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High-speed accident takes a life

Lake City man killed in single-vehicle accident

Staff

A Lake City man died in a high-speed crash in Hamilton County early Sunday, according to FHP. Willard Craig Busby, 59, died at the scene of the 4 a.m. accident about 9 miles north of White Springs, reports show.

According to FHP, Busby was traveling south at more than 90 mph on CR 135 near SE 182nd Boulevard when he failed to negotiate a right curve. Busby's 2007 Ford F-150 pickup entered the grassy left shoulder, at which point he swerved right and then left in an attempt to regain control, FHP said. The pickup then reentered the left shoulder and struck a telephone junction box, a cattle fence and a power pole before overturning.

Busby, who was not wearing a seatbelt, according to FHP, died at the scene shortly after being extricated from the vehicle.

By Stephenie Livingston

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"Come on you, just one more copy," says Sue Hawkins, pounding on a copy machine as a stencil of Metallica lead singer James Hetfield's screaming face finally prints. "I bet Kat Von D doesn't have to deal with this."

Hawkins, a McAlpin rancher and owner of Outwest Tattoo in Jasper, then rubs a stick of deodorant on a customer's arm and places the stencil on. She turns on the tattoo gun.

"Doing okay there, Ed?" she asks as the tattoo gun she's loading with ink sputters.

"What's wrong with that thing?" Ed asks.

"Overworked and underpaid," Sue says with a grin.

Before she began slinging ink in Jasper and tending to rescued wild horses on her McAlpin

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September jobless rate up in Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette

Staff

Unemployment in Hamilton, Suwannee and Lafayette counties rose in September, according to figures released by the state Friday.

Hamilton County reported a jobless rate of 11.3 percent, from 11 percent in August. The September 2008 rate was 7.6 percent.

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ranch, Sue was born Susan Hawkins in England in the late 70s. After college, she took a trip to America, anticipating a short vacation. Instead she ended up stranded with a mixed up visa and no way home.

"I was an illegal immigrant in Miami," said Sue. "I lived off of saltine crackers and mayonnaise. I was living in a hotel room on South Beach, for God's sake."

To pass time she started doing murals on the streets of Miami. "That's how I found out I could paint," Sue said as she went to work on Ed's arm. Later, by a quick turn of luck, Sue was offered an apprenticeship at a tattoo shop. Finding fulfillment in painting on skin rather than canvas, she was soon working in an 1,800 square foot shop in West Palm Beach. Before too long, she owned it.

After over a decade of tattooing, she decided to take a vacation in 2004. A vacation that morphed into a road trip.

The road trip was planned, sort of. "We pointed at a map and flipped a coin," said Sue. Then fate took over. "I went on a road trip and ended up buying a house." Sue fell instantly in love with a 1900s farmhouse and ranch in

McAlpin. "I moved in with only a lawn chair, blow-up mattress and the dogs."

After contemplating what to do with her newly acquired ranch, she decided to adopt "seven wild great, big horses" from Canada that would have otherwise been slaughtered, following the old French saying "Il vaut mieux faire que dire," which translates "doing is better than saying."

"I decided to put my money where my mouth was and make a bit of a difference, or try," said Sue.

Other animals followed, including a wolf-hybrid dog named Loki after the Norse god of mischief, his best friend a Jake Russell named Gismo, and a bald chicken Sue calls Josephine Dirt.

"We've been trying to find a little mullet wig for her," joked Sue. And let's not forget, an entire herd of Tennessee fainting goats, one or two of which Sue sometimes finds legs up - fainted - on her back porch.

"It's like a giant petting zoo, but a little on the retarded side," she laughed. "We were up to 90 animals at one point, but we've since made some cut backs."

After settling into her new rancher lifestyle, Sue quickly established Outwest Tattoo. "My dad really likes westerns," she clarified. Sue opens her shop

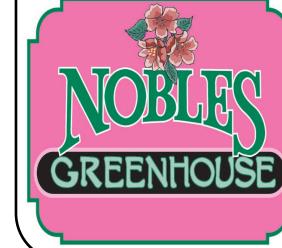
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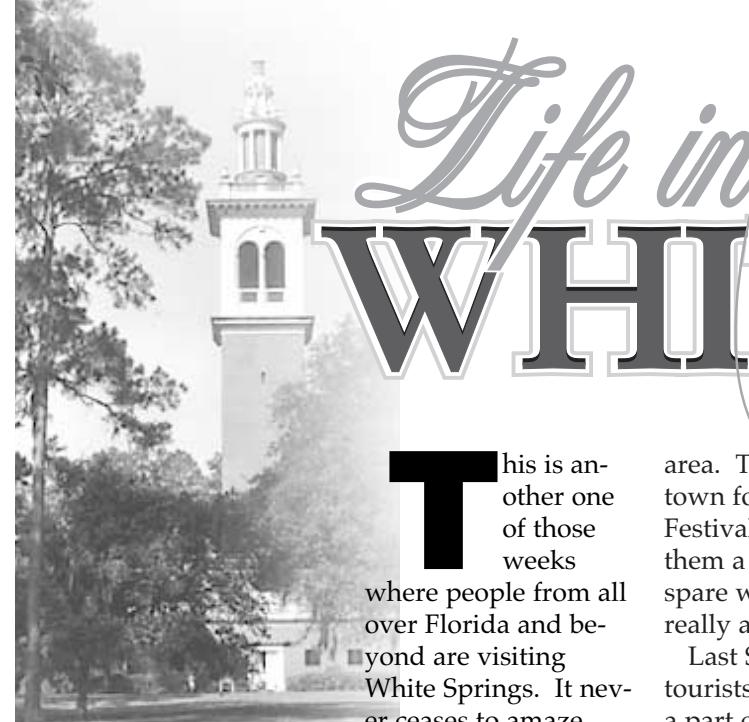
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Life in **WHITE SPRINGS**

By Walter McKenzie

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This is another one of those weeks where people from all over Florida and beyond are visiting White Springs. It never ceases to amaze me.

Cooler weather brings cyclists to White Springs and they bring with them a lot of benefits for our town. In the past, I've heard a few isolated complaints to the effect that "they don't spend any money here and they just clog up the roads." It's just simply not true. For starters, they love the community and for years have made donations of bikes and helmets to kids here. This year again they will be donating seven or eight brand new bikes to needy kids. They stay at our local hotels and B&Bs, eat at our restaurants, rent canoes, shop at our stores and have bought homes and property in the

area. This week about a hundred cyclists will be in town for the Suwannee Bike Association's Fat Tire Festival. If you are driving and see these folks, give them a friendly wave and give them some room to spare when you pass them on the road. They will really appreciate it

Last Sunday I spoke to a group of very interested tourists at the Telford Hotel. They were in town as a part of their tour of The Suwannee Wilderness Trail and I had the honor of giving a short talk about White Springs. I told them that it is altogether fitting that tourism is coming back to our town, because we were the original tourist destination in Florida when tourism first got started in the state in the late 1800's. It all started here, and it all originated around the spring.

I called the audience's attention to the fact that the spring no longer flows, that the springs to the south of us are experiencing diminished flows. Then I asked the question, "How many more springs have to go dry before we realize what we've lost?" David Still, director of the Suwannee River

Water Management District echoed these concerns and the audience was very attentive and very concerned. The next day, they changed their itinerary so that they could spend some time visiting the old spring house. Included in the group were State Representatives Ron Shultz, Debbie Boyd, Leonard Bembry, Rich Glorioso, M. Rehwinkle Vasilinda, and members of their staffs. Their visit was good for our town and, I hope in the long run, good for our springs.

The Suwannee Hardware Store in White Springs has new owners, Don and Celeste Wilson. Don is originally from Lake City and, talk about a small world, Celeste told me that she's a "Live Oak girl" and took home economics from my wife Merri when Merri taught at Suwannee High. Celeste said she still has her class notebook and still uses the recipes. The Wilsons now live in Genoa and are really looking forward to being part of our community. They like the idea of a "mom and pop" hardware store, a small business that gives that level of personal service you don't often get at the big chains. In addition to hardware, they will continue to carry feed and seed and their hours are M-F 8:30-5:30, Sat. 8:30-3:30. Stop by to see them soon and you'll be so glad that you don't have to drive thirty miles round trip when you need something to finish up a project.

Saturday, October 24th at 3:00 pm will be "family and friends day" at Beulah Baptist church, First Street, Rev. Rickey Hutcherson, pastor. The speaker will be Apostle Shirley White of Pensacola. Dinner will be served following the program. The chairperson of the program is Sister Bobbie Jean Henderson.

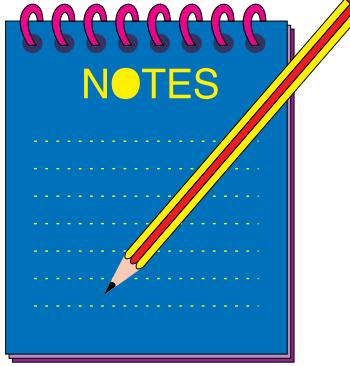
On Sunday at Beulah Baptist there will be a "women's day program" at 11:00 am. The speaker will be evangelist Tia Jefferson Carroll of West Palm Beach. Dinner will follow the service. The chairperson for the program is Sister Yvonne Bryant. Beulah Baptist invites you to come and enjoy these programs.

Well, once again I've said enough but will be glad to say some more when I hear from you. In the meantime, get out and enjoy life in White Springs.

