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Tobacco trends discussed in effort to prevent use



Katie Hadsock from AHEC tells about a Hookah water pipe usage trends. - Photos: Joyce Marie Taylor



A new take on snuff called Snus

Florida prisons to be tobacco-free Oct. 1

By Joyce Marie Taylor
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The Hamilton County Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Coalition Partnership invited special guest Katie Hadsock from the Suwannee River Area Health Education Center (AHEC) to speak to

the group on Monday, Sept. 19 at their regularly scheduled meeting in Jasper.

Hamilton is one of the 12 counties Hadsock covers in her travels to discourage tobacco use. AHEC, Hadsock said, is funded by the tobacco settlement

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Wood's appeal leads to another denial

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Marty Wood, Jr. of Hamilton County appeared before the board of county commissioners with his counsel, Ryan Peters at a public hearing on Tuesday, Sept. 20 to appeal an August 2 denial for special exception 11-01 for a campground on his property. Wood's appeal was a continuation from the previous commission meeting in order that he could have an attorney with him. The case was placed on the agenda for the Sep. 20 commission meeting.

Wood originally submitted the petition for special exception on

May 14 and appealed it on August 17 after it was denied. The property is located at 2968 NW Highway 129 in an Agriculture-4 zoning district in Jasper and Wood's request had already been approved by Planning and Zoning for 10 campsites. The board, however, rejected the request because the proposed use was not compatible with the established land use pattern of the neighborhood.

Several local residents objected to the petition at the original public hearing on Aug. 2, even providing a list of signatures of residents in the surrounding neighborhood who opposed Wood's request.

Wood's complaints about the denial were that the majority of the people who signed the petition were not pre-



Marty Wood (right) with attorney Ryan Peters appeals to the board of county commissioners on a denial for special exception for a campground. Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

October Hamilton Clean-Up Campaign schedule is set

Submitted

Mayors Ann Lessman - Jasper, Ben Prine - Jennings, and Helen Miller - White Springs, have announced the schedule for Octo-

ber's Hamilton Clean-Up Campaign. During the first two weeks of October, residents of each city are invited to deposit large household items at the curb for

city employees to pick-up, at no additional cost to the resident. The County has agreed to waive

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Jennings News

Anna L. Cameron funeral services held

Funeral services were held yesterday, Sept. 28 for Anna L. Cameron, 97, of Jennings. Mrs. Cameron was widely known for her weekly column reporting the happenings of Jennings and surrounding areas for the *Jasper News*. See obituary, Page 5A



The Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners proudly accepts a check for \$300,000 from PCS Phosphate for the White Springs Library project. Pictured L to R: Lewis Vaughn, Danny Hales, Ronny Morgan, Harry "Buster" Oxendine, Randy Ogburn, Josh Smith & Terry Baker. - Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

PCS makes generous donation to library project

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The proposed new library project for the town of White Springs received a giant boost toward reality with a generous donation from PCS Phosphate in the amount of \$300,000.

The check was presented to the board of county commissioners on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at their regular monthly meeting by Terry Baker, General Manager of PCS Phosphate.

"So many times people in the community

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Hamilton County 2011 Outstanding Farm Family of the Year



On Sept. 22, at the annual Hamilton County Farm Bureau meeting, Jimmy Murphy and family were recognized as the 2011 Outstanding Farm Family of the Year. They were selected by the University of Florida/Hamilton County Extension Agricultural Advisory Council. See complete story in the Fall issue of Suwannee Valley AgScene coming in the Oct. 26 edition of the *Jasper News*.



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“Five Year Work Program” public meetings planned in Oct.

Five year work program public hearings move forward for early legislative session

Lake City – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will present its annual “Five Year Work Program” or slate of transportation projects proposed for the years 2013-2017 in three public meetings planned over the next two weeks.

Each meeting will focus on a segment of the 18-county Northeast Florida area that is under the management of FDOT District Two, headquartered in Lake City. The meetings all begin at 5:30 p.m. and are scheduled:

· Thursday, October 6 at the Live Oak Historic Train Depot located at 210 East Ohio Avenue for

the counties of Taylor, Madison, Lafayette, Hamilton and Suwannee.

· Monday, October 10 at the FDOT District Two Office located at 1109 South Marion Avenue in Lake City for the counties of Levy, Dixie, Gilchrist, Alachua, Bradford, Union and Columbia.

· Thursday, October 13 at the FDOT Urban Office located at 2198 Edison Avenue in Jacksonville for the counties of Baker, Putnam, St. Johns, Clay, Nassau and Duval.

The proposed budget includes all phases of a project including planning, design, right of way acquisition and construction. The total for Northeast Florida (FDOT District Two) over the next five years is approximately \$2 billion.

Each year, the FDOT must update its five-year transportation plan with projects requested by the public, local government, metropolitan planning organizations and resurfacing criteria. The results will be presented to the Florida Legislature for budget approval in early 2012.

The Florida State Legislature meets in session beginning in January 2012 instead of March because of redistricting. Redistricting is the redrawing of district boundaries of congressional and state legislative electoral districts to adjust for various population growth rates in different parts of the state. Redistricting occurs every 10 years, in the second year following the decennial census. During redistricting years, the 60-day regular legislative session begins in January, rather than March. Normally, the FDOT’s work program public meetings are held in early December but are moved forward two months this year to meet the Legislature’s schedule.

The proposed projects can be reviewed by going to the FDOT’s website located at:

<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/projectmanagementoffice/Districts/D2/D2CountyProjects.shtml>

For more information, call the FDOT Public Information Office toll-free at 800-749-2967, ext. 3714 or e-mail gina.busscher@dot.state.fl.us.

Tobacco trends told in effort to prevent use

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when the state sued the tobacco companies eight or nine years ago.

Hadsock is offering an Adult Tobacco Quit Smoking Now program at Hamilton County Correctional Institute.

“As you know, all of your prisons in the state of Florida are going to tobacco-free come October 1,” she said.

About eight to 10 people from the prison have come to the meeting, Hadsock said.

“One came a couple weeks ago to our class and I said, ‘what’s going to happen October 1st?’ and he said, ‘probably not a whole lot, but about the second week of October we’re going to have total chaos and people’s tempers and things are going to start flaring,’ because he told me about 75 percent of his employees are tobacco users.”

Hadsock has been staying on top of tobacco trends and their influence on young adults and students. As part of her presentation, she demonstrated an unusual form of tobacco consumption that seems to be gaining in popularity, especially among young people in college towns, as a chic way for them to socialize.

Water pipe smoking, or Hookah, as it is currently referred to, is

used for smoking tobacco that is often flavored with molasses, fruit pulp or honey, which gives it a sweeter smell and a more appealing taste. It has also been referred to as “Bubba”.

Hookah lounges have been popping up all over Europe, Canada and the United States, and seem to be increasing in popularity. Patrons must be at least 18 years of age to smoke a hookah pipe. Hadsock’s goal is to reach young people about the dangers of tobacco use before they become tempted by peer pressure.

Hadsock said she spoke to high school students within her area of coverage and was told that they go to Gainesville to partake of Hookah smoking.

“At the last count we had at our office there were eight bars that do this,” said Hadsock.

When you go into one of these bars, she explained, you purchase a clean mouthpiece, that hopefully has never been used before, and you hook it to one of the tubes on the water pipe. Then you tell them what kind of tobacco you want. The smoke is made by burning charcoal on top of the tobacco. When you inhale through the tube, a pressure difference forces air past the heating source and heats the

tobacco. The smoke passes through the water in the vessel and into a smoke chamber. During a single session of inhaling tobacco this way, Hadsock said the smoker oftentimes inhales as much smoke as if he had smoked 100 cigarettes.

In a typical 45-minute session at a Hookah lounge, a Hookah smoker will inhale the smoke of about five packs of cigarettes and the tar equivalent of one pack of cigarettes, said Hadsock. Although the smoke may seem less irritating than smoking a regular cigarette, she said it contains the same nicotine and cancer-causing agents, which can lead to respiratory and heart diseases, and various types of cancer.

Hadsock recalled a conversation with one young man who told her of an incident where a female friend was Hookah smoking beside him and all of a sudden she passed out and her head hit the table. The young man said he didn’t know why she passed out.

“It’s called carbon monoxide poisoning,” Hadsock told him. “I’ll tell you what, let’s go out to your truck, crank up your truck, and you put your nose to the tailpipe for 15 minutes. He said, ‘Ma’am, that’ll kill me,’ and I said,

‘Ohh...’”

Hadsock said she hoped she made an impact on him.

Another issue with Hookah pipes, Hadsock said, is the breeding of germs and diseases inside the tubes, including tuberculosis, if a previous user happens to have the disease.

HCSO Deputy Jeramie Cheshire stated that the sheriff’s office has a couple of Hookah water pipes in their inventory right now. He said they find them while doing search warrants where they sometimes find large amounts of marijuana in the residence. K2 spice, a synthetic marijuana, has also been found, he said.

Hadsock interjected that a year ago she spoke to someone in Jasper who advised her that a local convenience store was selling the product.

Another tobacco trend is the use of Snus, a different kind of snuff, or dip, if you will.

All you do is place the product, which is wrapped in a tea bag, under your upper lip, wait a few minutes for a tingle and you can enjoy the experience for up to 30 minutes, it states on the package. No spitting is required. You swallow it, Hadsock said, and it is not absorbed by your stomach lining.

“One cigarette will have 1.5 to 2 milligrams of nicotine and one Snus

will have 5 to 7 milligrams,” said Hadsock.

Hadsock said she warned the prison warden that he might be seeing a lot of Snus once the smoking ban takes effect on October 1. His response, she said, was “when I say no tobacco, I mean no tobacco, period. It’s just that cut and dry.”

In other business, Prescription Take Back Day, according to Deputy Cheshire, will take place October 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Director Grace McDonald reminded everyone about the N.O.P.E. candlelight vigil, which will be held at Jasper City Park on Tuesday, October 25 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Health care seminar held in White Springs

Submitted

Health Counsel Marie Price, RN, conducted the first of a monthly series of health education seminars in White Springs. The seminar was conducted with the participation of both public and private sector partners whose mission is to reach out and support local senior citizens.

Price began the seminar by welcoming Greater White Springs residents, as well as neighbors from Jasper who were transported by Suwannee Valley Transit.

Mayor Helen Miller provided a status report on actions taken to date to attract a medical clinic to White Springs and the community’s “need to focus on prevention through nutrition and exercise.

