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White Springs working to improve fire department

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Bob Farley

The White Springs Volunteer Fire Department is in a transitional stage right now as a result of loss of manpower and poor Insurance Service Organization (ISO) ratings, according to town officials.

The ISO helps establish appropriate fire insurance premiums for residential and commercial properties. After the ISO does its inspections they pass along their findings to insurance companies who need reliable, up-to-date information about a community's fire-protection services. ISO provides that information through the Public Protection Classifica-

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$36M designated to preserve regional springs

$6.5 million for local projects

By Bryant Thigpen
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State Senator Charles Dean, among other dignitaries, recently announced $36 million has been approved for protecting springs in North and Central Florida.

Of that share, $6.5 million will directly benefit two local projects - Ichetucknee Springshed Water Quality Improvement Project and Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project - both in the Suwannee River Water Management District.

The funding for these projects is a joint effort by state and local governments. The funds will be used to protect Florida's springs and drinking water by using science based projects, focusing

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63rd Annual Jeanie and Stephen auditions

Winning vocalists to receive scholarships

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Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park is hosting the 63rd Annual Jeanie and Stephen Auditions Oct. 4-5. Stephen Foster's popular songs, as well as classical and operatic compositions of American music will be showcased at the Stephen Foster Museum.

The festivities, which are open to the public and free with park admission of $5 per vehicle, begin Friday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m. with "An Evening with Stephen and Jeanie", a concert to honor the contestants and their families.

The next morning at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 5, the singers will audition for the title of "Jeanie" and "Stephen" in a public concert before a panel of judges.

This is a scholarship event and a tribute to 19th century

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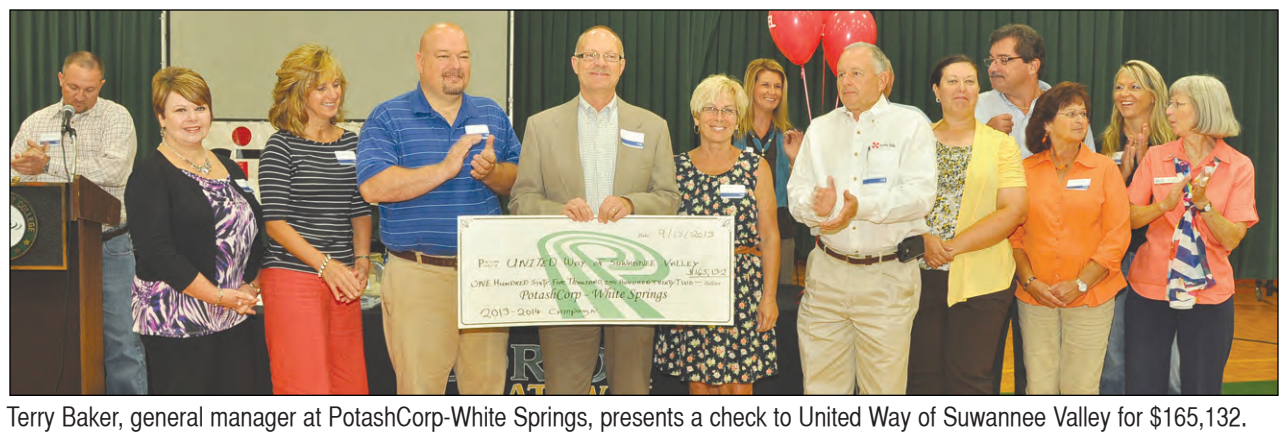
UW Suwannee Valley kicks-off campaign


Terry Baker, general manager at PotashCorp-White Springs, presents a check to United Way of Suwannee Valley for $165,132. - Photo: Rob Wolfe

- $600,000 goal set
- $165K contributed so far by PotashCorp-White Springs

Staff

The United Way of Suwannee Valley kicked off their 46th campaign season recently with a kick-off breakfast at Florida Gateway College's Howard Conference Center.

United Way of Suwannee Valley seeks a campaign fundraising goal of $600,000 for the organization's "Imagine Me" campaign. The money will directly benefit over 20 local community organizations in Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette and Suwannee counties.

"While our United Way engages in various community impact initiatives, our annual community fundraising campaign serves one purpose - to provide much needed financial support (to agencies that benefit from UW), which in turn utilize your

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School District recognized by Action for Healthy Kids

(L-R) Supt. Tom Moffses, Penny Taylor, Food and Nutrition Services Coordinator Ida Daniels, Carol Vickers and Jim Taylor. -Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

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The Hamilton County School District achieved the honor of a Bronze level award from Florida's Action for Healthy Kids program through the Florida Department of Education.

Action for Healthy Kids fights childhood obesity, undernourishment and physical inactivity by helping schools become healthier places so kids can live healthier lives. Their mission is to engage diverse organizations, leaders and volunteers in actions that foster sound nutrition and good physical activity in children, youth and schools.

The Florida Healthy School Districts are districts that have made a high level commitment to meeting the health needs of students and staff in order to remove barriers to learning and maximize district resources.

Since 2009, Florida's Coordinated School Health Partnership and Florida Action for Healthy Kids have had the honor of recognizing 27 Florida districts as Healthy

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SRWMD Governing Board adopts FY 2013-14 tentative budget

Submitted by SRWMD

The Suwannee River Water Management District (District) Governing Board adopted a Fiscal Year (FY) tentative budget of $29.2 million and a proposed millage rate of 0.4143, the same as the millage rate last year.

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Former truancy officer voices concern about school policy

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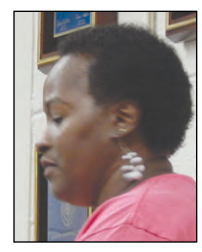
Daniels

A complaint of discrimination by former truancy officer Barbara Daniels against the Hamilton County School District that began last May was brought up again at the Sept. 9 school board meeting.

As reported previously in *The Jasper News*, during the 'comments from the public' segment of the May 15 meeting of the school board, Daniels said she was shocked and confused by her May 1 termination, because she had been granted a permanent status contract three years prior by former superintendent Martha Butler. By the end of May, Daniels had submitted a formal complaint of discrimina-

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tion (PPC™) program after collecting data on municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States.

The ISO analyzes the relevant data using a Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS) and then assigns a Public Protection Classification from 1 to 10. Class 1 generally represents superior property fire protection, and Class 10 indicates that the area's fire-suppression program doesn't meet ISO's minimum criteria. The program provides an objective, nationwide standard that helps fire departments plan and budget for facilities, equipment and training.

Hamilton County Emergency Management Director Henry Land said when the ISO did their last inspection in White Springs they found deficiencies in manpower, equipment and housing for the fire truck.

"We are working diligently to correct these deficiencies and discussions are ongoing," said Land.

White Springs Fire Chief Steve Stith recently resigned because of personal and financial reasons, according to Town Manager Bob Farley, which has further stressed the volunteer fire department.

"We are currently advertising for volunteers and a fire chief," said Farley.

In the mean time, the county has temporarily taken over fire department calls in White Springs by use of the Genoa Volunteer Fire Department, which is a short distance away from the town.

Farley said in the past the Genoa Fire Department was always there to back them up on calls other than EMS calls. He also said the town is working with Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park personnel and utilizing their resources and certified forestry employees to help out, as well.

The ISO rating for White Springs is currently a seven. If the deficiencies aren't corrected by December, Farley said their rating will go up to a 10, which would greatly increase residents' homeowner's insurance rates.

Farley said the town has a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application in for $600,000 to build a new fire department, however that cycle doesn't begin until January, 2014, which is too late to help with the ISO deficiencies.

ISO requirements, Farley said, state that fire trucks and their equipment must be in an enclosed building, which the town doesn't currently have, however, Farley said the town does have money in the budget to enclose the current structure.

In working with Hamilton County District 4 Commissioner Randy Ogburn, as well as Land, Farley is hopeful they will get things straightened out.

"We're working hard," Farley said.

Meanwhile, the county is making certain that White Springs residents are getting appropriate coverage for any emergency fire calls.

On a more positive note, Land said eight Hamilton County Fire Department support personnel have graduated from fire school and are now classified as Firefighter 1. In previous years it only took 40 hours of training to become a firefighter. Land said today it is up to 200 hours.

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dollars not just to provide necessary services; they magnify your contribution by utilizing our community resources as match for grants, which for most are their primary revenue," said John Martz, current president of United Way Suwannee Valley.

That $600,000 was jump started quickly by PotashCorp-White Springs which presented a check for $165,132. The PostashCorp team set a goal of $82,000. The employees to date have pledged $82,566 which was matched by the company.

Terry Baker, general manager at PotashCorp-White Springs, also presented a check for $50,000 to the United Way of Suwannee Valley Building Fund to help build a new local United Way facility.

"I am always impressed with the generosity of our Potash-Corp-White Springs family, but when you look at value, support and services the United Way helps to provide to our community, it just makes good sense," said Baker.

With other campaign pledges so far, the amount raised to date is $225,891.

There were 151 people in attendance for the kick-off of the 2013-14 campaign season.

A luncheon will be held next month at Camp Weed in Live Oak featuring guest speakers that will enable those in attendance to imagine how important the work of the United Way and the affiliated agencies are.

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composer Stephen Foster, who wrote some of America's best-known songs, including, "Oh! Susanna" and "Beautiful Dreamer". Foster also wrote "Old Folks at Home," which was adopted as the official Florida state song in 1935.

Competitors will be wearing 1854-style formal attire, in keeping with the theme of the event, which is named after a song Foster wrote for his wife entitled, "Jeanie, with the Light Brown Hair."

Saturday's vocal competition will award $4,500 in scholarships. Competitors must be between the ages of 18 and 22 and must sing one song composed by Foster, and two songs of their choice written by American composers.

The Jeanie winner will receive a $1,500 scholarship and the title of "Outstanding Female Vocalist in Florida." Two runner-ups will be named "Jeanie Maids" and receive scholarships of $750 each.

The Stephen winner will receive a $1,000 scholarship and his runner-up a $500 scholarship.

This yearly event attracts contestants from all over the state of Florida and is sponsored by the Florida Federation of Music Clubs and the Stephen Foster Citizen Support Organization.

For more information, call (386) 397-4408. To learn more, visit Florida Federation of Music Clubs.