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Norris Notes

By Lillian Norris



Hello again! I do believe fall is here, seems almost like winter for this part of the country, but it feels good to me. It seems to be easier for me to get warm than to get cool (maybe it is because I grew up, and lived the earlier part of my life, in a colder climate, as I have said before, dressing in layers is good for me, and I just put on another sweater or coat). Later, as gas prices go up (I heat with gas as well as driving a car) my feelings may change.

Writing this on Monday afternoon, just returned home from having a very special lunch time at the VFW, members with the help of their wives and other ladies, cooked and served fish with all the trimmings for us, it was offered for widows of Veterans and also wives of Veterans. I will not begin to name all the VFW members, assistants and others who provided this feast, we certainly would not want to leave anyone out, but understand from Lamar Royals that approximately 56 or 57 persons enjoyed the feast, and enjoy it we did, the food and fellowship were tops. Thanks for all you all do for our community, it was great to visit with

people from all around the county.

Be prepared to be hearing from First Presbyterian Church Youth as they are getting ready for the annual pancake supper, with their endeavors, it is hoped that this fun and filling event will continue, having been started many years ago (I do not remember when; before I moved here, I think), but I am sure Dr. Mickler and other members of the Lions Club could tell you, it is always an anticipated event of November, and they would like to keep it going. Tickets may be purchased at D&S Signs, members and youth of First Presbyterian Church, and others, the price will be \$6.00, pancakes served from 4:30 - 7:00, or until..... This is a fund-raiser for the youth mission work of FPC, they will be planning work where they feel it is needed to help those in need, and will keep us informed as to their endeavors. COME, HAVE FUN, EAT AND VISIT.

Linda Law and Leslie McCauley of Valdosta (formerly of Jennings), Wayne and Susan Bradshaw of Jennings, and Marshall and Joan Thomas of Valdosta, along with the Senior Citizens Group of Val-

dosta, just returned from a ten-day trip of the New England States. They visited Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. Some of the leaves had started turning, they visited many points of interest while they were gone. They had 90 Senior Citizens who went, they had to take two buses, everyone enjoyed the beautiful scenery and the great fellowship.

On Wed. October 13th, Anna Cameron's granddaughter Chris and her friend John came for a visit; stayed in Valdosta with Chris' mother, Leslie McCauley and her Aunt Linda Law. On Thursday they went motorcycle riding with the Ole Spokes Motorcycle Club of Valdosta. They left on Friday to return to Charleston, South Carolina.

I like to see what the city is doing with the paving of Third Street. I can go all the way from where I live to the other end of town without hitting the traffic through downtown, and get anywhere I want or need to go from this street. However, this may change when some of the streets are made one-way. I have tried to verify with some of my 'contacts' that there was once a traffic light at the corner of what is now Hat-

ley Street and First Avenue, it is almost impossible, and scary, to get from First Avenue crossing Hatley Street, from either direction, traffic picks up around this point between the two traffic lights downtown.

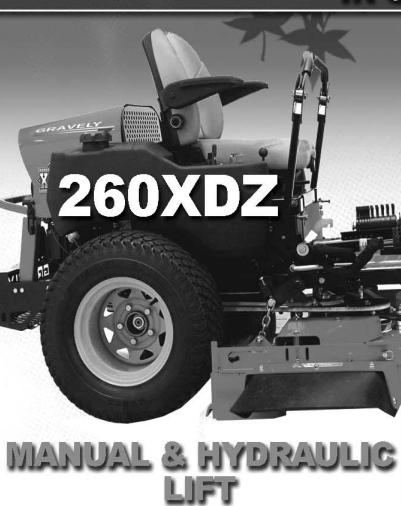
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OPINION

American idea

Americans are harder workers, more philanthropic, individualistic, self-reliant, anti-government than people in most other countries. We've turned what was an 18th-century Third World nation into the freest and most prosperous nation in mankind's entire history. Throughout our history, United States has been a magnet for immigrants around the world. What accounts for what some have called American exceptionalism?

We Americans, as human beings, are no different from any other people, including Germans, Russians, Chinese, Africans and other people who have produced tyrannical regimes such as those of Hitler, Stalin, Mao and Idi Amin. As such we are just as capable of committing acts of gross evil that have been a part of mankind throughout his history. We've not been a perfect nation but we've never approached the level of hideousness seen in other nations. That's despite the fact that our population consists of people who have for centuries been trying to slaughter one another in their home countries, whether it's between the French and Germans, English and Irish, Japanese and Chinese, or Palestinians and Jews, Igbos and the Hausa of Nigeria. Thrown into the American mosaic are religions that have been in conflict for centuries such as Catholic and Protestant, and Christian and Muslim. The

question is: Why is the United States an exception and will it remain so?

At the heart of the American idea is the deep distrust and suspicion the founders of our nation had for government, distrust and suspicion not shared as much by today's Americans. Some of the founders' distrust is seen in our Constitution's language such as Congress shall not: abridge, infringe, deny, disparage, violate and deny. If the founders did not believe Congress would abuse our God-given rights, they would not have provided those protections. After all, one would not expect to find a Bill of Rights in Heaven; it would be an affront to God. Other founder distrust for government is found in the Constitution's separation of powers, checks and balances and the several anti-majoritarian provisions such as the Electoral College and the requirement that three-quarters of state legislatures ratify changes in the Constitution.

The three branches of our federal gov-



A MINORITY VIEW
BY WALTER WILLIAMS

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ernment are no longer bound by the Constitution as the framers envisioned and what is worse is American ignorance and acceptance of such rogue behavior. Look at the current debate over government involvement in health, business bailouts and stimulus packages. The debate centers around questions as whether such involvement is a good idea or a bad idea and whether one program is more costly than another. Those questions are entirely irrelevant to what should be debated, namely: Is such government involvement in our lives permissible under the U.S. Constitution?

That question is not part of the debate. The American people, along with our elected representatives, whether they're Republicans or Democrats, care less about what is and what is not permissible under our Constitution. They think Congress has the right to do anything upon which they can secure a majority vote, whether they have the constitutional or moral au-

thority to do so or not. What Congress does have is the brute force to enforce compliance with their unconstitutional acts. You say, "What do you mean, Williams?" Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution grants Congress the power to tax and spend for the enumerated activities therein. Every American is duty bound to pay his share. Congress has neither constitution nor moral authority to take the earnings of one American for the benefit of another American. What do you think will happen to you if don't comply, say with Congress' demand that part of your earnings be taken to bail out a failing business? You'll see all the brute force that you want to see and if you resist too much, death is not off the table.

We are losing what's made our country great. Instead of moving toward greater liberty, we're moving toward greater government control of our lives.

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Researcher receives major grant for research targeting tuberculosis

By Amy Winters Mast

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - A Florida State University researcher has received a major research grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to screen small molecules that could be potential drug targets in the fight against tuberculosis, a common and deadly infectious disease that kills nearly 2 million people worldwide each year.

Timothy A. Cross, the Earl Frieden Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Florida State and director of the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) program at the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, www.magnet.fsu.edu, has received \$3.1 million to advance his research, which will take place predominantly at the magnet lab. The funds are part of a larger NIH grant -- \$9 million -- awarded to a group of collaborating institutions that also includes the University of Alabama; the Burnham Insti-

tute; the University of California, San Diego; and Harvard University. Cross heads up that collaborative effort.

It has been 40 years since the development of new drugs to treat TB, a contagious bacterial infection that primarily attacks the lungs. And according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, one in five new cases of TB is drug-resistant. Finding molecules that can effectively bind to and deactivate tuberculosis proteins is an important step toward the eventual development of drugs to combat the disease.

"These proteins are essential to the life of the bug," Cross said. "Knock out just one of them and the bug dies."

Tuberculosis is a formidable opponent. According to the World Health Organization, more than 2 billion people -- almost one-third of the world's population -- are infected with the microbes that cause the disease. In 2007, the most recent year for which statistics are available, there were 9.27 million new cases; that same year, 1.77 million people died of TB. The spread of HIV has led to millions of new TB infections, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa, making TB the leading cause of death for people infected with

HIV/AIDS.

Cross and his colleagues have been studying TB for about seven years. Most of that time has been spent building up the technology and methodology to get to this point, and in the next five years, researchers may be able to isolate as many as five to 10 potential drug targets using the NMR facilities at the magnet lab. NMR science can provide scientists with intimate portraits of a protein's structure and clues to its function.

"Although the work is still basic research, years away from what is commonly referred to as the drug discovery stage, it lays the foundation for that step," Cross said.

"The combination of scientific skills in Florida State's Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry and the magnet lab's second-to-none technology development position this multi-institutional effort to make significant advances in TB research," he said.

Significantly, the team of young scientists (many of them Florida State University graduate students) will conduct much of the research through their doctoral education program.

"The high quality of the graduate students

here at FSU, and the ability of our staff and faculty to teach, train and pass along knowledge during this research process, leads to not only an expanded body of knowledge for this disease and the tools and technology to further advance such research, but will also lead to the development of the next generation of faculty and scientists for our state and country," Cross said.

The National High Magnetic Field Laboratory develops and operates state-of-the-art, high-magnetic-field facilities that faculty and visiting scientists and engineers use for research. The laboratory is sponsored by the National Science Foundation and the State of Florida. To learn more, visit www.magnet.fsu.edu.

