral at 11 a.m.

Online condolences may be made at pongerkaysgrady.com

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In Memory

GARY MARVIN MOORE

Gary Marvin Moore, 63, of Lake Placid, went home to be with his Lord on Monday morning, Sept. 17, 2018, at his residence surrounded by his loving family.

Gary was the son of Conley Marvin Moore and Janice Rose Riley. He was born on Aug. 15, 1955, in Huntington, W.V. Gary has been a resident of Highlands County for most of his life and was a graduate of Sebring High School.

After graduating Gary went to work for the Highlands County School System working his way up from mechanic to head mechanic. Gary enjoyed riding motorcycles and traveled throughout the country. He also enjoyed landscaping, building things and tinkering around the house. Gary loved to be with family and friends any time they could get together. He was of the Christian faith.

Gary is survived by his loving wife, Margaret Ellerbee-Moore; daughters, Ashley and Mariah; son, Shane; five grandchildren; sister, Teresa; brother, Larry; stepsons, Ronnie Jr. and Ryan; and two step-grandchildren.

A gathering for family and friends to reflect on Gary's life was held at 2 pm on Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018 at his residence. This gathering will be a celebration of life in honor of Gary's presence and time on earth. Many of his joys will be celebrated in a casual manner, including catering from one of his favorite restaurants.

Words of comfort to the family can be made by visiting www.scottfuneralservices.com.

Arrangements entrusted with the Scott Funeral Home, 504 W. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid. 863-465-4134.

Scott Funeral Home
Lake Placid

In Loving Memory

JAMES 'JIM' L. HUGHES JR.

James "Jim" L. Hughes Jr., 70, passed away peacefully at home on Sept. 21, 2018.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Robert (Bobby) Hughes; and grandson, Jerry Nickerson.

Survivors include wife, Lillian Keene Hughes; daughter, Kiele Bronaugh and husband Therman, of Davenport; son, Todd Nickerson and wife Leona, of Ona; grandchildren, James (JT) and Chris (CJ) Bronaugh, and Ethan Nickerson; granddaughter-in-law, Cheryl Treadway; great grandchildren, Tristen, Dawson, and Graison Nickerson; and many other extended family members.

Jim was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He was an intelligent mechanic and he will be remembered for his love of fishing, hunting, and working on John Deere Tractors. He will be sorely missed by many dear friends and family.

Visitation was Monday, Sept. 24, 2018, at 4:30 p.m., at Robarts Funeral Home. Funeral services followed at 5 p.m. Interment followed at Paynes Creek Cemetery.

Expressions of comfort may be made at robertsfh.com.

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In Memory



JOSEPH WALTER WEEKS JR.

Joseph Weeks Jr., 71, a lifelong resident of the area passed away on Sept. 23, 2018, in Avon Park.

Known to family and friends as "Joe", he retired from the Department of Corrections at A.P.C.I. where he was the Assistant Warden.

Joe was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and gave his service to the United States during the Vietnam War. Joe was extremely proud of his service and be-

came a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Disabled American Veterans.

Surviving are his wife, Paula, of Avon Park; stepson, Geratt Evans, of Wauchula, brother, David (Debbie) Weeks, of Lake Placid; sister, Mary Ferguson, of Avon Park; two grandchildren, one niece, three nephews, and many extended and adopted family members that he loved as if his own.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Weeks Sr., and Mary Weikel; daughter, DonaJo Gonzalez; and son, Trevor Weeks.

Memorial contributions in Joe's name can be made to the Disabled American Veterans at www.dav.org.

Arrangements entrusted to: Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, 111 East Circle Street, Avon Park, FL 33825.

Online condolences may be left at: www.stephensonnelsonfh.com.

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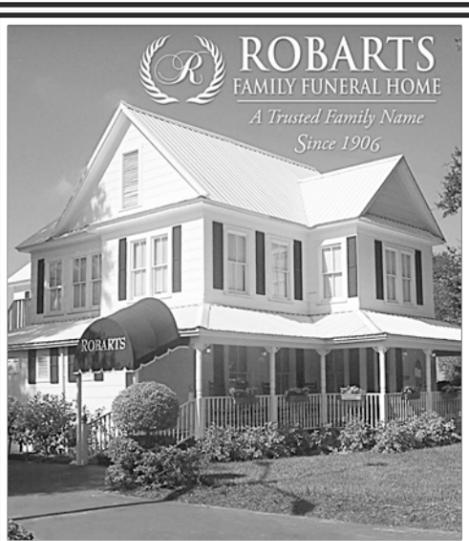
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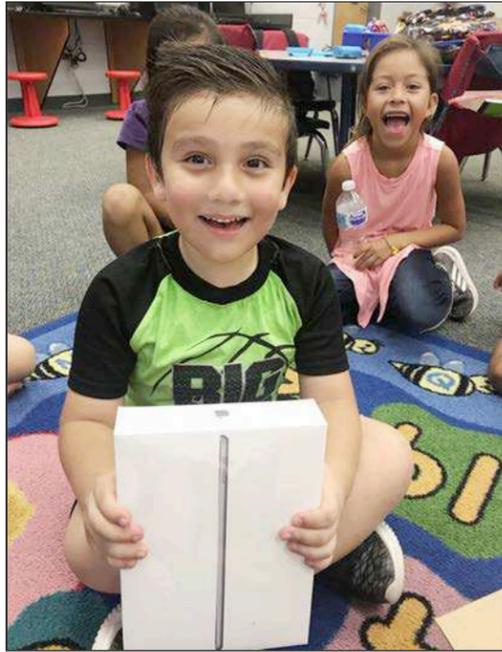


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IPOPPING!



COURTESY PHOTO
 Ryan Mejia and Eleni Duarte, pupils in Ashley Rigney's kindergarten class at Hilltop Elementary School, are excited to welcome this classroom addition. It's an iPad!

WATER WORKS



COURTESY PHOTO
 Fifth graders in Giselle McDaniel's science classes at North Wauchula Elementary School made models of a water treatment plant, and then tested their ability to produce clean water.

HAPPY FACE 😊



COURTESY PHOTO
 Mariah Witter, a first-grader at North Wauchula Elementary School, was the lucky winner of a drawing for an inflatable emoji chair. She was entered in the drawing for addressing a booklet of postcards to friends and family as part of the school's SchoolMall fundraiser. The postcards invited them to purchase magazines and other SchoolMall merchandise to benefit Mariah's school.

CLOSE EXAMINATION!



COURTESY PHOTO
 Second graders in Kaylee Webb's classroom at Zolfo Springs Elementary School learned how to use the hand and tabletop tools of scientists to weigh, measure, magnify and more. Here, they take a close look at a rock, recording all that their new view reveals.

WEATHER WISE



COURTESY PHOTO
 Fifth-grade students in Nicole Keen's classroom at North Wauchula Elementary School had their heads in the clouds on this recent school day. They were doing some research to determine how clouds can be used to predict weather.

GO FISH!



COURTESY PHOTO
 Students in Jeannette Miranda's fifth-grade science class at Wauchula Elementary School used critical thinking and their classifying skills to play "Classification Go Fish." They grouped seemingly unrelated photos together based on a similar characteristic.

SUPER STUDIES



COURTESY PHOTO
 North Wauchula Elementary School teacher Alexi Ozuna's students are highlighting key words in their reading material that signal chronological text structure. Then, the fifth graders are able to prepare "Superstar" written responses to questions posed.

BLOWN AWAY



COURTESY PHOTO
 Giselle McDaniel's fifth-grade science classes at North Wauchula Elementary School experimented with Sir Isaac Newton's laws of motion with some balloon rockets.

RHYME & REASON



COURTESY PHOTO
 Teacher Sharon Ussery and intern Amanda Bissette asked their first graders at Zolfo Springs Elementary School to illustrate their poem for the week. Students also predicted what could happen next in the poem.

New Restaurant Offers A Taste Of Puerto Rico

If you're in the mood for some Puerto Rican food and a friendly, family-oriented atmosphere, head over to downtown Wauchula. The Flamboyant Cafe,

Because it's in a historic area, the family says they aren't allowed to put out signs except in their windows, which has made it hard to draw in new customers.

might start serving a healthy-options menu one or two days a week. They would also like to get an espresso machine. Right now, the cafe opens at 10 a.m. each weekday and closes at 5 p.m. on Mondays-Wednesdays, 7 p.m. on Thursdays and 9 p.m. on Fridays. It will open on the weekend for a group of eight or more that's made a reservation. And if you need catering for an event, Flamboyant Cafe will do that, too.

The family is also accommodating with their cooking. They say if a customer wants something that isn't on the menu, they'll cook it if they have the ingredients. If they don't have the ingredients on hand, they're willing to get the ingredients and cook the dish on a different day. They want people to see the cafe as a friendly, home environment.

If you go in the afternoon, you might find the Navedo's two children, Matthew and Alessandra, called "Aly," doing their homework in the restaurant. "We're doing this for them," Joseph Navedo said of his kids. He says he likes living here and wants to stay. You can contact Flamboyant Cafe by calling 448-4033 or through its Facebook page. *Do you have, or know of, a business that is opening, moving, remodeling or under new management? Call Jennifer McConkey at 773-3255 for a free write-up.*



In Business

By Jennifer McConkey

which opened in the spring, serves both traditional Puerto Rican food and American/European food, like meatloaf and shepherd's pie, with a Puerto Rican spin.

Lizette Cruz, originally from New York and one of the three owners, has owned restaurants before, but had trouble getting enough employees who could cook the family recipes.

She says she finds joy seeing others enjoy her food. Cooking is one of her passions, but the stress of running a restaurant without enough good help became too much for her.

But she worked at the post office in Wauchula for four years. Cruz's son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Beth Navedo, moved down from Rhode Island.

Together, the three started the Flamboyant Cafe.

The restaurant is located at 103 E. Main St., between U.S. 17 North and U.S. 17 South, in Wauchula.

They say they do get a lot of repeat customers, however, and they have plans to grow the business.

As soon as the inspection goes through, they'll be opening a food truck that they plan to station in Highlands County on U.S. 27 South. Joseph Navedo says that it takes time to do it right, but he wants to make sure all the paperwork is in order before opening the food truck. He hopes he can open it soon.

The family is also hoping to expand the restaurant eventually to include bakery items.

For now, though, they're just looking for more customers so they can expand their hours and serve more variety.

The family explained that since they make their food fresh, they can cook more variety when they have more customers since they don't have to worry about it going to waste.

They hope to start serving breakfast again soon, and



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER McCONKEY
Flamboyant Cafe is a family-run restaurant. Above, Matthew Navedo, whose parents and grandmother own the business, works on his homework in the cafe.



Flamboyant Cafe is located on East Main Street in downtown Wauchula, next to Main Street Wauchula Inc. Because it's on a historic street, the owners say they can't put out signs for their business, but if every customer posts a review on Facebook, it will help spread the word.

Solunar Forecast

<p>9/27/2018 Sun Data Rise: 7:18 AM Set: 7:18 PM</p> <p>Day Length 12 hrs. 00 mins.</p> <p>Moon Data Rise: 9:16 PM Set: 9:29 AM Overhead: 3:02 AM Underfoot: 3:26 PM</p> <p>Moon Phase 93% Waning Gibbous</p> <p>Major Times 3:02 AM - 5:02 AM 3:26 PM - 5:26 PM</p> <p>Minor Times 9:29 AM - 10:29 AM 9:16 PM - 10:16 PM</p> <p>Prediction Hunting or Fishing Good</p> <p>Time Zone UTC: -4</p>	<p>9/29/2018 Sun Data Rise: 7:19 AM Set: 7:15 PM</p> <p>Day Length 11 hrs. 56 mins.</p> <p>Moon Data Rise: 10:40 PM Set: 11:27 AM Overhead: 4:40 AM Underfoot: 5:06 PM</p> <p>Moon Phase 79% Waning Gibbous</p> <p>Major Times 4:40 AM - 6:40 AM 5:06 PM - 7:06 PM</p> <p>Minor Times 11:27 AM - 12:27 PM 10:40 PM - 11:40 PM</p> <p>Prediction Hunting or Fishing Average</p> <p>Time Zone UTC: -4</p>	<p>10/1/2018 Sun Data Rise: 7:20 AM Set: 7:13 PM</p> <p>Day Length 11 hrs. 53 mins.</p> <p>Moon Data Rise: 11:29 PM Set: 1:29 PM Overhead: 6:29 AM Underfoot: 6:57 PM</p> <p>Moon Phase 58% Waning Gibbous</p> <p>Major Times 6:29 AM - 8:29 AM 6:57 PM - 8:57 PM</p> <p>Minor Times 1:29 PM - 2:29 PM</p> <p>Prediction Hunting or Fishing Average</p> <p>Time Zone UTC: -4</p>	<p>10/3/2018 Sun Data Rise: 7:21 AM Set: 7:11 PM</p> <p>Day Length 11 hrs. 50 mins.</p> <p>Moon Data Rise: 1:23 AM Set: 3:24 PM Overhead: 8:25 AM Underfoot: 8:55 PM</p> <p>Moon Phase 36% Waning Crescent</p> <p>Major Times 8:25 AM - 10:25 AM 8:55 PM - 10:55 PM</p> <p>Minor Times 1:23 AM - 2:23 AM 3:24 PM - 4:24 PM</p> <p>Prediction Hunting or Fishing Average</p> <p>Time Zone UTC: -4</p>
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

WARNING
THERE ARE UNPAID TAXES ON THE PROPERTY WHICH YOU OWN OR IN WHICH YOU MAY HAVE LEGAL INTEREST.

The property will be sold at a public auction on the 10th day of October, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., unless the back taxes are paid. To make payment or for questions concerning real property taxes, contact the Hardee County Tax Collector's Office at (863) 773-9144 (PO Box 445, Wauchula, FL 33873). To receive further information regarding the Tax Deed Sale, contact the Hardee County Clerk of the Courts, immediately, at (863) 773-4174 (P.O. Drawer 1749, Wauchula, Florida, 33873).

The holder of the following tax certificate has filed the certificate for a tax deed to be issued. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are:

CERTIFICATE NO.: 529
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2016
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: Annie Pace Lee

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 10-34-25-0843-00001-0007

LOTS 7 & 8 HARLEM HEIGHTS
185P366 197P10
200725009686-FJ

SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS, COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

All of the property is in HARDEE County, Florida.

Unless the certificate or certificates are redeemed according to law, the property described in the certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder on October 10, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.

By: Norma M. Juarez, Deputy Clerk

Pursuant to F.S. 197.512
Victoria L. Rogers
Hardee County, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Tax Deed File: 252018TD023XXXX
Date: 09/04/2018
Ad No.: 1

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You Didn't Ask For It
RAPE CRISIS LINE
1 (888) 956 7273
or
863-413-2707

2018
SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR HARDEE COUNTY COMMISSION AND APPOINTED BOARDS
Meetings to be held in County Commission Chambers, Room 102 Courthouse Annex, 412 W. Orange Street, Wauchula, Florida unless otherwise noted

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular meetings first Thursday at 8:30 a.m. & third Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
MONTH OF October-04th at 8:30 a.m. and 18th at 6:00 p.m.
Planning Session - No Planning Session

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY "INDEPENDENT BOARD"
MONTH OF October- To be announced.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL/INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTH.
Meets on second Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m.
MONTH OF October-09th

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD - meets first Thursday night of each month at 6:00 p.m.
MONTH OF October- 04th

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD
Meets on the second Monday night of each month at 6:00 p.m. in Building Department Conference Room, 401 West Main Street
MONTH OF October-08th

COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
Meets first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
MONTH OF October- 01st

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
Friends of Library meets on first Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at Library in Annex II
MONTH OF October - 02nd

HOUSING AUTHORITY
Meets quarterly on the third Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at 701 LaPlaya Drive, Wauchula
MONTH OF October - No meeting scheduled

HARDEE COUNTY INDIGENT HEALTH CARE BOARD
Usually meets third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.
MONTH OF October - 16th

This is a Disabled-Accessible facility. Any disabled person needing to make special arrangements should contact the County Commissioner's office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the public meeting.

This notice is published in compliance with Florida Statutes 286.0105. Interested parties may appear at the public meeting and be heard. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the members, with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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Don't Be Left Out!
HARDEE LIVING DEADLINE IS THURSDAY AT 5 PM

NOTICE

The HARDEE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

will hold a
MEETING on
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 02, 2018, 2:00 P.M.
or as soon thereafter
in the Hardee County Planning/Development Dept.
110 S. 9th Ave., Wauchula, FL

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Office of Hardee County Emergency Management has scheduled a Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) meeting on October 10, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., located at Emergency Operations Center, 404 West Orange Street, Wauchula, FL 33873.

The purpose of a local mitigation strategy is to reduce the human, environmental, and economic costs of disasters. Mitigation is any action taken to permanently reduce or eliminate long-term risks to people and their property from the effects of disasters.

The goal of the LMS meeting will be to identify specific steps to be taken to reduce the impacts of various natural hazards, the timing of those steps, potential funding sources, their priority within the community, and the entities responsible for implementing each of them.

Please come participate in this informative and important public meeting.

For more information, please call the Emergency Management Office at 863-773-6373.

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ORANGE & BLUE REVIEW



Race to the Finish

by Kareli Plata, HSHS Senior

Senior year is the last year of high school. That is so easy to say, and yet all thirteen years of our education have led to this moment. Every headache, every night gone without sleep, and every tear shed has brought us here. All our hard work has finally paid off. In other words, senior year is the last 400 meters in the race we call high school.

My track and cross country coach, Coach Beatty, has a saying that he tells the team before every meet: "First half of the race, don't be an idiot; second half of the race, don't be a wimp." What he means is that during the first half of the run, we need to prepare for the end and make sure we do not burn out before we get to the finish line. The same is true with high school.

During the first few years, the pace you set and the people you pass (or let pass you) will determine your place at the end of the race. Throughout this contest, there will be moments of complete pain and torture where you just wonder when

it will all be over. It is heartbreaking and overwhelming, but it does pass. You have to push and endure, knowing it will be worth it in the end.

Soon you see you only have about 400 meters left. This is the moment to give it your all and find your place in this world. This is the time when even if you're feeling dead and your legs feel like they will fall off if you take one more step, you push yourself more than you did during those last three miles. So it is with high school.

The last year will be the one you remember the most, and whether you make it one to remember or not is entirely up to you. You can either walk these last 400 meters and regret it for the rest of your life, or you can sprint toward it with every ounce of energy left within you and be proud because you left it all on the track. You gave it everything you had and made your mark on the world...and then you begin the next race.

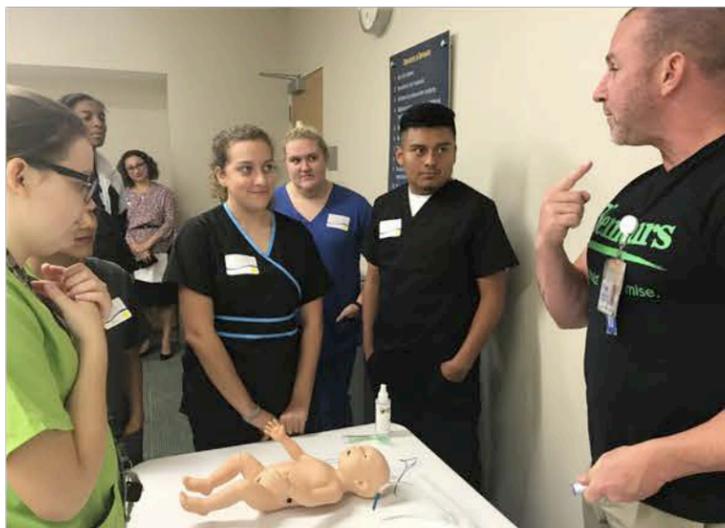


Curriculum standards establish a learning pace in classrooms which lead to success and mastery of each year's content material. Sophomores, Haven Gray and Chloe Martinez, race to the finish line as they perform experiments which support concepts in science lab.