Tara Tate, LPN and Stacy Johnson, Community Liaison for Senior Home Care, described the services available from their company and provided free blood pressure checks. Todd Denmark, Director of the Medical Equipment Division of Baya Pharmacy, introduced his company’s innovative prescription medicine delivery system, noting that 75% of patients who return to the hospital – after a hospital stay – do so due to complications from prescribed medications. Most seniors attending the seminar agreed that it is difficult to remember if they have taken all their medications at the correct

times each day. Mr. Denmark was assisted by Leigh Ann Thomas, a University of Florida pharmacy student.

After the blood pressure checks, participants were served a nutritious lunch provided by Sherry Johnson of the Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. Senior Home Care provided the desserts for the luncheon.

To ensure that the seminars meet the needs and interests of the local residents, Tara Tate asked for suggestions for the next monthly luncheon. The near unanimous response was “we want a low-impact exercise program” that can be undertaken by seniors who have trouble standing for long periods of time.

Health Counsel Price concluded the luncheon by “expressing her appreciation to the over 30 seniors who attended, and announcing that the October lunch seminar would indeed focus on an exercise program appropriate for the local senior population.” Ms. Price also expressed her appreciation to Beverly Davis, a member of the White Springs Methodist Church, for hosting the luncheon seminar at the Methodist Fellowship Hall.

For more information about the monthly health education lunch seminars in White Springs, please contact Town Hall, 386-397-2310 or Health Counsel Price at 386-397-1418. Please leave a message, and Ms. Price will return your call.

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The March of Dimes, TD Bank, and Rountree Moore Auto Group are presenting “Signature Chefs Auction” at 5:30 PM, November 8, at the spacious Rountree Moore Toyota showroom, US 90W, Lake City. There will be silent and live auctions with pre-decorated Christmas trees, live entertainment, and a selection of specialty foods presented by over 20 area restaurants and caterers.

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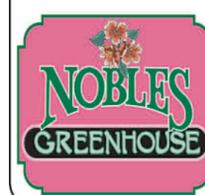
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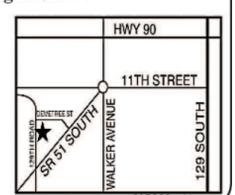
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Life in WHITE SPRINGS

By Walter McKenzie

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As many of you know, I am very interested in the history of White Springs. For a long time I have noticed the lack of proper documentation of the African American history in our area so I am very excited about the following news! On October 12, 13, 14 (Wed - Fri), an UF Architecture class will be on site to develop plans for a community center / storm shelter at the old Carver high school site and the adjacent neighborhood. As part of the project, a University of Florida professor has asked about our interest in an oral history component. UF professors/students will conduct interviews, and are particularly interested in collecting stories of the African American families that have been so much an important yet largely unwritten part of our history. The University plans to conduct the interviews and would also be interested in any documents/photos that can be scanned. A scanner will be available. This is a very important attempt to document our history and it is equally important that we get folks to participate. I know that there is a lot of oral history out there, great stories about people whose deeds and actions deserve to be remembered by future generations. I will be glad to serve as the contact person for anyone who wishes to contribute documents or pictures to be copied or who is interested in being interviewed.

I would also appreciate your thoughts on other potential interview candidates (people who grew up here, have stories to tell, and are comfortable articulating their stories). While this is a short window to capture oral histories, it could be the beginning of a more long-term project which we could tie to The Camp Museum project.

Merri and I recently went to a workshop on creativity put on by Khrys Kantarze. I attended as part of my effort to jumpstart my creative music composition skills but while I was there I found that Khrys had some "artist advices" that will serve folks well in other areas of life too. Good advice that can be summed up in four words and is worth sharing, so here it is. CHOOSE, WORK, MAKE, and NOTICE. CHOOSE one small daily action that moves you forward. WORK willingly on your own behalf. MAKE imperfect art to warm up your art muscles. NOTICE when you're drifting and gently return to center.

RJ and Ruth Tennis's daughter Vicky recently came home from Anchorage, Alaska for her 60th birthday. A dinner was given by her daughter and family, Tifani, JP and Elijah Hood. RJ and Ruth celebrated Vicky's birthday, their own 61st wedding anniversary, and Tifani and JP's 7th wedding anniversary. Now that sounds like it was quite a celebration!

I've got good news and bad news about local restaurants. The bad news first. I've heard that Cathy Wilson is closing the Whistle Stop restaurant in Wellborn at the end of September. The economic downturn is forcing her to close. She is looking for

someone who might want to help keep the Art Gallery part of the Whistle Stop open on some basis. I believe she will open for future special events in Wellborn. What a loss! Many folks from White Springs love the food and the atmosphere at the Whistle Stop and we hope that this is just temporary.

The good news is that here in White Springs Fat Belly's is still open and that the Telford Hotel restaurant has extended its schedule so that it is now open for lunch seven days a week and for dinner on Friday and Saturday nights. Nick and Cathy Lyras have always done a fine job there and they do so much for the community too. Cathy is recovering from back surgery and we hope and pray that she is continuing to heal.

Florida Frontier Day takes place at the Stephen Foster Park this Saturday, October 1, from 10:00am till 4:00pm. This is billed as a chance for you to grab your straw hat and put on your overalls-take a step back in time to the old frontier days of Florida but you don't have to dress the part to enjoy the experience. You will visit with demonstrators and reenactors as they show the "old Florida" way of life. There is much more information on this wonderful living history event elsewhere in this paper. I can just tell you that it will be a lot of fun for the whole family. Fun and education sometimes go hand in hand and this is one of those events.

An opportunity to experience history and music together takes place that same Saturday in the evening when Lloyd Baldwin hosts the Coffee House at the Stephen Foster Park auditorium from 7 to 9 PM. Lloyd is a history collector of a different sort. He has traveled over the southeast for years collecting vintage tunes and songs that he will sing and play for you on his fiddle and banjo. Combined with his wonderful sense of humor and expert musicianship, his music and song will be a great evening's entertainment. And, of course you never know who might show up for the open mike portion of the Coffee House. It should be fun.

The White Springs Methodist Church is having a yard sale this Saturday from 8AM-1 PM. Come on by, they always have some interesting items ranging from treasures to tidbits!

So once again there is a lot going on! I hope you will choose to take part in these happenings and that I will see you out and about, enjoying and contributing to life in White Springs.

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Beth Harris, CSCS
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Most of us are familiar with "crunches". Most of us are probably also misinformed on the true benefit of crunches, and how they can add to any healthy exercise routine. It would be hard to miss the infomercials where the man and woman with shredded six-pack abs tell you if you buy their product, in a matter of a few hours, you will have abs like Hercules. Hopefully most of you have figured out that is not true.

The most notorious rumor about crunches-performing tons of them will get rid of abdominal fat. As most rumors go-this one is also incorrect. Remember that fat accumulates on our body as stored units of energy. This occurs when we consume more than our bodies can make use of, so we convert the excess into stored energy.

There is a very simple equation for us all to remember: Energy in

versus energy out. If you burn more calories than you consume you will burn fat and lose weight. Are the mechanisms underlying the specific means of this equation complicated and variable? Yes, very complicated, but for all intensive purposes, the energy balance equation is valuable to remember. Which brings us back to our crunch. Movement requires energy, and in general helps to activate the utilization of stored fat as an energy source. But-shredded six pack abs like those of the fitness models on infomercials are not gained from doing crunch after crunch, or swinging your legs back and forth on an ab lounger, or hanging upside down for 4 hours a day. Genetics, diet, and exercise are all apart of the "Herculian Ab Equation".

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OPINION

The financial mess in the US and Europe

What's the common thread between Europe's financial mess, particularly among the PIIGS (Portugal, Ireland, Italy, Greece and Spain), and the financial mess in the U.S.? That question could be more easily answered if we asked instead: What's necessary to cure the financial mess in Europe and the U.S.? If European governments and the U.S. Congress ceased the practice of giving people what they have not earned, budgets would be more than balanced. For government to guarantee a person a right to goods and services he has not earned, it must diminish someone else's right to what he has earned, simply because governments have no resources of their very own.

The first order of business in reaching a solution to the financial mess in Europe and the U.S. must be the recognition that governments have been doing a class of unsustainable things,

mostly giving people special privileges and things that they have not earned. It's a matter of not simply what's good or bad for the beneficiaries but what its effect is on society at large and the welfare of a nation. Take the understandably humane motivation to provide health care services for the medically indigent. If one is concerned about the health needs of a person, why shouldn't the government also provide him with resources for nutrition? Good health is not just medical services and food but a decent place to live. Furthermore, good health is a matter of not just physical well-being but mental well-being as well, so why not have government-sponsored vacations? That's not such a far-fetched idea as one might imagine. Antonio Tajani, the European commissioner for industry and entrepreneurship, has declared vacationing to be a "human right."

Growing social spending in the name of health is just one example of a much larger process affecting the whole of our societies. There's a process that we might call contagion, in which spending automatically and unavoidably breeds more spending. For example, if government provides subsidies for wheat farmers, corn farmers will organize and protest that it's unfair not to grant them subsidies. What case can be made for government's not granting subsidies to all farmers? Then there's contagion across borders. If European farmers get subsidies, American farmers are going to demand subsidies to "even the playing field." How about government bailouts? There's contagion there as well. If Congress bails out General Motors, what's the justification for not also bailing out Chrysler and JPMorgan Chase, Bank of America, Fannie Mae, AIG, Citigroup and other failed enterprises? Bailouts are contagious both in the short and the long run. Bailouts create what's known as a moral hazard, in which people have reduced incentive to mend their ways.

The bottom line is that the sole tendency of the welfare state is for it to grow and consume more and more of a nation's income. According to "Mea-



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sureing the Unfunded Obligations of European Countries" (January 2009), by the Dallas-based National Center for Policy Analysis, by 2050, the average EU country will need more than 60 percent of its gross domestic product to fulfill its obligations. According to the 2008 Social Security and Medicare trustees reports, the combined unfunded liability of just these two government programs has reached \$101.7 trillion in today's dollars. It turns out that if Congress taxed away our entire \$14 trillion 2011 GDP and put it in the bank, it would just barely cover Social Security and Medicare liabilities. That observation suggests that we can't tax our way out of our fiscal mess. In order to avoid permanent stagnation or total economic collapse, governments must start the process of reducing welfare spending. I wouldn't recommend cold turkey for a heroin addict, neither would I recommend cold turkey for all those people who have been addicted and made dependent upon government handouts. We must find a compassionate way to wean people off government.