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- Central Avenue West from MLK Blvd North to Hatley Street shall be designated a one way street with traffic to flow in a southerly direction
- Central Avenue East from MLK Blvd North shall be designated as a one way street with traffic flow in a northerly direction

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Obituaries

**Rebecca Ann Davis
Hamm and Ivey Lynn
Walden**

Rebecca Ann Davis Hamm, age 31 of Covington, Georgia passed away Friday, Oct. 9, 2009. Her daughter, Ivey Lynn Walden, age 3, also of Covington passed away Saturday, October 10, 2009, both suffering fatal injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Rebecca was a 1996 graduate of Columbia County High School in Lake City.

FL. She loved being a mother to her four children. Her favorite things to do were arts and crafts and taking walks in the woods where she would teach her children about nature. She also enjoyed fishing and camping with her family.

Ivey Lynn was very compassionate and thoughtful even at such a young age and loved to take care of you when you were sick.

Because of her mother's love of nature, Ivey loved little creatures especially frogs.

Rebecca's survivors include her children Alice Hamm, Kaleck

Hamm, Will Walden all of Covington Georgia; parents, Phillip and Teresa Harris Smith of Ochlocknee, Georgia, (former residents of Hamilton and Columbia County); maternal grandparents, Ivey and Mary Harris of White Springs, Florida.

Ivey's survivors include her father, Howard Walden; sisters, Nicki Danieki (Patrick), Casey Walden, Alice Hamm; brothers, Jacob Walden, Adam Walden, Sam Walden, Kaleck Hamm, and Will Walden, all of Covington, Georgia; maternal grandparents, Phillip and Teresa (Harris) Smith, Ochlocknee, Georgia; paternal grandmother, Virginia Walden of Covington, Georgia; maternal great-grandparents, Ivey and Mary Harris, of White Springs,

Florida. Ivey was preceded in death by her grandfather, Howard Walden, Sr.

Graveside services for Rebecca and Ivey were held Tuesday, Oct.

20, 2009 at Harris Cemetery near White Springs, FL with Bishop

Frank Allen officiating, assisted by Elder Brent Wainwright and Elder Bruce Wilson.

Condolences may be conveyed online at www.harrytreidfh.com.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home, Jasper, FL was in charge of arrangements.

Procoro Ortega

Procoro Ortega, age 45, of Statenville, Georgia passed away Thursday, October 15, 2009 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Madison County, Florida. Mr. Ortega was employed by Pilgrim's Pride and was a member of San Jose Catholic Church in Lake Park, Georgia.

Survivors include two daughters, Michelle Ortega and Lynn Ramos; a step son, Gilbert Torres; his parents, Guadalupe and Pureza Ortega; five brothers, Manuel, Guadalupe, Gavino, Jaime and Ruben Ortega; four sisters, Eloina Nava, Nina Concepcion, Emilia Ortega and Maria Ortega; four grandchildren, Mia and Gage Torres and Analeigh and Alexis Andrade.

Funeral services were held Monday, October 19th at St. Therese Catholic Church near Jasper with Father Richard Perko officiating. Interment followed at Evergreen Cemetery in Jasper.

Condolences may be conveyed online at www.harrytreidfh.com. Harry T. Reid Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Tony Russell Maine

Tony Russell Maine, age 48, of Echols County, Georgia, passed away Friday, October 16, 2009 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Tony proudly served his country with four years of service in the United States Marine Corps. He enjoyed his work as a logger, and loved hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Maine of Statenville, Georgia; his mother and step-father, Eloise and Frank Helton, of Statenville, two sons, Eric Boles and Chance Maine, also both of Statenville, two daugh-

ters Casey Herndon (Dennis) and Brandy Maine, both of Statenville, and two brothers, Spencer Helton and Jessie Helton (Tonda) both of Statenville.

Funeral Services were held on Monday, October 19, 2009 at Sardis Baptist Church, in Statenville, Georgia. Interment followed at Carter Cemetery.

Condolences may be conveyed online at www.harrytreidfh.com. Harry T. Reid Funeral Home, Jasper, Florida, was in charge of all the arrangements.

**A CELEBRATION
OF LIFE**

A daughter, a sister, a wife, a mother, a grandmother, or perhaps a business colleague, and best friend. Each of these describe my mother, Linda Gayle Linton, but above all, she was a woman of wisdom, compassion, grace, beauty, and selflessness.

Linda Gayle Tanner Linton was born in Tampa, Florida in 1944. She was one of four chil-

dren born to Evelyn Johns Tanner of MacClenny, Florida and the late Remer Tanner. She had two sisters, Diane Greatrex of Beverly Hills, Florida, and Frances Headrick of Lake City, Florida and one brother, Larry Tanner of MacClenny, Florida.

worked, and loved the

quaint town of Jasper. So much so, that she made Jasper her primary residence with her husband Lamar. For over 25 years they lived in Branford, Florida, where they raised their children and presently have a farm.

Linda was able to witness many wonderful things in her life, such as the marriages of their oldest son, Chris to Brandi Waters, their only daughter, Daleann to Doyle Worthington Jr. and their youngest son, Jerrette to Frankie Starling.

Through the years, she enjoyed seven grandchildren: Taylor and Lucas Linton - children of Frankie and Jerrette Linton; Reagan, Chloe and Trevor Linton - children of Brandi and Chris Linton, and Anna-Marie and Doyle Worthington III. - twins of Daleann and Doyle Worthington.

Six weeks after being diagnosed, Linda lost her battle with cancer on September 6, 2009. Her memorial was held

at Burnham Christian Church in Jennings, Florida, where she was a member, on September 9, 2009. Johnny Brown and Elder Arnold Johns officiated the beautiful morning service. Following the ceremony, a luncheon social was hosted by numerous ladies in the church community in the fellowship hall.

We will miss her so....donations can be in her name to Burnham Christian Church, 4520 NW County Road 146, Jennings, Florida 32025.

Thank You

The family of Beverly Mickler thanks everyone for the many ways you gave to comfort, support and encourage us during our time of mourning. Your kindness and compassion have been a blessing and a source of strength during some very difficult days. May God bless you all.

Fundraiser to benefit The United Cherokee People land fund and Shawn Burke Initiative

Submitted by Chief Burke

Fund and Shawn Burke Initiative; both are 501(c) 3s.

Tribal land is coming along slowly and we will make it a place for our people with your help and support. This is a way for you to get involved without grabbing a shovel or rake. Remember, this is to benefit who we are and what we stand for.

There will be an auction, raffles, 50/50 drawings and some items for

sale. We are planning something for all ages; singing, dancing and loads of fun. All we ask is that you bring something lovingly-used-and-no-longer-needed for the raffle table, a couple bucks donation for the eats, and a big heart's desire to benefit our journey towards unity and cultural ceremony and exchange.

Call 386-938-1294 for more information. Will we see you there?

**Hamilton
County
Tobacco-Free
Partnership
Meeting**

The Hamilton County Tobacco-Free Partnership, in conjunction with SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco), RCS (Rose Consultation Services), and the Florida Department of Health, will host a meeting on October 26, 2009 at 4 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Meridian Behavioral Healthcare Facility located at 406 10th Avenue, Jasper. Contact Emmy Lou Slaughter at 352-250-5010 or email her at emmy@roseconsultation.com with questions or for further information.

SEE COMMUNITY CALENDAR, PAGE 4B**College Placement Tests at NFCC**

Monday - Thursday

Monday - Thursday at 5 p.m. (by appointment): College Placement Test (CPT), NFCC Testing Center (Bldg. #16), 5 p.m., Madison. Register in NFCC Student Services 24 hours before test. For information please call 850-973-9451.

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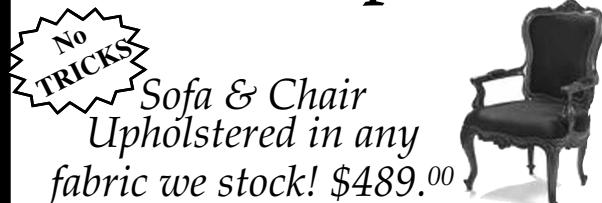
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FWC NEWS

FWC fills top law enforcement position

Col. Jim Brown is the new director of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Division of Law Enforcement. He will lead more than 700 sworn law enforcement officers. (FWC photo by Tim Lewis)

Submitted

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Executive Director Ken Haddad announced Thursday that Lt. Col. Jim Brown got the nod to pin the colonel's eagle insignias on his uniform and assume command of

the agency's law enforcement division.

Brown began his conservation law enforcement career in 1981, patrolling the Florida Keys. Over the years, he worked his way up the ranks and served as the FWC's boating law administrator, Special Op-

erations Program coordinator, and section leader in the Office of Boating and Waterways. He has served as the FWC's law enforcement deputy director of operations since 2006.

Brown studied criminology at Miami Dade Community College and sociology at the University of Miami. He is also a boat captain licensed by the U.S. Coast Guard to operate 100-ton ocean-going vessels.

"Col. Julie Jones (Brown's predecessor) spent seven years as our director of law enforcement, building standards and expectations that few other agencies anywhere can match," said FWC Chairman Rodney Barreto. "She led FWC

officers through the grueling accreditation process and did an excellent job of ensuring the division's depth of leadership into the future.

When Jones accepted the job as executive director of the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the FWC faced the challenge of finding a replacement for her who could maintain FWC officers' distinguished reputation in the law enforcement profession.