HHS IN PICTURES



Mrs. Tyson's and Mrs. McDuffie's Physical Education students learn about health and fitness in a fun and unusual way. Students were required to use problem-solving, collaboration, and deductive reasoning to find the solutions in the Break Out Box activity.



HHS's Health Science Academy students attended Nemour's Children's Hospital. Health students were introduced to: Pet Therapy, Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy. Students pictured above, from left to right: Kennedy Westbrooke, Kasie Powell and Ismael Pascual, observed an endotracheal tube insertion of an infant and adult performed by the respiratory therapist. A 3-D imaging center helps doctors perfect surgeries prior to the actual procedure. Models are used as education tools for parents and families.



Culinary students intently observe Chef Boyd demonstrate various knife cuts in class. On the right is Chef Boyd of Keiser University. On left, front row is: Minerva Santiago and Nora Ortiz. Back row left to right is: Andrew Arreola, Christopher Castaldi and Instructor Dennis Aubry.



School photographers make senior picture day especially memorable for HHS seniors. Here Antonio Patino prepares for the big day!



Siera Lozano and Alessa Valerio perform the flame test to identify different halogens. Identification of various types of matter is proven by the color of the burning flame.

Calendar of Events

- 10/1 FAFSA Help Night
- HSHS Media Center 6:00pm
- 10/2 FAFSA Help Night
- HSHS Media Center 6:00pm
- 10/2 College Fair
- 11:15am - 1:15pm HSHS Gym
- 10/3 FAFSA Help Night
- HSHS Media Center 6:00pm

It's Westward Ho (Again!) ... No. 2

By SANDY SCOTT
For The Herald-Advocate

We have been on the road for 24 days now, and the route taken across Texas from Beaumont to El Paso was a first for us. Along the way someone commented to me that we would be disappointed when visiting the Alamo and that there was nothing much to see there. I guess you have to enjoy history and perhaps look beyond the physical building at what the Alamo meant to those frontiersmen fighting for their cause.

After the 13-day siege in 1836, Santa Anna's Mexican army killed virtually all of the roughly 200 Texans defending the Alamo including Colonels Jim Bowie and William B. Travis as well as frontiersman, Davy Crockett. While the exact number and names are unknown, those giving their lives are paid tribute in cases along the inside walls of the Alamo. It is estimated that only 15 were survivors consisting of wives, children and servants of the military men.

Many of us of the 1950's may have watched the weekly series "Davy Crockett" and even recall the memorable refrain ... "Born on a mountain top in Tennessee" ... but until you actually visit the Alamo in San Antonio you don't realize the tenacity these frontiersmen had.

On the grounds of the Alamo stands a 140-year-old live oak tree that was transplanted to its current location in 1912. Walter Whall was a retired English seaman and started San Antonio's first tree-moving company. He transported mature trees through the streets on a wagon pulled by four mules. Residents told Whall this could not be done and the trees that he transplanted would never survive; however, time and time again he proved them wrong. Today the century-old live oak tree sits majestically at the back of the Alamo. Its circumference measures 12 feet, and the branches are over 50 feet long.

We crossed the Rio Grande River briefly near El Paso, and it was no wider than our Peace River on State Road 64 West at Zolfo at this particular point. We were able to see parts of it in other areas, and in fact the internet was able to provide exact bridges that cross it in areas of New Mexico.

We discovered a small RV park in Caballo,

New Mexico which is located on Caballo Lake. This is a reservoir of the Rio Grande and is situated below the Caballo Mountains. These small parks are very accommodating and when asked what the check-out time was, the owner just replied, "Whenever you leave." You can't beat the price either at \$20 per night!

When we left Lakeview RV Park, we headed to the next small town called "Truth or Consequences." In 1916, the town was incorporated as Hot Springs and became the Sierra County seat in 1937. In March 1950 Ralph Edwards, the host of the radio quiz show Truth or Consequences, announced he would air the program on its 10th anniversary from the first town that renamed itself after the show; Hot Springs won the honor, officially changing its name on March 31, 1950, and the program aired from the town.

We stayed in Albuquerque, New Mexico for four days and visited the grave of my great uncle before continuing on to the city of Bernalillo where we discovered a very unique war memorial. It included 250 names of those from Bernalillo County who had lost their lives during the nation's conflicts. Next to the black marble stone stood a statue of a Vietnam era soldier, head bowed in prayer or remembrance with his hand resting on a helmet of a field grave.

Located at Wagon Mound, New Mexico is a butte that was a major landmark for pioneers along the Cimarron Cutoff of the old Santa Fe Trail. The mound resembles the top of a covered wagon and travelers on the trail frequently camped at the site and took on water. Its highest point is about 6,930 feet, and it is a National Historic Landmark. I walked up a short distance and it actually could have been very easy to climb, but I made Oscar a bit "antsy" with my decision to do so. Therefore, I had to resort to ground level photos.

Years ago in the late 1970's, we purchased our first video camera. It was the kind that was huge, and you balanced it on your shoulder. On that year's trip to the Smokies and manned with the video camera balanced on the open window, I began taking videos of all of the scenery, carefully turning it off and on as we approached the various curves. After returning from the trip, I took the VCR tape down to my mom and dad's house where we now live to have them watch

the results of our trip. I didn't realize how many scenes of the mountains that were shot, and I will admit it was a bit boring. Soon after watching the scenery of the tall cliffs over and over, my dad finally said, "OK, Sandy, that's enough of all the mountains!"

Well, this time, after viewing all of the photos each night, I began to think the same as my dad. Now I am not saying that the 1,680 pictures that I have taken so far are not interesting, but perhaps I should eliminate some of them to keep from taking up so much hard drive space on my computer.

Pikes Peak in Colorado was nothing short of magnificent. At Mile #1 the elevation on Pikes Peak Highway was 7,949 feet. Upon entry to the park, we were advised that we had a few options. The 19-mile paved road can be driven or a choice can be made to take a shuttle from the 13-mile point or one at the 16-mile point. The ranger pointed up the mountain to where the 16-mile point is located, and we quickly decided on the 13-mile shuttle. Prior to getting to that 13-mile point the road took us around winding curves with elevations reaching 11,000 in a matter of minutes. Having the Rand McNally GPS allowed us to monitor the elevations by a minute by minute basis. The cog railway to the summit is no longer running due to the cost to maintain it.

As (bad) luck would have it, upon reaching the 13-mile point we discovered the shuttle there was shut down, and it was necessary for us to drive the next three miles to the 16-mile stop-over. I was really hoping this time the shuttle would be working. So, more winding roads up the next three miles and an elevation with clouds below the highway quickly brought us to the 16-mile parking. The

attendant at the parking lot started waving us on up the mountain, and he pointed to our handicap sticker and advised us that because of it, we could drive on up to the summit three more miles up Pikes Peak ... well, HELLO ... It may only be three more miles, but if we had our choice we wanted the shuttle driver to take over at this point!

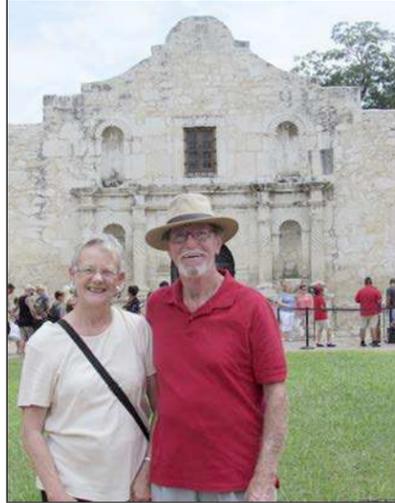
As we climbed into the shuttle van, Oscar asked the driver how many of these trips he had made. This was his 20th round trip that day, and he said he has made 400 so far this year. I will admit I was more comfortable with the shuttle driver taking the sharp curves up the mountain than I had been the previous 16 miles! I nevertheless kept my camera pointed at every

curve we made. The 14,115-foot summit at the top of Pikes Peak provides an unbelievable experience. The air was somewhat thin even for me, and I noticed that I didn't walk as quickly before becoming a little winded. But of course, I needed to get those pictures all around the top, so I just trudged on! There are gift shops at the 13-mile and 16-mile stops as well as one on the summit, so of course I got my certification that "I made it to the top."

As I write this we are in Aurora, Colorado and will be heading to Laramie, Wyoming just 135 miles away. Aurora is just north of Denver, and if I ever had a suggestion for driving on Interstate 35 through Denver, it would be not to travel through rush hour. It took us two hours and five lanes of traffic to get through the Mile High City at an average pace of 10 miles per hour. I am sure Jack the Cat was hiding in one of his cubby holes back in the travel trailer rather than sitting on the table looking out the window at all the traffic!



PHOTOS BY SANDY SCOTT
Bernalillo Vietnam War Memorial.



Sandy & Oscar at the Alamo



Sandy in front of the 1912 live oak tree at the Alamo.



Caballo Mountains at Lakeview RV Park.



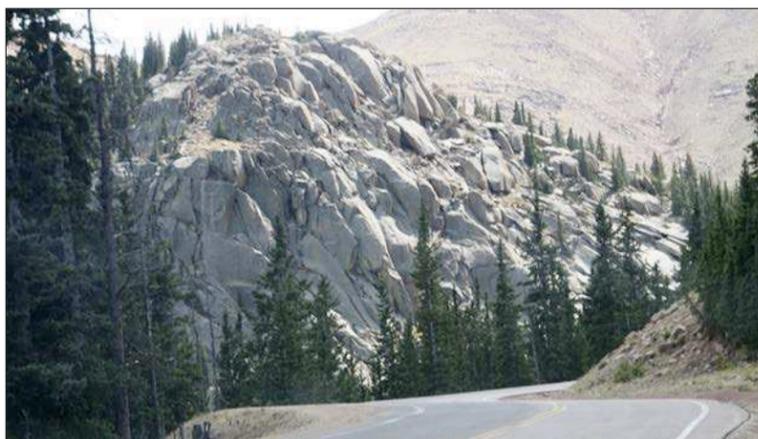
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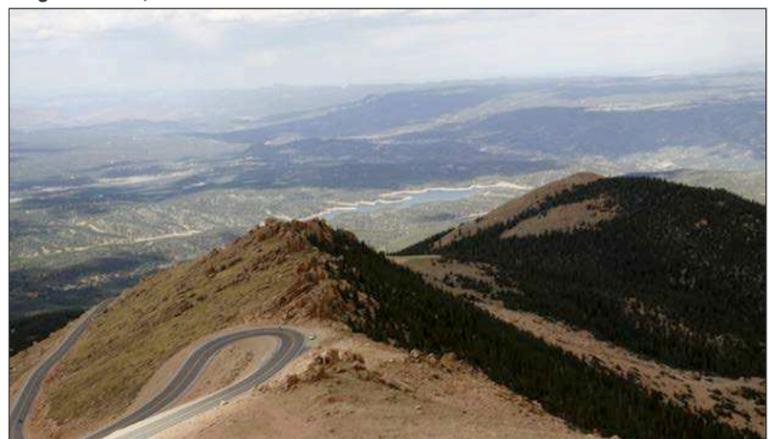
I-35 26 miles south of Truth or Consequences, NM.



Wagon Mound, New Mexico.



Pikes Peak-winding road to the summit.



Pikes Peak-winding road up.

When Government Was "For The People ..."

In ninth grade, the course was called "social studies," a term that can be applied to a broad spectrum of academic disciplines.

At Bartow High School, our ninth grade social studies teacher chose to teach a curriculum that I would later recognize as "civics."

It was my rudimentary introduction to how American government works, or was supposed to work. The year was 1954.

The issue of political parties was of little consequence.

While much of my studies focused on liberal vs. conservative philosophies of governance, the focus was on philosophy, not on party labels.

The emphasis of government, or so we believed, was on the best interests of the electorate, a concept embraced by both of the two major parties.

Politically speaking, it was a kinder, simpler era.

"Government for the people ... I miss that concept."

Today, each of the two

son and Rick Scott for the U.S. Senate, the Republican Party has been assailing Nelson, the incumbent Democrat, for voting with his party 89 percent of the time. This accusation suggests to me that he voted his own convictions, and against his party leadership, at least 11 percent of the time.

This is a bad thing?

On the inflammatory issue of the Second Amendment (the right to bear arms), many Republican candidates boast of an A or A-plus rating by the National Rifle Assn., while Democratic candidates declare their pride in a rating of F by the same organization. At a Democratic rally a few weeks ago, I heard one candidate apologize for having "only" a D, but he proudly assured the audience that "After my last vote, that will be an F."

Is there no room for pride in taking a position on this or any other issue that can recognize the interests of both ends of the political spectrum?

To me, this approach to politics would suggest a government that truly is "for the people," not committed to political ideologies on one side and contempt for the other.

S. L. Frisbie is retired. He served in the military — active Army and Army National Guard — for 32 years. He supports all 10 articles of the Bill of Rights. And he believes that proponents of all sides of the political spectrum should be heard and respected on all issues.

major parties is focused entirely on success of its own initiatives, not on the interests of its constituents.

Republican ideologues ridicule as "Rinos" (Republicans In Name Only) politicians who occasionally think for themselves, rather than blindly embracing the positions of their party leaders.

Democrats may have a similar pejorative with which I am unfamiliar.

I still try to cling to my childhood belief that politicians of both parties have the best interests of the citizens at heart. My former boss calls me the Patron Saint of Lost Causes.

In the race between Bill Nel-



Thinking Out Loud

By S.L. Frisbie IV

Florida Newspaper Hall Of Fame Member, 4th-Generation Polk County Newspaper Publisher

Florida was part of the Solid South, a region where virtually all politicians and voters were Democrats.

It was the era of "Yellow Dog Democrats," a term applied to citizens who would vote for the Democratic nominee "if they ran a yellow dog." Both my granddad and my great-granddad were Yellow Dog Democrats, a philosophy embraced in the name of the newspaper they established in Bartow in 1931, The Polk County Democrat.

As a freshman at FSU in 1958, I chose a major in public administration, which was soon combined with political science to be renamed the study of government.

Are You Breaking Up With Me?

"It's not you," she said, "It's me." Something in her tone, her lowered eyes, and her shift in the chair told him it was a lie; it was definitely him.

"Are you breaking up with me?" he asked.

"It's not really a break-up, it's more like taking a break, you know?" she explained.

"Why?" he questioned.

"We've been seeing each other for a long time," she responded. "I just need some space. I mean, we started hanging out together in elementary school. And I'd be the first to say you've been there for me. When my parents got divorced and I really struggled, you listened to all my heartbreak. In high school, you were always the one to encourage me. That's when I felt like we were the closest. I know you pressed me to get serious, but I felt like I just wasn't ready, and I backed away. Now that I'm in college, I'm ready to try some different things."

"Like what?" he asked, "Or should I ask 'who'?"

Bowing up a little, she said, "That's just like you. You always want to know more than I want you to know. You want me to belong exclusively to you. If you must know, there's this cute guy in my philosophy class. We've been talking periodically after class. He sees the world different than you. He says we can trust our feelings and just let love lead us. He's not into being uptight about

things like you are."

"I know all about him," he said. "I'm sure you can't trust him."

"Have you been stalking me? How do you know him? How can you know anything about him? This is why I need to break up with you. You always act like you know more than anyone else. You're always telling me what is right and wrong. What makes you so sure that you know what is right and what is wrong? And don't tell me about how you know things I can't even un-

member I will always love you."

She grimaced, paused, and looked at him. A tear formed in the corner of her eye. She brushed it away, turned, and walked on with a determined stride.

Jesus looked sadly down at his nail-scarred hands as her shadow retreated. What else could he do to show her that he loved her best, and it would be his love that would set her free?

How many of us have broken up with Jesus because he



Directions

By Clay Smith
Hardee County Native

derstand!" she shouted.

"I thought you just wanted a break. Now you are saying you want to break up?" he asked, with a gentleness in his voice. She replied angrily, "This conversation is over. This is why I can't have you in my life anymore. You are always asking me to think about some 'deeper meaning' about what I say and what I do. I just want to live my life, have fun, and live free." She got up to leave. "Before you leave," he said, "I ask you to remember two things. Remember, being free and living without rules are two different things. And re-

cramped our style? How many of us have come back to him to admit life without him just doesn't work? How many of us have to say walking away from Jesus, doing our own thing, was the worst mistake we ever made?

The good news? He still loves you. Always.
Hardee County native Clay Smith is lead pastor at Alice Drive Baptist Church in Sumter, S.C. He and his brother and sister still own the family ranch in the Lemon Grove community east of Wauchula. You can follow him at unlikelyclay.com.

TEACHING TEACHERS



COURTESY PHOTO

Students aren't the only ones who have fun learning at Zolfo Springs Elementary. Teachers at the school had a good time while relating S.T.E.M. and literacy activities. That acronym stands for science, technology, engineering and mathematics, of course!

BOOK CLOSING FOR THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION IS OCTOBER 9, 2018

Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. is to the deadline to:

1. Register to vote in the 2018 General Election (17 year olds that will be turning 18 prior to the General Election will be able to vote in the General Election IF they are pre-registered by October 9th).
2. Update signatures.
3. Change Party Affiliations.
4. Change address.

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PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Bowling Green will hold a public meeting on Monday, October 8, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. or shortly thereafter. The sole purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the City applying for a grant under the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) during the 2019-2020 funding cycle. The applications are due October 15, 2018. The grant application includes improvements to the "Main Street Park Phase I".

The City of Bowling Green will hold the meeting at the City Hall Commission Chambers. The public is invited to attend. Handicapped persons wishing to attend, who will need special accommodations, should contact Mr. Jerry Conerly, City Manager, City of Bowling Green, at (863) 375-2255.

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PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Bowling Green will hold a public meeting on October 8, 2018 at 5:45 p.m. or shortly thereafter. The sole purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the City applying for a grant under the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) during the 2019-2020 funding cycle. The applications are due October 15, 2018. The grant application includes improvements to the "Main Street Park Phase II".

The City of Bowling Green will hold the meeting at the City Hall Commission Chambers. The public is invited to attend. Handicapped persons wishing to attend, who will need special accommodations, should contact Mr. Jerry Conerly, City Manager, City of Bowling Green, at (863) 375-2255.

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On This Day:

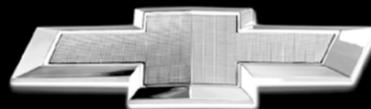
- In 1779 John Adams negotiates Revolutionary War peace terms with Great Britain
- In 1912 W. C. Handy publishes "Memphis Blues", considered the 1st blues song
- In 1954 School integration begins in Washington, D.C. & Baltimore Md public schools
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LAPTOP LEARNING



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Students in Leigh Souther's fourth-grade class at Wauchula Elementary School were hands-on with technology in social studies. Their lesson on the three branches of government fit right in with the recent election. Students used the online curriculum to help find answers to a crossword puzzle while learning about important roles in government and the responsibilities government officials have to the citizens of Florida and the U.S.