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Drive license and vehicle inspection checkpoints

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office will be conducting driver license and vehicle inspection checkpoints during the weeks of October 1, 2011 until December 31, 2011, in Hamilton County.

Recognizing the danger presented to the public by defective vehicle equipment, Deputies will concentrate their efforts on vehicles being operated with defects such as bad brakes, worn tires and defective lighting equipment. In addition, attention will be directed to drivers who would violate the driver license laws of Florida.

The Sheriff's Office has found these checkpoints to be an effective means of enforcing the equipment and driver license laws of Florida while ensuring the protection of all motorists.

The checkpoints will be: US-41, CR-145, NW 16th Avenue, CR-751, CR-25A, SR-6E, SR-6E, CR-141, CR-143, CR-51, CR-249 and SR-129.

Sparkleberry Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society meet Oct. 11

Sparkleberry Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society, Meeting: October 11, 2011 – Botanical Treasures of the Florida Panhandle

The Sparkleberry Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society will meet the second Tuesday of the month, October 11, 2011, starting at 6:30 PM, at Hatch Park, Branford (403 SE Craven St). Directions: Once you have turned onto 247 in Branford, SE Craven St is the 7th block from 129 - you make a right onto SE Craven, Hatch Park is a few blocks down the road on the left. The Public is invited!

C. Anderson, Professor Emeritus of Florida State University. His topic will be "Botanical Treasures of the Florida Panhandle", images of some of the richness of this flora will be shown and commentary will be provided.

For more information contact: President, Betsy Martin, 386-935-2453, betsymartin@windstream.net, Vice-President: Carol Sullivan, 386-364-9309, for more information on the Florida Native Plant Society: www.fnps.org.

The purpose of the Florida Native Plant Society is to promote the preservation, conservation and plant restoration of the native plant communities.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PCS PHOSPHATE PROPOSED RELOCATION AND RE-ALIGNMENT OF A PORTION OF BLACKS STILL ROAD IN SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 1N, RANGE 15E.

Obituaries



Colonel Harold Kimball "Kim" Chandler

Colonel Harold Kimball "Kim" Chandler, 80, of Jacksonville, passed away on September 23, 2011. Kim was born on November 7, 1930, in Newport News, Virginia, to the late Harold Walter Chandler and the late Susie Marks Chandler.

Kim served in the United States Army, retiring with the rank of Full Colonel. In his career he had served in Japan and Korea as well as many assignments in the United States. Kim obtained his doctorate in veterinary medicine from the University of Georgia and earned a Master of Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Following his retirement from the Army he went on to a second career as an executive with Hill's Pet Products. In this capacity he served as the senior technical representative in Japan and Australia. Kim was a long time member of First Baptist Church of Jacksonville. Kim and his wife previously resided in Live Oak, Florida and were members of First Baptist Church, Live Oak.

Kim is survived by his loving wife, Eleanor. He is also survived by his son, Hal Chandler, two daughters, Fran Hill and Angie Cook, and his eleven grandchildren. The family would like to express its appreciation for the wonderful community of caregivers at Clare Bridge, the dedicated servants of Northeast Florida Community Hospice, and the loving ministers and members of First Baptist Church of Jacksonville. The funeral service was held at 11 am on Tuesday September 27th at First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, 124 W. Ashley St. Jacksonville, FL 32202. Interment will be held at Arlington National Cemetery with full Military Honors.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Hardage-Giddens Funeral Home of Mandarin, 11801 San Jose Blvd. Jacksonville, FL 32223. www.hgmandarin.com (904) 288-0025

Anna L. Cameron

Anna L. Cameron, age 97, of Jennings, Florida passed away Monday, September 26, 2011 at South Georgia Medical Center in Valdosta, Ga. Mrs. Cameron was born on December 26, 1913 in Lesslie, South Carolina to the late James Wiley and Mary Gettys Lesslie. She taught school for a number of years at North Hamilton Elementary and Hamilton County High School. Prior to her teaching career she worked for Dr. Mosley and was widely known for her weekly column reporting the happenings of Jennings and surrounding areas for the Jasper News. Mrs. Cameron was a faithful member of the Jennings United Methodist Church as long as her health permitted. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Livingston Cameron and a granddaughter, Amy Law.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Law and Leslie McCauley, of Valdosta, GA.; three sisters, Jennie Dodd, Chester, S.C., Polly Givens and Lavinia Braswell, both of Columbia, S.C.; 11 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2011 at Jennings United Methodist Church. Interment followed at Sassen Landing Cemetery near Jennings.

The family received friends between the hours of 5:00-7:00 P.M. Tuesday, Sept. 27th at Harry T. Reid Funeral Home in Jasper, FL.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Jennings United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 13, Jennings, FL 32053.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Gary Marline Petro

Gary Marlin Petro, age 56, of White Springs, Florida passed away Friday, September 23, 2011

at his home. Gary was born on January 17, 1955 in Kittanning, PA., to the late Michael and Lillian Petro. He was a retired school teacher from Palm Beach County School System and was a former police officer of five years in Green Acres, FL. Mr. Petro moved to Lake City from West Palm Beach some five years ago.

Survivors include his wife, Christie L. Petro, White Springs, FL.; one son, Nicholas C. Petro (U.S. Navy Fighter Pilot) stationed in Meridian, MS., daughter-in-law, Taryn Petro, granddaughter, Clara; two brothers, Michael J. Petro and Thomas N. Petro of Pennsylvania and a sister, Arlene Petro of Orlando, FL.

Per his wishes, Mr. Petro will be cremated and private memorial services will be held at a later date.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home was in charge of immediate arrangements.



Alvin Merriwell Lewis, Jr. 1957-2011

Alvin Merriwell Lewis Jr., 53, of Pensacola, FL went to be with the Lord on September 22, 2011. He was born October 24, 1957 in Jasper, FL to Helen Farmer. He was retired from J. Ray McDermott Inc. His occupation in offshore marine construction gave him the luxury of traveling the world. He also loved camping, boating, canoeing, grilling, fishing, assisting in missionaries, Florida State Football, his family, and many friends. He was a caring, compassionate person, who greatly enjoyed spending his time helping anyone in need.

Alvin was preceded in death by his biological father, Alvin Merriwell Lewis; his maternal grandmother, Quince V. Roebuck; and his mater-

nal grandfather, Earl Roebuck.

He leaves behind his lifelong love, Mary Elizabeth Lewis; two children, Alvin Myles Lewis and Tiffany Ann Dean; son-in-law, James N. Dean Jr.; his mother, Helen Farmer; step-father, Earnest Farmer; one sister, Angela Jordan; his niece, Samantha Jordan; an aunt, Peggy Goodson; four uncles, Bobby, Eddie, James, and Jimmy Roebuck, many cousins, and his dearest grandson, Ryan Nole Lewis.

He also leaves behind his loyal Yorkshire of 18 years, Ralph, along with many other family members and close friends.

Alvin's memories will always be cherished; he will be dearly missed by all who knew him. We loved him tremendously.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2 PM Saturday, October 1, 2011 at Harper-Morris Memorial Chapel, 2276 Airport Boulevard, Pensacola, FL 32504.

Come with your favorite memories of Alvin.

HARPER-MORRIS MEMORIAL CHAPEL is in charge of arrangements.

Jimmie Wesley Rollison

Jimmie Wesley Rollison, 49, of Jasper, Florida, passed away the morning of September 19, 2011 in Live Oak, Florida. He was born July 14, 1962 in Gainesville, Florida. He was an accomplished carpenter and horseman. His interests included tracking / hunting, swimming, and fishing. He spent the majority of his life in North Florida where outdoor activities were plentiful year round. He is survived by his beautiful daughter, Chantal Cristine Rollison; his brother, Buddy Rollison; and his sister, Sheila Page-Blair. A memorial service will be held in the chapel at the Boys Ranch in Live Oak, Florida on Friday, September 30, 2011 at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to: The Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches (386) 842-5555. Online condolences may be left at www.purcellfuneralhome.com. Arrangements entrusted to Purcell Funeral Home, Bushnell, FL.

McMillan – Blair Wedding Reminder

Jimmy and Diane McMillan of Live Oak would like to remind you of the upcoming wedding of their daughter, Heather Lynette McMillan, to Brandon Blair, son of Barbara Stephens of Jasper.

The wedding will take place on Saturday, October 1, at 6 p.m. at the Church of Christ on Highway 47 in Lake City. The reception will follow at the Lake City Woman's Club. No local invitations will be sent. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Happy 94th Birthday Evelyn Singletary

Suwannee Valley Nursing Center resident Evelyn Singletary of Belville, turned 94 years young on September 18th! She called the Jasper News office to let us know that she is doing well, and going strong!



She is much loved and appreciated for her strong ties to her family, community of Belville, staff and residents of the nursing center. We all want to wish her a very happy 94th birthday and also wish her many, many more!

Heart Matters Wilderness Series 10



by Angie Land

Ready to leave the wilderness anyone? While it seems like our ten-week trip has gone by quickly, anyone who has spent even ten minutes in the wilderness will say it feels much longer. I am sure the Israelites would agree, and I know that I do. At the beginning of this journey, I shared several of the many changes my family has experienced over the past year. I thought maybe the dust would finally settle for a while, but God had another thing or two to teach me. So while I'm still getting used to being a mother-in-law, an adopted mom, and having an out-of-town college student, I've recently been asking God,

"What's next?" I ask this because I sense He is up to something...He is always up to something! Jesus confirmed this in John 5:17 when He said, "My Father is always at work to this very day, and I, too, am working."

So exactly what is next for me and for you as we prepare to leave our time in the wilderness? For heaven's sake, some of us have been here so long it feels like home, but please don't settle for a tent in the dust when God has a Promised Land flowing with milk and honey waiting for you. While some may be tempted to stay, still others catch a glimpse of what is waiting on the horizon and turn into the proverbial bull in a china shop. Neither is a wise approach.