Breast cancer awareness

Your story wanted

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. We are seeking survivors or those that are still battling the disease to share their story with us for publication. Your story may help someone else become more aware, and you could help save a life. Please contact reporter Joyce Marie Taylor at joycemarie.taylor@gaflnews.com or call her at 386-362-1734.

Alzheimer's workshop coming Sept. 23

By Joyce Marie Taylor

A free educational workshop on Alzheimer's will be held at the White Springs Library on Monday, Sept. 23 at 2 p.m., provided by Jerry Tyre of Citrus County Hospice.

If someone you care about has Alzheimer's, this program will offer you informative ways on how best to handle the challenges you may face.

The White Springs Library is located at 16403 Jewett Street. For more information, give them a call at 386-397-1389.

Life in WHITE SPRINGS

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Apparently my efforts to rush into fall weather have hit a brick wall. Mother Nature is not cooperating and it is still pretty hot in the middle of the day, but early morning and evening adventures are still possible. One of my early morning adventures was to the Come to the River Festival 5K run. There were about fifty runners, ranging from age five to seventy five. We passed out water to them and I was real impressed at the variety of folks that were there. The serious runners came through first, puffing pretty hard as they were vying to win the race, and not the least bit interested in water. Later on the more recreational runners came through, and then came families, some with wagons full of children, some with their favorite running companion, and some with the family dog. Some of these folks were doing a 5K for the first time and were glad for the opportunity to have some water and even chat with the water folks for a moment. With this good number of participants entered in the first running of this 5K race, I'll bet nest year we have close to one hundred entrants! The Come to the River Festival was wonderful too, and we had a great lunch there. That evening the Coffee House performances were very entertaining. It's fun getting out and about in White Springs.

This week's meeting of the Stephen Foster Citizen Support Organization (CSO) featured some fine eating and a program that bought us all up to date on the latest and future happenings at our park. Our park host many big events besides the Florida Folk Festival and none of them would be possible without the assistance of the CSO and the many park volunteers. In regards to events at the park and in town, folks often tell me, "I didn't know that was going on. If I'd known I would have attended." To keep you informed and to help you plan ahead, here is a list of things I heard about at the meeting. Tom Moore hosted the meeting and many folks bought covered dishes and desserts. Thanks Tom for the good food! While we ate, the "Buck in a Bucket" fund raiser for Big Shoals was held. The Pumpkin Fest at Big Shoals is just around the corner on October 19 from 3:30 to 7:30. Park Ranger Brian can use volunteers to help with the games and contests so call 386-397-4331 for more information.

The CSO board reported that the basic construction of the Seminole Family Camp is completed. These much bigger thatched roof structures, called chickees, are located near the gift shop. The Seminole Nation donated $80,000 for this project and did much of the construction too. Imagine that! The Seminoles have always been such good benefactors and we thank them for this wonderful addition to our park. The board agreed to fund the installation of electric and water and putting in handicapped accessible walking paths. The board voted to advertise in the Hamilton County Tourist Guide Map. 10,000 copies of this map will be produced and distributed at tourism center in North Florida. The board voted to renew membership in the Hamilton County Chamber of Commerce.

The Park is going to start a new program of showing movies in the evenings this fall. We are hoping more families will come with their blankets and chairs and enjoy a night under the stars watching a good family movie. In order to do this they must pay for the right to show movies or we would get fined. The board voted to pay for rights to show the movies. The first "Movie Night in the Park" is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 11. More on this in a future column.

Other events in our area for include the Olustee Civil War Expo, Sept. 28, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and The National Public Lands Day, Big Shoals State Park, Sept. 28, 8 a.m.-12p.m. Volunteers are needed. Register at 386-397-4331 before Sept. 20.

I am so proud of our local literary talent, especially our own Sudye Cauthen. She is a great writer of books and stories that are near and dear to our region. You will have an opportunity to hear her comment on her writings at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 26 at the Live Oak Library. Sudye will read from her books "SOUTHERN COMFORTS: Rooted in a Florida Place", and "THE SALVATION OF MAGGIE RIDER: Stories from Nokofta", as well as from her work-in-progress, "ALL THE PRETTY CATTLE". Refreshments will be served.

There is always something interesting to do in and around our little town and I am so glad that I live here! If you have some information that you want to share about what is happening in White Springs, I would love to hear from you. I hope to see you out and about, enjoying life in White Springs.

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Focus on economic impact of webworm infestation

Submitted

Supervisor Eickwort, Mayor Miller speak with Plein Air Painters. - Courtesy photos:

L to R: Jeff Eickwort, Forest Biologist & Supervisor, Forest Health Section, Florida Forest Service, and Mayor Helen Miller.

In response to expressed concerns, White Springs Mayor Helen Miller contacted the Florida Forest Service (FFS) about the seeming epidemic of webworm larvae tents throughout historic White Springs. The fall webworm (Hyphantria cunea) is a pest of a number of ornamental trees and shrubs as well as of several agricultural crops.

"I began receiving calls about the potential economic impact to the town and our eco-tourism industry if the infestations were able to defoliate their host trees," said Miller.

The fall webworm is capable of developing on a wide range of host plants, including hickory, pecan, walnut, elm, alder, willow, mulberry, oak, sweetgum and poplar.

Miller's initial e-mail to the FFS sent on a recent Sunday afternoon resulted in prompt response from Jeff Eickwort, Forest Biologist and Supervisor of the Forest Health Section, Florida Forest Service. After sending Miller a lengthy response describing the native species, he offered to visit White Springs to view the infestations and collect a sample for lab examination. By Thursday of that week, Eickwort was in White Springs driving through downtown, local neighborhoods and Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park.

Eickwort's collection of the caterpillar from a silky tent confirmed his suspicions that the pest was indeed a fall webworm. After viewing the large number of webworm tents in White Springs, Eickwort did state that the infestation was "above normal." He stated further that while the larvae feed in huge nests and are able to completely defoliate trees and shrubs, new leaves should be forthcoming next spring.

During the community tour, Eickwort and Miller encountered the regional Plein Air painters, in White Springs to paint their perspectives of the modified Queen Anne on Camp Avenue. The graceful two story white pillared home was built by Dr. Benjamin Franklin Camp in 1906.

The artists pointed to the infestations in the large hickory trees on the property and observed to Mr. Eickwort that they have encountered massive webworm infestations throughout the entire North Florida region. The Plein Air painters noted that the infestations are prominent in Lake City, Wellborn and Live Oak, and on the roadways that connect the cities.

White Springs and adjacent cities in rural North Florida are destinations for eco-tourists drawn by the area's beautiful natural resources. The region's beautiful large, old trees complement the experiences of hikers on the Florida Wilderness Trail, kayakers on the Suwannee River, and SBA cyclists enjoying both on and off road trails.

Hamilton County's trees, as well as those in Suwannee and Columbia counties, have been overly stressed for a number of years as a result of over-pumping of the Floridan Aquifer. The trees' root systems are fairly shallow. While above average rains in recent months have been a welcome blessing to the region's rivers, lakes and streams, they cannot ameliorate the years of stress due to drought.

Before returning to his office in Gainesville, Eickwort discussed a range of prevention and maintenance options to reduce the effects of the webworm infestations. The approach most likely to result in benefits, both in the short and long term, is the introduction of natural predators such as nematodes.

However, when asked about what can be done to "get rid of the massive numbers of love-bugs in town," Eickwort responded, "You'll just have to wait for a few more weeks, and they'll be gone for this year."

Swift Creek Historic Church

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the homecoming at Swift Creek Historic Church on September 29, 2013. Services start at 10:45 with music lead by David Brantley, followed by a message by Rev. William White. Immediately following the church service, we will enjoy "Dinner on the Grounds," so bring your favorite dishes for all to enjoy.

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OPINION

Student indoctrination

A MINORITY VIEW

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BY WALTER WILLIAMS

The new college academic year has begun, and unfortunately, so has student indoctrination. Let's look at some of it.

William Penn, Michigan State University professor of creative writing, greeted his first day of class with an anti-Republican rant. Campus Reform, a project of the Arlington, Va.-based Leadership Institute, has a video featuring the professor telling his students that Republicans want to prevent "black people" from voting. He added that "this country still is full of closet racists" and described Republicans as "a bunch of dead white people -- or dying white people" (http://tinyurl.com/lve4te7). To a student who had apparently displayed displeasure with those comments, Professor Penn barked, "You can frown if you want." He gesticulated toward the student and added, "You look like you're frowning. Are you frowning?" When the professor's conduct was brought to the attention of campus authorities, MSU spokesman Kent Cassella said, "At MSU it is important the classroom environment is conducive to a free exchange of ideas and is respectful of the opinions of others."

That mealy-mouthed response is typical of university administrators. Professor Penn was using his classroom to proselytize students. That is academic dishonesty and warrants serious disciplinary or dismissal proceedings. But that's not likely. Professor Penn's vision is probably shared by his colleagues, seeing as he was the recipient of MSU's Distinguished Faculty Award in 2003. University of Southern California professor Darry Sragow shares Penn's opinion. Last fall, he went on a rant telling his students that Republicans are "stupid and racist" and "the last vestige of angry old white people" (http://tinyurl.com/185khtk).

UCLA's new academic year saw its undergraduate student government fighting for constitutional rights by unanimously passing a resolution calling for the end of the use of the phrase "illegal immigrant." The resolution states, "The racially derogatory I-word endangers basic human rights including the presumption of innocence and the right to due process guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution." No doubt some UCLA administrators and professors bereft of thinking skills helped them craft the resolution.

The New York Post (8/25/11) carried a story about a student in training to become dorm supervisor at DePauw University in Indiana. She said: "We were told that 'human' was not a suitable identity, but that instead we were first 'black,' 'white,' or 'Asian'; 'male' or 'female'; ... 'heterosexual' or 'queer.' We were forced to act like bigots and spout off stereotypes while being told that that was what we were really thinking deep down." At many universities, part of the freshman orientation includes what's called the "tunnel of oppression." They are taught the evils of "white privilege" and how they are part of a "rape culture." Sometimes they are forced to discuss their sexual identities with complete strangers. The New York Post story said: "DePauw is no rare case. At least 96 colleges across the country have run similar 'tunnel of oppression' programs in the last few years."