Crop Update

September 24, 2018

General: According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 23, 2018. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 4.1 inches in Milton (Santa Rosa County). The average mean temperature ranged from 79.7°F in Fort Pierce (Saint Lucie County) to 86.9°F in Key West (Monroe County).

Citrus: Daily temperatures were above average in the citrus growing region, with afternoons reaching the high 80s to the mid 90s all week. Rainfall was less frequent, with most stations recording only one or two days of significant rainfall. Isolated stations in the western and central areas had over two inches, but all other stations accumulated less than an inch. According to the September 20th, 2018 U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus region remained drought free.

Caretakers sprayed, pulled vines, and put out fertilizers. Irrigation was run two to three times a week. Generally, well-maintained groves looked good. Fieldworkers reported that oranges were about tennis ball size, and grapefruit were as large as softballs. Grove owners tested maturity levels of early oranges, grapefruit, and tangerines. Packinghouses made preparations to begin running in the next week or two.

Fruits and Vegetables: Southern Florida continued to have widespread flooding in low-lying fields, and many growers used throw-out pumps to remove excess water. Vegetable field preparations for winter plantings continued in several counties. Strawberry bed preparations were nearly complete in Hillsborough County. Producers planted a wide variety of crops, including beans, bitter melon, boniato, carrots, leafy greens, malanga, okra, peppers, radish, snap beans, sweet corn, and tomatoes. Crops harvested included avocado, bitter melon, boniato, malanga, and okra.

Livestock and Pastures: Cattlemen in Osceola County shipped some of their calves to market. Hit-or-miss showers led to some pastures wilting while others stayed soggy. In several southern counties, pasture quality declined seasonally as grasses matured. Cattle condition remained mostly good.

Field Crops: Dry weather in some counties allowed producers to harvest peanuts and hay at a fast rate. However, scattered, heavy rains prevented harvesting in other counties. Sugarcane continued to look good. The crop was nearing harvest in St. Lucie County.

Stump The Swami
By John Szeligo

Well football fans, the season is approaching the halfway mark. October will be here soon. There is nothing that says football season better than the crisp autumn breeze and the fall foliage.

The SEC has released their 2019 schedules. Gators open with Miami in Orlando and finish with FSU in the Swamp. Cupcake games with UT-Martin and Towson are mixed in. Auburn and LSU from the West Division are included with the traditional East opponents. Overall, it looks like a very tough schedule.

The Gators used a balanced attack to beat Tennessee 47-21. FSU got back to winning even though it was a MAC team. The 'Noles did get 473 yards of offense in this one. UCF and FAU played a good game on Friday night. The Knights kept their streak going but the Owls gave them all they wanted.

USF didn't win impressively but still beat East Carolina 20-13 with a fourth quarter touchdown. Miami built a 31-0 lead with Perry at quarterback before giving FIU 17 fourth quarter points. The game was never in doubt. That was the weekend for all of the major Florida schools.

Will Grier threw for 356 yards and five touchdowns in his Heisman quest. The Mountaineers defeated Kansas State 35-6. Grier had a 94 percent quarterback rating for the game. WVU should have had more points as two turnovers and two dropped passes in the end zone may have been the result of not playing last week due to Florence.

Wow, it is the week of Ohio State at Penn State. The powers of the mighty Big 10. Both teams are highly ranked sporting 4-0 records. A closer look reveals the reality. Penn State needed overtime to beat Appalachian State then added wins over the Pitt Panthers, Kent State of the MAC and Illinois. The Buckeyes have chomped on cupcakes Oregon State, Tulane and Rutgers all with 1-3 records. ABC will over hype this game all week. You can be sure no announcer will point out Ohio State plays the schedule ranked 106 in strength of schedule.

Now for this weeks bill 'o fare.

1. North Carolina at Miami — 'Canes hopefully will settle on a quarterback. The Tar Heels should not offer much of a challenge either way. Miami 34 — North Carolina 13

2. Tennessee at Georgia — 'Vols have given up 40 points or more to both West Virginia and Florida. The 'Dawgs should chow down like they are at Golden Corral. Tennessee has a good coaching staff now but it takes time. Georgia 56 — Tennessee 17

3. Louisiana at Alabama — Tide empties the bench against a Sun Belt team that Mississippi State beat by 46 points. Alabama 67 — Louisiana 13

4. Syracuse at Clemson — Orangemen are 4-0 which they have not seen since their Glory Days with Jim Brown, Ernie Davis, Floyd Little and Larry Czonka. Thing is, they have not played anybody yet. Clemson 38 — Syracuse 10

5. West Virginia at Texas Tech — Mountaineers have won five straight in this series. Grier needs a big day for that streak to continue. WVU defense is number one in the nation on points allowed and number seven overall. They have a big challenge with Raiders offense. West Virginia 48 — Texas Tech 35

6. Marshall at Western Kentucky — Herd needs to rebound and get a win in conference play. The run game and defense should win this one. Marshall 31 — WKU 23

7. FSU at Louisville — Two teams with similar seasons so far. Both 2-2 but wins are over cup cakes. 'Noles get the road win they need to turn it around. FSU 34 — Louisville 24

SWIMS will be SWIMS even when turned upside down.

8. Ole Miss at LSU — Death Valley on a Saturday night is always tough. Look for the Tigers to roar. LSU 30 — Ole Miss 17

9. Ohio State at Penn State — The "Game of the Week" by the teams who feed off the weak. ABC Prime Time. The game will be over hyped but viewed by millions who really believe the hype. Ohio State 41 — Penn State 27

10. Stanford at Notre Dame — Another matchup of 4-0 top ranked teams. Bryce Love should lead the Cardinal to a win but strange things happen in South Bend. Stanford has beaten better teams. Stanford 31 — Notre Dame 21

11. FAU at Middle Tennessee — If the Owls game with UCF is any indicator, they could sweep the rest of the season. Devin Singletary is the real deal at running back. Middle Tennessee has a good passing attack. FAU 41 — Middle Tennessee 20

12. Florida at Mississippi State — The "Mullen Bowl" just got better after the improvement the Gators showed last week. Comparative scores, useless as they are, favor UF. Home field will be huge for Mississippi State. Mississippi State 34 — Florida 31

13. Pitt at UCF — Knights will continue the nation's longest winning streak. Too many weapons for the subpar Panthers. UCF 48 — Pitt 10

14. Iowa State at TCU — Good game in the Big 12. Cyclones began with optimism and had a game canceled. They have not recovered it seems. TCU will get back on the winning track at home. TCU 34 — Iowa State 27

15. Baylor at Oklahoma — After escaping an upset by Army, the Sooners are ready to play a more conventional Big 12 team. Oklahoma 45 — Baylor 17

16. Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Chicago Bears — Bucs run into the Monsters of the Midway sporting a new attitude and a solid defense. Can "Fitzmagic" continue? Tampa Bay Buccaneers 24 — Chicago Bears 20

17. Miami Dolphins at New England Patriots — Fish are 3-0. Pats will be desperate for a win at home. The Lions took them to the woodshed last week. New England Patriots 27 — Miami Dolphins 24

18. New York Jets at Jacksonville Jaguars — Jags are tough to beat home. Their defense alone will stop the Jets. Jacksonville Jaguars 34 — New York Jets 20

19. Cleveland Browns at Oakland Raiders — Chuckie isn't selling well in the Raiders world. The hype of his return has turned sour. Can Baker Mayfield win on the road? Oakland Raiders 24 — Cleveland Browns 17

20. Baltimore Ravens at Pittsburgh Steelers — Good ole rivalry between defensive-minded teams. Steelers at home but edge goes to the Ravens. Baltimore Ravens 24 — Pittsburgh Steelers 21

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EROSION EQUATION



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Wauchula Elementary School fifth graders in Jeannette Miranda's science class used a model to help demonstrate weathering and erosion caused by water, ice and wind.

HARDEE LIVING

RELAY RAFFLE



COURTESY PHOTO

The Heartland Pharmacy's Relay For Life team recently sold tickets for a drawing to win a Princess House pitcher and griddle. The items were donated to the cause by Elisa F. Ochoa. Shown is cancer survivor Sylvia Lozano as she draws and reads the winning ticket. With her is Pauline Ochoa of Heartland Pharmacy. The team raised more than \$200 with this fundraiser. The winner was Angel Perez of Wauchula.

RONIN GOJU KARATE



COURTESY PHOTO

Robert Roberts, safety coordinator for Mosaic, spoke to the Hardee Rotary Club on Wednesday, Sept. 19, at the Java Cafe about Ronin Goju Karate. He is one of 11 men in the local program who have earned a black belt in Karate. They teach Karate to about 80 students from youngsters to older adults at the old VFW building at 322 Hanchey Road in Wauchula on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The chief teacher is Kevin White. There is a class for 4 and 5-year-olds on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. They began the overall program several years ago with 8 to 10 students. From left are Michael Kelly, Robert Roberts and Sonia Deemer. Dan Graham, owner of DeSoto Home Health, is the latest student to earn a black belt. There are 10 levels to earn before black belt and 10 levels of black belt. Ronin Goju Karate is a blend of Japanese and Chinese karate and is a total approach for a successful, confident and disciplined life, said Roberts.

WARNING OF SCAMS



PHOTO BY JIM KELLY

Det. Sgt. Andrew McGuckin of the Hardee County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday, July 31, spoke to the Wauchula Kiwanis Club at the Java Cafe about scams. The most common are telephone scams regarding won vacations, vacation deals, lotto winners, family member hurt/arrested, outstanding warrants, and IRS taxes owed. Citizens can protect themselves from most scam calls by registering their phones with www.donotcall.gov. Beware of callers regarding prizes and vacations. Spoofing enables scammers to change caller IDs. Never take immediate action or use a wire transfer or prepaid card or give out bank or personal information. Never say "yes" to an unknown caller. Some scammers try to access your bank account. Beware of unsolicited checks or automatic withdrawals. Don't be fooled by a check's appearance (most look legitimate and official). Don't deposit checks from strangers or companies you have no relationship with. Don't wire money to people you don't know. Beware of IRS scams that say you owe back taxes and want immediate payment. The IRS never calls by phone but sends letters. Beware of charity scams and lottery sweepstakes. Equifax had a data breach last year with about 143 million IDs compromised. File your IRS taxes early. Keep an eye on your credit rating and use services such as Credit Karma, Life Lock and Credit Wise. From left are club president Noey Flores, Andrew McGuckin, and Wauchula Police Chief John Eason.

On This Day:

- In 1881 Chicago Cubs beat Troy 10-8 before record small "crowd" of 12
- In 1909 US President Taft sets aside some 3 million acres of oil-rich public land (including Teapot Dome, Wyoming) for conservation purposes
- In 1938 Jewish lawyers forbidden to practise in Germany

COUNTY HEALTH REPORT



PHOTO BY JIM KELLY

Dr. Joy Jackson, director of the Florida Department of Health in Hardee County, spoke to the Wauchula Kiwanis Club on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the Java Cafe. The local health department offers school health nursing, family planning, communicable disease surveillance and treatment, tobacco prevention, immunization, emergency preparedness, environmental health, population health analysis, and community collaboration. Hardee ranks No. 33 among Florida's 67 counties in health outcomes. Some 13 percent of Hardee County residents have diabetes, with the state average of 11 percent. In fair or poor health are 29 percent of residents, the state average being 19 percent. Hardee ranks average in the rate of premature deaths (under age 75). Hardee has a lower than state average in prevalence of HIV cases and also has fewer low birth weights than state average. In overall health factors Hardee ranks No. 62 of Florida's 67 counties. Some 35 percent of Hardee adults are obese, the state average being 26 percent. Some 19 percent of Hardee adults are smokers, compared with a state average of 15 percent. Births from teenage mothers have shown a healthy decline in recent years in Hardee. Hardee ranks well below state average in primary care doctors, dentists and mental health providers. Hardee has one mental health provider per 6,840 residents, compared with the state ratio of one to 700 residents. Hardee is below average in number of violent crimes. Hardee is below state average in rates of excessive drinking and drug overdoses. From left are attorney Mike Martin, his wife Dr. Joy Jackson, and club president Noey Flores.

MOSAIC WILDLIFE REPORT



PHOTO BY JIM KELLY

On Tuesday, Sept. 11, Ben Yates spoke about wildlife protection. He is a reclamation specialist for the east mines for Mosaic. He said a nest of the Northern crested caracara requires a one-mile buffer of protection. There are five nests in the area, and road kill is picked up and placed near the nests. Mosaic employees are not allowed to even touch an Eastern indigo snake. Gopher tortoises have to be relocated. Their burrows can be 30 feet long and up to 20 feet deep and are also used by spiders, snakes and other animals. Roosting sites of wood storks require protection. The nests of bald eagles have to be kept with a buffer and are usually found in pine trees. Florida burrowing owls have to be trapped and moved to a better habitat when mining. Florida scrub jays have to be relocated, and the numbers are increasing. "We try to keep natural wildlife corridors. We have seen a few panthers and bears on Mosaic property." From left are Ben Yates, Mosaic public affairs associate Morgan Odum, and club treasurer Terry Atchley.

The Hardee Senior High Student Council Presents

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HARDEE LIVING

Fort Green News

By Rilla Cooper
773-6710

Greetings from Fort Green! The paper comes out this week on Sept. 27 and that is the birthday of a young man, Colby Harrison. I wish him lots of birthday cake and ice cream! Also, that was the wedding anniversary for my late husband, Kay Silverman, and me. We would have been married 59 years on this date. Sadly we only made 30-1/2, but now Sherman and I have been married 20 going on 21! Time sure does fly!

Everyone sure needs to be careful with all this rain. Our neighbors, Mary Lois and Leonard Crawley, found two cotton-mouth moccasins on their front porch. Naturally, they are no longer as Leonard killed them. Just look where you are stepping!

I also have a note on my calendar that Mary Lois will celebrate her big 80 on the 28th. Happy birthday wishes are extended to Mary Lois!

Speaking of the Crawleys, their grandson, Blake, blows his truck horn every morning at the end of their driveway on his way to work. I think this is nice, lets them know he is up, alive and well!

Connie Coker told me Danny is back on shift work. They normally are weekend fishing experts! A group of friends all beach and fish dur-

ing the summer.

Their daughter, Angie, and family moved to Tennessee, so grandparents are planning a trip to visit with that granddaughter, Addie! I am sure they can hardly wait to visit with them, and Connie said Angie and Rocky will be working so they can play with Addie without visiting with grownups!

It was good to read about the success of the swimming team in last week's paper.

There were too many deaths again this past week. David King lives in Hardee County during the winter months at Orange Blossom RV Park. He made his final journey last week. He always came to Fort Green when Gulf State was singing and we were having a meal. His wife, Irma, will have to make some adjustments. Dave will be missed.

Mable Williamson was happy to have her sister, Cleo, visit her from Chiple. Her daughter, husband and granddaughter were all with her. On a sad note, James's sister, Maxine Motes, passed early last Sunday. Our sincere sympathy is extended to James and his family.

Then Hinton Shackelford made his final journey, and even though he had been in Resthaven you are never ready

to see them go. Helen Albritton told me that her grandson, Caleb, and Hinton's grandson had been best of friends since first grade. Our sympathy is extended to his family.

Buck Redding was well-known especially by the young people. He taught at the high school for many a year, and students active in FFA and 4-H especially knew him. Our sympathy is extended to his family.

Tim Casey sang a special in church last Sunday in honor of Denise and Ernest Miller's first wedding anniversary. Denise had him sing "I Can Only Imagine" at their wedding, and he did just as good a job on Sunday. It was very pretty.

There were quite a few on our prayer requests at church last week. Sherry Smith is sick, possibly with a kidney problem. Geraldine Floyd has broken a couple of toes. Tim Cowart no longer has any appetite and thus is not eating. Patsy Hughes will have surgery Wednesday in Orlando for a problem with her thyroid and throat area.

Killian Soto, a 3-month-old

baby, has a problem with her muscles. She was anointed and had special prayer last Wednesday evening. Sherry Miller, of the Heartland Chorale, has some serious health problems. I don't know if she is out of the hospital or not. Please pray for these and others you may be aware of and we are not.

Our nation is filled with hate. Everyone needs to be in deep prayer for the USA. It is also important that everyone remembers to get registered to vote if they are not, and make the effort to cast your ballot in November.

Don't forget the benefit with a fundraiser this coming Saturday for Kelly Yeomans. They will be selling plates for \$10 between 11 and 6 on the empty lot at East Oak Street and U.S. 17. The menu is pulled pork, corn on the cob and baked beans. Also, it would be a good idea to add Kelly to your prayer list!

Relay for Life is having a meal soon, Oct. 13, but I have lost my note! We need to support that also.

Please pray for one another and our nation.

Group Plans Hurricane Disaster Relief Trips

Local non-profit group SendMeMissions Inc. is preparing to send four disaster relief teams to Wallace, N.C., during the next few weeks.

Wallace is about a 40-mile drive north of Wilmington, N.C.

The trips will be on the following dates:

- Monday, Oct. 1, to Thursday, Oct. 4.
- Tuesday, Oct. 2, to Sunday, Oct. 7.
- Sunday, Oct. 7, to Sunday Oct. 14.
- Wednesday, Oct. 10, to Sunday, Oct. 14.

Anyone who wants to volunteer on a team should fill

out SMM's Volunteer Interest Form on the Hurricane Florence Disaster Relief page at sendmemissions.com. Transportation, lodging and food costs for the trip will be covered.

Volunteers need to be at least 16 years old. Volunteers younger than 18 need a parent to fill out a release form and an able-bodied chaperone who will also be volunteering to accompany them.

To donate financially, visit SMM's Hurricane Florence Disaster Relief page on the group's website.

For more information and frequent updates, follow SMM on social media.

4-City News

By Henrietta Benson
448-6737

Happy birthday to Lori Barbaree, Jessica Blassingain, Linda Bolin, Mike Davis, Areli Jaimes, Jessie Pearl Davis, Jeannie Makowski, Wendy Hall, Adella O. Ryals and Emily Thomas.

Don't forget the first annual 100 Men in Black, where the guest speaker will be the Rev. Courtney J. Mackey, pastor at New Bethel AME Church in Avon Park. This Saturday at 7 p.m. at New Bethel AME Church in Winter Haven, the evening hosts are The Sons of the Allen and Rev. Greta Walker, chairperson.

Coming Soon — Relay For Life fundraiser lunch on Saturday, Oct. 13. Pickup time is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the parking lot for the Tax Collector's Office and the Public Library. Lunch will be a pulled pork sandwich, bag of chips and dessert. Any dinners not picked up by 1 will be sold on a first-come basis. We will have extras to buy as well. Tickets are available for purchase from any Relay For Life member. For more info, call Trayce Daniels at (863) 832-1197.

Unity Church school convened at Greater Macedonia Primitive Baptist Church, Elder E. Reed, pastor on Sept. 23.

City Wide Mission was Monday evening at Greater MP Baptist Church, Elder E. Reed, pastor. Subject: "The More Excellent Way."

Prayers to Russell Snelling in Winter Haven Hospital. Also prayers for Mark Brown recovering from surgery.

Deepest sympathy to the Lee and Watson families and friends in the home-going of Gladys Watson-Lee. She was a member of Shiloh MB Church. Visitation was Friday evening, and dinner at Shiloh. Service was Saturday morning at the House of God Church Keith Dominion, Arcadia. Repass was at The Woman's Club.