Let's rejoin our fellow travelers in Joshua 3:5 as the Israelites prepare to cross the Jordan River: "Joshua told the people, 'Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things

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<p>BAPTIST (Southern)</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH SR 6 West, 6592 NW 48th St., Jennings, FL 32053 938-5011 Pastor: Jeff Cordero</p> <p>Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship, Youth Happening, RA's, GA's.....6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday Supper.....6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Discipleship class for adults, Youth activities, Children's Choirs.....6:30 p.m. Van pick-up upon request 644209-F</p>	<p>CATHOLIC CHURCH</p> <p>ST. THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH Three miles north of Jasper U.S. 41 P.O. Box 890, Jasper, FL 32052 Rectory U.S. 90 E., Live Oak, FL (386) 364-1108 Saturday MASS 4:00 p.m. 644211-F</p>	<p>NON-DENOMINATIONAL</p> <p>BURNHAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH 4520 NW CR 146, Jennings, FL 32053 938-1265 Pastor: Johnny Brown</p> <p>Sunday Sunday School.....9:45 a.m. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Evening Service.....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Kids' Program.....6:15 p.m. 644236-F</p>	<p>CHURCH OF CHRIST</p> <p>CHURCH OF CHRIST N.W. 3rd St., Jasper Bldg.: 792-2277</p> <p>Sunday Sunday School.....9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m. Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening.....6:00 p.m. 644212-F</p>

To list your church on our church directory, please call Louise at 1-800-525-4182

Norris Notes

By Lillian Norris

The big news this weekend is the upcoming event at the Arena and as we are awaiting great information from Cindy Eatmon regarding this occasion, it was my decision to check on the obituaries at Reid Funeral Home and I was deeply saddened to learn of the death of my dear friend Anna Cameron. We had known each other over the years, and then especially as we both shared the experience of reporting news for the *JASPER NEWS*. After she was unable to get her news into the paper, and I was still able to go to the office, (this was before sending it on Internet) I would sometimes stop by her house in Jennings, visit with her to get some Jennings news (I would love to get more from Jennings, if someone could help by getting it to me, this is why I do not make it a special Jasper column, I really like to hear about what is happening all around us, just give me a ring).

As fate would have it, later when it was necessary for me to

spend some time at Suwannee Valley Nursing Home, we became neighbors just down the hall from each other, passing her room many times a day I would stop and visit with her and her family (they were so faithful with their visits with her), and she and I would talk about our times with the newspaper, I found an old picture with both of us in it, taken at a Christmas party, and shared it with her, we both enjoyed our work. Noticing her survivors, her sisters are all in their 90s I think, Anna's family took her back to SC for reunions as long as Anna was able to go. We sat at a table next to each other and just before I left she joined me at my table for just a few minutes before I had to leave. Anna loved her family, cherished her friends and will be greatly missed.

After reading Waylon Bush's letter to the editor in last week's *Jasper News*, I just wanted to report on a visit to Central last week. It brought back memories for me, as I had a child who started there the first year there was public school kindergarten in Hamilton County, the first year of integration, and have been interested in that school having had

family there as students and staff, as well as friends ever since. The atmosphere there was great, quiet and dignified, clean and pleasant and it is hoped that they will be allowed to run the school as fits its purpose. I am not speaking as a professional, just an interested person in the future of our community, anyone knows that the future here starts in our churches and schools, with the support of the homes. We want to be proud to say we live in Hamilton County. I came here over 50 years ago and continue to express gratitude for the years spent here, (hope to spend many more).

I was asked one time about my love for Hamilton County, by someone who had spent some time in my home County of Macon in North Carolina, and was reminded that the things I love about Hamilton County are the things I loved about Macon County, the people and their hopes and dreams. I have lived in two other states, Ohio and Kentucky, and have found there are the same kind of people wherever you go, and I am thankful for all those met wherever I have been.

Join NFCC in Jumpstart's Read for the Record campaign

Story Time Event: Hear Llama Llama Red Pajama reading at NFCC on Oct. 6

MADISON, FL – What are you doing on Oct. 6? How does breaking a world reading record while raising awareness about America's achievement gap sound? Join North Florida Community College as we participate in Jumpstart's Read for the Record®— a national campaign that mobilizes adults and children to close the early education achievement gap by setting a reading world record.

Community members and children of all ages are invited to the NFCC campus for milk and cookies and a reading of *Llama Llama Red Pajama*, a children's book by Anna Dewdney, on Thursday, Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. in the NFCC Student Center. And since it's a story time event, children are encouraged to wear their favorite pajamas and to bring their favorite stuffed animals. NFCC instructor Rose Knox will be reading this "infectious rhyming read-aloud" that is describe as "a wonderfully fresh twist to a familiar nighttime ritual... a real charmer" by Booklist. School Library Journal says that "Children will giggle at Dewdney's rhythmic rhymes" and "With its sweet rendering of the trials of bedtime and separation anxiety, this book's familiar theme will be a hit with youngsters." The event is free and open to the public.

"We are looking forward to participating in this national event and making it an annual event," said Tara Orłowski, Institutional Effectiveness Coordinator and Early Childhood Education Instructor at NFCC. "Reading is a predictor of success and North Florida Community College is com-

mitted to bringing events such as these to our six counties."

The Read for the Record® event at NFCC is being sponsored by the NFCC Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Team and the NFCC Education Club to encourage reading and improve reading comprehension.

For more information, contact Tara Orłowski at (850) 973-1789, email orłowskit@nfcc.edu or visit www.nfcc.edu.

About Jumpstart's Read for the Record:

Jumpstart's Read for the Record® is a national campaign that mobilizes adults and children to close the early education achievement gap by setting a reading world record. This annual campaign allows Americans to demand that all children receive the quality early education they deserve and brings national attention to the importance of early education by organizing the world's largest celebration of reading, community service and fun! Each year, the campaign sets a world record for the most children reading the same book with an adult on the same day. On October 6, 2011, more than 2 million voices will call for an end to America's early education achievement gap by reading *Llama Llama Red Pajama* by Anna Dewdney – setting a world record in the process!

About Jumpstart:

Jumpstart is a national early education organization that recruits and trains college students and communi-

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Community Calendar

•Dinner & Show

The Hamilton County Riding Club Competition Drill Team, "Born to Ride" having the annual Dinner and Show, Saturday evening, October 1st, at the Hamilton County Arena. The cost is \$10.00, which includes a fantastic dinner and a beautiful Show. This is to raise money for the Team to compete in the State Championship and they have made a terrific showing in the past, Come and have an entertaining evening, good food, visit with friends and support our young people. Special en-

tertainment in addition will be performances by Ariel Ratliff, and Nina and Raven Wiese. See you there!

White Springs HOPE Adult & Community Education Program will offer the following community education classes this fall:

Sewing with a Simple Pattern, Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., October 11-Nov. 1; Pinecone Wreaths, Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, October 1; Introduction to Yoga, Wednesday, October 12 at 9:30 a.m. or October 19 at 6 p.m.; White Springs Walking Group, Mondays, 8-9 a.m. from Sept. to Dec.; Cooking with Firewood, Saturday, October 8, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or Nov. 5, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

•The following computer classes will be offered:

Computer Basics: What to Know Before Buying a Computer on Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon, October 15 or November 12; Beginning Computer Class, Wednesdays & Fridays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 7-9 p.m., November 16-December 16; Internet Research, Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m., October 19-November 9; Microsoft Word, Fridays, 6-8 p.m., October 21 -November 11; Microsoft Excel Applications, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., October 20-December 15,

Call the Adult and Community Education building at 386-397-1418 or Robin Luger at 352-284-3319. Detailed class descriptions are available at the library in White Springs and at Town Hall. Sign up soon as all classes have limited enrollment. Some classes have a small fee.

•Every Wednesday from 9-11 a.m. Marie Price will conduct free blood pressure screenings at the Adult & Community Education building. Please call 386-397-1418 for more information.

•Solidarity with the Savior - Season of Sacrifice
1 Corinthians 3:9-11
Philippians 2:5-8
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Sister Shirley A. Franklin, President
•Hamilton Co. Fair Events Day Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011 Hamilton County Arena Schedule of events: 8-10 am. Swine exhibits check in, 2 p.m. - shine show, 4 p.m. Horse show, 5 p.m. - BBQ supper (\$6/plate), 5:30-6:30 p.m. - 4-H Dog Show, 7 p.m. - Swine Sale, 9 p.m. - Pig Scramble

October 11, 2011: Timberlake Property Owners Association will hold their monthly board meeting at 6 P.M. at 6677 NW 31st Circle in Jennings. All members are welcome.

•Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department
Annual meeting November 15, this will be our annual Thanksgiving dinner. Public invited.
Our firefighters will soon be getting a new firehouse, so sponsoring a boot drive will fill some of their needs, hopefully anew exercise room to help them stay fit for all the calls and fulfill all their safety needs. Contact: Margie McDonald 386-938-5322.

•2nd Annual White Springs Fire Department Fall Safety Bash
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Weekly & Monthly Happenings

•Free Food Pantry for senior citizens (at least 60 years of age) on the 4th Thursday of each month from 1-2 p.m. at the Hamilton County Council on Aging building, 313 Hatley St., Jasper (behind Bank of America). 386-638-0077

•The Virginia P. Chandler Public Library in Jasper is happy to announce the beginning of the Pre-K Children's Reading Program that will start Tuesday, September 6 at 10:30 a.m. Movies on Tuesdays will also resume on Sep. 6, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

These two programs will run each week, every Tuesday until next summer, so plan to come in for some fun times with your pre-school age children.

The Jasper Public Library branch at 311 Hatley Street is part of the Suwannee River Regional Library System, which includes Hamilton, Madison and Suwannee counties. For more information call 386-792-2285.

•American Legion Post 215 meets 4th Thursday each month at 7 p.m. at Poplar Springs Church, MLK Drive, Jasper.

•Mon, Wed, Fri: New Bethel AME Church will assist you in completing the Children & Family applications. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at 604 SW 6th Avenue, Jasper. Contact JoAnn Townsend at 792-2323.

•Jasper Revitalization Committee meets the 3rd

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AGENDA

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
Room 112 - Courthouse 207 Northeast First Street
Jasper, Florida

MEETING DATE: October 4, 2011

THE AGENDA ITEMS LISTED BY NUMBER WILL BE TAKEN IN ORDER FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING REGARDLESS OF TIME. HOWEVER, THE TIME CERTAIN ITEMS LISTED WITH SPECIFIC TIMES WILL COMMENCE AT THE SPECIFIED TIME.

LISTED ITEMS

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - UNAGENDAED APPEARANCES (*)
CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL
REPORT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND REQUESTS
SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER BUILDING
APPROVE BILLS
CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
ADJOURN

TIME CERTAIN ITEMS

9:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - INVOCATION - PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
9:10 A.M. - 2010 CDBG GRANT PROGRAM
9:15 A.M. - COUNTY ROAD PROJECTS - STATUS REPORT

DUE TO PUBLICATION DEADLINE, THIS AGENDA MAY NOT CONTAIN ALL MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD. A COMPLETE COPY OF THE AGENDA MAY BE OBTAINED AFTER 1:00 P.M. FROM THE OFFICE OF CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT, COURTHOUSE, JASPER, FLORIDA.