"Col. Brown was an excellent choice to fill the position," Barreto said. "He's worked 28 years in conservation law enforcement, performed brilliantly as a team leader and has extensive training in a variety of law enforcement operations. He has what it will take to continue building the traditions we've started."

Brown grew up in Homestead where he spent his time hunting and fishing the area from Lake Okeechobee through the Florida Keys. These days, he spends his off-duty time fishing in Apalachicola Bay with his wife, Karen.

Stone crab season is open

Submitted

The commercial and recreational harvest season for stone crab claws in Florida opened on Thursday, Oct. 15. The season will remain open through May 15.

Stone crab claws must be at least 2 3/4 inches in length to be harvested legally, and claws may not be taken from egg-bearing female stone crabs. Recreational harvesters are allowed to use up to five stone crab traps, and there is a daily bag limit of one gallon of claws per person or two gallons per vessel, whichever is less.

More information regarding the recreational harvest of stone crab claws is available online at MyFWC.com/Rules <http://www.myfwc.com/RULESANDREGS/Saltwater_Regulations_recastonecrab.htm> (click on Fishing Saltwater).

Commercial stone crab regulations and licensing information is also available online at the same location.

Apply for spring turkey quota hunt permits November 1

Submitted

Hunters looking to turkey hunt on Florida's wildlife management areas during the 2010 spring turkey season need to apply for quota hunt permits beginning 10 a.m. November 1.

Quota hunt permit worksheets are available now from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) regional offices and online at [MyFWC.com/Hunting](http://www.myfwc.com/Hunting) <<http://www.myfwc.com/Hunting>> (click under Limited Entry Hunts).

Applicants must apply through the FWC's Total Licensing System. Hunters may apply online at www.floridawildlifelicense.com/fl or present their completed work-

sheets to any tax collector office or license agent. All applicants, regardless of when they apply, have the same chance of being selected, as long as they submit their applications within the application period.

Applicants must apply by 11:59 p.m. November 30 to be included in the random drawing.

"When you submit your application, you will receive a receipt showing the hunts you have applied for and your preference status," said FWC quota hunt coordinator Eddie White.

Hunters also may apply as a group. A group leader must first apply to create the group. The group's number will be printed on the group leader's receipt. Each

person wishing to join the group must submit his own application using the unique group number assigned to the leader.

If chosen, applicants will receive, by mail, a spring turkey quota hunt permit. Applicants not chosen in Phase I may reapply during Phase 2 for any hunts not filled and will still be eligible for the preference drawing next year.

Applicants may check drawing results at [MyFWC.com/Hunting](http://www.myfwc.com/Hunting), under Limited Entry Hunts, click Check Permit Availability and Drawing Results.

For more information on how to apply for spring turkey quota hunt permits, visit [MyFWC.com/Hunting](http://www.myfwc.com/Hunting)



Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

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Migrating birds seek cooler temps as climate changes

By Patricia Behnke,
Florida Fish and Wildlife
Conservation Commission
(myFWC.com)

gration patterns among some species of birds.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) records show the average temperatures for January rose more than five degrees Fahrenheit in the continental United States over the past 40 years.

Audubon's annual Christmas Bird Count has resulted in one of the largest repositories of bird-migration data in the world. Audubon released a study compiling the citizen scientists' findings. The data, in conjunction with statistics on rising temperatures, is startling: 305 widespread bird species in North America "have moved dramatically northward toward colder latitudes over the past four decades".

"We were able to look

50 years, our little feathered friends will be forced to adapt faster than a hummingbird flaps its small, yet mighty wings.

"It's the pace of climate change," Sachs said. "When evolution occurs, species have time to catch up, but the speed at which temperatures are rising and precipitation patterns are changing presents some problems."

Butcher cautions that some birds will go back to breeding grounds too soon. In Canada, as temperatures rise, some birds will stay put, and when the other birds come too soon, precious habitat will be filled with displaced birds.

"Some will adapt," Butcher said. "Species already endangered or on the fringe won't do well and will suffer. Florida

will be particularly vulnerable with its coastal shoreline and huge amount and variety of wintering shorebirds."

Butcher urges individuals to volunteer with local groups working to protect natural areas. He also suggests participating in the annual

Christmas Bird Count.

The 110th Christmas Bird Count runs from Dec. 14 to Jan. 5. The Audubon Society's Web site will have specific information by November. Visit www.audubon.org/Bird/cbc <<http://www.audubon.org/Bird/cbc>> and click on "Get Involved". You also can contact your local Audubon chapter for further information on how to get involved.

If you are a backyard birder with little experience, a fun way to get involved is through eBird, a Web site devoted to compiling records of bird sightings.

Just register at <http://ebird.org> and follow the simple instructions for reporting your birding information. You'll be learning about birds and assisting the experts as they address the impacts of climate change.



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28th Annual Downtown Festival & Art Show brings out the best in Gainesville

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Celebrating its 28th anniversary in 2009, the "Downtown Festival & Art Show", proudly presented by the City of Gainesville Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs, is one of the nation's premier outdoor fine arts festivals. The historic, tree-lined streets of downtown Gainesville, from City Hall to the Hippodrome State Theatre, will be transformed into a celebration of art and creativity on Saturday, November 14 and Sunday, November 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Festival offers visitors the opportunity to meet the exhibiting artists, sample fine cuisine and enjoy live, continuous entertainment.

The Festival will delight the entire family, encouraging children to spend an entire day immersed in a world of art and creativity as they visit the Imagination Station. Children can discover their own artistic talents by participating in a large selection of hands-on art activities including sidewalk-chalk drawing, painting, mask design, puppet and button creation and clay sculpting. The Imagination Station features a performance area featuring puppet shows, magic and music.

Near the steps of the Hippodrome State The-

atre, more than 40 non-profit organizations will showcase their programs and services. With more than 20 diverse food vendors, visitors can indulge in a wide selection of multicultural dishes ranging from Bloomin' Onions to Pad Thai cuisine.

For music lovers, there will be continuous, live entertainment on three stages by local bands, solo musicians and dance companies. The Festival weekend kicks off Friday night at 7 p.m. with a Downtown Blues Festival presented by the North

Central Florida Blues Society. and open to the public all weekend. For more information, visit ARTS.

www.gvlculturalartsfairs.org or call 352-334-

September jobless rate up in Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette

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Suwannee County unemployment hit 9.8 percent, up from 9.3 in August. The September 2008 figure was 6.1 percent.

The jobless rate rose in Lafayette as well, to 7.2

percent from 7 percent in June. The August 2008 figure was 5 percent.

The jobless rate in Florida in September was 11 percent, up slightly from 10.7 in August. The September 2008 jobless rate in Florida was 6.7 percent.

Jennings man dies in crash

Continued From Page 1A

Ortega-Uolla came to rest facing northeast, while the vehicle carrying Ramirez ended up facing south.

The Madison County Sheriff's Office, Madison County EMS and the Lee Fire Department responded at the scene.

Ortega-Uolla died as a result of the accident, FHP said. Ramirez received minor injuries.

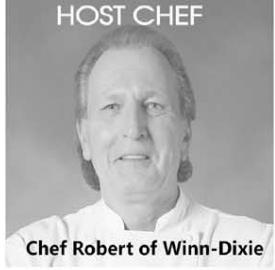
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today

US 41 between White Springs and Jasper is scheduled to be closed to all traffic all day today to accommodate the relocation of a dragline used by PCS Phosphate.

The road will be closed at CR 132 on the south end (north of White Springs) and CR 137 North (south of Jasper). The closure will begin at 7 a.m. and end by 5 p.m.

The closure will allow a dirt ramp to be built across the two-lane roadway, the adjacent railroad tracks and a natural gas transmission line. The actual movement of the dragline, scheduled to take about an hour to complete, will begin about 11 a.m. Once the dragline is moved across the three areas - road, railroad and gas line - the dirt berm will be removed and the area cleaned up.

All traffic will be detoured southbound to CR 137 North and northbound to either CR 137 South or to CR 132. CR 137 is a loop road that joins US 41 at two different locations, both north and south of CR 132.

This is the second movement of the PCS dragline in the last year. On Oct. 30, 2008, the road was closed to allow the 8 million pound dragline to be moved across the road.

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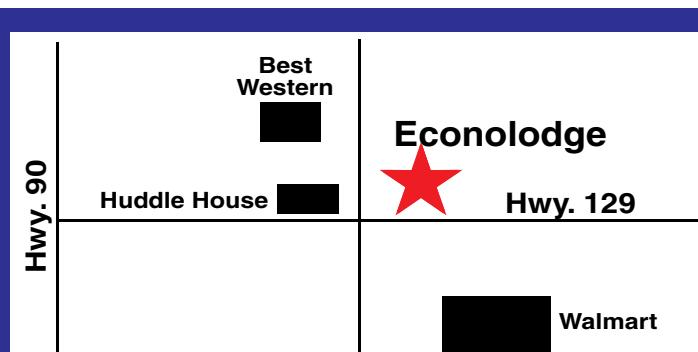
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Community

Thursday, October 22, 2009

The Jasper News

Section B

Sports

Lady Trojans suffer two more losses

Submitted by Donna Beauchamp

Matches this week for the Lady Trojans Volleyball Team proved to be unsuccessful as they were defeated by Lafayette and Suwannee Counties.