Pastor Howard Clark spent the weekend of Aug. 25-27 in Jamaica for the annual Youth Convention.

The Daniels Family Reunion was enjoyed Aug. 31 in St. Augustine.

Fifth Sunday Congress will

be meeting September 28-29 in Hull at St. Mary Baptist Church, the Rev. Gregory Davis, pastor.

Happy birthday to Pastor Mike Davis, on Sept. 21.

Appreciation as Pastor at Beulah MB Church in Fort Meade, honoring the Rev. Lewis Shephard, was Sept. 9. Guests were the Rev. Jackson and New Mt. Olive MB Church of Lakeland. Sunday, Sept. 16, guests were the Rev. C. T. Kirkland and Mt. Pleasant MB Church of Tampa. The Sunday, Sept. 23, First Lady Shepherd Annual Appreciation was hosted by Beulah Youth Choir, with service and musical selection. This is Pastor Shepherd's sixth year for Pastor Appreciation.

The Sons of Allen program will be at New Mt. Zion AME Church, the Rev. Willie Hayes, Wauchula at 11 a.m. on Sept. 30. Dinner will follow in the church dining hall.

Liam M. Greene of Lakeland spent the weekend in Bowling Green with grandmother Colette Greene and family.

Jace Greene enjoyed the weekend in Lakeland with the family.

Home game will be this Friday night at Wildcat Stadium, kickoff at 7:30. Its Hardee Cats vs. Lemon Bay High School of Englewood, "Charlotte County" colors of navy blue and orange. Hope we all show the Wildcats Orange spirit.

Homecoming Parade will be Oct. 5 at 2:30 p.m. in downtown Wauchula on Main Street. Homecoming game at 7:30 at Wildcat Stadium is Cats vs. Bartow High School Yellow Jackets.

Fifth Sunday Fellowship of Churches will convene Sept. 30 at 3 p.m. Host church is Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, the Rev. Michael Redmon, pastor. Guests attending will be Friendship Missionary Baptist, the Rev. Louis Anderson of Arcadia; St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, the Rev. E. Hollimon of Zolfo Springs; and Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, the Rev. Caldwell, pastor, of No- catee. All are welcome. Dinner will be served before the 3 p.m. service.

Fundraiser Saturday To Help With Medical Costs

By JENNIFER McCONKEY
Herald-Advocate Intern

A local woman's undiagnosed medical condition has left her unable to work, meaning she has no insurance to help with her growing medical expenses.

Kelly Weems Yeomans' family will be holding a fundraiser for her this Saturday. They will be selling A&B Barbeque & Catering meals of pulled pork, corn on the cob and baked beans for \$10 a plate from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

There will also be a raffle at 5 p.m. and a cake/pie auction at 5:30.

The fundraiser will be held just south of Vision Ace Hardware in the empty lot at the corner of East Oak Street and U.S. 17 North in Wauchula.

- Items in the raffle are:
- A Weber gas grill from Vision Ace Hardware.
 - A large flat-screen TV.
 - A Yeti Hopper cooler from Hardee Ranch Supply.
 - A bag of scented seasonal candles from Tractor Supply.
 - A GoPro from Caloosa Outfitters.
 - Western tack from

Damboise Ranch.

- Tire alignment and rotation from Carranco & Sons Tire & Muffler.
- Oil changes from Alan Jay Ford.
- Baskets from the Bee Barn, Therapeutic Massage, Cat's on Main, Color Street and Wauchula State Bank.
- An arrangement from Cooper's Wayside Flowers Inc.

The cake/pie auction will include pecan pie, peach cobbler, many flavors of cake — chocolate, strawberry, coconut, carrot, banana pudding, pound, blueberry, pineapple and red velvet — and other desserts.

There will be music playing at the event, and possibly a live music performance.

You can buy meal tickets from Hardee Ranch Supply, Heartland Gold, Heartland Growers, Cat's on Main, Double J Restaurant, Mater's Steakhouse, Charlotte's Webb Pub, First National Bank and Wauchula State Bank or by calling Nancy Weems at 781-1639. You can also purchase tickets at the event.

Roundup

HHS Hosts Help Nights

Hardee Senior High School is hosting three Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, Help Nights at 6 p.m. on Oct. 1-3 in the school's media center for seniors and their parents. Each night will be the same, so families don't need to come more than once.

Seniors and their parents will need to visit fafa.ed.gov to sign up for their FAFSA IDs at least 24 hours beforehand. Families should bring their FAFSA IDs and family financial documents, including their most recent tax returns and bank statements.

Private/Core Pesticide Class

There will be a three-hour pesticide license review and testing class at 9 a.m. next Thursday, Oct. 4, at the Hardee County Extension Service Office, 507 Civic Center Drive, Wauchula. The class will review the private applicator pesticide license test materials; the test will follow at 1 p.m.

Three continuing education units, two core and one private, are offered for a \$55 fee to those with current pesticide licenses who are renewing using CEUs. You can attend for only CEUs for a \$5 fee. The registration fees include refreshments. Call the Extension Office at 773-2164 to register as soon as possible.

Ag Tree Crop Pesticide Class

The Hardee County Extension Service Office is holding a two-hour pesticide license review for the commercial ag tree crop license at 9 a.m. on Oct. 11 followed by the test at 11 a.m. Two continuing education units will be offered; registration is \$5 for those only getting CEUs and \$25 for those also taking the test to renew a current license. The fee includes refreshments.

To register, call the Extension Office at 773-2164 before Oct. 5. The review and test are at the Extension Office, 507 Civic Center Drive, Wauchula. To obtain an ag tree crop license, you need to have a valid pesticide license or recently have passed the "core" category, offered Oct. 4.

Hospice Trains New Volunteers

Local citizens can volunteer with Cornerstone Hospice and help at events, visit hospice patients in Hardee County, provide support to veterans or assist at the local office. Volunteers need to come to training on Oct. 9, 11, 16 and 18, from 9 a.m. to noon at 209 N. Ridgewood Drive, Suite 3 in Sebring.

Breakfast items and coffee will be provided. Contact volunteer specialist Dorothy Harris at 382-4563 or doharris@cshospice.org to register or to get more information.

Happy Heavenly 20th Birthday Sweet Son of Mine

Adrian S. Rodriguez, Jr.

10-1-1998



11-6-2011

God had other plans that one day we will understand. Son, Happy 20th Birthday today! Knowing again we will see and touch your beautiful face. Son, the Lord needed you more in heaven. Run that ball! Forever loved and missed baby angel #77.

Blessings to heaven and all.

"We walk by faith, not by sight."

— 2 Corinthians 5:7



I love you son,
Brenda A. Garcia & family
Until we meet again.

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JAZZERCISE Wear Orange & Blue!

HOMECOMING WEEK Wildcat spirit

Tues Oct 2
4 & 5:30 classes
Fun • Prizes • Snacks • Refreshments

SPECIAL!!
Save \$25 on sign up
Ages 15-18 only \$10/mo

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Tasty Vape

Vape Lounge (863) 448-4139

Monday ~ Saturday
10am ~ 9pm

748 N. 6th Ave., Unit A • Wauchula
Beside OK Tire • Across From Badcock

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Recipes From Good Housekeeping

TOUCHDOWN TERIYAKI CHICKEN WINGS

- 1/2 cup sesame seeds
- 1 cup soy sauce
- 1 cup grapefruit juice
- 1/4 cup hoisin sauce
- 1/4 cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup rice wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 5 cloves garlic
- 3 tablespoons ginger
- 4 pounds chicken wings

1. Whisk together all ingredients except chicken. Place chicken wings in a large zip-

top food storage bag. Pour marinade over wings, seal bag and turn to coat evenly. Refrigerate at least 2 hours, or up to overnight.

2. Heat grill to medium-high. Remove chicken wings and discard marinade. Grill 8 to 10 minutes per side, turning occasionally, until golden brown and cooked through. For thousands of triple-tested recipes, visit our Web site at www.goodhousekeeping.com/recipes/.

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• The largest number of children born to one woman is recorded at 69. From 1725-1765, a Russian peasant woman gave birth to 16 sets of twins, 7 sets of triplets, and 4 sets of quadruplets.

POLICY PUNDITS



COURTESY PHOTO

Students in Nicole Keen's fifth-grade class at North Wauchula Elementary School discovered that the subject of social studies comes alive with a friendly debate. This was the topic of the day: Do you think it was fair for the U.S. government to force Native Americans who lived in Florida and the Southeastern United States to move west of the Mississippi River?

EDUCATION DONATION



COURTESY PHOTO

Staff from the Dollar General store in Bowling Green brought donated backpacks and school supplies to Bowling Green Elementary. In addition to the colorful backpacks, BGE received composition books and a basket full of various classroom supplies.

HOW HIGH?



COURTESY PHOTO

Students in teacher Ashley Wheeler's fourth-grade class at Wauchula Elementary School were given 15 straws and a piece of masking tape, then were tasked with the job of engineering the tallest free-standing tower possible.

WALK & TALK



COURTESY PHOTO

Alexi Ozuna, fifth-grade English teacher at North Wauchula Elementary School, turned her students' writing lesson into a Gallery Walk, which is a classroom-based active learning strategy where groups of students move through different stations. At each, a question or prompt is posted for them to answer and interact and share knowledge in the process.

A large collage of photos showing students participating in a walkathon. The photos show groups of children running, posing for pictures, and holding up signs. One sign says 'SAVAGE ON THE FIELD'. Another says 'GOING BEYOND'. A teacher is also seen posing with a group of students.

HAPPY HIKERS
 COURTESY PHOTOS • MONTAGE BY DARLENE WILLIAMS
 Wauchula Elementary School held its annual Go Take a Hike Walkathon on Tuesday of last week. The walkathon is a fundraiser in which students collect pledges for laps, and then walk or run as many laps as they can to earn money for their school. The kids enjoy the time outside getting fresh air, exercise and listening to music, all the while earning money for WES.

Locals Ride In Ranch Rodeo State Finals

By KATHY ANN GREGG

For The Herald-Advocate
The 11th annual Florida Cattlemen's Association Ranch Rodeo Finals are being held this weekend, with performances both Friday and Saturday nights featuring Hardee teams.

A total of 16 competing teams are each made up of four cowboys and a cowgirl. They have been competing since late January at qualifying events around the state. Teams making these finals at the Silver Spurs Arena in Kissimmee either won or placed at such an event.

Most qualifying rodeos have only five events, such as the Hardee County Cattlemen's Association Ranch Rodeo held annually on the third weekend in July. The State Finals will feature seven events: ranch bronc-riding, roping and branding, team doctoring, wild-cow milking, double muggin', women's sorting, and wild-colt riding.

And Hardee County has its presence all over the finals!

Locals will be competing on five of these 16 teams — there would have been a sixth one, but that team was forced to withdraw when a teammate was no longer available, and they couldn't meet the three-

man rule.

Hailey Andrews and Corey Fussell are on the HA Bar team. They won the very first Smith Family Cattle Drive & Ranch Rodeo, held in late January at the Brighton arena. Fussell is the designated bronc rider for the team.

The Simmons Cattle team, with Lacey Cumbree Welch and husband Hunter, won the Manatee County Cattlemen's Ranch Rodeo.

Brandon Dieter, Justin Peebles and Robert Fussell are on the 4F Cattle & Hay team that took top honors at the Arcadia Ranch Rodeo in late July. Both Dieter and Fussell are bronc riders, so one of them will complete the ride at Kissimmee.

The remaining two teams have sole Hardee Countians — Marshall Godsey (nephew of Corvil Justesen of Ona) is the designated bronc rider for the Push Hard Cattle team, and Laci Langford (daughter-in-law of the late Alton Langford) is the cowgirl on the Raney Cattle team. And both sides of Langford's family are providing stock for the cow dog competition.

With all of the qualifying events having been completed by the end of July, the 16 teams are now chomping at the

bit to see who will be taking home those beautiful trophy saddles! And that information will be revealed on Saturday night at the conclusion of the finals.

The full title of this show is the Florida Ranch Rodeo Finals & Cowboy Heritage Festival, and it's a weekend full of cowboy fun and activities.

The working cow dog competition is during the morning on Friday, and the winner will perform on Saturday night while the scores are being tallied.

Saturday is the busy day, starting at 10 a.m. The Cowboy Heritage Festival — with cowboy poetry, music, history and storytelling along with artists and leather-working as well as barbecue and swamp cabbage cooking — takes place inside the Heritage Club arena.

Whip-popping competitions take place outside throughout the day, for various age groups and skill levels, with those winners also performing at the Ranch Rodeo during Saturday's intermission.

And inside the arena all day Saturday is the ranch horse competition, starting at 9 a.m., followed by the second annual Silver Sorting competition at 2 p.m. All team members must



be 50 years or older. The Roman III Ranch usually sponsors a team in this event, and last year Doyle Carlton III himself did the actual sorting for the team.

Darin Hughes has been a member of the Ranch Rodeo Committee for years, and you will see him there helping out. Millie Carlton Bolin lends her melodious voice to one or two renditions of our National Anthem.

Local sponsors of this event include the Carlton family and their Roman III Ranch, Charlie

Creek Livestock and D&S Cattle of Zolfo Springs, and Florida Fence Post Co. of Ona.

Kathy Ann Gregg is the official photographer for the weekend, and donated photos for use in the "Florida Cattlemen's Livestock Journal" to promote the event.

This weekend's activities are the major fundraiser for the 501(c)(3) Florida Cattlemen's Foundation. Bolin is one of the directors of the Foundation.

This is a family event, with activities for all ages — plenty of good eats, vendors, and lotsa fun. Each rodeo perform-

ance includes a boot scramble for the little tykes.

Everything at the heritage festival is free to attend, but there is a \$10 admission charge to the Ranch Rodeo performances at 7 each night for those 11 years of age and up.

So, come to the Silver Spurs Arena and Osceola Heritage Park this weekend and root for fathers and sons (and one father and daughter), married couples, cousins, brothers (and a brother and sister), and even a set of cowboy twins. Yee-haw!



The Simmons Cattle team with their buckles at the Manatee County Cattlemen's Ranch Rodeo in early February. Pictured are (from left) Manatee Sweetheart Casey Wingate, Lacey and Hunter Welch, Jerrod Sparks, Justin Feagle and Justin Peebles, with his son Wyatt and friend. Peebles will be replaced on this team by bronc-rider Ty Edwards at the finals.



Corey Fussell prepares to do the heeling at one of the events at the Smith Family Cattle Drive & Ranch Rodeo at Brighton in late January.



The 4F Cattle & Hay team members, with their sponsors, in their winning photo at the Arcadia Ranch Rodeo. Shown (from left) are sponsors Justin Fussell and father Bobby, Brandon Dieter, Dalton Richards and Amanda Scarbrough, with Florida Cattlemen's Sweetheart Elizabeth Tauchen. Missing from the photo are teammates Justin Peebles and Robert Fussell.



Members of the HA Bar team are (from left) Hailey Andrews, Corey Fussell, Myron Albritton (on horseback) and his son, Blaine. The fifth team member at the finals will be Casey King.



Marshall Godsey is the designated bronc rider for the Push Hard Cattle team, and here he is shown in a picture-perfect ride at the Fort Pierce Ranch Rodeo in late March.



The Push Hard Cattle team is composed of (from left) Carson Storey, Christi Pryor, Cody Storey, Billy Adams and Marshall Godsey. Pryor, who has been a member of this team for years, recently joined the U.S. Navy, so she is being replaced at the finals by Adams' daughter, Jenna Stierwalt.

PHOTOS BY KATHY ANN GREGG

Courthouse Report

COUNTY COURT

The following marriage licenses were issued recently in the Clerk of Courts Office:

Carl Sinclair Atkins Jr., 20, of Wauchula, and Ariana Isabel Ramos, 19, of Wauchula.
Justin Mitchell Hinerman, 27, of Wauchula, and Brittany Michelle Dunlap, 24, of Wauchula.

The following civil actions and small-claims cases were disposed of recently by the county judge:

Credit Acceptance Corp. vs. Travis Bashore and Donovan Richardson, and Chipotle Mexican Grill, satisfaction of final judgment for garnishment of employee wages.
Capital One Bank vs. Carolyn L. Gilliard, voluntary dismissal.

The following criminal traffic and misdemeanor cases were disposed of last week in County Court:

There was no criminal traffic or misdemeanor sentencing last week as the courts were closed for the Yom Kippur holiday.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following civil actions were filed recently in the office of the Circuit Court:

Discover Bank vs. Jennifer C. Canary, contracts and indebtedness.
Stephanie S. Taylor and Robert Clayton Taylor, petition for divorce.

The following decisions on civil cases pending in the Circuit Court were handed down recently by the circuit judge:

Limestone Ranch, also known as Durando Family Ranch, vs. Organic Matters Inc., stipulation for voluntary dismissal and final order of dismissal.
Diana Herradoa vs. Francisco Rivera, final judgment of injunction for protection.
Janet Waite vs. Ronnie Redding, final judgment of injunction for protection.
Florida Department of Revenue and Tammy L. Spain vs. Randall Brian Albritton, order redirecting payment through state disbursement unit.

Deanna Edwards and FDOR vs. Jerry J. Nichols, order on petition to authorize child support credit findings.

FDOR and Mario Lopez vs. Melinda S. Seay, order suspending ongoing child support order on arrears findings.

Jennifer Riley Medrano Gaona and FDOR vs. Enrique Garza III, final order on petition to establish child support.

FDOR and Shameka Tranette Snell vs. Alexander Poole Jr., final judgment on petition for enforcement of administrative support order.

FDOR and Jocelyn Saez vs. Enier Durades, final judgment on petition for enforcement of administrative support order.

Suntrust Bank vs. Ana Paredes and Alberto Perez, final judgment of foreclosure.

FDOR and Abigail Sanchez vs. Juan Rico Jr., final judgment on petition for enforcement of administrative support order.

Lisa M. Corson and FDOR vs. Peter Andrew Slemmons III, final judgment on petition for enforcement of administrative support order.

Kelly Purser vs. Michael Purser, voluntary dismissal.

The following felony criminal cases were disposed of last week by the circuit judge:

Daren Twiddy, possession of meth, adjudication withheld, three years' probation; possession/use of narcotics equipment, resisting arrest without violence and carrying a concealed weapon/electric or device, probation concurrent with first charge, \$970 fines, costs and fees; separate charges of possession of meth and possession/use of narcotics equipment, not prosecuted.

Collis Saymond Morris, burglary of a dwelling and grand theft dwelling/property, four years' probation concurrent with a Polk County case, complete anti-theft course, \$1,270 fines, costs and fees, \$50 restitution; criminal mischief (above \$200), time served, \$625 fines, costs and fees, restitution reserved.

Kyle David Morris, burglary of unoccupied conveyance and larceny theft (\$300 or more), adjudication

withheld, four years' probation, no weapons/firearms, 100 hours' community work, \$1,220 fines, costs and fees.

Christopher Lee Martin, violation of probation, original charge possession of more than three grams of synthetic marijuana, probation revoked, new term of two years' probation, license suspended one year, curfew between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., \$350 fines, costs and fees.

Mikey Retana, violation of probation, original charge possession of more than three grams or powder form of synthetic cannabinoids, cathinones or synthetic phenethylamines, probation restored and modified, license suspended one year, \$300 fines, costs and fees.