University officials are aware of this kind of academic dishonesty and indoctrination; university trustees are not. For the most part, trustees are yes men for the president. Legislators and charitable foundations that pour billions into colleges are unaware, as well. Most tragically, parents who pay tens of thousands of dollars for tuition and pile up large debt to send their youngsters off to be educated are unaware of the academic rot, as well.

You ask, "Williams, what can be done?" Students should record classroom professorial propaganda and give it wide distribution over the Internet. I've taught for more than 45 years and routinely invited students to record my lectures so they don't have to be stenographers during class. I have no idea of where those recordings have wound up, but if you find them, you'll hear zero proselytization or discussion of my political and personal preferences. To use a classroom to propagate one's personal beliefs is academic dishonesty.

Vladimir Lenin said, "Give me four years to teach the children and the seed I have sown will never be uprooted." That's the goal of the leftist teaching agenda.

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A front door by any other name...

Dwain Walden
The Moultrie Observe

I make a living with words - more specifically, connecting those words in a particular fashion. There was a time when the biggest word I knew was Mississippi. I've added a few since then.

The reason I'm scribbling on "words" today is because last Sunday morning a fellow usher and myself were discussing parts of our beautiful Williamsburg-style church. And we just happened to be standing in the "narthex" of the church. Very few people call it that because they are under the impression that it's the "entrance" or the "lobby."

I'm not sure why we call it a narthex. As far as I know it doesn't make the church any holier. The word goes back to the early Christians and Byzantine basilicas. I guess there's some who like to think of that word as being authentic to the early church. And if that's the case, then why are we serving grape juice and not wine at communion?

On the other end of the church we have a "porte-cochere." Again, very few people call it that. Rather it's the "rear entrance," "the covered entrance" or even the "drive through." Much like the front door, it's very functional. On a rainy day, those people who drop their kids off at church and leave can do so without them getting all wet.

Mostly we see these words spelled out on blueprints. It just makes the project seem fancier, I suppose, than "front door" and "back door."

The one thing we don't have a fancy name for is the back pew in a Baptist Church. It's just that, "the back pew." Or I guess to make it sound less escaping, we might call it "the pew nearest the narthex."

Relative to all of this, a language expert has compiled a list of the top useless words in the English language.

So I give you:

• Serendipitously: It means "by a happy accident."

If you've never laughed at yourself, just try pronouncing this word right after leaving the dentist's office.

• Fartlek: "A form of cross country running."

I had not idea that cross-country running had forms. In fact, I thought it was mostly without form.

• Cruclveralist: "One who makes up crosswords."

Now I'm wondering what we would call someone who makes up horoscopes or the guy who decides where to put "deer crossing" signs?

• Aglests: "The metal or plastic at the ends of a shoelace."

I gave this one some deep thought and concluded that the rest of the shoelace is called the "middle."

• Philtrum: "The line or wrinkle between the nose and the upper lip."

In the case of a mustache, it would be a fuzzyphiltrum, I suppose.

• Tintinnabulation: "The sound of a bell."

This word was given to us by Edgar Allen Poe. Do a little research on Poe and you will understand why he was hearing bells and talking to crows.

And finally, floccinaucinihilipilification: "The act or habit of describing or regarding something as unimportant, of having no value or being worthless." Now isn't that poetic to this whole episode?

I can't pronounce that word before or after going to the dentist. But I wonder if on the day it was invented, someone was listening to a political speech?

Of all the words that have been invented, none of them rhyme with orange. So I just coined one. It's barnge. Definition: a barn painted orange.

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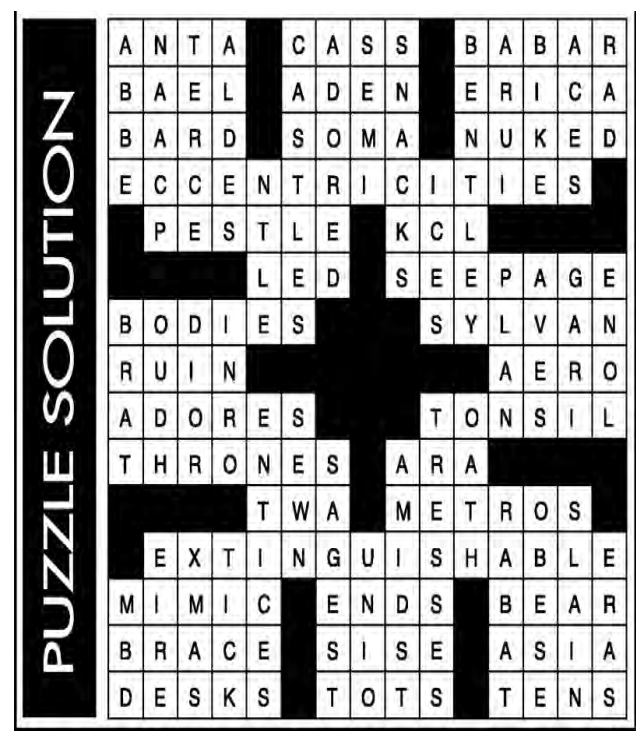

The Meaning of Gog and Magog – Part 1

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Bible students know that Gog and Magog are found in both Ezekiel Chapters 38 and 39; and in Revelation chapter 20. The Gog and Magog of Ezekiel and Revelation are not in any sense the same; nor do they come at the same times. This study deals only with the Gog and Magog of Ezekiel. I suggest that you read carefully chapters 38 and 39.

Who are Gog and Magog? They are described in chapter 38 and 39. Gog is identified as the end time ruler, or the prince of Russia. Magog is the land of Gog, or the land of the prince of Russia. The location that Gog comes from definitely is Russia. Ezekiel 39:2 "And I will turn you around and lead you on, bringing you up from the far north, and bring you against the mountains of Israel". 38:6 also says they come from the far north. Remember that directions in Scripture are always in relation to Israel and Palestine. North, east, south, and west are always from Israel.

The Bible is clear that one day, and I think not too far in the future, Russia will march on Israel. If you are watching the news these days, you know Russia is very verbal about the possible US attack on Syria. The Bible is also clear on Russian allies. Ezekiel 38:5 says "Persia, Ethiopia and Libya are with them". In l932 Russia signed a treaty with Persia, providing in the event of war, free access of Russia through their land. In 1935 the name of Persia was changed to Iran. The next nation is Ethiopia, called in Scripture "Cush". This land was located in the region of Babylon, adjoining the land of Persia. The same is true for the third nation mention as being allied with Gog. The old name for Libya was "Phut", another ancient Bible land in the same area as Persia and Ethiopia, to the south of Russia.

Then there is Gomer. Most all agree that it has references to Germany. The last nation mentioned is Togarmah, identified as nations of central Asia, traditionally an enemy of Israel and close allied with Russia. Russia in the not too distant past has taken over countries like Poland, Czechoslovakia, Romanian, Yugoslavia, and other smaller nations. According to the prophet Ezekiel, one day God will bring Russia, that land to the north, against His people, Israel. Ezekiel 38:16: "You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed in you, O Gog, before their eyes". Ezekiel 37, The Visions of the Valley of Dry Bones is the prophecy of Israel becoming a nation again. This came to pass May 14, 1948. Ezekiel chapter 40 is the prophecy of the Millennial Kingdom that comes to pass after the Second Coming of Jesus (Revelation 20).

This prophecy, written over 2,600 years ago, is quickly coming together. The stage is set for Russia to march on Israel. Before that happens, the "rapture" will take place. The signs are here! Don't miss them! Be ready!

Heart Matters

"In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land and a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. The man's name was Elimelech, his wife's name Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there." (Ruth 1:1-3)

Welcome to the Book of Ruth!! Like many good stories, this one is introduced with a "once upon a time" of sorts. "In the days when the judges ruled" actually sets the stage for our characters…and a peek back to the final verse of the Book of Judges clarifies that "In those days, Israel had no king; everyone did as he saw fit."(Judges 21:25)

Let's not miss the chance to consider this theory, because at first glance "everyone doing as they see fit" might seem like a good idea…after all, who among us wouldn't be happy enough to make our own rules? In reality, the result was chaos…and famine. According to Leviticus 26:3-5,14,19-20, the Lord makes a clear and specific connection between obedience to Him and abundance:

"If you follow my decrees and are careful to obey my commands, I will send you rain in its season and the ground will yield its crops and the trees of the field their fruit. Your threshing will continue until grape harvest and the grape harvest will continue until planting, and you will eat all the food you want and live in safety in your land. But if you will not listen to me and carry out all these commands…I will break down your stubborn pride and make the sky above you like iron and the ground beneath you like bronze, Your strength will be spent in vain because your soil will not yield its crops, nor will the trees of the land yield their fruit."

It is important to note that a famine doesn't just apply to a lack of food. In fact, by definition a famine can be a lack, want, or scarcity of anything. In our personal lives, a famine can occur in our finances, marriages, careers, and health. Less visible, but no less a reality is a famine of contentment, joy, and peace.

I had a first-hand experience with this type of famine a few years ago during a season of major change in our family: we packed up our younger son and moved him away to college and simultaneously brought our pre-teen niece to live with us. While these are good things, worthy of celebration, both required a major transition. During this time, I was surprised to experience a personal famine of sorts…the realization that a season of our life was ending, and that a new one was beginning; a craving for confidence in the face of a new parenting challenge, and a longing for the normal routine our family had developed over the years. It is no burden for me to admit that during the early days of this transition, I worked at doing what I "saw fit." Covering all the bases, making sure every loose end was tied, and all the I's were dotted and T's crossed nearly wore me to a frazzle… until one morning God's Word reminded me loud and clear that "my strength will be spent in vain," if I forget to trust Him. I could trust Him to watch over and protect my son away at college, to guide my husband and me as we parent our new blessing, and again this year as our older daughter prepares to leave for college! In every change we find that God IS faithful… 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

Church of Deliverance Through the Blood of Jesus #2 Jasper dedication

Pastor Dr. Gina I. Tuff

Bishop Freddy. L. Tuff Sr.

Bishop Freddy L. Tuff Sr. & Pastor Dr. Gina I. Tuff of Miami, invite the community to "The Gathering" a weekend of friends, family, fun, food and fellowship to celebrate the dedication of our new church #2 in Jasper, located at 7437 SW CR 143 Jasper, FL 32052. The event will be Friday, Sept. 27 through Sunday, Sept. 29. Power night Friday service at 7 p.m. and Saturday meet and greet, fellowship with the community and saints, from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday service and dedication ceremony service commences at 11 a.m. Refreshments will be served from 2-4 p.m.