Persons appearing before the Board are requested, if possible, to submit in writing the subject matter of their appearance before the Board not later than Tuesday prior to the Board Meeting the following Tuesday.

(*) NOTICE: Persons appearing before the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners, not having given notice in time to be included and shown on the Agenda, and desiring to make a presentation, will be limited to five (5) minutes, in the interest of meeting time. The Board of County Commissioners will hear and listen to persons appearing whose subject has not been shown on the agenda; however, action by the Board on any such matter can only be taken upon determination of an emergency situation. Any identifiable group of three (3) persons or more shall be limited to a total of ten (10) minutes per topic.

In accordance with Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, notice is given that if any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board, agency or commission, with respect to proceedings and that, for such purpose, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

NOTIFICATION: IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING SHOULD CONTACT THE CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT, ROOM 106, 207 NORTHEAST FIRST STREET, JASPER, FLORIDA, TELEPHONE (386) 792-1288, NOT LATER THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDINGS. IF HEARING IMPAIRED, TDD (386) 792-0857.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2011 AT 6:00 P.M.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CONSENT AGENDA

October 4, 2011

MINUTES - APPROVE:

A) September 6, 2011 - Regular Meeting

2) DEPARTMENT HEADS - INFORMATION ITEMS

3) DEPARTMENT HEADS - ACTION ITEMS

4) APPROVE AND EXECUTE CONTRACT FOR SERVICES BETWEEN MERIDIAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE AND HAMILTON COUNTY ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG PREVENTION COALITION INC.

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Sports

IN THE ZONE

Week 4 POW



Kyle Stebbins (Suwannee) Stebbins accounted for 102 all-purpose yards, including a 80-yard touchdown catch for the Bulldogs lone score in a 40-6 loss to visiting Rutherford.

Scores

Atlantic Coast 49, Stanton 0
Aucilla Christian 40, John Paul II 0
Baldwin 26, Dixie 20
Bartram Trail 63, Englewood 0
Bishop Kenny 54, Paxon 15
Bishop Snyder 34, Bronson 14
Bolles 26, Fleming Island 22
Bradford 50, Umatilla 7
Christ's Church 20, Seven Rivers 7
Citrus 33, Lecanto 0
Cocoa 55, Warner Christian 0
Columbia 66, Oakleaf 7
Creeside 9, Palatka 3
Dunnellon 28, Eastside 16
Eagle's View 14, Oak Hall 6
East Ridge 38, Leesburg 21
Episcopal 42, West Nassau 31
Fernandina Beach 10, Cocoa Beach 8
First Coast 38, Ribault 0
Flagler Palm Coast 24, Mandarin 7
Fletcher 42, Sandalwood 14
Florida A&M 53, PK Yonge 7
Forest 59, West Port 14
Forrest 32, Parker 14
Fort White 23, Wakulla 21
Gainesville 38, Lake Weir 0
Hawthorne 33, Hilliard 16
Jefferson 20, East Gadsden 17
Leon 17, Middleburg 14
Madison 55, Taylor 14
Maclay 34, Branford 16
Menendez 28, Matanzas 14
Mount Dora 35, Keystone Heights 6
Nature Coast 52, Central 0
North Marion 69, Belleview 0
Peniel 20, Seacoast 14
Ponte Vedra 41, Nease 0
Providence 56, Harvest 20
Raines 37, Ed White 35
Ridgeview 14, Orange Park 10
Rutherford 40, Suwannee 6
Santa Fe 32, Crystal River 29
Sefner Christian 49, Ocala Christian 6
South Lake 28, Evans 14
South Sumter 46, Interlachen 0
St. Augustine 34, Wolfson 12
St. John Lutheran 67, Calvary 6
St. Joseph 27, St. Johns 0
Sunlake 49, Springstead 16
Tavares 27, Poinciana 7
Pierson Taylor 41, Temple 8
Trenton 62, Bell 18
Trinity Catholic 38, East Lake 19
Union County 42, Chiefland 0
University Christian 41, St. Francis 13
Vanguard 56, Buchholz 0
Victory Christian 41, Mt. Dora Bible 0
Wildwood 35, Crescent City 15
Williston 47, Newberry 31
Windermere 25, Cedar Creek 6
Yulee 40, Jackson 26

Hamilton (0-3) at Dixie (1-3)



When: Friday
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Bruce Boyette Stadium
Radio: WJHC 107.5 FM

Last week: Hamilton was idle, Baldwin def. Dixie 26-20

Series: Dixie leads 4-2 since 2005

Last meeting: Hamilton won 18-9 in 2010



Top Players: Dixie-Javonta Jones (RB/DB, Jr.), Duke Dawson (QB, So.), Zach Cassidy (K/P, Sr.), Charlie Jones (DB, Sr.), Shaquille Mitchem (WR, So.), Shawn Spurlin (OL/DL, Sr.), Chad Marsh (LB/RB, Sr.), Hunter Anderson (WR, Jr.), Kiandre Hope (WR, So.), James Bowers (FB, Fr.)

Scouting report: Longtime coach Brent Wilkerson is getting a rude awakening of life after Mike West. The all everything back, who rushed for 1710 yards and 18 touchdowns on his way to being named the Class 1A Player of the Year, is now at Tennessee State. With West gone, Wilkerson was going to have to go with a committee of players on offense until he found another go to guy. One guy he expected to take over was Javonta Jones, who missed most of last season with a high ankle sprain. Blocking for Jones and the backs by committee is four year starter Shawn Spurlin, who is coming off a knee injury in the spring. With only nine seniors and a bevy of underclassman, Wilkerson is going to have rely on several juniors and sophomores, one of those is starting quarterback Duke Dawson, but having all-area kicker Zach Cassidy back is a big weapon also. Wilkerson said this is his deepest team depth wise in his 12 years and he's hoping the depth will help his young kids grow up. Dixie got off to a good start pounding host Branford 37-0 in the kickoff classic, but that might have been a mirage as they have since dropped games to Taylor 34-0, Santa Fe 40-13 and Baldwin 27-21. In the season opener, visiting Taylor jumped out to a 27-0 halftime lead and never looked back. The Bears gave up an astounding 423 yards rushing on the ground and 548 yards total to Santa Fe. Starting quarterback DL Powell ran for 270 and threw for 125 for the Raiders, accounting for four of the six touchdowns in the option offense. A late score with 23 seconds left helped Dixie rally for a win on the road at Lafayette two weeks. The jekyll and hide team committed numerous turnovers last week in their district opener, which came back to cost them. Which team will show up this week, seems to be a common theme. Stopping the Bears means stopping Dawson (16-for-53 for 312 yards, 3 touchdowns, 7 interceptions, 327 rushing yards, 5 touchdowns) and Jones (242 yards on 27 carries, 8.9 per carry) as Dawson can beat teams with both his legs and arm.

Roundup: Rutherford bucks Bulldogs



Madison County continues to roll after season opening loss, the Cowboys made it four in a row with a 55-14 win over host Taylor County Friday night.

Photo: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

By Corey Davis
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LIVE OAK-The lights were on, the field was freshly painted and the packed crowd was heavily anticipating the home team finally taking the field for the first time this season.

Truth be told, turns out Rutherford wasn't much of a gracious visitor though. The Rams scored early and often and never looked back in a 40-6 win over Suwannee Friday night at Paul Langford Stadium.

Sporting all black uniforms, Suwannee came out fired up in front of its home crowd but was quickly put in its place.

Rutherford scored on three of its first four first half possessions to take a commanding 16-0 lead.

Dondrell Harris hit Josh Williams for a 35 yard completion on the first play of the game, Harris followed with a 38 yard keeper and the Rams were already inside the redzone in two plays. Three plays later, Harris snuck in from a yard out and the Rams led 6-0 minutes into the game.

On the ensuing Rams possession, Harris connected with Isiah Little for a 36 yard completion down to the 20 yard line. Three plays later, Harris broke three tackles for a 8-yard score and the Rams lead 13-0.

Eric Riley tacked on a 27-yard field goal with about three minutes left in the first quarter and the Rams led 16-0.

Finally, the Bulldogs offense woke up as Josh Wright hit Kyle Stebbins in the flats and Stebbins made three guys miss on the initial catch and Stebbins raced 80 yards for a score cutting the lead to 16-6 with 2:45 left till half.

The momentum appeared to be heading towards Suwannee's way going into

half, but the Rams high octane offense struck again.

Dallas Davis connected with Little for a 20-yard jump pass that Little was able to bring down for a touchdown increasing the lead to 23-6 with 14.5 seconds left.

If Suwannee was going to get back in the game they were going to have to figure out how to stop Harris and how to run their own offense.

Suwannee received the ball in the second half and was looking for a quick strike to get back into the game, but Wright's pass intended for Dontavious Hampton was picked off Dondrayas Harris at midfield.

Harris rumbled 36 yards for an apparent two plays later but the play was called back for holding. Four plays later Isiah Sims bulldozed his way in for a 5-yard score and a 30-6 lead minutes into the second half.

From there the rout was on as Williams blocked his third punt in many games, which led to a Riley 27-yard field goal and 33-6 lead with 2:57 left in the third quarter.

Davis pitched the ball to Sims on a rare option play and Sims rumbled 91 yards down the sideline untouched for a score and 40-6 lead.

Suwannee rotated both Wright and Hampton in on offense to try to get some kind of offense going through out the game but neither had much luck.

Wright was 3-for-10 92 yards, one touchdown and two interceptions, while Hampton ran for 63 yards on 12 carries and completed 1 of 7 passes for 14 yards and one interception.

Suwannee (1-3) will take this week off before beginning District 2-5A play at home next Friday against state ranked

Tallahassee Godby.

Madison 55, Taylor 14

PERRY-Madison County continues to roll its opponents since a stunning season opening 20-19 loss to Colquitt County.

Since then the Cowboys have reeled off four consecutive wins over Suwannee 40-8, Jefferson County 42-7, Trinity Christian 27-7 and now 55-14 over host Taylor County.

Taylor was 12-1 last season advancing to the second round of the playoffs, while the Cowboys advanced to the third round where they lost to visiting Cocoa.

Trenton 62, Bell 18

Host Trenton (4-0, 1-0) was too much for arch-rival Bell in the District 6-1A opener for both teams.

The annual rivalry commonly referred to as Bell South rivalry, has been one sided as of late, with the Tigers winning regularly.