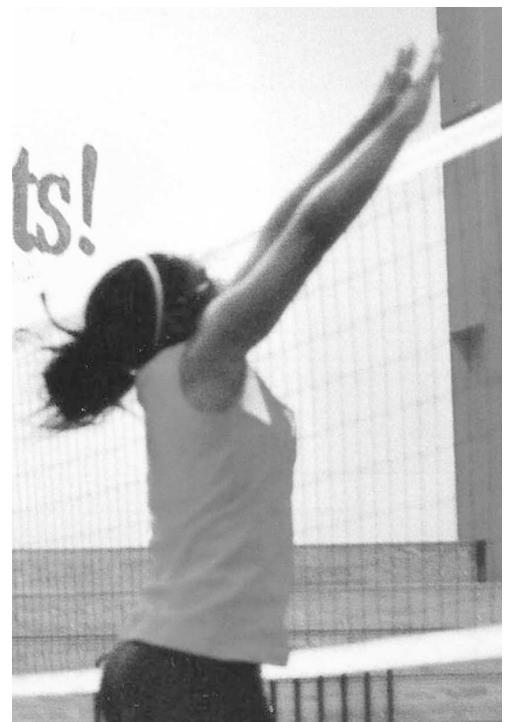
The Lady Trojans started strong but seemed to lose momentum as the games progressed. "They've shown many times, win or lose, the ability to execute the skill it takes to win but must show consistency," Coach Hannah Perez said. "I found myself satisfied after the match against Lafayette County, despite the loss. Lafayette has a tough team but for the first time our girls truly looked like a team of six on the court and not six individual players."

Coach Perez went on to say, "Thursday night was a disappointment. I truly felt we had what it would take to beat Suwannee but the ladies couldn't keep their heads in the game. In this building season the most important thing my girls can learn is that they can win, but it takes an entire game of hard, focused playing to achieve that."

Combined for both games, MiKayla Byrd was the service point leader with eleven. Co-Captain Blake Daniels followed with eight and Captain Jasmine Dobson with five.

The Lady Trojans will end their regular season Thursday, October 22, (this evening) hosting Newberry. District games will be held in Tallahassee next week.

Please join us in showing your support for the 2009 Lady Trojans Volleyball Team and end their regular season with great families and fun!



Jamee Daniels up for the block



Bria Davis putting one over



Rebecca Hunter returning serve



CHE parents and teachers met recently to discuss issues relating to students' achievements. Photos submitted

CHE NEWS

Getting Involved at CHE!

Submitted

Parents, community members, teachers, and students gathered on Tuesday evening during the SAC/PTO meeting held at Central Hamilton Elementary. The meeting opened with Mrs. Betty Ann Sumner, Principal discussing the newly formed Parent, Student, Teacher Compact, and issues related to Title I.

The group was also enlightened during a presentation by Mrs. Doretha Jackson of the Parental Information and Resource Centers (PIRCs). The purpose of the presentation was to help implement effective parental involvement policies, programs, and activities that will impact children's academic achievement. Mrs. Jack-

son will be returning to conduct more parent workshops in addition to Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) Training.

The goal of Central Hamilton Elementary and the Parental Involvement Committee is to strengthen the partnerships among parents, teachers, principals, administrators, and other school personnel in order to meet the academic and social needs of the children we serve. The Parental Involvement Committee members are Kathy Griffin (Chairperson), Janell Warfel, Charles Claridy, (Parent Liaison), Linda Ledyard, and Norman McCall.

The meeting was very productive and enjoyed by all attendants. Re-

freshments were provided by Mrs. Phyllis Simons and the cafeteria staff as well as other staff members. Parents and members from the community voiced their opinions and concerns. Those concerns were charted and recorded, and will assist in forming policies for parental involvement and future professional development activities. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday November 10, 2009 @ 4:30 PM. We ask that all members of the community come out and support Central and all of the positive things that are being implemented to raise the academic achievement of students.

Kathy J. Griffin
School Advisory Council, Chair



CHE parents and teachers met recently to discuss issues relating to students' achievements. Photos submitted

Counselor's Corner

"Elvis Presley" was an assembly hit at HCHS



Mr. Howell shares his high expectations with students.

By Paula G. Williams, Counselor
Hamilton County High School

When the students at Hamilton High met with principal Howell in the auditorium on last Wednesday, they were amazed when our very own "Elvis" appeared on stage. After giving a short pep talk in that Tennessee drawl, he heated things up by singing "Ain't Nothing but a Hound Dog" with the following lyrics:

Nothin' but an FCAT, crying all the time,

You ain't nothing but an FCAT, crying all the time
You ain't never gonna beat me
And that sure ain't no lie.
They said you was a hard test
That was just lies
This time I'm gonna hit you
Right between the eyes.

It was evident the students were engaged in the performance and they were trying to catch on to the lyrics. "Elvis" talked a little more before singing another hit, "It's Now or Nev-

er" with the lyrics:

It's now or never, Let's do this right
Let's pass this FCAT, Let's get it right.

Tomorrow will be too late.

It's now or never, We just can't wait

I seem to remember, Words and numbers.

My head was spinning, My stomach churning

I then heard crying, But that was me

FCAT beater I will be.

After "Elvis" completed his show to zoom back to Memphis, Mr. Howell talked to the students about the upcoming testing season and the importance of doing well. "If you think you can, you can. If you think you can't, you can't and either way you are right." Think positive and use all of your skills to make this thing happen. It is so important that you do your best and not settle for anything less. Our expectations are high and we believe in you," Howell said. Ms. Williams thanked Mr. Doug Clayton for making sure "Elvis" arrived, and she reviewed test taking skills with the students before they participated in a FCAT chant.

Good luck to our students who will



"It's Now or Never" holds a true meaning", Elvis said.

be taking the ACT on Saturday, October 24th. Remember the end of the first grading period is October 26th.

ASVAB will be given on October 27th. Students should contact Lt. Col. Davis or Sgt. Snipes for more information.

Next week is homecoming at Hamilton High. HAPPY HOME-COMING TROJANS!



The children posed for a group photo on the fire truck. Photos submitted

4-H F.I.S.H. learn all about fire safety

Submitted

The 4-H F.I.S.H. (Families in School at Home) held a meeting on Thursday, October 15 at the Hamilton County Extension Office in Jasper. The educational topic for October was Fire Safety. Allen Blanton (Jasper Fire Department) and Robert Marvin and Chad Burnett (Division of Forestry) presented the children



Allen Blanton of the Jasper Fire Department, Robert Marvin and Chad Burnett of the Division of Forestry explain to the 4-H F.I.S.H. group about fire-fighting equipment.

with several tips on fire safety.

The children enjoyed learning about the safety equipment on a fire truck and they enjoyed actually getting to sit in the fire truck. The children would like to give a big thanks to these gentlemen for taking the time to teach them important tips about what they should do in case of a fire.

Florida to Observe National Teen Driver Safety Week Oct. 19-25

Submitted

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Safety Office announces that October 19-25, 2009 has been designated National Teen Driver Safety Week.

Florida recognizes that motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of teen fatalities in this country. Teens are involved in three times as many fatal crashes as all other drivers nationwide. Inexperience and immaturity combined with speed, alcohol, lack of use of safety belts and distracted driving are key factors in many teen crashes. It's vital for parents to take an active role in teaching their teens to drive safely. Teens often learn by example.

"Despite efforts aimed at increasing belt use among teens, safety belt use among teens and young adults is low. In Florida in 2008, 68.3% of children ages 0-17 killed in vehicle crashes were not using either a child passenger seat or a safety belt. We must all make every effort to reverse this deadly trend and teach our teens safe driving habits

and to make wise decisions when riding with other teens," said Marianne Trussell, FDOT Chief Safety Officer.

- In 2008, 18-year-old drivers in Florida had the highest rate of crash involvement in all crashes, while 19-year-old drivers had the highest rate of fatal crashes.

- Nationwide in 2008, 37% of 15-20 year old drivers involved in fatal crashes were speeding.

- Nationwide in 2008, passenger vehicle occupants ages 10 to 24 involved in fatal crashes had the lowest restraint use rate (59%).

- Nationwide in 2008, 4,054 teens between the ages of 13-19 years of age died in motor vehicle crashes.

- In the United States, teens account for only 6.3 percent of the population but are involved in 14 percent of the total number of traffic fatalities.

- Distractions are deadly for teen drivers. Distractions are the No. 1 reason new drivers crash.

- While all teens are at a

high-risk of experiencing a fatal crash, young males, pickup truck drivers and passengers, as well as people living in rural areas are among those least likely to buckle up.

- 60% of teens know inexperience heavily influences safety, but only 15% correctly view their peers as inexperienced drivers.

The high fatality and low seat belt use rates among teens and young adults is why the Florida Department of Transportation is joining with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Governors Highway Safety Association, and other state and local highway safety and law enforcement leaders across the nation to bring this issue to the forefront of everyone's minds, especially teens and their parents and guardians. Together we can help remind teens, particularly during National Teen Driver Safety Week, to always buckle up, day and night, to insist everyone in your vehicle is buckled up, and to avoid in car distractions.

Hamilton County School District's "All-Star School Lunch" campaign

Submitted

National School Lunch Week, October 12-16, 2009 was celebrated as Hamilton County School District hosted the "All-Star School Lunch" a NBA-inspired campaign to help students learn the importance of eating healthy school lunches and staying active.