For Further information contact Pastor G.I. Tuff 386.938.3651 - email gituff@aol.com or Evangelist Isha Flores 754.281.8894 - email ishaflores@yahoo.com

It's free, come celebrate with us. You don't want to miss this.

Obituaries

Dorothy Carter Hill
April 21, 1923
Sept. 15, 2013

Dorothy Carter Hill, age 90, of Jasper, Fla. passed away Sunday, Sept. 15, 2013 at her home following an illness of some time.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2013 at First Baptist Church in Jasper, Fla. with Pastor Roger Hutto officiating. Interment followed at Evergreen Cemetery in Jasper, Fla.

Ms. Hill was born on April 21, 1923 in Echols County, GA. to the late William and Neta Carter. Upon graduation from high school, Dorothy attended Florida State College for Women in Tallahassee and graduated from Valdosta State College with a Degree in Education. She taught elementary education for almost 30 years in Hamilton County. During her career she coached girl's basketball and invested in the lives of many young children until her retirement in 1992. She was a faithful member at First Baptist Church in Jasper until her health prohibited her attendance.

Ms. Hill was predeceased by her husband, Billy Wayde Hill, her daughter, Claire Hill Stewart, her parents William and Neta Carter and two brothers,

Survivors include her daughter, Karen Hill, Lake Park, GA.; one brother, Fred Carter, Sylvester, GA.; one sister, Doris Bassett, Gretna, Fla.; three grandchildren, Tory Harris (Beth), Tara Harris Phelps (Heath) and Tate Harris (Victoria); one great-granddaughter, Elizabeth Claire Harris.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Nature Coast, 857 SW Main Blvd Suite 125, Lake City, Fla. 32025 or to the Teacher's Memorial Scholarship Trust Fund, 207 N.E 2nd Street, Jasper, Fla. 32052.

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

Dale N. Schutt
Sept. 14, 2013

Dale N. Schutt, 69, of Jennings passed away on Sept. 14, 2013 in the North Florida Regional Medical Center, Gainesville, Fla.

Daniels Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. Live Oak & Branford, Fla.

Frank Cooks
Sept. 13, 2013

Frank Cooks age 91, passed away Sept. 13, 2013 in Shands Hospital in Live Oak, Fla.

D.M. Udell and sons of D.M. Udell Funeral Home are in charge of all arrangements.

Department of Health - Hamilton County will offer flu shots

The flu season will begin soon and now is the time to get your flu vaccine. The vaccine is recommended for people 6 months of age and older each year by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

It takes the body about two weeks to develop an immune response after receiving flu vaccine. The flu season typically begins in October and lasts until May.

Flu vaccine for adults, age 19 and older, is available at the Florida Department of Health in Hamilton County from 8-11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. daily Monday through Friday. The cost for adult vaccine is $20. Medicare will cover the cost of the vaccine. Please bring your Medicare card and photo ID if you have this coverage.

To help prevent illness, get your flu shot and follow these other health tips:

Wash your hands often with soap and water or an alcohol based hand cleanser and teach your children to do the same.

Try to avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

When you or your children are sick; stay home.

Stay away from crowds where people are likely to cough or sneeze.

Do not share eating utensils, drinking glasses, towels or other personal items.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, throw it away in a trash container and wash your hands.

If you do not have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your sleeve.

For more information, call the Florida Department of Health in Hamilton County at 386-792-1414.

Church & Family Go Together

ADVENT CHRISTIAN
FIRST ADVENT CHRISTIAN
N.W. 15th Avenue Jasper
Rev. Wayne Sullivan
Sunday
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship....11:00 a.m.
Wednesday
Bible Study....7:00 p.m.
784022

CATHOLIC CHURCH
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.
784014

BAPTIST (Southern)
NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
SR 6 West, 6592 NW 48th St., Jennings, FL 32053 784013
938-5611
Pastor: Jeff Cordero
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship....6:00 p.m.
Youth Happening, Mission Friends, R&A & GA....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Prayer Meeting, Teen Kids, Youth....6:00 p.m.
Van pick-up upon request

BAPTIST (Southern)
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
"Where Friends become Family"
207 N.E. 2nd Street, Jasper 792-2658
Pastor: Roger Hutto
Sunday
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Supper....6:00 p.m.
Children, Youth & Adult Programs6:30 p.m.
784012

NON-DENOMINATIONAL
BURNHAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH
4520 NW CR 146, Jennings, FL 32053
938-1265
Pastor: Johnny Brown
Sunday
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Worship....11:00 a.m.
Evening Service....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Youth Program....5:30 p.m.
784003

To list your church on our church directory, please call Nancy at 386-362-1734

METHODIST
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
405 Central Ave., Jasper, FL
Pastor - Dale Ames
Phone - 386-792-1122
Sunday
Sunday School....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship....11:00 a.m.
Wednesday
Family Night Dinner 3rd Wednesday
Clothes Closet 4th Saturday 1-5pm
783995

BAPTIST
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
11320 C.R. 6 East Jasper FL 32052
Pastor: Rev. Ronald Pruter
Home: 386-938-5912
Church: 386-792-3267
Morning Service:
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Worship....11:00 a.m.
Children's Church....11:00 a.m.
Evening Training Union....6:00 p.m.
Worship....7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Worship....7:00 p.m.
822913

PRESBYTERIAN
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
204 N.W. 3rd Avenue, Jasper, 792-2258
Pastor: Alexandra Hedrick
SUNDAY
Sunday School....10:00 a.m.
Worship Service....11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Choir Practice....7:00 p.m.
783982

Building On FAITH

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Around the Banks of the Suwannee

By Correspondent
Johnny Bullard

Magic. That's what the autumn reminds me of after the long, hot summers we have here in "Around the Banks of the Suwannee". Those first taste of crisp, cool breezes in the mornings and early evenings; the leaves on sweet gum trees, wild maples, and cypresses begin to "turn"; and the twining tendrils of wild grapevine leaves turn golden, deep amber, and brown.

Goldenrod blooms in profusion along the sides of roads and along ditches are filled with light brown tannic colored waters, echoing nature's color scheme for the season.

Firewood stacks become higher and folks spruce up their campers in preparation for a season of outdoor fun and frivolity.

Soon, campfires will dot campsites in many places such as Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park which will soon celebrate the season with its upcoming Wanee Festival.

Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park celebrates the season with its oldest special event. The Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair and Stephen Foster Auditions held on Saturday, Oct. 5, 2013, beginning at 10 a.m. The event is sponsored by the Florida Federation of Music Clubs in coordination with Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park. Recognized as one of the outstanding musical events of its type in the United States by the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP), contestants at this beautiful event are judged by a panel of out of state judges in a juried competition. Many former winners of this event have gone on to pursue professional careers in the performing arts including professional theater and opera companies.

Even though magnolia blossoms have withered and died, the glossy green leaves of the magnolias linger and add beauty to our surroundings in this part of Florida Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park celebrates a wonderful festival Oct. 18-20, with its annual Magnolia Festival. Come listen to some great music from renowned singers and songwriters and award winning performing artists including Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson. Type in Magnolia Festival, Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park into your computer's search engine and "voila", there it is; a great event.

If you prefer events that are bit more sedate, quieter and that evoke an earlier time, come enjoy the artistry and beauty on display and for sale the same weekend of Mag Fest at the Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park, White Springs, Florida, annual Quilt Show and Sale. Quilters from all over the Southeast display the beauty of their well "honed" skills at this event.

You will reminisce as you enjoy the beauty of this "folk art", true textile artistry and, too, you might remember sleeping under one of your grandmother or great-grandmother's hand made quilts. I can still visualize the late "Aunt" Nancy Morgan, longtime White Springs resident and recipient of the state of Florida's Folk Heritage Award, along with many other ladies, the late Mrs. Bertha Burnham, Grace Langdale, Madge Taylor, and Elizabeth Waldron Maltby, sitting around the quilting frame at the, then, Suwannee River Craft Guild, quilting, quilting, and talking, talking. Good memories.

I will bet my bottom dollar that "Aunt" Nancy's children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and maybe great-great grandchildren are still enjoying the beauty and warmth of some of her handmade quilts.

Our part of Florida boasts special events that are outstanding, unique, and that fit each individual and each budget.

One that is free of charge is the first Saturday Coffee House at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park in the park service administration building, beginning at 7 p.m. The next Coffee House is on Saturday, Oct. 5, and will feature the beautiful songs and music of Jay and Linda Willingham, Jasper.

Jay and Linda have both performed at the Florida Folk Festival and many other musical venues and have written some outstanding music. They will be joined by other performers who "drop in" to perform at the Coffee House. This event won't cost you a dime unless you want to purchase a cup of coffee, some home made baked "goodies", a soft drink, or a soda. All purchases go towards continuing to fund the Coffee House at Stephen Foster.

Whether you want to listen to music, walk on trails in any number of our area's beautiful state parks or just sit on the banks of the old Suwannee and enjoy the wonder of autumn, our part of the state, a true bower of natural beauty offers something "just for you".

Fall, enjoy each and every moment of it and, as Dorothy said in the classic movie "The Wizard of Oz", "There's no place like home", to savor and celebrate this spectacular season "Way Down upon the Suwannee River".

SPECIAL MEETING
JASPER CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

FOLLOWING THE FINAL PUBLIC HEARING ADOPTING
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014
CITY HALL, 208 W. HATLEY STREET

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PRESENTATION BY CHEF ART SMITH, PRESIDENT OF COMMON THREADS
3. ADJOURN

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FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL THE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A CHARTER WORKSHOP MEETING.

NOTICE OF QUALIFYING PERIOD

The City Council seat representing City District 2 is currently vacant.

Qualified electors interested in the seat can obtain nominating petitions from City Clerk, Jennifer Cone at City Hall located at 208 W. Hatley Street during normal business hours.

This qualification period closes at 5:00 P.M. on October 1, 2013.