The Tigers best playmaker senior tailback Brandon Stone, 96 yards and a touchdown on 15 carries, returned to the lineup after being held out the first three games with an elbow injury suffered in the kickoff classic to visiting Hamilton County.

Cedric Stokes added 178 yards and four touchdowns, while sophomore quarterback Stephen Smith ran for 101 yards and three touchdowns.

Bradford 50, Umatilla 7

Whether its on the road or at home, the Bradford County Tornadoes (4-0, 1-0) continue to blow down their opponents, this time a 50-7 win at Umatilla.

Sophomore quarterback Austin Chipolletti completed 11 of 19 passes for for 208 yards and three touchdowns and ran for

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PCS makes generous donation to library project

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will come and ask things of the commission, and I'm so proud and thrilled at this time to be able to come and present something and give back to the community," Baker said to the board.

He also said he understands that PCS is the largest employer in Hamilton County and he recognizes they have an obligation to contribute and give back to the county whenever they can.

After receiving the request from the board and the Town of White Springs to contribute toward the White Springs Library project, Baker said he and Mike Williams, public affairs

manager for PCS, lobbied for a substantial contribution toward building the library.

"We are very much behind education and continuing education throughout the county and, of course, anything that would help our workforce also," Baker said. "We're very pleased at this time to present \$300,000 toward the construction of the White Springs Library. We know it won't be the total amount, but we hope this is a substantial amount toward that construction."

Williams thanked all the commissioners and Danny Hales, Suwannee River Regional Library Director who were instrumental in making the project pos-

sible.

"We are community partners with Hamilton County and its residents," said Baker. "The new library will be a great improvement in space and offer more services to the citizens of Hamilton County."

After the check was presented to the board, county attorney John McCormick asked the board to approve a letter of appreciation to PCS for their generous donation. Then commission chair Lewis Vaughn advised the public that the land where the library will be built was donated by John Camp before he passed away.

More library news
Danny Hales came to

the podium later and presented the board with a state aid grant application for libraries that he had written.

"It will probably be worth about \$250,000 to us," Hales said.

The board agreed to submit the application to the state.

Hales then advised the board that Betty Lawrence had been selected out of 29 applicants as the new Director Designate for the Suwannee River Regional Library System, which includes branches in Branford, Greenville, Jasper, Jennings, Lee, Live Oak, Madison and White Springs. Lawrence is replacing Hales, who is retiring on October 31. Hales had nothing but good things to say about Lawrence, who grew up in Suwannee County.

"She's a country gal from O'Brien," said

Hales. "She went to Tuskegee Institute, got her degree, and has worked for 30 years progressively through the library system in the nation, in Georgia, in Colorado and Florida, and right now she's in New York."

Lawrence received her Masters at Case Western University, Hales said, and she will begin work on Monday, Sept. 26.

"We'll be training her and there's five weeks of overlap before I walk out on Halloween Day, October 31st," Hales said. "There's this whole circle of 35 years and she'll come back to Suwannee County to run her county library," he added.

Hales promised to bring Lawrence with him to the next county commission meeting so everyone could meet her.

In other news, Hales

said he attended a recent library co-op meeting in Jacksonville.

There are 540 public libraries across North Florida that are part of the co-op. There are only two degreed librarians out of a 65 member staff operating the libraries for the entire region and Hales is one of them.

"We use them for training," said Hales. "Once again, we received an award for getting the most bang for your buck on continuing education."

Hales said they sent 54 people to in-person training, as well as provided 259 online webinars for their staff, to train them in proper library services.

"That's worth about \$31,000 to us," said Hales. "Our membership cost is \$900, so we're proud of that. Y'all should be proud, too."

United Way SV Challenger's event



United Way of Suwannee Valley (UWSV) held its 2011-12 Challenger's event at Nelly Bly's Kitchen in Stephen Foster Folk State Park in White Springs. The event was sponsored by Suwannee Valley Electric Co-op and GulfCoast Financial Services on Thursday, Sept. 15. Challenger's chairman, John Martz welcomed guests, Ranger Larry Hoover played the guitar and provided a historical background of White Springs and the Park itself while guests enjoyed hors d'ouvers prepared by the Blue Roof Grill. The Challenger's Club is made up of people donating \$500 or more per year to UWSV. The Challenger's fundraising goal for 2011-12 is \$140,044 as part of the overall goal for UWSV.

Courtesy photo

October Hamilton Clean-Up Campaign schedule is set

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the tipping fee for the cities during this special clean-up campaign. In addition, during the first two weeks of October, all residents of the county will be able to make one (1) deposit of large household items, exclusive of regular household trash, at the county land fill at no charge.

"We are encouraging civic, business and church groups to get involved in the clean-up campaign. PCS has donated heavy-duty

leather gloves and commercial garbage bags to the county-wide effort," said Mayor Lessman.

Mayor Prine continued, "please consider volunteering, either as an individual or as part of a group. Identify a street, road, neighborhood, or part of your town, that you feel needs attention."

"To obtain garbage bags and gloves, please call city hall, identify your group and the area you plan to clean-up," noted Mayor Miller.

The mayors have agreed to coordinate

their efforts by working together in each community - one Saturday per week in Jasper, Jennings and White Springs. Lessman, Prine and Miller are hoping to see their neighbors join in the county-wide effort, which will support eco-tourism in Hamilton County.

To volunteer and arrange to pick-up gloves and garbage bags, call 792-1212 (Jasper City Hall), 938-4131 (Jennings City Hall), and 397-2310 (White Springs Town Hall).

Wood's appeal leads to another denial

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sent at the original hearing, the signatures on the petition were incorrect, and the facts were not correct. Wood claimed the people who signed the petition were not given the full facts and details and about 20 of them said they wanted to be removed from the list. Peters re-submitted a corrected list to the board.

"This is a seasonal type campground," Peters began. "It's not going to reduce the property values, and more importantly, there is another campground owned by Mr. Shawn Jones within 400 yards of where Mr. Marty Wood owns his residence."

Peters began cross-examining Wood, going over everything that happened prior to the night's proceeding, but was immediately interrupted by county attorney John McCormick, so that Wood could be sworn in before testifying. After the swearing in, McCormick asked Wood to swear that the statements he already made were true and Wood said yes.

Wood, upon interrogation by Peters, stated he had contacted some of the people who signed the petition and many said they wanted their names removed because they were told untruths about what would be going on at the campground. Wood also stated he was told some of the signatures were from people who were not at home at the time of the signing,

specifically signatures 35 through 38. There were a total of 48 people who signed the petition and Wood said he was unable to track down all of them.

Another thing that was re-hashed was whether there were flood or erosion issues with his property. Wood stated there is a creek that runs adjacent to his property and that it is the lowest point on his land. He also stated the property is not in a low flood zone. Wood said that since the county fixed a piping problem he has had no erosion in his driveway and no floods on his property. The proposed underground septic tank he intended to install, he said, was not in a low-lying area that would require an above ground tank.

With regard to deterioration or devaluation of the neighborhood, Wood stated he independently investigated and found that most of the nearby residences were mobile homes. Some of the adjacent properties, he said, had old abandoned cars and trucks, and semi's that were being used for storage. One mobile home, he said, had a tree laying on top of it, another had a rotting door and others had overgrown vegetation.

He also stated the campground would not be visible from the road and there were thick woods between his property and the others that would serve as a buffer. A resident in the audience later challenged the buffer state-

ment, saying that when winter comes all the trees would be barren.

Peters summarized stating that Wood believed his campground would not decrease the property value based upon the surrounding properties.

Wood swore under oath that no one would be hunting on the 6.29 acres of his property, which was an issue that came up at the original hearing.

"While they're in the campground, they're not allowed to have any firearms loaded," Wood said.

He then reiterated that most of the seven campers he had lined up to stay at the campground were retired law enforcement officers. He also stated that within 500 yards of his proposed campground there is a pre-existing campground that has been there for at least five years. It was later determined that only one 1400 SF structure was on that property.

There would also be no increase in traffic, Wood said, and it would only be used during hunting season from about September to January.

The action began to heat up when the board began asking questions.

Commissioner Harry "Butch" Oxendine told Peters, "Some of what you said was accurate and what Mr. Wood said was accurate, but there's a lot of it that's not and I can verify it personally."

Oxendine provided Peters with a large map and photos of proper-

ties closer to the proposed campsite that he said Wood bypassed when he took photos of the mobile homes. The map showed the 2010 estimated total value of the parcels that immediately adjoin the proposed campsite. The properties ranged in value from \$63,000 to \$284,000, with three of them in the \$200,000 range.

"He drove past these properties to supply you with those photos," said Oxendine, of the mobile home pictures.

When pressed by Oxendine, Wood admitted the homes were closer to the proposed campsite than the mobile homes he had photographed. He countered that the homes Oxendine referenced were closer than the homes of the people who signed the petition.

Peters said the petition should not have been admitted into evidence because it was hearsay. Back and forth arguments ensued between Oxendine and Peters.

Peters asked the board that Oxendine be removed as a voting member on the request due to impartiality. Oxendine said he was not showing impartiality. More arguments between Oxendine and Peters continued until Oxendine brought up specific concerns on Land Development Regulations (LDR) that must be satisfied before granting special exceptions. The arguments on those specifics continued for quite some time and then Oxendine

challenged Wood's statement that there would be no loaded firearms on the campground because, being a hunter himself, he was familiar with the mindset and doubted Wood could keep that in check.

Wood asked Oxendine if he had something against him and Oxendine said, "I have nothing against you."

"You are very outspoken against," Wood started.

"It's not nothing against," Oxendine interrupted. "I'm reading right out of this book," he added, referring to the LDR.

Comm. Josh Smith broke up the argument by asking his own questions on LDR and reading from the book. He then asked McCormick to clarify the Ag-4 zoning rules. After more discussion Smith said he wanted to be certain the board wasn't doing something illegal by denying Wood's petition. He also admitted he got caught up in the emotions that were displayed at the first hearing and that he understood both sides of the issue.

Oxendine said of the several pages of criteria that must be met before granting the special exception, he believed about a third of it wasn't being met. He continued that he knows what goes on at hunting campgrounds from personal experience and it often includes drinking, hootin' and hollelin'.

Peters repeated the fact that Building and

Zoning approved the request and he asked that the board go ahead and approve the special exception.

Then, one by one, about half a dozen people in the audience approached the podium, some offering support and others voicing objections, until the public hearing was closed and the board meeting was re-opened.