Mikey Retana, violation of probation, original charges possession of meth and possession of marijuana, probation restored and modified, license suspended one year, remain in jail until bed becomes available at drug treatment center.

Marcus Miguel Moton, violation of probation, original charge failure to redeliver lease equipment, eight months' jail, credit time served, probation revoked, \$350 fines, costs and fees.

Lashonda Barritt Baker, burglary with assault/battery, not prosecuted; battery, time served, \$1,672 fines, costs and fees; violation of house arrest, original charges possession of cocaine and possession of meth, three years' prison, credit time served, \$150 fines, costs and fees.

Ashley Lana Noles, violation of house arrest, original charge possession of meth, 364 days' jail, probation revoked, \$450 fines, costs and fees.

Daisy Calvillo, possession of meth and possession/use of narcotics equipment, entered drug pretrial intervention program.

Gertrude Fleurantin, violation of probation, original charge possession of more than 20 grams of marijuana, probation restored and modified to add six months, curfew between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., license suspended one year, \$350 fines, costs and fees.

William Dwight Kilgore, petit theft and defrauding secondary metals recycler (adjudication withheld), three years' probation, anti-theft course, 50 hours' community work, \$1,220 fines, costs and fees, \$600 restitution.

Jeremy Edwards, grand theft, three years' probation concurrent with a Highlands County case, complete anti-theft course, \$1,270 fines, costs and fees, \$247.70 restitution.

Rosanna Sanchez, violation of probation, original charge possession of meth, probation revoked, license suspended one year, \$500 fines, costs and fees; grand theft auto, 18 months' prison concurrent with above case, credit time served, \$1,270 fines, costs and fees.

Kasie Hicks, violation of probation, original charge dealing in stolen property, 13 months' prison, credit time served, probation revoked, \$550 fines, costs and fees.

Sabrina Storme Rohrback, violation of probation, original charges uttering a forgery (check) and grand theft, 30 days' jail, credit time served, probation restored and modified, 25 hours' community work, \$300 fines, costs and fees.

Ronda Michelle Hernandez, violation of probation, original charge possession of meth, 60 days' jail, credit time served, probation restored and modified to add two years, curfew between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., license suspended one year, \$350 fines, costs and fees.

Albury Alfred, possession of more than three grams or powder form of synthetic cannabinoids, cathinones or synthetic phenethylamines and possession of electric device by convicted felon, two consecutive years' probation, no weapons/firearms, \$970 fines, costs and fees.

Tommy Lee Parker Jr., aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, adjudication withheld, complete anger management course, \$970 fines, costs and fees, restitution reserved; second charge of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon

not prosecuted; child abuse, adjudication withheld, five years' probation concurrent with above case, anger management course, \$970 fines, costs and fees.

Bobby Thompkins, violation of probation, original charge sale of meth within 1,000 feet of a church, 30 days' jail, probation restored and modified, \$350 fines, costs and fees.

Refugio Gonzalez Nunez, domestic battery, 12 months' probation, anger management course, \$1,322 fines, costs and fees; second charge of domestic battery and tampering/harassing witness/victim, not prosecuted.

Jordon Crocker, grand theft, adjudication withheld, 25 days' jail, credit time served, 12 months' probation, 50 hours' community work, no weapons/firearms, anti-theft course, \$700 fines, costs and fees, \$550 restitution.

Esbeida Maldonado, possession of meth and possession/use of narcotics equipment, not prosecuted.

Darrell Antron Hines, violation of probation, original charge possession of meth, probation restored and modified to add one year, \$350 fines, costs and fees, remain in jail until bed becomes available at drug treatment center.

Timothy Nekada Burks, possession of firearm/ammunition by convicted felon, resisting officer without violence, attempted tampering with physical evidence, possession of

more than three grams or powder form of synthetic cannabinoids, cathinones or synthetic phenethylamines and possession/use of narcotics equipment, bond estreated, capias issued.

The following deeds for real estate transactions of \$10,000 or more were filed recently in the Clerk of Courts Office:

TC 12 LLC to Sergio Jimenez Jr., for \$36,000.

Sergio Jimenez Jr. to CK Sanders LLC, for \$41,000.

Jacob McKindle and Jessica Dale Selph to Alfredo N. Pascual Cruz and Rosa Bautista, for \$53,000.

JPMorgan Chase Bank to Armando and McKenzie Alvarez, for \$115,500.

Javier Garrido to Floyd Smith and Ted Smith, for \$123,000.

Oakwood Construction to Travis Ray Maldonado and Brandi Nichole Maldonado as trustees of the Travis and Brandi Maldonado Living Trust, for \$177,800.

Antonio and Li Barlaam to Jonathon Byers and Tabatha Byers, for \$177,800.

Aaron Drew and Lauren M. Dyess to James B. and Sandra S. Belflower, for \$205,000.

Donna Skipper to David Williams, for \$15,000.

J. David and Phyllis T. Fitzgerald to Deborah L. Brambilla, for \$34,500.

L. Cobb Development to L&L Properties of Central Florida, for \$147,500.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Florida Department of Transportation Project

Bids will be received by the District One Office until 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 18, 2018 for the following Proposals:
E1R96-R0 - Power Shearing in DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, and Highlands Counties.
Budget Amount: \$125,000.00

Complete letting advertisement information for this project is available on our website at <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/contractsadministration/district1/>; or by calling (863) 519-2559.

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HARDEE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2019

First Quarter	Second Quarter
January 03rd and 17th	April 04th and 18th
February 07th and 21st	May 02nd and 16th
March 07th and 21st	June 06th and 20th
Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
July 18th (6:00 p.m.)	October 03rd and 17th
August 01st and 15th	November 07th and 21st
September 05th and 19th	December 05th and 19th

2019 PLANNING SESSIONS

January 11th	July 12th
February 15th	August 09th
March 15th	September 13th
April 12th	October 11th
May 10th	November - No Planning
June 14th	December - No Planning

PLEASE NOTE THE FIRST MEETING OF THE MONTH IS AT 8:30 A.M. AND THE SECOND MEETING OF THE MONTH IS AT 6:00 P.M. PLANNING SESSIONS ARE AT 8:30 A.M.

THESE MEETING DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE; HOWEVER, ANY CHANGES WILL BE ADVERTISED.

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CITY OF WAUCHULA NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City Commission of the City of Wauchula will hold the regular scheduled workshop Monday, October 1, 2018 at 5:00 pm or as soon thereafter as it reasonably can be held. The agenda can be viewed at www.cityofwauchula.com.

The meetings will be held at the Commission Chambers located at 225 East Main Street, Wauchula, FL 33873.

Pursuant to Section 286.0107, Florida Statutes, as amended, the City Commission hereby advises that if any interested person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at the proceedings, he will need a record of the proceeding and that, for such purposes, he may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

The City Commission of the City of Wauchula, Florida does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discriminatory policy involves every aspect of the Commission's functions, including ones access to, participation, employment or treatment in its programs or activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act or Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, should contact the City Clerk at (863) 773-3131.

CITY OF WAUCHULA
S/ Richard K. Nadaskay Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST
S/Holly Smith
City Clerk



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The Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) announces the following public meetings to which all interested persons are invited:

Southwest Florida Water Management District Schedule of Meetings
Fiscal Year 2019

- Governing Board Meeting
 - October 23, 2018 (9:00 a.m., Brooksville Office)
 - November 13, 2018 (9:00 a.m., Tampa Office)
 - December 11, 2018 (9:00 a.m., Brooksville Office)
 - January 22, 2019 (9:00 a.m., Tampa Office)
 - February 26, 2019 (10:00 a.m., Sarasota Office)
 - March 26, 2019 (9:00 a.m., Brooksville Office)
 - April 23, 2019 (10:00 a.m., Lake Eva Banquet Hall, Haines City)
 - May 21, 2019 (9:00 a.m., Tampa Office)
 - June 25, 2019 (9:00 a.m., Tampa Bay Water)
 - July 23, 2019 (9:00 a.m., Tampa Office)
 - August 27, 2019 (9:00 a.m., Brooksville Office)
 - September 24, 2019 (3:00 p.m., Tampa Office)
- Governing Board Public Budget Hearings - 5:01 p.m., Tampa Office
 - 2019 - September 10 & 24
- Public Meeting for Pending Permit Applications - 9:00 a.m., Tampa Office
 - 2018 - October 3; November 7; December 5
 - 2019 - January 2; February 6; March 6; April 3; May 1; June 5; July 10; August 7; September 4
- Environmental Resource Permitting Advisory Group - 10:00 a.m., and Water Use Permitting Advisory Group - 2:00 p.m., Tampa Office
 - 2018 - November 28
 - 2019 - March 27; July 24
- Agricultural & Green Industry Advisory Committee - 9:00 a.m., Tampa Office
 - 2018 - December 6
 - 2019 - March 7, June 6, September 5
- Environmental Advisory Committee - 1:30 p.m., Tampa Office
 - 2018 - October 2
 - 2019 - January 8, April 9, July 9
- Industrial Advisory Committee - 10:00 a.m., Tampa Office
 - 2018 - November 6
 - 2019 - February 19, May 14, August 13
- Public Supply Advisory Committee - 1:00 p.m., Tampa Office
 - 2018 - November 6
 - 2019 - February 19, May 14, August 13
- Well Drillers Advisory Committee - 1:30 p.m., Tampa Office
 - 2018 - October 10
 - 2019 - January 9; April 10; July 10;
- Springs Coast Management Committee - 1:30 p.m., Brooksville Office
 - 2018 - October 31, December 12
 - 2019 - January 9, February 27, May 15, August 21
- Springs Coast Steering Committee - 2:00 p.m., Brooksville Office
 - 2019 - Jan 30; March 27; August 28
- Cooperative Funding Initiatives - all meetings begin at 10 a.m.
 - 2019 - February 6 - Northern Region, Brooksville Office
 - 2019 - February 7 - Heartland Region, Location to be Determined
 - 2019 - February 13 - Southern Region, Sarasota Office
 - 2019 - February 14 - Tampa Bay Region, FDEP Office
 - 2019 - April 3 - Northern Region, Brooksville Office
 - 2019 - April 4 - Heartland Region, Bartow City Hall
 - 2019 - April 10 - Southern Region, Sarasota Office
 - 2019 - April 11 - Tampa Bay Region, Tampa Office
- Meeting Locations
 - Brooksville Office - 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville 34604-6899
 - Sarasota Office - 6750 Fruitville Road, Sarasota 34240-9711
 - Tampa Office - 7601 US Highway 301 North, Tampa 33637-6759
 - Lake Eva Banquet Hall - 799 Johns Avenue, Haines City 33844-5503
 - Bartow City Hall - 450 N. Wilson Avenue, Bartow 33830
 - Tampa Bay - 2575 Enterprise Road, Clearwater 33763
 - FDEP - 13051 N Telecom Parkway STE 101 Temple Terrace 33637

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: WaterMatters.org - Boards, Meetings & Event Calendar; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211.

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) does not discriminate on the basis of disability. This nondiscrimination policy involves every aspect of the District's functions, including access to and participation in the District's programs and activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the District's Human Resources Bureau Chief, 2379 Broad St., Brooksville, FL 34604-6899; telephone (352) 796-7211 or 1-800-423-1476 (FL only), ext. 4703; or email ADACoordinator@WaterMatters.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board/Committee with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Dennis.cockrell@watermatters.org; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211, x4400 (Ad Order EXE0638)

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VARSITY CROSSCOUNTRY

Lady Cat's Take 3rd At Coastal Meet

By TOM STAIK
Of The Herald-Advocate

The dynamic duo of sisters Adrianna and Tatiana Mier guided the Lady Wildcats to a third place finish at the North Port Invitational on Saturday (Sept. 22).

Younger sister Adriana finished the day third overall with a time of 21:47.20.

Tatiana, a senior, finished the day fourth overall with a time of 21:52.00.

The sisters were the only members of the squad to finish in the top 10.

"Adriana and Tatiana led the way," said coach Rob Beatty. "At the half mile point they were in 13 and 14, but by the 1.25 (mile) mark they had moved to 3 and 4, and ran together that way until the final kick where Adrianna pulled slightly ahead to get 3rd."

Katie Brandeberry also medaled for Hardee after turning in a 23:43.10 effort – a "huge" personal record – to claim 17th place.

Also claiming personal records were Ingrid Mendoza who went below 25 minutes for the first time this season, and Kareli Plata who had her best finish of the year, Beatty said.

The ladies competed in a field of more than 100 runners representing 10 schools.

Hardee's boy's squad struggled again this week as they finished near the bottom of a 15 school pack despite a stand-

out performance by Zack Durastanti.

Durastanti finished fourth overall – the only Wildcat in the top ten – with a time of 18:09.00.

"The boys were again led by Zack Durastanti, who basically ran to 4th place immediately, finishing 4th with a respectable time in the low 18's," Beatty said.

Despite the showing, the boy's are continuing to improve.

"Some of (Zack's) teammates are starting to close the gap, which is what I've been waiting for," Beatty said. "Almost all of the remaining boys got big personal records."

Noah Torres recorded his best time of the year.

Ivan Rodriguez also turned in his best performance of the season.

"Ivan had a season personal record and is starting to look like the Ivan from last season," Beatty said.

Roberto Gutierrez is continuing to make strides recovering from an injury.

"He has been trying for to recover from injury, so he was a bit off, so he's going to be doing pool workouts for a few days," Beatty said.

Angel Aviles, Scottie Meeks, and Dalton Kiella also received high praise from Beatty for their performances.

"I was really impressed with newcomer Angel Aviles who dropped a tremendous amount

of time from his previous race," Beatty said. "Scottie Meeks and Dalton Kiella also had their best efforts thus far."

Individual Results:

Girl's Team Results (Small School Varsity): 1st, Out of Door Academy, 39; 2nd, Lely, 63; 3rd, HARDEE, 71; 4th, Community School of Naples, 125; 5th, St. John Neumann, 127; 6th, Imagine School of North Port, 147; 7th, Lake Placid, 179; 8th, Lehigh, 188; 9th, DeSoto, 199; and 10th, Dunbar, 256.

Girl's Individual Results: 3rd, Adrianna Mier, 21:47.20; 4th, Tatiana Mier, 21:52.00; 17th, Kaitlynn Brandeberry, 23:43.10; 29th, Ingrid Mendoza, 24:56.30; 44th, Kareli Plata, 26:43.30; 59th, Jessalin Arreola, 28:12.10; 79th, Laura Ramos, 29:11.70; and 83rd, Acheline Delhomme, 32:44.80.

Boy's Team Results (Small School Varsity): 1st, Lely, 42; 2nd, Bishop Verot, 79; 3rd, DeSoto, 156; 4th, St. John Neumann, 169; 5th, Community School of Naples, 176; 6th, Out of Door Academy, 178; 7th, Oasis, 195; 8th, Canterbury School (Fort Myers), 198; 9th, Lemon Bay, 218; 10th, Bayshore, 226; 11th, HARDEE, 237; 12th, Imagine School at North Port, 265; 13th, Gateway Charter, 307; 14th, Bradenton Christian, 311; and 15th, Lake Placid, 412.

Boy's Individual Results: 4th, Zack Durastanti, 18:09.00; 51st, Ivan Rodriguez, 20:29.90; 57th, Noah Torres, 20:48.50; 62nd, Roberto Gutierrez, 21:01.10; 72nd, Dalton Kiella, 21:43.60; 88th, Scott Meeks, 22:57.20; 94th, Angel Aviles, 23:28.80; 124th, Devan Rimes, 29:15.30; and 126th, Mike Trevino, 30:25.70.



COURTESY PHOTOS

The Lady Wildcats finished third overall in the North Port Invitational on Saturday as they competed in a field of more than 100 runners from 10 other schools in the small school varsity competition.



Zack Durastanti, Kaitlynn Brandeberry, and Adriana and Tatiana Mier each earned medals as they represented Hardee Senior High School on Saturday at the North Port Invitational.



Ivan Rodriguez (752) had his best outing of the season Saturday.



Ingrid Mendoza (738) rounds a corner with a pack of runners.



Kareli Plata (741) set a season high personal record on Saturday as she ran for the Lady Wildcats.



Kaitlynn Brandeberry (735) medaled on Saturday as she finished 17th overall.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

WILDCAT

FAN APPRECIATION NIGHT

Who: All Hardee Wildcat Fans

Where: Wildcat Stadium

Let's cheer on the Hardee Wildcats
as they face the
Lemon Bay Rays!

Come by the Mosaic Welcome Table
and get some Wildcat spirit items!

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First-Day Sales of Super Sebring Tickets, Parking Crush Records

First-day sales of tickets and parking for what is being dubbed the 2019 "Super Sebring" doubleheader of the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring Presented by Advance Auto Parts and the WEC 1000 Miles of Sebring rose more than 314 percent over opening-day sales for the 2018 event.

A large percentage of reserved track-side parking spaces and Sebring's premium ticket - Club Sebring - were sold on day one.

"The addition of the WEC 1000 Miles of Sebring to the legendary Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring schedule is already proving to be a huge success," said Wayne Estes, president and general manager of Sebring International Raceway. "Our phones have been ringing non-stop and online sales have been amazing. We're not only seeing a tremendous response from our returning fans but also a large influx of new fans from Europe and Canada alike. The activity we've seen is backing up our claim to this being one of the greatest weekends of sportscar racing in the history of the United States."

Up to 20 hours of the greatest sportscars and drivers in the world will compete on the 3.74-mile 17-turn circuit over two days. The WEC 1000 Miles of Sebring is expected to be an eight-hour endurance race and will take the green flag at 3:55 p.m. Friday, March 15. The next day, the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring will start in its traditional 10:40

a.m. time slot.

Tickets and reserved track-side parking are available online at sebringraceway.com or by phone at 800-626-7223. Advance-purchase prices are in effect through Feb. 13, after which gate prices will apply to all ticket sales. A discounted four-day early-bird Superticket is being offered until Nov. 12. Gates will open at Sebring at 6 a.m. Wednesday, March 16, and will remain open 24 hours a day through Saturday's 12-hour endurance classic.

The Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring will be the second round of the International Motor Sports Association (IMSA) WeatherTech Sports-Car Championship. IMSA will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2019. Friday's FIA World Endurance Championship (WEC) race will be round six of the "Super Season" that concludes at the famed 24 Hours of Le Mans in June.

A wide variety of ticket options are available, including four-day, two-day (Friday/Saturday) and Saturday only. As always, children 12 and under will be admitted free. Active military and student discounts are also available with proper ID.

Race fans will notice many upgrades at the famed Sebring facility when they arrive in March, most notably a new bridge into Green Park for both vehicles and pedestrians and the new pit lane from Turn 15 to the Ulmann Straight to be used for Friday's 1000 Miles of Sebring.

Also on the Sebring 12-Hour weekend schedule are the Michelin Pilot Challenge, which will take place Friday prior to the 1000 Miles of Sebring, and Thursday's IMSA Prototype Challenge race. Practice and qualifying will begin on Wednesday.

Sebring also will feature ample off-track activities such as the traditional driver autograph session, a display of historic race cars, entertainment at The Spring Brake Party Zone and fireworks.

Sebring International Raceway is North America's oldest permanent road-racing facility, established in 1950. The circuit originated from a WWII B-17 combat crew training base known as Hendricks Field. Nestled among the orange groves and cattle ranches of Central Florida,

Sebring International Raceway has hosted the legendary 12-hour endurance classic since 1952, now part of the prestigious IMSA WeatherTech Sports-Car Championship. Sebring was the site of the first-ever FIA World Championship Sports Car Race in 1953, and in 2012 hosted the inaugural race of the FIA WEC, which returns in 2019 to run the day before the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring Presented by Advance Auto Parts.