828666

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The City of Jasper has tentatively adopted a budget for FY 2013-2014

A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on:

Date: Monday September 23, 2013

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: City Council Chambers, City Hall
208 West Hatley Street

Town: Jasper, Florida 32052

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BUDGET SUMMARY

THE CITY OFJASPER
FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014
THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF JASPER ARE 4.2% LESS THAN LAST YEARS TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.
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Estimated Receipts	
Operating Cash Reserve	$ 1,384,464
Restricted Cash Reserve	$ 90,848
Current Ad Valorem Taxes-Real And Personal Property	$ 308,104
General Fund	$ 1,513,675
Sanitation/Refuse Collection Fund	$ 418,800
Water/Sewer/Utility Fund	$ 1,495,450
Gas Operation Fund	$ 569,900
Water/Sewer Impact Fee Fund	$ 194,983
FDEP Grant	$ 385,351
Total Receipts all Funds	$ 6,361,575
Less Transfers of Funds	$ 812,799
Total Receipts	**$5,548,776**

Estimated Expenditures/Expenses	
General Fund	$ 1,821,779
Sanitation/Refuse Collection Fund	$ 478,025
Water/Sewer/Utility Fund	$ 2,596,196
Gas Operation Fund	$ 885,241
Water/Sewer Impact Fee Fund	$ 194,983
FDEP Grant	$ 385,351
Total Appropriated Expenditures/Expenses	$ 6,361,575
Less Transfers of Funds	$ 812,799
Total Expenditures/Expenses	**$5,548,776**

The Tentative, Adopted, and/or Final Budgets are on file in the office of the above referenced taxing authority as a Public Record.

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Hamilton couple receives recognition for forest stewardship

Barbara Barrett and husband Michael Dietz received recognition from the Florida Forest Service through the Forest Stewardship Program and the American Tree Farm Program. Courtesy photo:

Submitted

On Sept. 3, Barbara Barrett and her husband Michael Dietz received recognition from the Florida Forest Service through the Forest Stewardship Program for the hard work they have put into their 81 acre forested property located in Hamilton County.

Through their forest management efforts, they have qualified to have their property recognized as a Certified Stewardship Forest, as well as a Certified Tree Farm. The couple received an engraved Forest Stewardship plaque along with a Forest Stewardship sign to display on the property, as well as a Certified Tree Farm sign.

The Barrett/Dietz property is in the southwestern portion of Hamilton County and is currently being managed in a way that integrates timber management, wildlife habitat, recreation, aesthetics, and soil and water conservation. The landowners maintain fire lines and trails around and through the property, of which 21 acres were replanted in Longleaf Pines in 2012. Barrett and Dietz have put a lot of time and effort into getting the property into its present condition and are to be commended for their efforts.

The Forest Stewardship program recognizes forest landowners who manage their property in a sustainable manner through multiple management objectives. These objectives may include timber management, wildlife management, recreation, aesthetics, grazing, soil and water conservation, and other objectives a landowner may have.

The American Tree Farm program also recognizes landowners who manage their property in an environmentally sustainable manner.

Anyone interested in learning more about the Forest Stewardship or the Tree Farm Program can contact the Florida Forest Service Hamilton County Forester, Greg Staten, at 386-792-1269.

Pre-kindergartners honor fallen heroes

Mrs. Kalinowski's class honors fallen heroes. Courtesy photos:

On 9/11, the pre-kindergarten students in Mrs. Kalinowski's class at Central Hamilton Elementary placed a banner and flags to honor our fallen heroes. They read a book, "The Flag We Love", and then said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moffses receives statewide certification

Superintendent of Schools Thomas Moffses, second from left.

Hamilton County Superintendent of Schools Thomas P. Moffses, Jr. was presented a certificate of completion for the Florida Association of District School Superintendents' (FADSS) Florida Superintendent Special Certification Program. This program was implemented in accordance with Section 1001.47(4), Florida Statutes and State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.551, FAC.

FADSS President Dan Boyd, FADSS Chief Executive Officer Bill Montford, and Florida Education Commissioner Pam Stewart presented Moffses with his certificate on Friday, Sept. 13, during the FADSS Fall Leadership Conference.

The special certification program is an extensive training program designed specifically for Florida superintendents and includes training in school law, school finance, collective bargaining, the superintendent's leadership role in improving student achievement, and core concepts of leadership.

In addition, the superintendent is required to satisfactorily complete the Florida Superintendents Examination to demonstrate a firm understanding of the information and knowledge presented through the training course.

"Superintendent Moffses should be commended for his efforts to expand and build upon the skills and knowledge necessary to lead the school system in today's challenging and complex society," stated Montford. "Hamilton County's school district is fortunate to have a leader like Superintendent Moffses who is committed to public education and to the continuous growth and enhancement of his own leadership skills to better serve the school system."

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GREAT POTENTIAL - Bank owned home Just Listed in Lake City. 3/2 ½ bath on corner lot. Very close to schools and shopping. $68,000. Call Vern Roberts, 386-688-1940 MLS#84903

GREAT LOCATION in downtown Live Oak. 1,200 sq.ft. commercial building located on a large corner lot with access to red light. $120,000. MLS#78279

CITY LIMITS- This 2 bedroom, 2 bath home with 1,400+ sq.ft. Located in the city limits of Live Oak and priced at just $124,500. MLS#83958

GORGEOUS OLDER HOME.. 3/3, 2,300+ sq.ft., FP, large MBR, extra living area, den w/French doors leading into 36' x 55' screened enclosure w/ inground concrete pool, 2 car garage, $174,500., Call Glenda McCall, 386-208-5244, MLS#85030

VACATION HOME on Beautiful Santa Fe River lot. Home in good condition. Large deck to view the beautiful scenery from. $220,000. Call David Mincey, 386-590-0157 MLS#84883

CHARACTER & COMFORT- 5/3 1/2, 3,400+ sq.ft, split level on 1 ac., large eat in kitchen, FP, brick patio, all baths are tile, open front porch, 2 car garage (heated), sprinkler sys. $325,000. Call Glenda McCall, 386-208-5244, MLS#85095

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$36M designated to preserve regional springs

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on water quality and water quantity.

"As a lifelong Floridian, Chair of the Senate Environmental Preservation and Conservation Committee and someone who grew up playing in these springs, my priority has been to preserve these natural treasures for our future generations," Dean said. "In Florida, there is nothing more important than our water and our springs. This is an important first step in this restoration."

Approximately $4.6 million will be put into the Ichetucknee Springshed Water Quality Improvement Project. As a part of this project, DEP stated, "Wastewater treatment plant effluent (3.0 mgd) would be routed through treatment wetlands before it reaches the spray field which is on a major spring conduit to Ichetucknee Springs, thus providing beneficial recharge to the aquifer with high quality water. Nitrogen reduction of 85 percent via the wetland treatment in addition to reductions associated with the existing spray field will significantly improve the water quality entering the upper Floridan aquifer from this operation."

The Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project will cost an estimated $1.9 million to complete. According to DEP, "An estimated 3 billion gallons of surface water storage will be recharged into the surface aquifer improving spring flows along the middle Suwannee River basin. Roughly 1,500 acres of sand ponds and 4,000 acres of wetlands will also be hydrated recreating the natural hydrologic conditions and recharge. Enhanced aquifer recharge features like drainage wells at strategic locations within Mallory Swamp or adjacent public lands will also increase aquifer recharge."

School District recognized by Action for Healthy Kids

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School Districts. Recognition is based on submission of a completed Florida Healthy School District (FHSD) Self-Assessment, which is designed to assess the status of policies and practices that support the highest levels of health and academic achievement for students and staff.

On Monday, Sept. 9, Program Director Penny Taylor and Carol Vickers (R.N.) from Florida Action for Healthy Kids presented the school district with the bronze award recognition and a large flag designating the school district as a Healthy School District.

"Three statewide organizations have come together to recognize those school districts that have taken a lead in making sure that students and staff are healthy, and are eliminating the barriers to academic achievement," said Taylor.

The three organizations are the Florida Coordinated School Health Partnership, Florida Action for Healthy Kids, and Florida Association of District School Superintendents.

"We congratulate you all," said Taylor.

Vickers said, "It just thrills me to death to work with rural counties because that's where I came from. Seeing everybody's level of commitment, how everybody wears multiple hats, and you go from one meeting to the other with the same groups of people, and everybody has to work together to make it work."

The program is based on national and state standards, best practices, and eight component areas of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Coordinated School Health (CSH) model, Vickers explained. Those eight components are health education, physical education, nutrition services, health services, healthy school environment, counseling, psychology and social services, health promotion for staff and family and community involvement.

"The elements that your district scored the highest in were health services and healthy school environment," said Vickers.

Taylor said she was thrilled to see a small district achieve the award recognition.

"It just shows that, of course, you care about the whole child and your staff," said Taylor.

Former truancy officer voices concern about school policy

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tion against the school board. Then, on June 10, the school board voted to approve elimination of the truancy officer position.

Meanwhile, the school district hired an independent investigative law firm who found "no reasonable cause" to support Daniels' complaint. They concluded that the superintendent's elimination of the truancy officer's position was instead motivated by his desire to hire another security officer for the school district to strengthen safety precautions, and that it violated no law or regulation. Whether elimination of the truancy officer position violated collective bargaining rights was beyond the scope of that investigation.

At the Sep. 9 school board meeting, Daniels gave board members a copy of an agreement between the Hamilton County Education Association and the School Board of Hamilton County School Related Personnel. The agreement, she said, talks about job security and that after three years of employment that employee is granted permanent status. She also gave them a copy of the letter she received from Butler granting her permanent status.

"Mr. Moffses did away with the truancy position and this is the first time in the history of the Hamilton County School Board that an employee was let go that was granted permanent status," said Daniels. "Even if they did away with the position, they always found somewhere else to put that person."

Daniels said even permanent status school employees who took time off from work to run for office were able to get their jobs back in the school district if they lost in the election.

"Granted that if the district does not want a truancy officer, that's fine, but I should have been offered another position, which I did apply for a few positions, but did not get them," Daniels said.

She also said if anyone complained that they didn't see her on the job much, it may have been partially true at the beginning of last school year because she was fighting cancer, although she kept in regular touch with her supervisor.

"I lost my fingernails, I lost my toenails, I lost all my hair, but they never said I did not do my job," Daniels said. "I'm just concerned that if permanent status does not mean anything for me, what's going to happen to the people who are coming up behind me? What if a new superintendent comes in and they decide they don't need this person? I was employed by the district for almost 10 years and for you just to say I don't need you anymore?"

Daniels told the board that policies and procedures they write, as well as contracts, should be for everybody and should be followed.