Oxendine made a motion to deny the request for special exception. Comm. Ogburn seconded it with the stipulation that Oxendine add to the motion the words 'with the public input' to his motion. Oxendine complied and Ogburn seconded. Smith interrupted stating there was a happy medium to the issue. He said folks have been stripped of their rights for so long and that he was going to base his vote on the stipulations in the LDR. After a bit more discussion about the LDR and changes that needed to be made, Peters asked that fact-specific findings of the denial be put on the record. Oxendine complied and said the denial would be based on the fact that the campground is not compatible with the neighborhood. Chairman Vaughn asked for a vote.

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Hamilton County Fair Events Day

Thursday, October 6, 2011
Hamilton County Arena

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS	
TIME	EVENT
8:00-10:00 AM	Swine Exhibits Check-In
2:00 PM	Swine Show
4:00 PM	Horse Show
5:00 PM	BBQ Supper (\$6.00 per plate)
5:30-6:30 PM	4-H Dog Show
7:00 PM	Swine Sale
9:00 PM	Pig Scramble

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NFCC happenings

* NFCC Story Time Event Oct. 6, 6 PM: Reading of Anna Dewdney's book *Llama Llama Red Pajama*

Join North Florida Community College as we participate in Jumpstart's Read for the Record®— a national campaign that mobilizes adults and children to close the early education achievement gap by setting a reading world record. Enjoy milk and cookies and a reading of *Llama Llama Red Pajama*, a children's book by Anna Dewdney, on Thursday, Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. in the NFCC Student Center. Children are encouraged to wear their favorite pajamas and to bring their favorite stuffed animals. The Read for the Record® event at NFCC is being sponsored by the NFCC Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Team and the NFCC Education Club to encourage reading and improve reading comprehension.

For more information, contact Tara Orlowski at (850) 973-1789, email orlowskit@nfcc.edu.

* NFCC Business Club presents Hollywood Horrors Haunted Evening Oct. 15

The NFCC Business Club invites the public to its Hollywood Horrors Haunted Evening on Saturday, Oct. 15 from 3-6 p.m. at the NFCC Student Center (Bldg. 9). The event is open to the public. Event admission is \$3 with proceeds benefitting NFCC students and the NFCC Business Club. Activities include a children's craft table, face painting and dancing for all and a super scary Hollywood Horrors Haunted House for ages 10 and up. All guests receive a free bag of candy. For more information or to purchase tickets in advance, contact NFCC instructor Sharon Brave Heart at (850) 973-1619 or bravehearts@nfcc.edu.

The Arc of North Florida 2011 Awards



ABOVE: Jasper ADT award - Ciera Sowell
ABOVE RIGHT: Board member of the year - Cliff Adams, President of Jasper, FL
RIGHT: Volunteer of the year - Charlene Wallace



Heart Matters

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among you." In other words, get ready!! Consecrate means to purify, and the Israelites understood this outward cleansing ritual to symbolize approaching God with a pure heart. Now look further to verse 9: "Joshua said to the Israelites, 'Come here and listen to the words of the Lord your God.'" In the verses that follow, God had some very specific instructions for His people as they left the

wilderness to begin a new life. I believe these two factors are still vital to us today.

After a season in the wilderness, there should be a time when we begin to anticipate God performing a new work in our lives. Our response to this anticipation should be to prepare ourselves for what God wants to do, purify ourselves through repentance, and then draw near to listen hard for what God would say to us.

In Isaiah 43, God reminds Israel that it was He "who made a way through the (Red) sea, a path through the mighty waters" as they left Egypt. In verses 18 & 19, He instructs Israel to "Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past. See I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am mak-

ing a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland." God so loves to do a new thing in our lives, but He won't force it on us...we have to be willing and believe. Unbelief caused an entire generation to miss the Promised Land and die in the desert. By all means, let's don't repeat their mistake...I don't

want to miss a single thing he has for us! So, as we bid farewell to the wilderness, let's anticipate God's new work, prepare ourselves, and listen for the word of the Lord...then let's get moving, because every heart matters!

Blessings, Angie
Heart Matters is a weekly column written by Angie Land, Director

of the Family Life Ministries of the Lafayette Baptist Association, where she teaches Bible studies, leads marriage and family conferences and offers biblical counseling to individuals, couples and families. Contact Angie with questions or comments at angieland3@windstream.net

Community calendar

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- Thursday each month at 6 p.m. at Bass's Furniture, Jasper. Email bassfurniture@windstream.net or call 792-2725.
- Bible Baptist Church clothes closet: 2nd Saturday each month from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 792-0720
- 1st Friday Dinners sold each first Friday by Sweet Home Baptist Church, CR 25A, White Springs to benefit the church. 11a.m.-3 p.m. \$5-\$7.
- Jasper First Methodist Church clothes closet 4th Saturday each month from 1-5 p.m. 792-0904
- Bellville Volunteer Fire Department holds monthly meeting 1st Tuesday each month at 6 p.m.
- Hamilton County Riding Club first Saturday meetings at 5 p.m. and games at 6 p.m. w/Jackpot Cloverleaf barrel race, Hamilton County Arena. Email vkcg1975@yahoo.com for more info.
- Competition Mounted Drill Teams meet and ride every Sunday, 7 p.m. until at Hamilton County Arena. Email bassfurniture@windstream.net, atten-

- tion Cindy Eatmon, drill team coach for more info or to ride.
- White Springs HOPE Office, Adult & Community Education Summer Hours: open for the summer from 1-4 p.m. Tues-Fri, 6-9 p.m. Mon-Fri. GED small group tutoring 1-4p.m. & 6-9 p.m. Tues-Thurs. Beginning computer classes 7:30-9 p.m. Mon & Fri nights & 1-2:30 p.m. Fri. Microsoft Office training 6-7:30 p.m. Mon & Fri, 2:30-4 p.m. Fri. The building is available for computer use & quiet study during all open hours. Located at 16811 Spring Street, White Springs. Call Robin Luger, 397-1418, for more info or to volunteer.
- September 13, 2011: Timberlake Property Owners Association will hold their monthly board meeting at 6 P.M. at 6677 NW 31st Circle in Jennings. All members are welcome.
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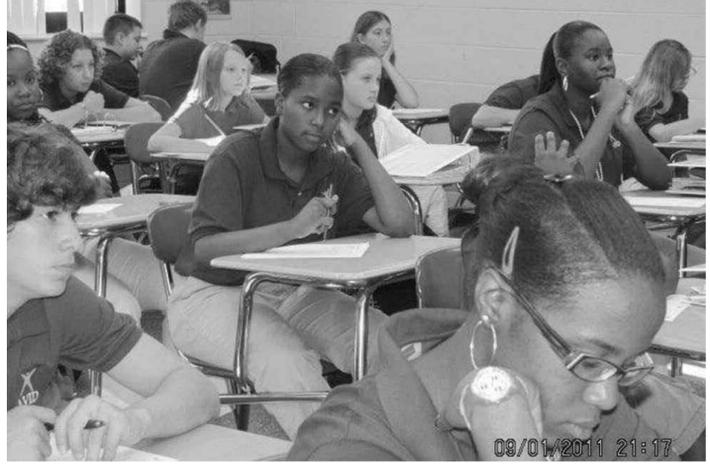
ty volunteers to work with preschool children in low-income neighborhoods. Through a proven curriculum, these children develop the language and literacy skills they need to be

ready for school, setting them on a path to close the achievement gap before it is too late. Join us to work toward the day every child in America enters school prepared to succeed. Learn more at <http://www.jstart.org/>.

First Advanced Via Individual Determination (AVID) Family Event held for students and families



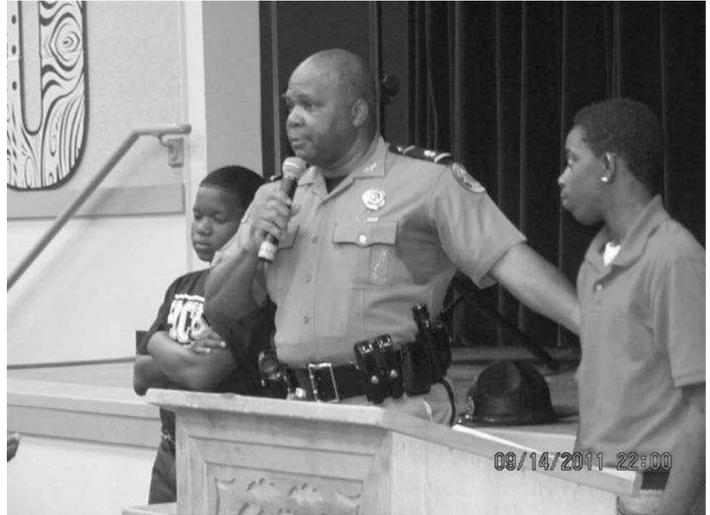
AVID speaker Mrs. Mary Nell Bryant tells students, "It is time to plan for your future right now. If you decide on college, the military or a trade, every decision made right now will impact your future. Don't let anyone tell you can't do something. That's when you step it up and do it!"



Students pay close attention as they write Cornell notes.



AVID speaker Mrs. Robin Hall reminded students, "Be flexible and learn to change. Decisions you make now will change and the career you want now may not be the future you choose later."



AVID speaker - Mr. Anthony Allen shares, "I knew I would be a state trooper. I did well in school, sports, graduated from FAMU, traveled so many places and I am doing what I want to do. I planned it this way and so can you."



AVID speaker Mrs. Brenda M. Graham says, "It does not matter where you come from as long as you have a plan and strong desire. You may have to study harder but you can do whatever you want to do."



AVID parents and students had the opportunity to learn more about AVID at the presentation.



Mr. Loughran is enjoying the AVID group of students.

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is a new exciting program being implemented in middle grades this year. AVID is a structured, college preparatory system working directly with schools and districts. We are currently serving 60 students who participated in an application/interview process in May. These students meet one period each day with the AVID instructor, Thomas Loughran. There are four tutors who work directly with students two days each week. The students are exposed to weekly speakers who share their college/work experience and the path they took to get where they are today. A special thanks to speakers who have already been out to share their expertise.



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Hamilton County delegates attend recent Presidency 5 Debate and Straw Poll

Submitted

Hamilton County Republicans RB and Cecil Davis, Ben Norris, Tom Moffses, John Burford, Keith Von Hall, Stuart Grant, and Cailin Bridges were delegates to the recent Presidency 5 Debate and Straw Poll held at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando. They were among the nearly 3,500 delegates who attended the Thursday night debate carried on the Fox Network where nine Republican presidential hopefuls answered questions posed by Fox Commentators Megan Kelly, Chris Wallace, and Brett Baier. On Saturday afternoon, they participated in the Fifth Straw Poll held by Floridian Republicans since the 1980's which was

won by businessman Herman Cain with 37.11% of the vote.