Students who visit www.allstarschool-lunch.org will find a full court press of activities and information on the nutrition campaign, sponsored by the non-profit School Nutrition Association and the Milk Processors Education Program (MilkPEP). The site features the All-Star School Lunch Team choices of participating NBA/WNBA players-well-balanced, nutritious lunch menus including fruits and vegetables, whole grain pastas and breads, as well as vegetarian fare.

Serving nearly 31 million children every school day, the federally-funded National School Lunch Program (NSLP) provides nutritionally balanced low-cost and free meals to students. The program requires school meals to meet federal nutrition standards: no more than 30% of calories from fat and less than 10% from saturated fat, weekly lunches must provide 1/3 of RDA of protein, Vitamin A and C, iron, calcium and calories. Also, well-balanced school lunches must be served in age-appropriate portions and include protein, fruits and vegetables, grains and low-fat milk.

Central Hamilton Elementary School would like to thank Jasper Mayor, Ann Lessman, for participating in their School Lunch Week.



Ann Lessman, Mayor of Jasper, participated in "School Lunch Week" at Central Hamilton Elementary School. photo submitted

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Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens presents its family-friendly Halloween event

The Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens announced its 22nd annual fall festival, Spooktacular, on October 22-25 and 29-31 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Families who come to this year's magical Spooktacular event will experience the magic of seeing the land of Pumpkinville come alive with hundreds of pumpkins, fun, candy and excitement. New this year are the Pharaoh's Tomb, with its funny mummy, and the Abandoned Mine Shaft. This merry-not-scary fall festival also showcases the Pirate's Cove featuring seafaring men and women who entertain guests and fend off the alligators. Guests can come in their favorite

costume and enjoy trick-or-treating, music, dancing, food, a giant slide, and bounce houses - all while viewing some of their favorite zoo animals. Guests will also have the opportunity to take photographs with Jazoo or one his friends and visit with the Pumpkinville People, scarecrows, frog prince, fairies and many more. Spooktacular is Jacksonville's premier Halloween event for safe, family fun and entertainment and is presented by Pepsi.

Spooktacular is the Zoo's largest fundraiser, with all proceeds benefiting the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens and going to the care and feeding of the animals. Admission is \$8 for

members and \$9 for non-members, and children under 3 are free. Children also receive a free glow-in-the-dark necklace with paid admission. For more information, or to purchase tickets in advance for \$1 off, visit <http://www.jacksonvillezoo.org>.

For over 90 years, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has been dedicated to inspiring the discovery and appreciation of wildlife through innovative experience in a caring environment. From the beginning in 1914, with an animal collection that consisted of only one red deer fawn, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has become one of the top zoos in the nation, now with more than 1,400 rare and exot-

ic animals and over 1,000 unique plant species. The Zoo is a non-profit organization and an accredited member of the Association of Zoos and

Aquariums and the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums. It is open year-round, seven days a week, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is located on Jacksonville's north side at 370 Zoo Parkway, one-half mile east from I-95. For more information, go to jacksonvillezoo.org.

Crenshaw recognizes military aviators and service volunteers

Submitted

WASHINGTON, DC—Congressman Ander Crenshaw announced his support for passage of two House Resolutions that recognize 100 years of dedicated service from military aviators (H.Res. 445) and the valuable role of family readiness volunteers in supporting service members (H. Res. 408).

"Service members and volunteers who tirelessly

dedicate themselves to our great nation deserve official recognition from Congress," said Crenshaw, a Member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs. "Jacksonville has been the home of military aviation for decades and was the birthplace of the Navy Blue Angels. I'm proud to back a bill that recognizes the 100 years of achievements and sacrifices of our military aviators.

Additionally, family readiness volunteers, including those in the local branches of the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society, the USO,

and the Wounded Warrior Project, spend hours and hours each week helping out other military families. Without the work of these steady volunteers, the challenges of military life would be much more difficult."

Both pieces of legislation passed the House of Representatives by voice vote on Wednesday, October 14 and now move to the United States Senator for consideration. H. Res. 408 was introduced by Congresswoman Susan Davis (D-CA), and H. Res. 445 was introduced by Congressman Pete Olson (D-TX).

Hamilton County Legislative Delegation Hearing date announced

MADISON - State Representative Leonard Bembry (D-Greenville) has announced the Hamilton County Legislative Delegation will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, October 27th at 9:00 AM. The meeting will be held in the Hamilton County Commission Chambers at the Hamilton County Courthouse, located at 207 NE 1st Street, Jasper, Florida.

Representative Bembry stated "This is a prime opportunity for the citizens and public officials of Hamilton County to meet with their Legislators and inform them of what is important to their community." The Hamilton County Legislative Delegation includes Senator Charles Dean and Representative Leonard Bembry.

If any member of the public would like to ad-

dress the delegation, please contact Mickie Salter in Representative Bembry's office at 850-973-5630 or Mickie.salter@myfloridahouse.gov to be placed on the agenda. Appearance cards will also be available at the hearing for anyone who wishes to be heard. If you are presenting a handout to the delegation, please have at least six (6) copies available.

NOTICE REGARDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE LEONARD BEMBRY no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding at (850) 973-5630, Madison, Florida.

Community Calendar

Oct. 8-Nov. 6 - Artist John Rice retrospective exhibit of his work at Levy Performing Arts Center in Lake City. Sponsored by Art Matters, public invited to attend. Call 386-697-4622 for more information.

Oct. 23, 24, 30, 31 - First Annual Fall Festival, Central Avenue, downtown Jasper.

Oct. 25 - Divonia Baptist Church, 7563 US Hwy 129 S in Jasper, hosts their Homecoming services at 11 a.m. Dinner and singing to follow.

Oct. 27 - The Hamilton County Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Coalition will hold a meeting to discuss the future of our youth and the safety of our community at 9:30 a.m. at the school board meeting room in the JRE Lee Complex, 4280 SW CR 152. Public is urged to attend.

Oct. 28 - The Lady of the Lake Quilting Guild will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 9:30 AM at the Teen Town Bible Baptist Church opens their clothes closet on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 1p.m.-3p.m. Call 792-0720 for more information.

NOTICE OF LAND USE CHANGE

The Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Florida proposes to regulate the use of land within the area as shown on the map below by amending the Hamilton County Comprehensive Plan, hereinafter referred to as the Comprehensive Plan, as follows:

CPA 09-4, is an application by the Board of County Commissioners, to amend the Future Land Use Plan Map of the Comprehensive Plan by changing the future land use classification from AGRICULTURAL-4 (less than or equal to 1 dwelling unit per 5 acres) to PUBLIC on the property described, as follows:

A parcel of land lying within Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 12 East, Hamilton County, Florida. Being more particularly described, as follows: The Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 11, the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the said Section 11 and the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 11.

Containing 240.00 acres, more or less.

LESS AND EXCEPT

A parcel of land lying within Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 12 East, Hamilton County, Florida. Being more particularly described, as follows: That portion of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of said Section 11 lying North of the Northerly right-of-way line of New Hope Church Road; and that portion of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of said Section 11 lying East of the Easterly right-of-way line of Northwest 69th Boulevard and those lands lying within the right-of-way for New Hope Church Road.

Containing 123.00 acres, more or less.

Less and Except

A parcel of land lying within Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 12 East, Hamilton County, Florida. Being more particularly described, as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 11; thence South 00°27'00" East, a distance of 15.06 feet to the South right-of-way line of the New Hope Church Road; thence North 87°54'00" East, along the South right-of-way line of said New Hope Church Road, a distance of 200.00 feet; thence South 00°27'00" East 657.23 feet to Point of Beginning; thence North 89°47'00" West 199.92 feet; thence South 00°27'00" East 217.89 feet to Point of Beginning.

Containing 1.00 acres, more or less.

Less and Except

A parcel of land lying within Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 12 East, Hamilton County, Florida. Being more particularly described, as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 11; thence South 00°27'00" East, along the West line of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 11, a distance of 449.59 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 00°27'00" East, along the West line of said Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 11, a distance of 217.89 feet; thence North 89°33'00" East 199.92 feet; thence North 00°27'00" West 217.89 feet to Point of Beginning.

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UF MEDICAL NEWS

Grant to help UF doctors deliver cancer care to needy Floridians

Submitted

GAINESVILLE, Fla. The University of Florida is one of three academic medical centers in Florida that will provide screening and care for colorectal cancer under a new \$850,000 grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"Only a minority of Floridians ever receives colon cancer screening,"

said Thomas George, M.D., director of UF's gastrointestinal oncology program and a member of the UF Shands Cancer Center. "We are targeting people with the most to gain. For them, this screening could mean the difference between life and death."

"Colon cancer screening under the grant is

targeted at those ages 50 to 64 with little or no health insurance coverage," said Susan Fleming, R.N., cancer program administrator with the Florida Department of Health. Shands at UF, along with grant partners Jackson Memorial Hospital at the University of Miami and Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, will provide follow-up care at no charge for any cancers detected in the screening.

Program organizers are working with local county public health units, the College of Medicine Equal Access Clinic and selected faculty practices to help identify people who may be eligible for the screening

at UF.

The five-year program began July 1, 2009, and services are slated to begin Jan. 1.

Part of the grant funds will be used for colorectal cancer education and awareness. Other grant efforts will seek to identify the cultural, geographic and other barriers that can deter people from getting screened for colon cancer.

In 2009, colorectal cancer will claim about 50,000 lives in the United States, about evenly divided between men and women, according to the American Cancer Society. Florida colorectal cancer deaths during 2009 are estimated to be about 3,500.