"I know y'all probably won't act on it, but it's open range for any and everybody now," said Daniels.

Comments from the public at school board meetings are not up for discussion, so no one from the district or the school board replied to Daniels' statements.

PAWS special event for National Feral Cat Day

Staff at PAWS left to right: Doug Rooney, owner; Nelly Quijada, technician; Tracie Daniels, DVM and Vicki Waldren, technician. Courtesy photo

Submitted

Oct. 16, 2013, is National Feral Cat Day. North Fla. PAWS in Jennings will be holding a one-day special event, which will focus on "TNR" (Trap-Neuter-Return) for community cats. The normal pre-required appointment booking deposits will be waived, but you must still call to reserve a spot in advance. Rabies vaccination (1-year) fee will be reduced to $5 per cat. A free dose of topical Vectra for cats will be applied if requested by caretakers. All cats must come in feral cat traps, no exceptions. Surgical fees will remain unchanged, and other optional services are available as usual such as vaccination and deworming injections. Visit http://www.northfloridapaws.org for pricing. Cats and kittens must be two pounds and not showing severe signs of sickness or upper respiratory disease for surgery to be performed. We are booking approximately 40-50 cats, with only 13 surgery packs, so we will be busy trying to keep up! If you are interested in scheduling a potential cat please contact North Florida PAWS in Jennings at 386-938-4092; or contact Dr. Tracie Daniels through http://www.traciedanielsdvm.com. Volunteers are welcomed, will be needed and are also being coordinated by Dr. Daniels. Be prepared for patience as this may be a long day, and we understand not all traps set will be successful.

Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch

56th Anniversary Open House & Horse Show

This year's annual Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Open House and Horse Show will provide an enjoyable and exciting weekend for people and riding clubs from across the state. The event will be held on Friday, Oct. 4, 2013 through Sunday, Oct. 6, 2013. The Open House and Horse Show offers, free primitive camping, horse games, and many other activities. Admission is $10 per vehicle for the entire weekend.

The event will kick off Friday with Pole Bending and a free chicken pilau dinner at 5 p.m. Saturday will offer the Texas Barrel Weave and Buddy Pickup, the Grand Entry ceremonies featuring the Riding Ranchers, a barbecue lunch and tours of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. There will be a Worship Service Sunday prior to the games resuming.

The mission of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches is to prevent juvenile delinquency and develop lawful, productive citizens through a broad range of family-centered services. This year, the Youth Ranches will serve over 8,000 boys and girls.

This charitable, non-profit corporation was founded by the Florida Sheriffs Association and operates four residential child-care campuses and two Youth Camps. Additionally, it provides community-based services and family counseling to as many of Florida's neglected, troubled children as funds will permit. Voluntary contributions are the primary source of funding, especially thoughtful gifts made through special bequests in wills and trusts.

The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc. is nationally accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families and Children, Inc. and the American Camp Association. If you would like more information about the Youth Ranches or this year's Boys Ranch Open House, please contact Vivian Starling at 1-800-765-3797 or visit us at www.youthranches.org.

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Sports

Trojans fall to Indians

Staff

The Hamilton County High School Trojan football team (0-2, 0-1) lost a hard fought battle Friday night, Sept. 13 to the Chiefland Indians (3-0, 2-0) on their turf. The final score was 26-14.

The Trojans took a one point lead, 7-6, in the first quarter with a throw from Poppa Smith to La'Marcus Webb. The extra point was good by Santiago Rios.

In the second quarter, the Indians scored, but a two-point conversion is broken up. The Indians will score again in the second quarter, taking the score to halftime at 20-7.

Coming back for the third quarter, the Trojans cut the lead down to 6, with the score at 20-14, Indians. Chiefland stays scoreless in the third.

In the fourth quarter the Indians scored a final touchdown, but fail a a conversion. The game ends at 26-14, Indians.

Hamilton County posted 10 first downs, five penalties and 30 penalty yards on the night.

Antefernee Smith completed seven passes for 84 yards and secured one touchdown pass.

On rushing, La'Marcus Webb carried the ball three times for 21 yards with one touchdown; Malik Randolph carried 15 times for 64 yards.

For receiving, Webb received three for 33 yards and Lamar Brown had two for 19 yards. Ridge Cone had received once for 30 yards.

On defense, Webb had four tackles, Deangelo Robinson had five tackles with four assists.

Webb had one interception.

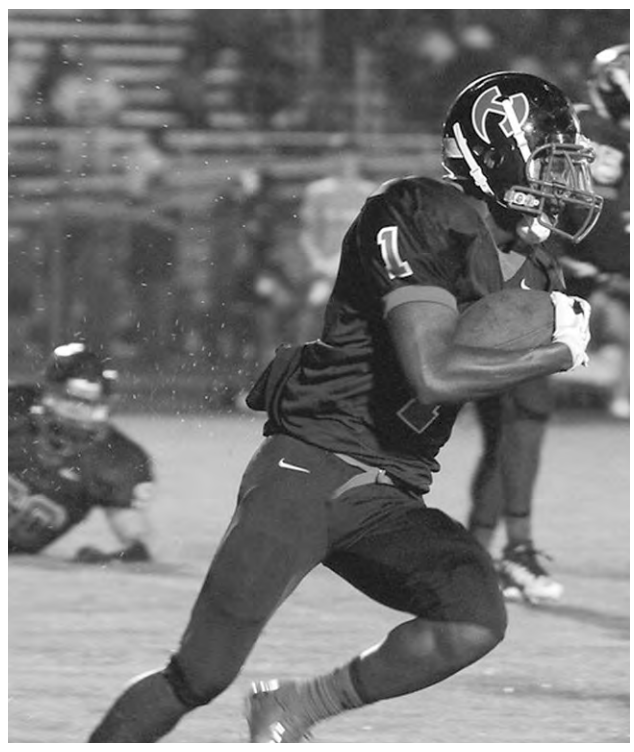
"The game was a lot closer than the score indicated. We led 7 to 6 at the end of the first. We were down 20-14 in the third and driving. We just made too many mistakes," said Head Coach Blair Armstrong. "They were ranked sixth in the state and we are still maturing."

Armstrong said they made too many costly mistakes at the wrong time.

"Removing an interception and a couple of penalties and we were the victors," said Armstrong. "Chiefland played very well. They had scored 96 points total in the previous two games giving up 0. We have some things to work on and are improving each week. We travel to tallahassee this week to play AAA Maclay."

The Trojans will now prepare for their match against Maclay (Tallahassee, FL). The game will be played in Tallahassee at 7 p.m. The Marauders enter the non-league match with a 0-2 record. In their last match, Maclay dropped by Lafayette (Mayo, FL), 19-0, in a non-league match.

The Hamilton County Trojans on the line. - Photos: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)



La'Marcus Webb in action.

Willie Palmer (56) and La'Marcus Webb (1).

Gov. Scott and FWC add 4 more license-free fishing days

TALLAHASSEE – Governor Rick Scott and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission announced four additional license-free fishing days.

Governor Scott said, "Florida's license-free fishing days are the perfect opportunity for people to try, or introduce a friend to, some of the finest fishing in the world. Florida's recreational freshwater and saltwater fishing industry has an $8.9 billion economic impact and events like these help grow the industry even more. I'm excited that the FWC has adopted four more license-free fishing days for a total of eight days per year. These days are a great way to introduce more Floridians to the lifetime sport of fishing."

Florida currently offers the public four license-free fishing days per year, where the requirement to have a recreational fishing license is waived for residents and visitors. Saltwater license-free fishing days this year were on June 1 and Sept. 1 and freshwater's were April 6 and June 8.

During its Sept. 5 meeting, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) added four more license-free fishing days to the calendar, and the Florida Legislature approved this increase earlier this year.

The additional saltwater license-free fishing days will be Oct. 12 and Nov. 30 and additional freshwater license-free days will be Nov. 29 and Dec. 28.

The Commission also set dates for 2014 and beyond. All eight days will now fall on the same day of the week from year to year, allowing potential anglers to plan fishing trips in advance.

For 2014 and beyond, the following dates will be license-free fishing days:

Saltwater

- First Saturday and Sunday in June
- First Saturday in September
- Saturday following Thanksgiving

Freshwater

- First Saturday and Sunday in April
- Second Saturday and Sunday in June

To make these events accessible to as many people as possible, the FWC planned these dates around holiday weekends and national events and National Fishing and Boating Week. Highlighted by significant national media coverage and public events, National Fishing and Boating Week promotes boating and fishing across the country as fun and healthy outdoor activities.

Plan your fishing experience today, but don't forget, all other regulations such as seasons, size limits and bag limits still apply on these days. Visit MyFWC.com/Fishing to learn more about saltwater and freshwater fishing in Florida.

FWC announces 2013-14 hunting season dates

2013-2014 Florida Hunting Season Dates

(Seasons and dates do not apply to wildlife management areas)

Season	Zone A	Zone B	Zone C	Zone D
Archery	Aug. 3 – Sept. 1	Oct. 19 – Nov. 17	Sept. 14 – Oct. 13	Oct. 26 – Nov. 27
Deer-dog training	Aug. 17 – Sept. 5	Nov. 2-21	Sept. 28 – Oct. 17	Oct. 26 – Nov. 14
Crossbow	Aug. 3 – Sept. 6	Oct. 19 – Nov. 22	Sept. 14 – Oct. 18	Oct. 26 – Nov. 27 and Dec. 2-6
Muzzleloading gun	Sept. 7-20	Nov. 23 – Dec. 6	Oct. 19 – Nov. 1	Dec. 7-13 and Feb. 24 – March 2
General gun	Sept. 21 – Oct. 20 and Nov. 23 – Jan. 5	Dec. 7 – Feb. 23	Nov. 2 – Jan. 19	Nov. 28 – Dec. 1 and Dec. 14 – Feb. 23
Antlerless deer	Nov. 23-29	Dec. 26 – Jan. 1	Nov. 23-29	Dec. 26 – Jan. 1
Fall turkey	Oct. 7-20 and Nov. 23 – Jan. 5	Dec. 7 – Feb. 2	Nov. 2 – Dec. 29	Nov. 28 – Dec. 1 and Dec. 14 – Jan. 19 *
Quail	Nov. 9 – March 2	Nov. 9 – March 2	Nov. 9 – March 2	Nov. 9 – March 2
Gray squirrel	Oct. 12 – March 2	Oct. 12 – March 2	Oct. 12 – March 2	Oct. 12 – March 2
Bobcat and otter	Dec. 1 – March 1	Dec. 1 – March 1	Dec. 1 – March 1	Dec. 1 – March 1
Youth spring turkey hunt **	Feb. 22-23	March 8-9	March 8-9	March 8-9
Spring turkey	March 1 – April 6	March 15 – April 20	March 15 – April 20	March 15 – April 20 ***

Wild hogs, rabbits, raccoons, opossums, skunks, nutrias, beavers and coyotes may be taken year-round.