The three-day event allowed Republicans from across the State of Florida to meet and hear Presidential and Senatorial candidates. On Friday the delegates were addressed by senatorial hopefuls George LeMieux, Adam Hasner, Craig Miller, and Mike McAlister, all of whom are vying to run against Sen. Bill Nelson. Some of the Hamilton Countians enjoyed talking with several of the hopefuls afterwards. On Friday evening the Republican Party of Florida conducted business meetings. On Saturday morning, special Guest Speaker Andrew Breitbart had the large crowd alternately laughing and clapping dur-

ing his 25-minute talk which headlined talks by Florida's Cabinet Officials, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

After the Saturday afternoon voting and while the ballots were being tabulated, each county chairman was polled as to the county's number of delegates and each was encouraged to say something distinctive about his county. Chairman RB Davis stated that Hamilton County is the only county completely separated by water from the rest of the state, and it is the timber, agricultural, and outdoor sporting capital of Florida.

Asked about his reaction to P5, Tom Moffses, State Committeeman from

Hamilton County, exclaimed "Presidency 5 (P5) was a great weekend. It showed the media does not report all the information candidates provide for the electorate to make an informed decision. P5 provided an opportunity for 9 Republican Presidential candidates to meet with the people of Florida and share their message directly and unfiltered."

The Hamilton County Republican Party congratulates Herman Cain for winning the straw poll. We now turn our attention to the Florida Presidential Primary in January 2012. Be a part of history: join the Republican Party by January 3, 2012 and have an opportunity to vote during this historic primary.



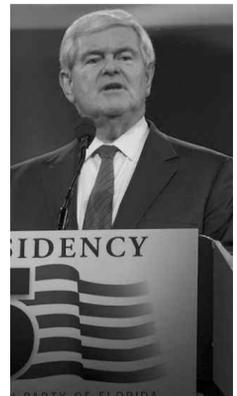
Ben Norris, Tom Moffses, and RB Davis



Herman Cain with Tom Moffses, Ben Norris, and Keith Von Hall



LEFT: Hamilton County Republican delegates at the Presidency 5 Straw Poll. From left, Stuart Grant, Keith Von Hall, Tom Moffses, Ben Norris, Cailin Bridges, RB Davis, John Burford, and Cecil Davis.
- Courtesy photos



Former Speaker of the House of Representatives Newt Gingrich



Guest Speaker Andrew Breitbart

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**Wear Pink Day
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Thursday, October 6th | 7:45am
 Primary Care Center of Live Oak Lobby
 1500 Ohio Ave. North | Live Oak, FL 32064

(386) 330-0100 | PrimaryCareofLiveOak.com

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Funds raised support Columbia County Resources, Inc. and the American Cancer Society.

Visit the Primary Care Center lobby to get your flamingo.

Arrest Records

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 En-

forcement
 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 Customs 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
 September 20, Charles Speights, 34, PO Box 311 Jennings, FL, In for court.

HCSO
 September 21, Milton Hughes Jr., 49, 1312 NW 84th Ave. Jasper, FL, assault of leo, resisting arrest w/o violence JAPD
 September 21, Darafael Daron McKire, 25, 10580 Fisher Street, White Springs, FL, hold for USMS HCSO
 September 22, Michael K. Maloney, 46, 1203 Plum St #2 Jennings, FL, Dwls, fleeing and eluding police officer JAPD
 September 22, AJ Mando Gomez Lopez, 22, 1306 Mary St. Jennings, FL, no valid dl HCSO
 September 23, Johnie Ray Beasley, 49, 1800 Eastwind Rd Rd Apt 172, Valdosta, Ga., in to serve 19th weekend HCSO
 September 23, Casquinel Facon, 32,

3910 Eastview, West Palm Beach, FL, p/u on warrant, poss of less than 20 gams marijuana, HCSO
 September 23, Daniel Omar Cooks, 25, 16744 Branch Street, White Springs, FL, poss firearm by convicted felon. WSPD
 September 23, Chiquita Nicole Jones, 32, 1166 SW 5th Ave. Jasper, FL, dwls, hold for Miami Dade HCSO
 September 24, Mike Hammond Johnson Jr, 22, 2662 NW 6th Dr. Jennings, FL, dwls, resisting with violence - 2cts, disorderly conduct, JAPD
 September 25, Marcelino Perez, 29, 1432 Wallace St. Jennings, FL, dui crash w/intent, grand theft auto, no valid dl, leaving the scene of crash w/injuries JNPD

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PUBLIC AUCTION
 Location: Dennis Garage
 8109 CR 148 NW
 Jennings, FL 32053
 Date: 10-21-11
 Time: 8:00 A.M.
 2003 Toyota
 Vin# 1NXPBR32E93Z071246
 09/29
IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HAMILTON COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 24-2010-CA-000105
MIDFIRST BANK
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
ALFONZA J. PENDER A/K/A ALFONZA J. PENDER, SR. AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS,
 Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
 Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on, in the Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Hamilton County, Florida described as:
 LOT 23 OF NORTH SIDE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 25, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 and commonly known as: 3752 108th LN NW, JASPER, FL 32052; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash. **Sales are held in lobby of the main courthouse, on October 12, 2011 at 11 a.m.**
 Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the sale, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
 Dated this 19th day of September, 2011.
 (seal) GREG GODWIN
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 By: /s/ Cynthia Johnson
 Deputy Clerk
 09/29, 10/06
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that STEVEN A SUTY or DARLA BROWN the holder of the following certificate(s) has filed said certificate(s) for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number(s) and year(s) of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
CERTIFICATE NO.: 531 Issued May 27, 2004
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
 Parcel No. 4904-060
 Section 22 Township 2N Range 11E
 Lot 1 Lake County Oaks at Oak Woodlands ORB 481-172
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED:
 Anthony L. Harris
 All of said property being in the County of Hamilton, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Front Door of the Hamilton County Courthouse, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2011.
 Pursuant to Chapter 197.52(2), Florida Statutes, the highest bidder is required to post a non-refundable cash deposit of \$200 with the Clerk of Court at the time of the sale, to be applied to the sale price at the time of full payment. The Clerk may require bidders to show their willingness and ability to post the cost deposit.
 /s/Kristy Morgan
 Greg Godwin
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hamilton County, Florida
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 /s/Kristy Morgan
 Greg Godwin
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hamilton County, Florida
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JOHN CLOYD the holder of the following certificate(s) has filed said certificate(s) for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number(s) and year(s) of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
CERTIFICATE NO.: 575 Issued May 31, 2006
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
 Parcel No. 6510-000
 Section 6 Township 1N Range 14E
 That part of Blk 107 desc in ORB 498-247 Caldwell Survey Town of Jasper
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED:
 Michael D. and Kathy Leh
 All of said property being in the County of Hamilton, State of Florida.
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 Greg Godwin
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hamilton County, Florida
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CERTIFICATE NO.: 847 Issued May 27, 2004
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
 Parcel No. 6440-000
 Section 6 Township 1N Range 14E
 Lot 2 of Lot 6 of BLK 103 Langs Survey Tompkins Sub of Lot 6 Blk 103 Town of Jasper ORB 442-257
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED:
 Lashanda Monck Fugua and Annie J. Herring
 All of said property being in the County of Hamilton, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the South Front Door of the Hamilton County Courthouse, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2011.
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 Clerk of Circuit Court
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What do math and exercise have in common?

Expert Reveals the Answer Should Be "Your Kids"
 Carrie Scheiner is not ashamed of being a bit of a math nerd.
 But don't let her degree in Math education from Rutgers University fool you – she is also a big fan of physical fitness, and her passion for both has led to her to think of exercise for kids in a completely new way.
 "As adults, we don't think about it, but much of our exercise regimens revolve around counting," said Scheiner, creator of Exploracise, an exercise DVD for kids and parents (www.exploracise.com). "So I began thinking about how much more fun, and healthy, math could be for kids if we combined it with exercise. That was the genesis of my combination of the two disciplines."

Scheiner believes her approach actually addresses two of the most pressing problems in the United States today.

"Research shows that exercise improves learning and multi-sensory learning techniques improve the recognition and recall of information," Scheiner added. "One-third of U.S. children are overweight or obese and 61 percent of fourth graders are not proficient in math. That being said, it just makes sense that we start approaching these problems head-on, and we can create an economy of scale in time and resources by doing it at the same time."

Scheiner believes that parents should encourage kids to get off the couch and exercise, too, which is why she has also devised a list of tips for parents who want to see their kids exercise as they learn. They include:

Count Along – It's not just about counting to ten when you touch your toes. There is so much more you can do when your kids are having fun. It can be as simple as having them do the same thing you do – sets of 10 repetitions of any exercise – and then have them add up all those 10s when they are done. It will help them get comfortable tabulating simple

equations in their heads.
Shapes Can Be Healthy – When I was a kid in gym class, they made us do arm circles, but there are so many other shapes that can be explored. Triangles, rectangles and even more complex geometric shapes can be combined with exercise in a variety of ways. Be creative and don't be content with your kids using their arms like windmills. Make it fun for them and it will help to create healthy exercise habits that will last a lifetime.

Scavenger Hunts – Hide and Seek is a time-honored game, and with a little twist, you can use it to make math and healthy eating fun. Hide some healthy foods around the house, and set your kids to the task of finding them, but write down the calories and fat for each healthy food. When they find them, have them match up the foods with the numbers.

"It's all about getting kids to put down the video game controllers and to get off the couch," she said. "We owe it to our kids to start them off in life with healthy habits that we never learned as kids. As adults, we had to teach ourselves to work out and eat healthy. It wasn't something that most of us learned when we were young. With this approach, you can help your kids develop intellectually and physically, as well as help them establish healthy habits that they will carry with them for the rest of their lives"

About Carrie Scheiner
 Carrie Scheiner has a lifelong love of helping others, and is passionate about helping children learn math and healthy lifestyle concepts. She won the award for best student teacher for secondary math while receiving her Bachelors of Arts in Math and Secondary Education at New Jersey's Rutgers University, where she also earned a Masters of Science in Statistics. She has combined her love of math and her passion for healthy eating and exercise to help the next generation overcome its current educational and health crises. (www.exploracise.com)

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