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UF STUDY: Tai Chi can help people with diabetes lower glucose levels

GAINESVILLE, Fla. A regular tai chi exercise program can help people better control their diabetes and lower glucose levels, according to a University of Florida study.

In a study of adults diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, those who participated in a supervised tai chi exercise program two days a week with three days of home practice for six months significantly lowered their fasting blood glucose levels, improved their management of the disease, and enhanced their overall quality of life, including mental health, vitality and energy.

"Tai chi really has similar effects as other aerobic exercises on diabetic control. The difference is tai chi is a low-impact exercise, which means that it's less stressful on the bones, joints and muscles than more strenuous exercise," said Beverly Roberts, Ph.D., R.N., the Annabel Davis Jenks endowed professor at the UF College of Nursing.

Roberts, with Rhayun Song, Ph.D., R.N., of Chungnam National University, studied tai chi's effect on older Korean residents. The research was featured in the June issue of The Journal of Alternative and Complementary Medicine.

About 23.6 million children and adults in the United States, or 7.8 percent of the population, have diabetes. It occurs when the body does not produce or properly use insulin, a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy needed for daily life.

Risk factors include obesity, sedentary lifestyle, unhealthy eating habits, high blood pressure and cholesterol, a history of gestational diabetes and increased age, many of which can be reduced through exercise.

"People assume that for exercise to be beneficial you have to be huffing and puffing, sweating and red-faced afterward," Roberts said. "This may turn people off, particularly older adults. However, we have found that activities like tai chi can be just as beneficial in improving health."

Tai chi is an ancient Chinese martial art that combines deep breathing and relaxation with slow, gentle circular movements. This low-

impact exercise uses shifts in body position and stepping in coordination with arm movements.

Sixty-two participants, mostly Korean women, took part in the study. Half the group participated in at least 80 percent of two supervised sessions one hour per week, with three days of home practice for six months, and the other half served as a control group. Those who completed the sessions had significantly improved glucose control and reported higher levels of vitality and energy.

"Those who participated in the tai chi sessions actually had lower blood glucose at three and six months," Roberts said. "Those individuals also had lower hemoglobin A1c, which means they had better diabetic control."

In addition to improved blood glucose levels, participants also reported significantly improved mental health. "This was very encouraging especially since people with less depression are typically more active and independent," Roberts said.

Tai chi has also been used for people with arthritis and disabilities to increase balance, muscle strength and mobility and to reduce the risk of falls. It is worth investigating its effects in other conditions, especially in older people, Roberts said.

"Tai chi provides a great alternative for people who may want the benefits of exercise on diabetic control but may be physically unable to complete strenuous activities due to age, condition or injury," Roberts said. "Future studies could examine if tai chi could similarly benefit conditions such as osteoporosis or heart disease."

Since tai chi is an exercise that involves so many parts of the body and also helps to relax the mind, it is more likely participants will adhere to the exercise, said Paul Lam, M.B.B.S., a lecturer with the University of South Wales School of Public Health and Community Medicine and a practicing family physician in Sydney, Australia.

"This study shows that tai chi can have a significant effect on the management and treatment of diabetes; a significant and growing health challenge for all Western countries," Lam said.

Submitted
GAINESVILLE, Fla. -- University of Florida researchers have grown tumors in mice using cells from inflamed but non-cancerous colon tissue taken from human patients, a finding that sheds new light on colon cancer and how it might be prevented.

Scientists observed that cancer stem cells taken from the gastrointestinal system in patients with a chronic digestive disease called ulcerative colitis will transform into cancerous tumors in mice.

The finding, now online and to be featured on the cover of the Thursday (Oct. 15) issue of Cancer Research, may help explain why patients with colitis have up to a 30-fold risk of developing colon cancer compared with people without the disease.

New understanding of the link between colitis and cancer could lead to diagnostic tests that would evaluate tissue taken from patients with colitis for signs of cancer stem cell development, thereby identifying patients who may be at greater risk for cancer.

"Ultimately it would be great if we could prevent colitis or treat colitis so it never gets to the cancerous stage," said UF colorectal surgeon Emina Huang, M.D., who is a member of the Program in Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine at UF's McKnight Brain Institute and the UF College of Medicine.

Although colonoscopy is very effective in screening and preventing colon cancer for most people, for patients with colitis no diagnostic tests work well because the inflamed tissue makes identification of pre-cancerous changes difficult.

According to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America, approximately 700,000 people have colitis in the United States. The National Cancer Institute estimates that cancer of the colon and rectum will claim the lives of about 50,000 people this year.

UF scientists gathered colitic tissue from humans and chemically screened it for colon cancer stem cells, also called

tumor initiating cells. These cells were then isolated and monitored in mice to see if tumors would grow.

Huang said these findings shed light on that

tumor initiating cells.

fact that it may not be just the cancer "seed" cell, but the "soil" in this case inflamed colon tissue that plays a role in the development of cancer.

"Is it the seed, is it the soil or is it their interaction?" she said. "We think probably both, but now we have a new way to look at it and a new method of attack."



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Notice of Public Hearing on Comprehensive Plan Amendment

Town of Jennings, FL

The Town Council of the Town of Jennings, Florida, will hold a public hearing on the following item on November 3, 2009, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1199 Hamilton Ave, Jennings Florida.

The Town Council will consider the following ordinance on first reading for adoption and transmittal of the included amendment to the Town's comprehensive plan to the Florida Department of Community Affairs:

ORDINANCE 2009-04: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF JENNINGS, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AMENDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT FIVE-YEAR SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The proposed ordinance may be inspected by the public at City Hall, 1199 Hamilton Ave, on October 28, 2009, and thereafter between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM weekdays.

Interested parties are encouraged to appear at the hearing and provide comments regarding the proposed amendment to the Town's Five Year Schedule of Capital Improvements.

APPEAL: NECESSITY OF RECORD

Notice is given pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes that if any person desires to appeal any action taken by the City Council at the above hearing you will need to insure a verbatim record of the proceedings is made. The City Council assumes no responsibility for furnishing said record, however, the hearings will be audio recorded by the City Council for public use.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person(s) with a disability requiring reasonable accommodation in order to participate in this meeting should call Town Hall at 386-938-4131 at least 48 hours prior to this public meeting.

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Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)
 2737 Centerview Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3100
 (850) 488-1850
www.djj.state.fl.us

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Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE)
 P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, FL 32302-1489
 Information Office: (850) 410-7000
www.fdle.state.fl.us

Type of business or concern	Reference letter for state agencies listed below this table.	
Accountants	C	A
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Adult Abuse	D	V
Aging	H	L
Airports	V	C
Alcoholic Beverages	C	C
Architects	C	C
Banking	B	A
Barbers	C	E
Bingo	P	C
Boat Registration	M	C
Business Opportunities	A	A
Business Schools	G	L
Cable TV	A	M
Cars	M	B
Cemeteries	B	M
Charities/Solicitors	A	K
Child Abuse	D	K
Child Support	T	O
Chiropractors	K	A
Colleges & Universities	G	C
Company Background Checks	A	C
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Condominiums	C	A
Contractors	C	A
Cooperatives	A	A
Corporations	U	L
Correctional Facilities	F	K
Cosmetologists	C	A
Credit	B	A
Credit Unions	B	A
Dance Studios	A	K
Dentists/Hygienists	K	K
Dietitians/Nutritionists	K	L
Disability Assistance	Z	I
Disabled Parking	V	S
Do Not Call List (Florida)	A	C
Domestic Security	O	C
Driver Licenses	M	C
Driving Schools	M	J
Education/Schools	G	A
Elderly	H	B
Elderly Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation	D	K
Elections	U	I
Electrical Contractors	C	C
Elevators	C	T
Endangered Species	I	A
Energy Efficiency	E	C
Finance Companies	B	A
Fire Safety	B	X
Florida Lottery	Q	M
Food Safety	A	W
Food Stamp Programs	D	C
Fresh Water Fishing Licenses	J	G
Game Promotions	A	B

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Florida Department of Legal Affairs (OAG)
 Office of the Attorney General
 The Capitol, PL-01 Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050
 (850) 414-3990 Fraud Hotline: 1-866-966-7226
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Florida Lottery (DOL)
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Florida Department of Military Affairs (DMA)
 St. Francis Barracks
 82 Marine Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084
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Public Service Commission (PSC)
 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL
 32399-0850
 Main Number: 1-800-342-3552 Local Number:
 (850) 413-6344 www.psc.state.fl.us

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Florida Department of Revenue (DOR)
 5050 West Tennessee Street, Tallahassee, FL
 32399-0100
 Main Number: 1-800-352-3671 Local Number:
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Florida Department of State (DOS)
 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, FL
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Florida Department of Transportation (DOT)
 605 Suwannee Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450
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 (850) 414-4100 www.dot.state.fl.us

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Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA)
 Mary Grizzle Building, Room 311-K
 11351 Ulmerton Road, Largo, FL 33778-1630
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Agency for Workforce Innovation (AWI)
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 245-7105 www.floridajobs.org

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Executive Office of the Governor (EOG)
 The Capitol
 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001
 Citizens' Assistance: (850) 488-4441
www.flgov.com

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Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD)
 4030 Esplanade Way, Suite 380
 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0950
 Main Number: (850) 488-4257
<http://apd.myflorida.com/>

Preventing Problems

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The division distributes a wide range of consumer publications available online or in brochure format free of charge. Visit us online at www.800helpfla.com, or give us a call at 1-800-HELP-FLA (435-7352) and a Consumer Education Specialist will be happy to assist you in finding the information you need.