Sebring is also known as one of the most versatile testing facilities in the motorsports industry, offering a variety of circuit configurations for club and corporate events, private testing and racing schools.



The Le Mans winning Toyota LMP1 will be competing at Sebring for the first time in the 100 Miles of Sebring WEC race.



Corvette will be the favorite in the IMSA GTLM category in 2019, but faces tough competition from Porsche, Ford, and BMW.

VARSITY SWIMMING & DIVING

'Cats Bow To Green Dragons

By TOM STAIK

Of The Herald-Advocate

Hardee Senior High School's trip to the Lake Placid High School pool to face down the Green Dragons ended with a belly flop as the Wildcats were bested by the hosting squad in a two-way meet last Monday (Sept. 17).

Lake Placid won the day with 633 points. Hardee was a distance second at 424 points.

The Lady Wildcat squad was more competitive than the boys as they racked up 241 points to Lake Placid's 312.

Hardee's boy's finished more than 100 points behind the Green Dragons as they garnered 183 points to Lake Placid's 321.

The meet did have several Wildcat standout performances.

Abby Duke was first in the 200 yard individual medley with a time of 2:46.74.

Trey Stephens was first in the boy's 50 yard freestyle with a time of 34.95.

Lahna Christian was first in the girl's 100 yard freestyle with a time of 1:03.22.

Renell Herrera was first in the girl's 500 yard freestyle with a time of 6:35.29.

The girl's 200 yard freestyle relay team of Herrera, Christian, Morgan Hellein, and Hannah Ford took first with a time of 1:55.11.

The boy's 200 yard freestyle relay team of Kein Knight, Hugh Pate, Stephens, and Oren Crawford also took first with a time of 1:45.01.

Individual Results:

Girl's 200Y Medley Relay: 4th, Hardee (Abby Duke, Rachel Shaw, Emma Hays, and Hannah Ford), 2:26.60; 6th, Hardee (Cadee Richardson, Riley Justiss, Jordan Sperry, and Aundrea Kerth), 2:43.32; 7th, Hardee (Laynee Henry, Aubrey Bragg, Heidi Smith, and Macey Kingdon), 2:49.34; and 8th, Hardee (Katie Camacho, Rachel Garland, Rebekah Erekson, and Hallie Poucher), 3:09.55.

Boy's 200Y Medley Relay: 3rd, Hardee (Trey Canary, Kein Knight, JC Thomas, and Hunter Sellers), 2:13.00; and 6th, Hardee (Jake Stephens, Emery Smith, Joseph Wood, and Gage Camacho), 2:40.72.

Girl's 200Y Freestyle: 2nd, Lahna Christian, 2:22.28; 4th, Mckenzie Burch, 2:35.75; 6th, Haley Canary, 2:53.91; and 8th, Laynee Henry, 3:01.52.

Boy's 200Y Freestyle: 4th, Hugh Pate, 2:13.17; and 5th, Jake Stephens, 2:54.13.

Girl's 200Y Individual Medley: 1st, Abby Duke, 2:46.74; 5th, Emma Hays, 2:56.92; 7th, Riley Justiss, 3:07.96; and 8th, Jordan Sperry, 3:40.58.

Boy's 200Y Individual Medley: 3rd, Kein Knight, 2:37.92; 5th, Cole Wilson, 2:46.66; and 6th, Trey Canary, 2:48.68.

Girl's 50Y Freestyle: 2nd, Renell Herrera, 27.94; 3rd, Morgan Hellein, 28.04; 5th, Cadee Richardson, 34.05; and 6th, Macey Kingdon, 35.44.

Boy's 50Y Freestyle: 1st, Trey Stephens, 24.95; 3rd, Oren Crawford, 25.97; 6th, JC

Thomas, 28.82; and 8th, Darius Yang, 43.75.

Girl's 1M Diving: 2nd, Rachel Garland, 136.95; Rebekah Erekson, 129.30; 4th, Katie Camacho, 122.35; and 6th, Aryana Burch, 117.40.

Boy's 1M Diving: 2nd, Gage Camacho, 120.50; and 3rd, Emery Smith, 111.12.

Girl's 100Y Butterfly: 2nd, Morgan Hellein, 1:13.26; 5th, Heidi Smith, 1:37.27; and 7th, Aubrey Bragg, 2:01.25.

Boy's 100Y Butterfly: 2nd, Hugh Pate, 1:09.65; and 5th, JC Thomas, 1:23.45.

Girl's 100Y Freestyle: 1st, Lahna Christian, 1:03.22; 5th, Hannah Ford, 1:07.62; 6th, Mckenzie Burch, 1:11.21; and 7th, Cadee Richardson, 1:21.72.

Boy's 100Y Freestyle: 2nd, Trey Stephens, 56.75; 3rd, Oren Crawford, 58.21; 5th, Hunter Sellers, 1:01.25; and 7th, Joseph Wood, 1:15.25.

Girl's 500Y Freestyle: 1st, Renell Herrera, 6:35.29; 3rd, Emma Hays, 7:04.52; 4th, Rachel Shaw, 7:16.96; and 7th, Haley Canary, 8:11.51.

Girl's 200Y Freestyle Relay: 1st, Hardee (Renell Herrera, Lahna Christian, Morgan Hellein, and Hannah Ford), 1:55.11; 5th, Hardee (Aryanna Burch, Mckenzie Burch, Macey Kindon, and Cadee Richardson), 2:11.42; 7th, Hardee (Rachel Shaw, Hallie Poucher, Jordan Sperry, and Haley Canary), 2:21.29; and 8th, Hardee (Rachel Garland, Lexi Scheel, Aundrea Kerth, and Rebekah Erekson), 2:30.63.

Boy's 200Y Freestyle Relay: 1st, Hardee (Kein Knight, Hugh Pate, Trey Stephens, and Oren Crawford), 1:45.01; and 3rd, Hardee (Hunter Sellers, Cole Wilson, JC Thomas, and Trey Canary), 1:52.40.

Girl's 100Y Backstroke: 2nd, Abby Duke, 1:15.97; 5th, Aryanna Burch, 1:34.21; 6th, Hallie Poucher, 1:50.73; and 7th, Laynee Henry, 1:51.70.

Boy's 100Y Backstroke: 2nd, Hunter Sellers, 1:21.84; 4th, Trey Canary, 1:24.94; and 6th, Jake Stephens, 1:45.58.

Girl's 100Y Breaststroke: 4th, Rachel Shaw, 1:31.16; 5th, Riley Justiss, 1:31.98; 6th, Macey Kingdon, 1:32.75; and 8th, Rachel Garland, 1:45.28.

Boy's 100Y Breaststroke: 2nd, Kein Knight, 1:15.77; 5th, Cole Wilson, 1:30.36; 6th, Emery Smith, 1:33.61; and 7th, Gage Camacho, 1:36.85.

Girl's 400Y Freestyle Relay: 2nd, Hardee (Hannah Ford, Renell Herrera, Morgan Hellein, and Lahna Christian), 4:28.36; 4th, Hardee (Mckenzie Burch, Abby Duke, Emma Hays, and Aryanna Burch), 4:43.50; 6th, Hardee (Haley Canary, Laynee Henry, Riley Justiss, and Jordan Sperry), 5:16.63; and 8th, Hardee (Aundrea Kerth, Hallie Poucher, Lexi Scheel, and Heidi Smith), 6:00.16.

Boy's 400Y Freestyle Relay: 2nd, Hardee (Cole Wilson, Hugh Pate, Trey Stephens, and Oren Crawford), 3:57.01; and 6th, Hardee (Gage Camacho, Jake Stephens, Joseph Wood, and Darius Yang), 5:28.99.

Fitzpatrick Looks Human, Sort Of

The Buccaneers earned their first loss of the season during Monday night football.

The Pittsburgh Steelers came to town and outscored the Bucs 30-27.

However, without the Buccaneers' four turnovers, this game would have gone a different direction.

Quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick, the leading NFL passer, is credited with three interceptions. Two of which are probably his fault, as the throws were incredibly off target.

Adding to the interceptions, wide receiver Chris Godwin fumbled in the second quarter while being tackled. The Steelers capitalized on the Buccaneers' mistakes and scored 24 points in the second quarter.

Despite the loss — despite the interceptions which tally four on the year — Ryan Fitzpatrick is responsible for one of the best comebacks in the second half in Buccaneer history. And again, he threw for

over 400 yards.

According to the statistics people at the NFL, Fitzpatrick is the first quarterback in history to throw for over 400 yards in three consecutive games.

And only two quarterbacks have ever thrown over 400 yards four times in a single season — Peyton Manning and Dan Marino. One more game of 400 plus yards lands

However, Monday night's loss and interceptions may leave some room for Jameis Winston to try and earn his job back.

I don't know how a coach (or ownership) benches a player who just made league history for passing yards, but the Bucs haven't always been known for great personnel decisions. (See Steve Young, Aquib Talib, Legarrette



Bucs Beat
By David Horton

Fitzpatrick into some pretty good company. Especially for a backup quarterback.

How long will Fitzpatrick start?

Will Jameis Winston be back next week?

Jay Glazer at Fox Sports reported that the Bucs will keep Fitzpatrick at the helm.

Paw's Corner

By Sam Mazzotta

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My cat "Pedro" had his annual checkup the other day, and the veterinarian said he needed to lose 10 pounds. Can you believe that? He doesn't look fat at all — in fact Pedro looks very healthy. Could the vet be wrong?

—Barbara Y., Burlington, Vermont

DEAR BARBARA: A healthy, recommended weight for a cat does vary between breeds. A Maine Coon, for example, can weigh as much as 25 pounds, while some Siamese cats are feather-light at just over 5 pounds.

You can verify the vet's diagnosis in two ways: search online for the recommended healthy weight for his breed. Or, try these at-home techniques:

—Stand over Pedro and look down at him. His body from this angle should look kind of like an hourglass if he's at a healthy weight. If he looks like a pear, he's outside the norm for weight.

—Now, look at Pedro from the side. Does his belly sag? That's typically extra fat.

—Finally, hold Pedro in your lap. Can you feel his ribs when you run a hand along his flank? If not, then it's time to slim him down.

To help Pedro lose weight, control his feeding more tightly. Feed him exactly the amount of cat food recommended by the vet, at the times of day recommended (sometimes it's once a day, sometimes twice). Don't leave uneaten food in Pedro's dish; clean it out. If he begs for food between meals, don't give it to him.

Increase Pedro's activity wherever you can. When you're relaxing in the front room, have him chase a feather or mouse toy. You also can buy a "puzzle feeder" that makes him work a little harder to get his food.

Send your questions, tips or comments to ask@pawscorner.com.

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Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson

Q: Is Hollywood seriously remaking the classic film "Mary Poppins"? Why must they remake everything? Leave well enough alone.

—Aimee G., via email

A: You have about three months to prepare for the premiere of "Mary Poppins Returns," starring Emily Blunt, but based on the trailer, it looks surprisingly good! This film is actually a sequel, not a remake, of the original "Mary Poppins," which came out back in 1964. Directed by Rob Marshall, the screenplay for the sequel was written by David Magee based on the original "Mary Poppins Stories" by P.L. Travers. You may remember that Emma Thompson played Travers in the biographical movie "Saving Mr. Banks" alongside Tom Hanks as Walt Disney. Travers reportedly was not happy with Disney's interpretation of her literary character, even though it went on to win five Oscars.

In the sequel, set in Depression-era London, little Michael and Jane Banks are all grown up, and Mary returns to take care of Michael's children after the untimely death of his wife.

And if you're wondering why Miss Poppins hasn't aged, remember, she's magic.

The Disney film will premiere in theaters Dec. 19 with a star-studded cast. In addition to Blunt, Meryl Streep, Lin-Manuel Miranda and Colin Firth all have lent their talents to the musical production.

Q: I saw that John Legend is one of the rare stars to win an EGOT. How many others

have there been?

—Sally R., via email

A: To qualify for the elusive EGOT status, you must have won all four of the big showbiz awards: Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony. Singer John Legend just achieved this by winning an Emmy as one of the producers of "Jesus Christ Superstar," in which he also starred.

Others who can boast EGOT status are Mel Brooks, Whoopi Goldberg, Helen Hayes, Rita Moreno, John Gielgud, Audrey Hepburn, Mike Nichols and Scott Rudin. Rounding out the list are composers Richard Rodgers, Martin Hamlisch, Jonathan Tunick, Robert Lopez, Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice.

Q: Is it true that Guy Pearce might become the new James Bond? Isn't he from Australia?

—Molly B., via email

A: I haven't heard even any

unfounded rumors about Guy Pearce being slated to take over the James Bond legacy from Daniel Craig, but I have to admit I'd buy tickets for that film. There were rumors that Idris Elba ("Molly's Game") would be next to don the tuxedo, but he told People magazine that it simply isn't true.

As for Pearce, he grew up in Australia, but was born in England. You can see him in the series "Jack Irish" on the subscription streaming service Acorn TV. Now in its second season, "Jack Irish" is about an antihero, played by Pearce, who finds himself battling to clear his name while searching for a missing person.

Acorn TV is North America's largest streaming service focusing on British and international television.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com

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Couch Theater DVD Previews

By Sam Struckhoff

DVDs reviewed here are available in stores the week of Sept. 24.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Solo: A Star Wars Story"

(PG-13) — Confession time: I'm not what you'd call a "Star Wars" fanatic. I've seen (most of) the movies, but I'm not emotionally invested. So your opinion about "Solo: A Star Wars Movie" may be different if you have strong feelings about the franchise. In my case, I found it to be a fun, engaging space Western — complete with a train robbery — and a charismatic romp befitting the character it centers around: Han Solo (Alden Ehrenreich), a rascal with a deep heart and something to prove. After he is separated from his scrappy partner in love and crime, Qi'ra (Emilia Clarke), he vows to spend his life plotting her rescue — which will involve Chewbacca and Lando Calrissian (Donald Glover) and an even bigger heist in the second act.

"Uncle Drew" (PG-13) — Dax (Lil Rel Howery) is a Harlem streetball manager who loses his team (and the life sav-

ings he invested to enter them in a tournament) to a childhood rival named Mookie (Nick Kroll). Hard outta luck, an old-timer introduces him to Uncle Drew (Kyrie Irving), a streetball legend, who agrees to join him in forming a new team that they'll fill out with Drew's old gang: Big Fella (Shaquille O'Neal), Preacher (Chris Webber), Lights (Reggie Miller) and Boots (Nate Robinson). It's camp and dumb and the laughs actually come at a steady dribble before the Big Message at the end — not quite a slam dunk, but pretty good for a movie based on a Pepsi com-

mercial.

"Hot Summer Nights" (R) — Set in early '90s Cape Cod, "Hot Summer Nights" puts the drug-dealing scene front and center. Sent to the shore after a personal tragedy, Daniel (Timothée Chalamet), an awkward teen who seems unlikely to become an insatiable dealer, meets local bad boy and weed dealer Hunter (Alex Roe). They form a lucrative partnership, as Daniel secretly also forms a romantic entanglement with Hunter's sister McKayla (Maika Monroe). While the summer and the salty air mix, a little bit is not enough, and things spiral out of control.

"Gotti" (R) — John Travolta delves deep into the makeup chair for "Gotti," which perhaps unsurprisingly chronicles the life and times of mob boss John Gotti, affectionately known as the "Teflon Don." No charges of good filmmaking are sticking here. Gotti is simply not a sympathetic character. If this were a sensationalized, true-crime glitz flick, I could get behind it, but it appears to be an attempt at a serious character study. It doesn't help that it has a just-slapped-together feel — Travolta plays John Gotti, and his real-life wife (Kelly Preston) portrays Gotti's wife, Victoria, and the Travoltas' daughter plays the Gottis' daughter, etc.

NEW TV RELEASES
"Preacher" Season 3
"911" Season 1
"Billions" Season 3
"DC's Legends of Tomorrow" Season 3

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Inside Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

"A Star Is Born," which opens Oct. 5, is Lady Gaga's film acting debut and Bradley Cooper's directorial debut. Owen Gleiberman's review in Variety (the showbiz bible) calls the film "rapturous and swooning, but also delicate, intimate and luminous, which turns into something indelibly heartfelt and revealing, a total emotional knockout, the movie is thrillingly authentic." He concludes, "A Star Is Born" is more than a throwback — it's a reminder of the scrappy grand passion that movies are all about!

This fourth remake of "A Star Is Born" could possibly exceed the others and win Oscars for Gaga and Cooper (possibly as actor and director). The \$30 million production probably will fare better than the 125 other remakes and reboots that have been announced. Among them: "All Quiet On the Western Front," "The Birds," "Dirty Dancing,"

"My Fair Lady," "Pet Sematary," "An American Werewolf in London," "Starship Troopers," "The NeverEnding Story," "War Games," "Time Bandits," "The Creature From the Black Lagoon," "Death Wish," "Highlander," "Little Shop of Horrors," "Romancing the Stone," "Scarface," "The Bodyguard" and "The Wild Bunch." Also planned is a remake of "Dune," with Timothee Chalamet.

Television is not exempt from remakes. When Netflix successfully rebooted "The Gilmore Girls" and "Full House," among many other oldies, the networks followed suit with "Will & Grace," "Roseanne," "To Tell the Truth," "\$100,000 Pyramid," "The Match Game" and "The Gong Show." Now "Roseanne" (minus Roseanne Barr) is going to be "The Conners," along with "Murphy Brown," with the original cast,

and "Charmed," with a new cast made up of Sarah Jeffery, Madeleine Mantock and Melonie Diaz.

The latest James "007" Bond film, "Bond 25," probably will be delayed because "Slum Dog Millionaire" Oscar-winning director Danny Boyle (who replaced Sam Mendes) has bowed out, and they're searching for a new director, trying to hold onto the October 2019 release date. Daniel Craig has seized the opportunity to start filming "Knives Out" in November for "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" director Rian Johnson before "Bond 25" begins in December.

To end on a happy note, we'd like to say Constance Wu, who stars in ABC's "Fresh Off the Boat," is a great actress. She literally carries her all-Asian cast to great heights in

"Crazy Rich Asians" (which already has announced plans for a sequel). The film is an old-fashioned comedy, like the studios used to make, that pokes fun at old traditions that died in our country years ago but still prevail in Asian cities such as Singapore. Constance will "Wu" you into singing her praises just as she has us!

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Top 10 Movies

1. The Predator (R) Boyd Holbrook, Trevante Rhodes
2. The Nun (R) Demian Bichir, Taissa Farmiga
3. A Simple Favor (R) Anna Kendrick, Blake Lively
4. White Boy Rick (R) Matthew McConaughey, Richie Merritt
5. Crazy Rich Asians (PG-13) Constance Wu, Henry Golding
6. Peppermint (R) Jennifer Garner, John Gallagher Jr.
7. The Meg (PG-13) Jason Statham, Bingbing Li
8. Searching (PG-13) John Cho, Sara Sohn
9. Mission: Impossible — Fallout (PG-13) Tom Cruise, Henry Cavill
10. Unbroken: Path to Redemption (PG-13) Samuel Hunt, Merritt Patterson

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Bible Trivia

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 1 Peter in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who slew a giant that had six fingers on each hand and six toes on each foot when he defied Israel? Sibbechai, Cyrus, Silas, Jonathan
3. What god of the Philistines had a man's face and hands, but the body and tail of a fish? Bullock, Elohim, Dagon, Baal-gad
4. From Proverbs 22, what is a good name better than?