* Except for Holmes County, where there is no fall harvest of turkeys allowed.

** Only youths under 16 years old will be allowed to harvest a turkey while supervised by an adult, 18 years or older.

*** In Holmes County, spring turkey season is limited to March 15-30.

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SRWMD Governing Board adopts FY 2013-14 tentative budget

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The tentative budget will enable the District to protect water resources for the benefit of our citizens and natural systems while lessening the burden on taxpayers and establishing a high level of public service, while supporting core mission projects and cost-share programs that benefit the citizens and resources of the District. The tentative budget documents the District's commitment to implement cost efficiencies and enhance existing programs.

HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BUDGET SUMMARY
Fiscal Year 2013 - 2014

The Proposed Operating Budget Expenditures of the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners are 3.6% More Than Last Year's Total Operating Expenditures.

		General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Enterprise Funds	Total Budget
Cash Balance Brought Forward		$ 5,340,350	$ 1,102,951	$ 698,481	$ 7,141,782
Estimated Revenues:					
Taxes:	Millage per $1000				
Ad Valorem Taxes	10.00	7,260,534	-	-	7,260,534
Sales and Use Taxes		633,796	1,763,927	-	2,397,723
Licenses and Permits		62,177	-	-	62,177
Intergovernmental Revenue		3,229,059	3,509,683	90,909	6,829,651
Charges for Services		722,607	1,000	95,146	818,753
Fines & Forfeitures		123,302	72,905	-	196,207
Miscellaneous		154,777	7,075	52,136	213,988
Other Financing Sources		264,226	640,468	223,047	1,127,741
Total Revenue and Other Financing Sources		**12,450,478**	**5,995,058**	**461,238**	**18,906,774**
Total Estimated Revenues and Balances		$ 17,790,828	$ 7,098,009	$ 1,159,719	$ 26,048,556
Appropriated Expenditures/Expenses:					
General Government		$ 1,988,701	$ -	$ -	$ 1,988,701
Public Safety		6,852,099	17,565	-	6,869,664
Physical Environment		155,324	-	566,959	722,283
Transportation		-	5,049,843	-	5,049,843
Economic Environment		97,909	416,033	-	513,942
Human Services		582,978	-	-	582,978
Culture/Recreation		1,240,331	-	-	1,240,331
Other Uses		1,621,242	264,227	-	1,885,469
Court Related Expenditures		209,196	-	-	209,196
County Courts - General Administration		33,368	-	-	33,368
Total Expenditures		**12,781,148**	**5,747,668**	**566,959**	**19,095,775**
Reserves		5,009,678	1,350,343	592,760	6,952,781
Total Appropriated Expenditures and Reserves		$ 17,790,826	$ 7,098,011	$ 1,159,719	$ 26,048,556

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The District's tentative budget is $12.2 million more than last year's budget of $17.0 million. The increase is due to State appropriations of $11.0 million for springs protection and restoration. The remainder of the increase is from the District's cost-share programs. Roughly 45 percent of the tentative budget is focused on springs protection and restoration.

To assist in protecting and restoring springs and ensuring a sustainable water supply, the budget allocates funding to reduce nutrient loadings, rehydrate ponds and wetlands, implement aquifer recharge projects, establish dispersed water storage projects, and initiate agricultural water conservation best management practices. These projects improve water quality, increase water supplies, and help maintain spring flows, which are driven by the amount and level of groundwater in the aquifer systems.

Two key springs protection and restoration initiatives are the Ichetucknee Springshed Water Quality Improvement project and the Middle Suwannee River Restoration and Aquifer Recharge project. The Ichetucknee Springshed Water Quality Improvement project will reduce the City of Lake City's wastewater nutrient loadings to the Ichetucknee River by an estimated 85 percent. The City's wastewater sprayfield will be converted into wetlands that will provide additional treatment to reduce nitrogen loading and improve water quality in the Ichetucknee River and Springs.

The Middle Suwannee River Restoration and Aquifer Recharge project will rehydrate roughly 4,000 acres of wetlands and 1,500 acres of ponds, recharge the aquifer, and increase groundwater supplies in the region. Recharging the aquifer will benefit numerous springs along the Middle Suwannee River, including Troy Spring, July Spring, Little River Spring, and Pot Hole Spring. Also, recharging the aquifer will increase groundwater supplies that will help both agriculture and domestic water users throughout the area.

The budget also includes State funding for minimum flows and levels program, water quality improvement projects, and management and natural system protection activities. Federal funding is included in the budget for the Risk Map program to provide quality data that increases public awareness to reduce future flooding vulnerability.

Other program highlights include continuation of:

- Minimum Flows and Levels (MFLs) program
- North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership
- Suwannee River Partnership
- Agricultural Team
- Santa Fe and Suwannee River nutrient reduction and irrigation retrofit program
- Data collection, management, monitoring, and analysis

A copy of the tentative budget is posted on the District's Business and Financial webpage at www.mysuwannee river.com.

The final budget and millage rate will be adopted at a second public hearing on Sept. 24 at 5:30 p.m. at the District's headquarters at the corner of US 90 and CR 49 in Live Oak. A Governing Board meeting and workshop will precede the budget hearing, beginning at 3 p.m. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. For more information call 800.226.1066 (FL only) or 386.362.1001.

SRWMD Governing Board meetings

On Tuesday, Sept. 24, the Suwannee River Water Management District's Governing Board will meet as follows: 1:30 p.m. Audit Committee Meeting; 3 p.m. Governing Board Workshop; 5:30 p.m. Final Public Hearing on FY 2013-14 Budget.

These meetings are to consider District business and conduct public hearings on regulatory, real estate and other various matters.

These meetings will be held at District Headquarters in Live Oak.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

Last year's property tax levy:

A. Initially proposed tax levy.....$7,369,891

B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes.....$87,169

C. Actual property tax levy.....$7,457,060

This year's proposed tax levy.....$7,642,668

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on:

Tuesday, September 17, 2013
5:05 P.M.
at the
Hamiton County Courthouse
Board Meeting Room (Room 112)
207 N.E. First Street
Jasper, FL 32052

A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hamilton County Value Adjustment Board (VAB) for 2013 which hears taxpayer appeals regarding exemptions and value assessments will hold an **Organizational Meeting** to review and adopt rules and procedures for this year. The purpose of this meeting is **NOT** to hear appeals or consider petitions. It is for administrative and organizational purposes only. Hearings for petitions which have been filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court will be scheduled at later dates, and all petitioners will be notified by first class mail of their scheduled hearing date and time. The organizational meeting will be on **Thursday, September 26, 2013 at 5:05 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, County Courthouse, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida**. The public is welcome to attend. Again, appeals regarding exemptions or property assessment will **NOT** be considered at this meeting.

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.

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Stand up for sitting down to dinner: Family Day is Sept. 23

Informed Families announces tips for parents and new statewide initiatives to help schools and families—

Research shows family dinners help prevent youth drug & alcohol abuse

Informed Families (the Florida sponsor of the national Red Ribbon Campaign since 1982, committed to helping parents and educators lead children to grow up safe, healthy and drug-free) announces a new statewide initiative for this year's "Family Day®: A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children" celebrated on September 23rd.

The new public service campaign (at FLFamilyDay.com) from Informed Families features the following:

- A new educational video game contest with prizes
- Free toolkits and lesson plans for educators to use at schools, PTA and community groups (also available for the first time as free printouts for schools across Florida)
- For parents, a free Family Day toolkit with recipes, dinner menus, family-fun stories and activity sheets.

"Informed Families/The Florida Family Partnership takes Family Day to a new level this year to help parents and educators," said President and CEO Peggy Sapp, a nationally renowned expert on prevention and families. "Parental engagement is the single most potent weapon in preventing substance abuse among youth, and Family Day emphasizes parent-child communication through frequent family meals."

The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University has proven - with more than 10 years of consistent research - that the more children eat dinner together with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use illicit drugs.

Their research shows that table-time-together yields valuable benefits for families: teens that regularly eat dinner with their families are more likely to get better grades and do better in school, and are less prone to depression, anxiety and emotional problems.

But in today's hectic world, how realistic is it to ask parents to eat dinner together with their kids at least four times a week?

Busy work schedules, after-school activities and a myriad of electronic distractions get in the way.

To help parents, Informed Families has created a video game contest called "Family Dinner Dash" to learn how to overcome these obstacles. Children and parents can register at www.FLfamilyday.com to play the retro-style challenge, and compete for prizes. The grand-prize winner with the highest score in Florida will win a $250 Publix gift card. Six regional winners throughout the state will each win a $100 Publix gift card. The entry deadline is September 24 and winners will be announced on Oct. 1 on the website.

Tips for Parents

The Informed Families team of education experts offers these tips for parents to help make dinnertime or any meal you share together a successful and memorable experience:

- Dinner-time should be "electronics-free"– no cell phones, computers, electronic games or mobile devices. (Mom & Dad: this also applies to you.) Make a pact and sign a family pledge together.
- Become a team – turn dinner-time into something everyone in the family looks forward to and participates together in planning. Let kids help with meal preparation and express your appreciation for their help. Assign a table-setter and let her/him choose the dishes, tablecloth and centerpiece. Plan next week's dinner menu together, as a family.
- Conversation is the main course – use open-ended questions like "What was the funniest thing you saw today?" or "What was the best thing that happened to you today?" to keep everyone talking.
- Keep dinner-time positive – avoid discussions about discipline, arguments or broken rules at the dinner table.
- Always sit together– at the table … outside when weather permits … or have "picnics" together on the family room floor.
- Create a special night to serve something only once per week – like "Sundaes on Sunday" or "New Recipe Night."
- Make a "You are special today!" place-setting – recognize family members when they achieve a goal, have done well on a test, won a sports award or made the Honor Roll.
- Have fun and change things around – serve breakfast for dinner and ask everyone to wear their pajamas.
- Remember, it's the time together that counts – don't worry about making an elaborate meal.