Visit our website for a complete A-Z Resource Guide listing at www.800helpfla.com.

An informed consumer is the best protection against fraud and deception!

n/c

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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
AFFAIRS NOTICE OF INTENT TO
FIND THE HAMILTON COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
AMENDMENT(S) IN COMPLIANCE
DOCKET NO. 09-1-NOI-2401-(A)-(I)

The Department gives notice of its intent to find the Amendment(s) to the Comprehensive Plan for Hamilton County adopted by Ordinance No. 2009-07 and 2009-08 on September 15, 2009, IN COMPLIANCE, pursuant to Sections 163.3184, 163.3187 and 163.3189, F.S.

The adopted Hamilton County Comprehensive Plan Amendment(s) and the Department's Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report, (if any), are available for public inspection Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, during normal business hours, at the Office of the County Coordinator, 313 Hatley Street Northeast, Suite 2, Jasper, Florida 32052.

Any affected person, as defined in Section 163.3184, F.S., has a right to petition for an administrative hearing to challenge the proposed agency determination that the Amendment(s) to the Hamilton County Comprehensive Plan is In Compliance, as defined in Subsection 163.3184(1), F.S. The petition must be filed within twenty-one (21) days after publication of this notice, and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. The petition must be filed with the Agency Clerk, Department of Community Affairs, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100, and a copy mailed or delivered to the local government. Failure to timely file a petition shall constitute a waiver of any right to request an administrative proceeding as a petitioner under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. If a petition is filed, the purpose of the administrative hearing will be to present evidence and testimony and forward a recommended order to the Department. If no petition is filed, this Notice of Intent shall become final agency action.

If a petition is filed, other affected persons may petition for leave to intervene in the proceeding. A petition for intervention must be filed at least twenty (20) days before the final hearing and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. A petition for leave to intervene shall be filed at the Division of Administrative Hearings, Department of Management Services, 1230 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3060. Failure to petition to intervene within the allowed time frame constitutes a waiver of any right such a person has to request a hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to participate in the administrative hearing.

After an administrative hearing petition is timely filed, mediation is available pursuant to Subsection 163.3189(3)(a), F.S., to any affected person who is made a party to the proceeding by filing that request with the administrative law judge assigned by the Division of Administrative Hearings. The choice of mediation shall not affect a party's right to an administrative hearing.

Mike McDaniel, Chief
Office of Comprehensive Planning
Department of Community Affairs
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100
10/22

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 09-64-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF
TINA LOUISE DIXON, deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Tina Louise Dixon, deceased, whose date of death was July 31, 2009, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hamilton County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 207 NE First Street, Jasper, FL 32052. 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 WITHIN 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 SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of the first publication of this notice is October 15, 2009.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ Paul Hendrick
PAUL HENDRICK
Florida Bar No. 142421
Law Office of Ralph R. Deas
306 NE First Street
Jasper, FL 32052
Telephone: 386-792-2755
Fax: 386-792-7395

Personal Representative:
By /s/ Thomas J. Murphy
Thomas J. Murphy
1766 NW 3rd Way
Jennings, FL 32353
10/22, 10/29

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME
LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09,
FLORIDA STATUTES

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Division of Corporations of the Florida
Department of State,
Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at WHITE SPRINGS, Florida, this
16th day of October, 2009.
10/22

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Hamilton County School Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 17, 2009. It will be conducted at the conclusion of the regular business meeting, which will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the school district administration building in Jasper, Florida. The purpose of the hearing is to consider changes to the following school board policies:

2.02 Organization, Membership & Officer of the Board Revise
3.10 Flag display and Pledge

Revise

3.31 Automatic External Defibrillators Adopt
5.08 Post Secondary Vocational Programs Revise
5.141 Anabolic Steroid Testing For Student Athletes Adopt
5.21 Prohibition of Harassment-Students Repeal
5.23 Drug & Alcohol Testing of Student Athletes Revise
5.37 Student Use of Cell Telephones, Pagers, & Other Communication Devices Repeal
5.711 Parental Access to Information Revise
6.112 License of School Bus Operator Adopt
6.15 Educational Paraprofessionals and Aides Revise
6.321 Health Insurance Premiums Revise
6.431 Prohibition of Harassment Repeal
7.08 Inventories and Property Records Revise
8.03 Inspections

Revise
8.05 Disaster Preparedness

Revise
8.13 Student Transportation

Revise

Reason for changes: various

Authority: 1001.41, 1001.42, F. S.

Estimated economic impact: minimum

A complete copy of these rules are available for review at the office of the Superintendent of Schools; Jasper, Florida.

HAMILTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

By: /s/Martha Butler
Martha Butler
Superintendent

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

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Editor's note: The Jasper News prints the entire arrest record each week. If your name appears here and you are later found not guilty or the charges are dropped, we will be happy to make note of this in the newspaper when judicial proof is presented to us by you or the authorities.

The following abbreviations are used below:

DAC - Department of Agriculture Commission

DOA - Department of Agriculture

DOT - Department of Transportation

FDLE - Florida Department of Law Enforcement

FHP - Florida Highway Patrol

FWC - Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

HCDTF - Hamilton County Drug Task Force

HCSO - Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

ICE - Immigration and Custom Enforcement

JAPD - Jasper Police

Department
JNPD - Jennings Police Department
OALE - Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement
P&P - Probation and Parole

SCSO - Suwannee County Sheriff's Office
WSPD - White Springs Police Department

Oct. 12, William T. Jones, 33, 1332 Bee Street, Jennings; forgery, uttering a forgery; HCSO

Oct. 13, Cynthia Denise Mays, 49; 511 NE 1st Avenue, Jasper; failure to appear; HCSO

Oct. 13, Anton Devane Corbett, 24; 1773 NW 6th Trail, Jennings; sale of cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to sell, trafficking in Oxycodone, possession of propoxyphene (Darvocet), possession of cocaine;

Oct. 13, Robert H. Becker, 46; 102 Bluebird Lane, Knapp, WI; driving while license suspended, failure to stop

for inspection; DOA
Oct. 13, Berry Feldon Selph, Jr., 49; 4051 NE 149th Court, Williston, Florida; violation of probation/driving under the influence; HCSO

Oct. 14, Ben Daniels, 45; PO Box 244, Jennings; sale of controlled substance (cocaine), possession of controlled substance (cocaine); HCSO

Oct. 14, Markeith Hawkins, 27; 1278 Stephens Street, Jennings; 3 counts possession of marijuana within 1,000 feet of church, 3 counts sale of marijuana within 1,000 feet of church; DTF

Oct. 15, Jeffrey Gandy, Sr., 42; 1411 Berry Street, Jennings; sale of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, possession of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, hold for Gadsden, Lake, and Volusia Counties; DTF

Oct. 15, Juan Manuel Gomez, 47; in transit; violation of probation; HSCO.

park, possession of cocaine within 1,000 feet of park, violation of probation; HCSO

Oct. 15, Crystal Monique Edwards, 21; 300 N. Chanbridge Drive, Apt. E-1, Jasper; sale of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, possession of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, violation of probation; HCSO

Oct. 15, Theron Lamar Jackson, Jr., 51; 309 SW Bristol Avenue, Jasper; sale of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, possession of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, violation of probation; DTF

Oct. 15, Chandale Hall, 24; 309 SW Bristol Avenue, Jasper; sale of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, possession of cocaine within 1,000 feet of church, hold for Gadsden, Lake, and Volusia Counties; DTF

Oct. 17, Juan Manuel Gomez, 47; in transit; violation of probation; HSCO.

Arrest Reports

University to host symposium on offshore energy

Submitted

the University Center Club Building B, Doak Campbell Stadium, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida.

Although offshore energy production has a long history in the coastal United States, Florida is a unique case because of its geology and environment. This event will provide informed commentary and moderated discussion of issues at the forefront of prospects for oil and gas production in Florida waters. Expert panels will consider aspects of three interwoven topic areas:

- Energy Resources and Development: What is the expected magnitude of hydrocarbon reserves located off Florida's coast, and what are the realistic timelines for production?

- Economics and

Monthly Meetings:

The Jasper Revitalization Committee meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Jasper City Hall.

Bible Baptist Church opens their clothes closet on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 1p.m-3p.m. Call 792-0720 for more information

TABE tests

Monday – Thursday

Monday – Thursday at 5 p.m. (by appointment): TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education) at NFCC Testing Center (Bldg. #16), Madison. TABE is required for acceptance into vocational/technical programs. Photo ID required. Pre-registration & scheduling time & date are required. To register please call 850-973-9451.

Revenue: What is the experience of other coastal states with respect to effective regulation and revenue from energy resources in state and federal waters?

- Environment and Technology: How does the marine environment of the Florida coast differ from other coastal regions and what possibilities does 21st-century technology offer for minimizing negative effects?

Members of the public are welcome to attend the symposium; the cost to register is \$50. To register online, visit <http://campus.fsu.edu/energy> no later than Friday, Oct. 30. Please note that seating is limited for this event.

Symposium attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions of each of the panels and in a concluding plenary

session, as well as during a mixer following the formal event.

"The purpose of this event is to bring together groups of recognized experts who will articulate scholarship-derived issues that should be addressed in any near-shore drilling strategy the state proposes," said David Cartes, the director of Florida State's Institute for Energy Systems, Economics and Sustainability.

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