- Great riches, Scorn, Its own reward, Lust
5. What town was home to Jesse's boys? Gilgal, Jericho, Hebron, Bethlehem
 6. On which day of creation did dry ground appear? Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth
- ANSWERS:** 1) New; 2) Jonathan; 3) Dagon; 4) Great riches; 5) Bethlehem; 6) Third
- Visit [Wilson Casey's new Trivia Fan Site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy](http://WilsonCasey'sNewTriviaFanSite.com).

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Letter To The Editor

Roxie Bentley Locked Out Of Her Dorm Room At FSC

Dear Editor:

Another story from my second year at Florida Southern College in Lakeland.

Your True story writer remembers one day she met a friend of hers and her roommate, who said she had an appointment with my roommate.

I told her I knew she was in the room. "Here, take my key and let yourself in. I can go for awhile."

When I finished whatever I needed to do, I went up to my room and knocked on the door several times. I could hear them talking quietly, but they didn't unlock the door. I knocked again and told them who I was. They still wouldn't unlock the door.

So, I went to the house lady and told her I couldn't get into my room. I asked her for her key. She wasn't in a very good mood to loan me her key, but she did. I got into my room and let those two girls know what I thought of them.

Their excuse was that they had not completed their discussion. I told them there was a room at the end of the hall where they could have gone to finish their discussion. This was my room, too. They didn't have any business in keeping me locked out of my room when I had been nice enough to lend my key to "our friend." They both apologized and promised to never do it again. I never loaned my key out again.

My roommate smoked. I had to open the window to let the smoke out. She said she was too cool when the windows were open. My response was that I couldn't breathe with all of her smoke.

I'll tell you more later about living conditions with a "non-smoker" and a "smoker."

Have a nice "smokeless day."

Roxie Bentley
Wauchula

WAUCHULA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT FY 18 – 20 DBE METHODOLOGY

Wauchula Municipal Airport has proposed a DBE Goal of **8.1%** for Airport Improvement Projects (AIPs) awarded during FY19. The proposed DBE goal and DBE methodology are available for public inspection at the City Administration Office during normal business hours for a period of thirty (30) days, beginning October 1, 2018. Written comments will be accepted for a period of forty-five (45) days beginning October 1, 2018. Please send all written comments to:

City Clerk
City of Wauchula
126 S. 7th Avenue
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CITY OF WAUCHULA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Board of Directors of the City of Wauchula Community Redevelopment Agency (the Board) will hold the regular scheduled workshop Monday October 1, 2018 immediately following the City Commission workshop which will convene at 5:00 pm or as soon thereafter as it reasonably can be held. The agenda can be viewed at 126 S. 7th Avenue or www.cityofwauchula.com.

The meetings will be held at the Commission Chambers located at 225 East Main Street, Wauchula, FL 33873.

Pursuant to Section 286.0107, Florida Statutes, as amended, the Board hereby advises that if any interested person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the proceedings, he will need a record of the proceeding and that, for such purposes, he may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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CITY OF WAUCHULA
S/Keith Nadaskay
Chairman
Community Redevelopment Agency

ATTEST
S/Holly Smith
City Clerk



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PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION

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PANCAKES & PJ'S



COURTESY PHOTO

Kindergartners in Ashley Rigney's class at Hilltop Elementary School had a fun and tasty time learning about the letter P. They were able to enjoy pancakes in their pajamas at school!

TEACHER TECHIES



COURTESY PHOTO

These Wauchula Elementary School teachers gathered for "Tech Tuesday" on Sept. 4 to learn about Quizizz and Quizlet from fourth-grade teacher Julie Garland. Quizizz and Quizlet are both online platforms that offer fun and engaging activities to help students practice the skills they're being taught in class.

PATRIOTIC PAINTING



COURTESY PHOTO

At the first meeting of North Wauchula Elementary School's Art Club, students enjoyed some patriotic painting projects. Pictured here is Aidon Smith with his flag painting. The club is for grades 3-5.

CLASSROOM CONUNDRUM



COURTESY PHOTO

Where in the world is this mystery class? Students in Sarah Idsardi's fourth-grade classroom at Wauchula Elementary School searched maps, researched online and worked together to sort through the hints they were given to help determine where in the world the class was that they were "mystery Skyping" with.

DOUGHNUT DUNKERS



COURTESY PHOTOS

It was a slam-dunk for these cuties in Blaire Thornton's kindergarten class at Zolfo Springs Elementary School as they tried to sell boxes of Krispy Kreme doughnuts for the school's annual fundraiser. Who could say no? As a result of their excellent salesmanship, this class won a pizza party (top photo) for selling the most doughnuts, 76 dozen. Individual top sellers schoolwide were (middle photo, from left) Anahi Jaimes, Brie Grice and Robert Rabaudo. And students who sold 10 or more dozen were treated to an ice cream sundae party (below).



DOT DAY



COURTESY PHOTOS

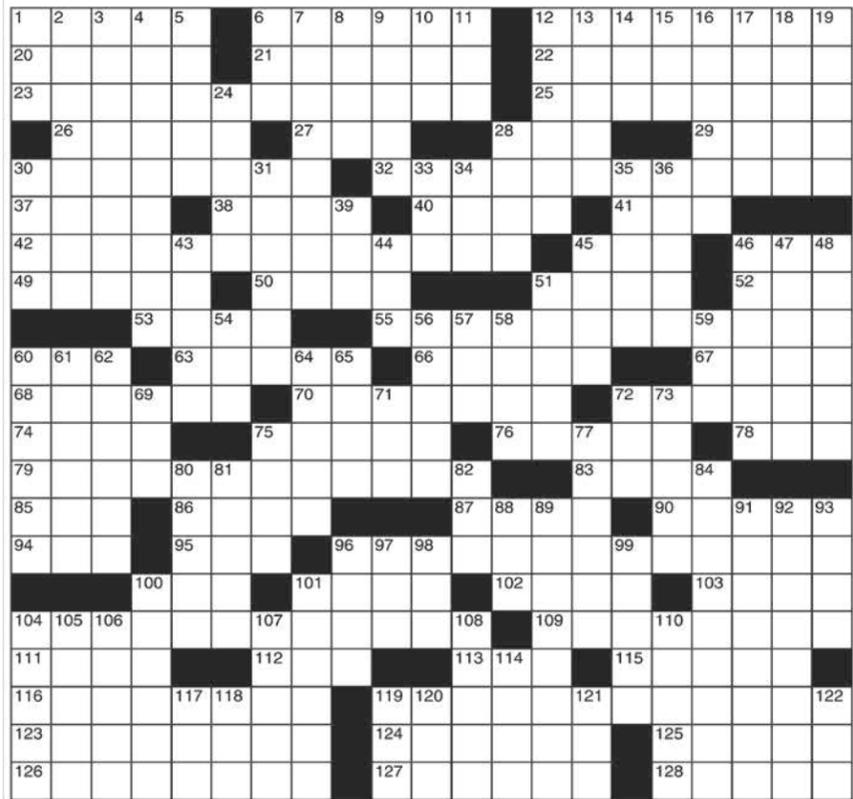
To celebrate Dot Day, teacher Sarah Idsardi's fourth graders at Wauchula Elementary School participated in a breakout game which is a series of clues students have to figure out to get codes to open locks. When they opened the final lock, they found the book "Ish," written by Peter H. Reynolds. Dot Day is a global celebration of creativity, courage and collaboration. It began with the book "The Dot," also written by Reynolds.



Super Crossword

ALIVE PARTNER

- ACROSS**
- 1 Elite names in show biz
 - 6 Food-cooling chest
 - 12 Impetus
 - 20 Make allusion (to)
 - 21 Long rant
 - 22 Evenly paired
 - 23 French cabaret figure
 - 25 IRS probe
 - 26 Acey —
 - 27 All right
 - 28 Three-time Frazier foe
 - 29 Airport area
 - 30 Using a blast furnace for
 - 32 Mia Hamm, for one
 - 37 "— Rose" ("The Music Man" song)
 - 38 Old brand of hair remover
 - 40 Calhoun of old Westerns
 - 41 Get sour
 - 42 Bronco
 - 45 Singer Zadora
 - 46 Wear for night-night
 - 49 Movie units
 - 50 Suffix with trick
 - 51 Rant, maybe
 - 52 "That feels ni-i-ice!"
 - 53 Duncan toy
 - 55 Unborn child
 - 60 In the capacity of
 - 63 "Jay — Garage" (CNBC series)
 - 66 Seasonal tunes
 - 67 Hawaiian goose
 - 68 Boxers and briefs, briefly
 - 70 Something associated with eight answers in this puzzle
 - 72 Squirrels' cheekfuls
 - 74 Vast time stretch
 - 75 Dashing actor Flynn
 - 76 Proclaims, in the Bible
 - 78 Australian Open unit
 - 79 Fifth-degree black belt, say
 - 83 "The Daily Show" host Trevor
 - 85 Ending for Peking
 - 86 Graph line
 - 87 Island with Pearl Harbor
 - 90 Sporty 1980s Pontiac
 - 94 Rouge color
 - 95 Barber's job
 - 96 It's just been fired
 - 100 Yuletide tree
 - 101 Richard of "Chicago"
 - 102 Victim of Cain
 - 103 — Ana County, New Mexico
 - 104 One giving up gambling, maybe
 - 109 With all in agreement
 - 111 "Jenny" actor
 - 112 See 96-Down
 - 113 She clucks
 - 115 Associated with bribery
 - 116 Rolling Stone interviewee
 - 119 Laced holiday quaff
 - 123 String in a sneaker
 - 124 Family divisions, in taxonomy
 - 125 French for "queen"
 - 126 Donations
 - 127 Attached with rope, e.g.
 - 128 X-ray, e.g.
- DOWN**
- 1 Pigskin path
 - 2 Source of element #82
 - 3 In case it's necessary
 - 4 In a way not related to religion
 - 5 Piece of land
 - 6 "— be my honor"
 - 7 What a U.S. spy may be
 - 8 "Cubesmith" Rubik
 - 9 Spine sites
 - 10 Lyric work
 - 11 Kid of a boomer
 - 12 Of varied character
 - 13 TV studio alert
 - 14 Oaxaca loc.
 - 15 Plato's "H"
 - 16 Nutty treat
 - 17 The present time
 - 18 Put together
 - 19 Taxi fixture
 - 24 TLC series about a tattoo studio
 - 28 Land division
 - 30 Bit of slander
 - 31 Liam of films
 - 33 Bobby of ice hockey
 - 34 Bus, entities
 - 35 Go to press
 - 36 Reluctant
 - 39 Over — top
 - 43 "— Mio" (Italian tune)
 - 44 Ball in space
 - 45 Bic buys
 - 46 Superheroes have them
 - 47 Actress Dru
 - 48 Most mousy
 - 51 Russian river
 - 54 "Of course"
 - 56 Low joint
 - 57 Young guy, in hip-hop
 - 58 Cravings
 - 59 Composer Brian
 - 60 Giant in oats
 - 61 Disquiet
 - 62 Truly loved
 - 64 Sticky pods
 - 65 Dated letter opener
 - 69 Win — walk
 - 71 Military bed
 - 72 From — Z
 - 73 Irritate
 - 75 Let out
 - 77 Hardens (to)
 - 80 Left unsaid
 - 81 Wealthy outlying area
 - 82 Mythical flier
 - 84 Secret treasure
 - 88 "I get it now!"
 - 89 Very hot pepper
 - 91 Self-esteem to a fault
 - 92 Skedaddle
 - 93 Put — act
 - 96 With
 - 112-Across, blind alley
 - 97 Irritate
 - 98 Get the point
 - 99 Mitten's kin
 - 100 Snitched
 - 101 Sci-fi and mystery, e.g.
 - 104 Strident
 - 105 Lanai "Hi!"
 - 106 Brunch meat
 - 107 Jerk the knee, e.g.
 - 108 Ruhr's outlet
 - 110 Pola of silent films
 - 114 Barely made, with "out"
 - 117 — pitch softball
 - 118 Plato's "T"
 - 119 SFPD rank
 - 120 Architect I.M. —
 - 121 Fouts of football
 - 122 "Hot diggity!"



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your Aries charm helps persuade others to listen to your proposal. But it's still a long way from acceptance, unless you can stand up to the tough questions that are set to follow.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Plan to share a weekend getaway from all the pressures of your hectic workaday world with a very special someone. You could be pleasantly surprised at what develops.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your keen insight once again helps you handle a challenging situation with a clearer perception of what it's really all about. What you learn helps you make a difficult decision.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) If you want to steer clear of getting involved in a new family dispute, say so. Your stand might cause hurt feelings for some, but overall, you'll be respected for your honesty.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Expect recognition for your efforts in getting a project into operation. Besides the more practical rewards, your Lion's heart will be warmed by the admiration of your colleagues.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Set aside time to rid yourself of clutter that might well be drawing down your creative energies. Consider asking someone to help you decide what stays and what goes.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A colleague could make a request that might place you in an awkward position with co-workers. Best advice: Share your concerns with an associate you can trust.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your energy levels are way up, allowing you to take on the added challenge of a task you've been hoping to secure. Expect this move to lead to an important opportunity.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your continuing sense of confidence in what you've set out to do gives encouragement to others. Expect to see more people asking to add their efforts to yours.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might think it would be best to reject a suggestion that others insist would be unworkable. But you might be surprised by what you find if you give it a chance.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Changing a decision might disappoint some people, but the important thing is that you be honest with yourself. Don't go ahead with anything you have doubts about.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) There could be some fallout from an emotional confrontation that you really should deal with before moving on. Best to start fresh with a clean, clear slate.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your honesty not only helps you make decisions for yourself, but also helps others find the right choices for themselves.

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HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



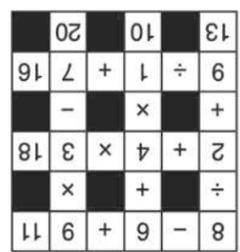
Differences: 1. Wheel is fatter. 2. Glove is missing. 3. Shirt is different. 4. Tree trunk is wider. 5. Words on sign are different. 6. Sleeve is shorter.

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 VSQOLJHECANXS AV
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 ERNNNRUAETOERQO
 RNAALIDRJWJOIGF
 DRYMTEBCDNOPAYX
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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 Grant Lowell Sedaris



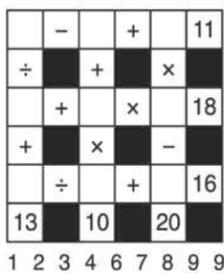
Answers: 1. 11, 2. 18, 3. 16, 4. 13, 5. 10, 6. 20



Answers: 1. 3, 2. 7, 3. 4, 4. 9, 5. 6, 6. 8, 7. 5, 8. 2, 9. 1

GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.



DIFFICULTY: ★★
 ★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
 ★★★ GO FIGURE!

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆
 ◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: O equals S

VI RNZ'S AVL T RNZE INASTE
 IAUBO CN OCUR UFFTOOVHAT,
 RNZ WVMQC FNPOVSTE
 LTTBVPM CUHO NP CQTW.

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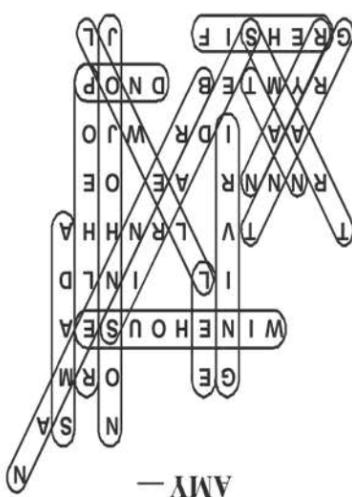
CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

WHJJVF MW VPEKJEMJEGAZ
 APVYGJT UMTRYZ CJGRJJE
 GFPQXFG YET YVGMPE, RFJBJ
 MG PIGJE WQCWGMGQJW
 IPB CPGF.
 — DPFE Y. FPAUJW

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If you'd like your folder flaps to stay accessible, you might consider keeping tabs on them.

Speech is conveniently located midway between thought and action, where it often substitutes for both. — John A. Holmes

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RAY ZUNIGA
Jersey #: 11
Position: DE/TE
Parents: Sophy & Joel Alvarez
Hobbies/Special Interests: Playing football, lifting weights, playing my Xbox One with my cousins and brothers.
Future Plans: To go to college and get my electrician degree.

Hardee Roster

#	Name	Grade	Position
1	Jean Youte	12	WR/DB
2	Sam Louis	12	WR/DB
3	James Pearson	12	QB
4	Jean St. Louis	12	QB/DL
5	Ke'Varrels White	9	WR/DB
6	Dylan Davis	11	WR/DB
7	Ellis Hodges	10	RB/LB
9	Randy McCleod	12	RB/DE
10	Cade Alexy	11	RB/DB
11	Ray Zuniga	12	TE/DE
12	Damian Rodriguez	12	QB/DB
13	Myron Refoure	10	WR/DB
14	Jacob Davidson	12	WR/DB
15	Trayvon Thomas	10	TE/LB
17	Leo Duarte	11	K
18	Caden Dunlap	9	WR/DB
19	Issac Moreno	12	TE/LB
20	Kaleb Floyd	12	WR/DB
21	Quintin Lindsey	11	WR/DB
22	Trenton Roberson	11	TE/LB
25	Griffin Clark	11	WR/DB
28	Eli Bertrand	9	RB/LB
33	Aaron Cook	12	WR/DB
34	Bryce Rucker	11	RB/DB
42	Matt Tyson	11	RB/LB
44	Ariel Whithers	10	RB/LB
45	Hardee Pace	12	TE/DL
51	Rakeim Baker	10	OL/DL
53	Tyler Steedley	12	OL/DL
54	Bo Villarreal	11	OL/DL
55	Tom Pace	12	OL/DL
56	Jesus Lopez	11	OL/DL
58	Evan Webster	10	OL/DL
59	Michael Rodriguez	11	OL/DL
65	Rafael Alvarez	11	OL/DL
70	Dustin Willis	12	OL/DL

Lemon Bay

#	Name	Grade	Position
1	Devante Roberson	12	QB/DB
2	John Moore	11	K/P
3	Jordan Andrie	12	RB/DB
4	Gunnar Kolberg	12	WR/FS
5	Sean Shamasian	12	WR/DB
7	Trevor Hedges	12	QB/DB
9	Martell Vale	12	WR/DB
10	Ashton Gilbert	11	K/P
14	Billy Martin	12	RB/DL
15	Riley Haynes	11	WR/DB
17	Keegan Marinola	12	RB/LB
18	Tye Walchle	12	RB/LB
20	Colby McCauley	11	RB/DB
21	Anthony Amo	12	RB/LB
23	Aidan Cannon	12	RB/LB
24	Jason Hobbs	11	WR/LB
26	Dylan Schoeneck	11	WR/DB
35	Louis Baldor	10	WR/DE
36	Aidan Moore	11	RB/LB
44	Henry Schouten	10	RB/LB
45	Derrick Dagg	10	RB/LB
48	Nicolas Dimatteo	12	RB/DL
51	Liam Johnson	12	OL/DL
52	Dahilo Francios	11	OL/DL
54	Hayden Boosley	11	OL/DL
55	Jacob Patterson	11	OL/DL
56	Alan Symons	12	OL/LB
58	Coby Lambert	11	OL/LB
62	Jamie O'Connell	12	OL/DL
63	Kyle Dreal	12	OL/DL
67	Brook Lavallee	12	OL/DL
68	Jacob Wright	11	OL/DL
74	Wyatt Soucy	12	OL/DL
75	Max Rozen	11	OL/DL
76	Iraj Patel	12	OL/DL
85	Andrew Mitchell	11	WR/DB

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT
ELIZABETH MCBRIDE
Parents: John & Zita McBride
Hobbies/Special Interests: Cheer & volleyball.
Future Plans: I plan on attending college at Polk State to become a pediatrician.

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ATTENTION! State Statutes 828.29 requires that all cats and dogs sold in Florida be at least 8 weeks old, have an official health certificate, have necessary shots and be free of parasites. tfc-dh

Rentals

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Candidates should apply in person or by mail to: First Baptist Church Children's Academy, 1570 West Main Street, Wauchula, FL 33873; or by email to mhernandez@fbcwauchula.org. For questions call (863) 773-9185.

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First United Methodist church is seeking a part time administrative assistant. Submit resume by Monday, October 8 to 207 North 7th Avenue, Wauchula or email it to wauchulachurch@gmail.com. Contact Pastor Danielle Upton at 773-4267 for any additional information. cl9:27-10:4c

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, Thursday 7:00 p.m., Grace Fellowship Church, 131 S. 8th Ave., Wauchula. Bill 727-326-3816. tfc-dh

THE WAUCHULA LIONS CLUB collects NOT broken prescription eyeglasses, cases and sunglasses. Please drop off at 735 N. 6th Ave. tfc-dh

DO YOU HAVE a problem with drugs? Narcotics Anonymous meets Monday, Thursday and Friday night 7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, at the corner of Palmetto and 7th Ave., Wauchula. tfc-dh

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ATTENTION! State Statutes 489-119 Section 5 Paragraph B and Hardee County Ordinance 87-09 Section 10 Paragraph D require all ads for any construction-related service to carry the contractor's licence number. tfc-dh

Yard Sales

Noon Tuesday Deadline for all yard sale ads.

ANGIE'S ATTIC THRIFT Store has relocated to 752 North 6th Ave., Wauchula. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am - 3 pm. Closed Sunday & Monday. 8:30-9:27p

MULTI-FAMILY, FRIDAY (10/5), Saturday (10/6), 3206 Steve Roberts Special, Zolfo. Furniture, Home Interior, dishes, bedding, toys and lots more. 9:27,10:4p

TINY TORNADOS



COURTESY PHOTO

Nicole Keen's fifth-grade R.E.A.C.H. students at North Wauchula Elementary School have been learning about both the hazards and resources in Florida. Here, they are making and observing a tornado in a bottle. R.E.A.C.H. stands for Realizing Excellence through the Advanced academic Curriculum of Hardee.

NOTABLE KNOWLEDGE



COURTESY PHOTO

These first-grade students in Maggie Santana's class at North Wauchula Elementary School are serious about taking three-column notes on their new vocabulary words. They are recording each new word with a synonym and definition.

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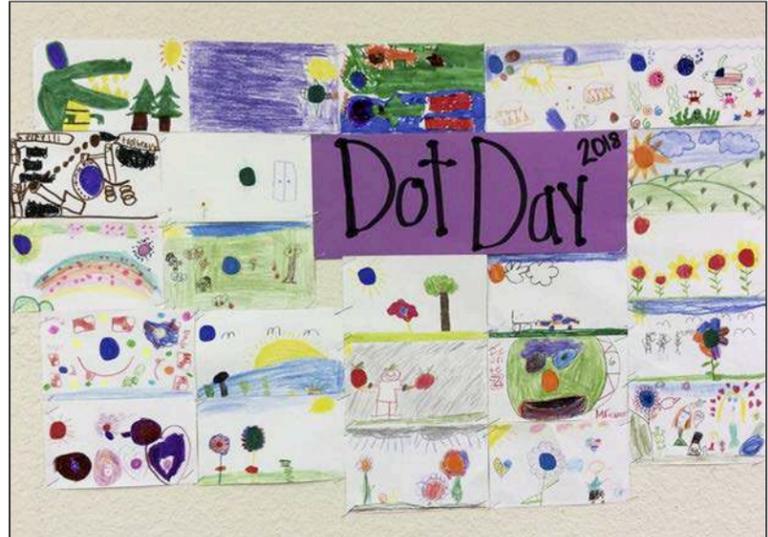
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ABOUT... School News

The Herald-Advocate encourages submissions from Hardee County schools. Photos and write-ups should be of recent events, and must include first and last names for both students and teachers. Identify photos front to back, left to right.

Deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. on Thursday. Please include the name and phone number of a contact person. Qualifying items will be published as space allows.

CONNECT THE DOTS



Ashley Wheeler's fourth graders at Wauchula Elementary School participated in International Dot Day by creating pictures by beginning with a dot. After everyone was finished, they put all the drawings together to create one large piece of artwork for the classroom wall. Dot Day is a celebration of creativity, courage and collaboration that began with the book "The Dot" by Peter H. Reynolds.



COURTESY PHOTOS

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME ACT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, pursuant to the provisions of the Fictitious Name Act, Section 865.09, Florida Statutes, as amended, intends to register with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, the fictitious name of Little Charlie RV Park under which the undersigned is engaged or will engage in business at: 1850 Heard Bridge Rd., in the City of Wauchula, Florida 33873.

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Town Of Zolfo Springs Helps Support Food Bank

By JENNIFER McCONKEY
Herald-Advocate Intern

A \$3,000 donation from the town of Zolfo Springs will be helping Cutting Edge Ministries, a local non-profit organization, as it works to provide food and basic-need products to those in need in Hardee County.

The decision to give the one-time donation was made last month at the regular commission meeting, where the organization's director, Pastor Wendell G. Smith, presented the group's request.

Cutting Edge Ministries will use the money to buy about 60 feet of pallet rack to store food in the group's new building, the Joseph Store House. The building is named after the story of Joseph in Genesis.

The Joseph Store House is Cutting Edge Ministries' second building, and is located next to its distribution center. The non-profit has been working on the new building since December.

It will be a pre-distribution storage center. Smith explained that it won't be able to hold all of the food they handle, but having enough food for each day on-site will make

food-distribution easier for everyone involved.

Cutting Edge Ministries reports that it helps about 325-350 families each week. The ministry started operating in Hardee County after Hurricane Charley came through in 2004, Smith says.

He says the ministry wants to help families dealing with food insecurity. Feeding America says, "Food insecurity describes a household's inability to provide enough food for every person to live an active, healthy life."

"We make sure they don't go hungry," Smith says.

Anyone in Hardee County who is in need can come to the group's distribution center at 3059 Elm St. in Zolfo Springs once a week. The center is open Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 3 p.m.

While there are no financial requirements for a family to get food, they do need to meet certain requirements to receive products donated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Smith says they don't turn anyone away.

Besides helping families in the community, Cutting Edge Ministries also gives fresh

bread and extra products to local groups like Caring People Ministries, Lydia's House, Hannah's House and Resthaven.

They also give excess products to churches in the county.

The new Joseph Store House will hold about 35-40 pallets of food. Smith says the group usually gets one semi-load each month from Operation Blessing International, which fills 26 pallets and weighs about 33,000 pounds.

To fund itself, Cutting Edge Ministries accepts monthly financial support from community members. The non-profit is also currently accepting donations to help fund a walk-in refrigerator and a walk-in freezer.

Smith says they're also looking for volunteer truck drivers, but anyone who volunteers will need to be screened and vetted by him.

The ministry also needs funding to cover transportation costs since they get food from as far as Boca Raton, Smith notes.

Anyone interesting in donating to Cutting Edge Ministries can do so on its website, cedgemin.com.



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER McCONKEY

Cutting Edge Ministries has been working on getting the new Joseph Store House ready since December.



The Joseph Store House is next to the entrance of the distribution center, which will make food distribution easier for volunteers.



Cutting Edge Ministries can always use financial donations to help cover the cost of transporting food.



The new Joseph Store House will soon have enough storage racks to hold about 1-1/2 semi-loads of food.

ON THE MOVE



COURTESY PHOTO

Second graders at Zolfo Springs Elementary School were challenged with the problem of making a toy car move using only a balloon – no pushing! Here, the young engineers are demonstrating the design process they created.

Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was Democratic governor and presidential hopeful Adlai Stevenson who made the following sage observation: "A free society is a place where it's safe to be unpopular."

- Statistics show that for every 71,000 skydiving jumps made, there is only one fatality. That might not seem surprising until you put it in context: You have a one in 20,000 chance of dying from a regular fall right here on solid ground.

- A.A. Milne, the British author best known for his children's books about Winnie the Pooh, had a teacher and mentor you might not expect: H.G. Wells, one of the acknowledged fathers of science fiction and author of such novels as "The War of the Worlds," "The Invisible Man" and "The

Island of Dr. Moreau."

- Here's a smart idea: Some fitness centers are now using the energy clients expend on their exercise bikes to help power the building's lighting.

- According to not one, but two studies conducted on the subject, those who have a ring finger that is longer than their index finger tend to be better athletes.

- If you drive a white automobile, you have a lot of company. There are more white cars in the United States than any other color.

Thought for the Day: "The significant problems we face cannot be solved at the same level of thinking we were at when we created them."
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HJH FOOTBALL

Wildcats Post 2 Shutout Wins

By JOHN SZELIGO

For The Herald-Advocate

The Hardee Junior High Wildcats are again on the prowl this season.

The squad very much resembles its big brother on the varsity squad.

The "Little Cats" also play great defense, explode on offense, and are very well coached.

The results are similar as well with HJH posting shutouts over Hill-Gustat Middle School (44-0) and DeSoto Middle School (40-0) with a running clock early just like the varsity.

One more similarity was obvious at the DeSoto game this past Tuesday: Fan support. The Hardee stands were just about at full capacity.

The DeSoto Bulldogs elected to kickoff to the 'Cats and that was a bad decision. Wilney Francois took the opening kickoff back 60 yards untouched for the Hardee's

first score. A two-point conversion was stopped by the Bulldogs.

On DeSoto's next possession, the Wildcat defense — led by David Brown and Jayden Daniels — completely shut down the 'Dawgs. A punt was returned by Francois for a 60-yard touchdown. Travis Olds ran in the two point conversion this time for a 14-0 lead.

The Wildcat defense was swarming. The Bulldogs only had a couple plays of five yard gains all night. Most plays resulted in lost yards the entire game.

Again, on DeSoto's next possession, the defense held. On a fourth-and-15 punt, it was Francois again with another 60-yard punt return for a touchdown. Kellon Lindsey hit Zack Carlton with a pass in the back of the end zone for the conversion. Cats 22-0.

DeSoto had no luck on its next possession as Carson

Montsdeoca made a big hit forcing a fumble recovered by David Brown at the DeSoto 35. The Wildcat drive then saw Lindsey hit Rolant Simon on pass play that set up a 25-yard touchdown run by Travis Olds for a 28-0 lead at the end of the first quarter. DeSoto did break up a pass on the conversion attempt.

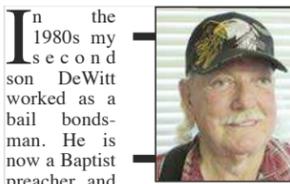
The second quarter was no different as the Cats domination continued on DeSoto's first possession. Starting on the 50-yard line after the kickoff, the Dawgs tried their passing game. It resulted in a completed pass but to Hardee's Francois who returned it for a 60-yard Hardee touchdown. Pass conversion failed but HJH led 34-0.

DeSoto again went three-and-out with Francois returning another 65-yard punt for a score. It was called back on a penalty though. The Cats then ran the ball with Tai Blandon blasting through with a 40-yard run and Olds taking the next run to the one yard line. Lindsey then ran a quarterback keeper untouched into the end zone.

Halftime saw the Cats up 40-0.

The game was over at that point as the third quarter saw backups get playing time, and, due to a late start, the fourth quarter was played as the "fifth quarter."

Hardee: 28 14 0 0 - 40
DeSoto: 0 0 0 0 - 0



As Seen From This Side

By Jerry "Gray Wolf" Phillips
Wauchula

the right (it does not give anyone permission to charge me for a permit). I carry to make me equal, not a victim. Gray

hair, power chair and handicap tag tells the bad guy I am his next target. I don't choose to be his victim.

I do not carry to show or pull. I carry to shoot, to obey the laws of my state, and to protect myself, my loved ones, others and my property.

The Bible tells me that should a thief be the receiver of a fatal blow no charges are to be brought against the property owner.

I don't choose to be a victim. I prefer old age instead.

Johnny loved Uncle John's latest batch, but Cindy refused to knowingly get in the car with him drinking.

Vacation meant no alcohol so Johnny took it in stride. The Interstate traffic was moving along well and Johnny was about to tell Cindy to call ahead and reserve a motel room when he noticed the long sloping hill ahead with the traffic at a standstill.

Quickly he got into the right lane and took the exit. Stopping for fuel and snacks, he asked what the traffic problem was. A fuel truck had hit a bridge five miles ahead. The heat had collapsed the roadway down on the Interstate. He had taken this detour just in time. It was over 100 miles out of the way but not yet crowded.

After 10 to 15 miles Cindy said, "Isn't God awesome? Such beautiful well-kept farms and homes with the occasional rundown old homestead."

As she spoke Johnny noticed a bald eagle had flown beside him and was keeping pace with him. Being an old military man, three things bring goosebumps—the sound of Taps, the National Anthem, and a bald eagle.

He told Cindy to take a picture of the eagle. Her words struck a chord within him, and he didn't pay much attention to her and the camera.

Later in the motel as he looked at the photo of the eagle looking at a very proud man, she noticed a tear in his eye. Cindy leaned over, gave him a kiss and asked, "What's on your mind?"

Johnny looked at her and replied, "You are so right. God is awesome. A few hours ago I was on a high-speed wide road to Hell. He put this detour for me to wake up, slow down and see what He has been telling me for years. Now we travel this detour together."



School Menu

MONDAY

Breakfast: cereal & graham crackers, bagel w/cream cheese, chorizo, egg & cheese taco, juice, fruit and milk

Lunch: cherry blossom chicken (k-12), PB&J (k-12), calzone pepperoni (k-12), calzone buffalo (6-12), pan pizza (6-12), broccoli, green beans, garden salad (6-12), fruit and milk

TUESDAY

Breakfast: cereal & graham crackers, banana bread, biscuit & sausage, fruit and milk

Lunch: oven fried chicken (k-12), PB&J (k-12), nachos (k-12), Big Daddy Pizza (6-12), spicy chicken sandwich (6-12), garden salad (k-12), pinto beans (k-12), fruit and milk

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: cereal & graham crackers, donut surprise, pizza, juice, fruit and milk

Lunch: chicken fajita wrap (k-12), PB&J (k-12), ravioli dip-

pers (k-12), chicken sandwich (6-12), Swan's French Bread pizza (6-12), celery, sweet potato wedge (k-12), garden salad (6-12), fruit and milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast: cereal & graham crackers, yogurt parfait, chicken biscuit, pumpkin bread, fruit and milk

Lunch: chicken alfredo (k-12), PB&J (k-12), fiestada pizza (k-12), cheeseburger (6-12), buffalo chicken chunks (6-12), carrots (k-12), corn, garden salad (6-12), fruit and milk

FRIDAY

Breakfast: cereal & graham crackers, pop-tarts, eggs, cheese, bacon, and hash brown bowl, juice, fruit and milk

Lunch: chicken nuggets (k-12), PB&J (k-12), fish wedge w/mac & cheese (k-12), calzone Cheese, (6-12), french fries (k-12), cole slaw (k-12), fruit and milk

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8:16-9:27c 9:20-10:11c

On This Day:

- In 1916 1st Native American Day celebrated, honoring American Indians
- In 1919 Democratic National Committee votes to allow female members
- In 1923 NY Yankee Lou Gehrig hits 1st of his 493 HRs
- In 1928 The Nationalist Republic of China is recognised by the United States.
- In 1936 1st baseman Walter Alston plays in his only major league game
- In 1937 1st Santa Claus Training School opens (Albion NY)
- In 1940 Black leaders protest discrimination in US armed forces
- In 1954 Steve Allen's "Tonight Show" premieres

FLORIDA PACE FUNDING AGENCY NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Florida PACE Funding Agency, a public body corporate and politic (the "Agency"), hereby provides notice, pursuant to Sections 163.08(2), (3) and (4) and 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments for more than one year to be levied within the area encompassed by the boundaries of every county in Florida, or any of the municipalities therein, subscribing to or served by the Agency's statewide provision of funding and financing to construct or pay for energy conservation and efficiency improvements, renewable energy improvements and wind resistance improvements in accordance with Section 163.08, Florida Statutes (collectively, the "Qualifying Improvements"). By law and resolution of the Agency, a property owner may apply to the Agency for funding and financing of a Qualifying Improvement. The non-ad valorem assessments contemplated by this notice are voluntary and are only imposed by the Agency with the prior written consent authorized by or on behalf of affected property owners who determine to obtain financing for Qualifying Improvements from the Agency. The Agency is authorized by law to fund and finance Qualifying Improvements and is required to annually collect repayment by non-ad valorem assessments. The Board will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 1:00 p.m. on October 30, 2018, at the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization Executive Conference Room, 2570 W International Speedway Boulevard, Suite 100, Daytona Beach, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property that may be subject to the levy — which is the entirety of the State of Florida. Copies of the proposed form of resolution are on file at the office of Counterpointe Energy Solutions (FL) LLC, Third Party Administrator for the Florida PACE Funding Agency, 2600 Maitland Center Parkway, Suite 163, Maitland, Florida 32751, email: gov@counterpointees.com. All interested persons are invited to present oral comments at the public hearing and/or submit written comments to the Board at the above address. Written comments should be received by the Agency on or before October 29, 2018. Any persons desiring to present oral comments should appear at the public hearing.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the Board with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in such public hearing should contact the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization at (386) 226-0422 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date of the public hearing.

By Order of the Board of Directors of Florida PACE Funding Agency on August 14, 2018



YOU ROCK!

COURTESY PHOTOS • MONTAGE BY DARLENE WILLIAMS
Teacher Brittany Mishoe's fifth-grade science class at Wauchula Elementary School learned all about rocks using food. Yes, food! Using peanut butter, chocolate chip cookies, Rice Krispies cereal, marshmallows and Snickers candy bars, students made metamorphic, igneous and sedimentary rocks. This activity was yummy but also helped students make connections and understand how each type of rock is formed. The students did eventually eat their "rocks," but before they did, they were able to explain the process that each rock goes through.



TILE TALLY



COURTESY PHOTO

Students in Sharon Ussery's first-grade classroom have been working hard learning their new math at Zolfo Springs Elementary. Pictured here are students using dominoes to make true equations. For example, $4 + 3 = 5 + 2$.

SOCRATIC SEMINAR



COURTESY PHOTO

Teacher Alexi Ozuna of North Wauchula Elementary School took her fifth-grade students outdoors for fresh air, sunshine and a Socratic Seminar, which is a formal discussion based on a text. The leader of such a seminar asks open-ended questions, and students listen closely to the comments of others, think for themselves, and express their own thoughts and responses to the thoughts of others.

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