Suwannee River Water Management District
Budget Summary
Fiscal Year 2013-2014

	General Funds	Special Funds	Total
CASH BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	$5,985,000	$424,874	$6,409,874
TAXES			
Ad Valorem Taxes (Millage per $1000 / 0.4143 Mills)	$5,384,693	$0	$5,384,693
PERMIT AND LICENSE FEES	$0	$171,939	$171,939
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES			
Water Management Lands Trust Fund – Operations	$0	$4,913,150	$4,913,150
Water Management Lands Trust Fund – Springs Protection	$0	$3,000,000	$3,000,000
Florida Forever	$0	$363,000	$363,000
Wetlands Grant	$0	$247,000	$247,000
ERP Grant	$0	$453,000	$453,000
Delineated Areas Grant	$0	$40,000	$40,000
DEP Santa Fe River Nutrient Reduction Grant	$0	$1,134,750	$1,134,750
DEP Springs Protection and Restoration Grants	$0	$5,448,000	$5,448,000
FEDERAL GRANTS			
FEMA Grants	$0	$1,123,000	$1,123,000
LOCAL REVENUES			
Madison Blue Monitoring	$70,000	$0	$70,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Interest and General Sales	$333,794	$0	$333,794
Timber Sales	$146,318	$0	$146,318
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	$5,934,805	$16,893,839	$22,828,644
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES AND BALANCES	$11,919,805	$17,318,713	$29,238,518
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES			
Salaries and Benefits	$3,680,250	$2,069,463	$5,749,713
Contractual Services	$3,828,031	$14,180,826	$18,008,857
Operating Expenses	$1,020,698	$244,050	$1,264,748
Operating Capital Outlay	$127,600	$101,500	$229,100
Fixed Capital Outlay	$0	$0	$0
Interagency Expenditures	$3,263,226	$722,874	$3,986,100
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$11,919,805	$17,318,713	$29,238,518
Reserves	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND RESERVES	$11,919,805	$17,318,713	$29,238,518

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A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at:

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Lofton Creek with Mike Miller and Loren Propper to play Sept. 20-21 at SOS Music Park

This rockin' band will delight music lovers and dancers alike

Another big weekend at The Spirit of the Suwannee Music (SOSMP) in Live Oak, Fla. where the newly formed band, Lofton Creek, with renowned musicians Mike Miller and Loren Propper will shake the rafters in the Music Hall and guests can enjoy specials for the weekend.

After a short hiatus from the music world, career musicians Mike Miller and Loren Propper have formed Lofton Creek Band to delight their many music fans! Lofton Creek will perform Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20-21, at the SOSMP Music Hall beginning at the new time of 9 p.m. each night.

Lofton Creek has only been together for a few months but already has played several times at the SOSMP where the reviews are overwhelmingly "Fantastic." The band plays country, Southern rock and a little bit of everything you can imagine with the expertise of seasoned musicians. Don't forget those dancing shoes as you simply cannot stay in your seat when Lofton Creek is on stage.

Doors to the Music Hall open at 6 p.m. for dinner where you'll find delicious food, a great atmosphere, friendly servers and a full-service bar. Weekend guests may enjoy special pricing that ends Sept. 21 by going to the SOSMP's website at www.musicliveshere.com.

Doors open to the Music Hall at 5 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday for Ted "Teddy Mac Elvis" McMullen's karaoke with music beginning at 7 p.m. The SOS Café and Restaurant at the SOSMP is open Tuesday through Saturday and now has a daily $5.95 lunch buffet with dinner available evenings / closed Sunday and Monday.

For more information about the SOSMP, this event, or to make reservations for cabins, RV, camper parking or primitive camping, go to www.musicliveshere.com, email spirit@musicliveshere.com or call 386-364-1683 .

The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park is centrally located at 3076 95th Drive 4.5 miles north of Live Oak.

Lofton Creek Band.

First 2014 Suwannee River Jam area audition set for Sept. 21 at Smokin' Pig BBQ Festival and Family Day in Lake City

The very first audition competition for the 2014 Suwannee River Jam is set for Sept. 21 during the Smokin' Pig BBQ Festival and Family Day Sept. 20-21 at the Columbia County Fairgrounds in Lake City.

If your goal is a career in country music, you may apply NOW to participate by going to the website at www.firststreetmusic.com, visit them at 950 SW Main Blvd. in Lake City or call 386-755-2060 for more information. NO BANDS may enter this contest. Bands will compete in other upcoming auditions.

The single or duet winners of this competition, held from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sept. 21, will be in the Suwannee River Jam final audition in the spring of 2014 at The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP) in Live Oak, Fla. At that time winners will be chosen to perform during the Jam. Other auditions are being planned with dates and times to be announced soon. Sign up if you're serious about a career in country music, bring the family to cheer you on and get in the running for the chance to perform at the largest country music festival in the South, The Suwannee River Jam.

During the first day of the Smokin' Pig BBQ Festival and Family Day Sept. 20, country artist Jared Ashley will perform. There will also be beard / moustache / tattoo / dessert and margarita contests, bounce houses for the kids, BBQ, loads of fun, entertainment, games and prizes.

For more info on the SOSMP, please go to www.musicliveshere.com, email spirit@musicliveshere.com or call the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP) at 386-364-1683.

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SRWMD to hold Statewide Environmental Resource Permitting Rule workshops on Sept. 25

The Suwannee River Water Management District (District) will hold two public workshops on Sept. 25 to explain changes to the District's Environmental Resource Permitting (ERP) program as a result of the statewide rule changes that will go into effect Oct. 1.

A workshop will be held at 3 p.m. for engineers, permitting departments, building inspectors, and other government regulators. A second workshop will be held at 6 p.m. for the general public. Both meetings will take place at District Headquarters, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak.

The rule changes will provide procedural consistency between the five water management districts and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Currently, among DEP and the water management districts, at least five different versions of ERP rules are in place statewide.

The statewide changes will reduce the number and complexity of the rules and provide consistency in the ERP regulatory process but will not compromise environmental protection. In addition, the statewide consistency rules will establish uniform applications, improve predictability, and streamline the permitting process. The changes to be implemented will not alter existing water quality, quantity or environmental standards.

For more information about the workshops, please contact Leroy Marshall at 386.362.1001 or 800.226.1066 (FL toll free).

INJURY PREVENTION TIPS FOR SCHOOL-AGED ATHLETES

The dawn of a new school year is an exciting for school-aged youngsters. Though many kids may not look forward to homework or getting up early, a new school year is often exciting for young athletes who long to get back on the playing fields and compete with their teammates.

As valuable and exciting as participating in team sports can be, they can just as easily prove dangerous for athletes who aren't prepared for the rigors of physical activity. A summer spent lounging poolside might be just what kids need after a long school year, but that relaxation can put youngsters in jeopardy of suffering an injury when they return to team sports in the fall. Many a young athlete has pulled a hamstring or suffered a shin splint when returning to athletic competition after a long layoff. But such injuries are largely preventable, and the following tips can help school-aged athletes ensure their return to competition is as painless as it is pleasurable.

* Condition your muscles in the weeks heading up to tryouts or the start of the school year. Many fall sports feature tryouts near the end of summer or at the very beginning of the school year. That means athletes must start conditioning their muscles early. Discuss with your parents, coaches and physicians which muscles you will be working when playing a particular sport. Adults should help you develop a conditioning program that gets the right muscle groups ready for the rigors of your sport. A properly conditioned athlete has a much lesser risk of injury than one who is not. Your offseason conditioning program should begin slowly and gradually grow more challenging as you draw closer to the school year.

* Stretch, stretch, stretch. Always stretch your muscles before any strenuous activities, whether it's an offseason conditioning program or an in-season competition. Stretching significantly reduces your risk of injury and can improve your performance on the field.

* Get geared up. The right gear is essential for young athletes looking to avoid injury. Though summer might seem tailor-made for flip-flops, such footwear should never be worn when exercising and preparing for the coming sports season. Athletic shoes specific to your sport are made to provide the support you will need as you train and compete. The same goes for the clothing you should wear when getting ready for the season. Wear the appropriate athletic attire to reduce your risk of injury.

* Weight train in the presence of your coaches or parents. Many athletes begin weight training for the first time when they are in high school. Weight training can be beneficial to young athletes, but such athletes should never lift weights unsupervised. Parents, trainers and coaches can explain the equipment to young athletes while ensuring they don't overdo it in the weight room. Lifting too much weight or having bad form when weightlifting can cause serious injury that can sideline youngsters for the coming season, if not longer. So young athletes should always weight train in the presence of an adult and always work with a spotter to help them should they struggle to finish a repetition.

* Don't try to match your fellow athletes. The human body develops differently for everyone. Young athletes must recognize that there's a chance their classmates and teammates may be developing more quickly than they are. These classmates may be more capable of performing certain physical activities. For example, a teammate might be able to lift more weight than you. Do not try to match your fellow athletes if your body is uncomfortable performing a certain exercise. If you must endure substantial pain to perform a given exercise, then your body is likely telling you it simply isn't ready for that exercise. Don't force the body to do something just to keep up with your teammates.

* Take a break. Even if you rested for most of summer, you still will need to rest when you begin getting ready for the upcoming athletic season. Take at least one day off per week to allow your body to recover and recharge. Your body needs that recovery time to reduce its risk of injury. School-aged athletes often look forward to a new school year as a chance to get back on the playing fields. But such athletes should emphasize safe training as the season draws closer.

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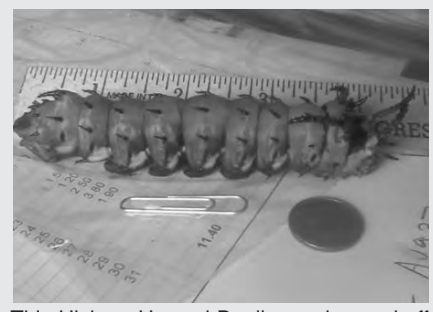
"The Attic Resale Store added 3,000 square feet of additional space," said Haven Hospice Facilities Manager Mark Willard. "We knocked down the walls, updated the whole store with new paint and carpet, and relocated the checkout counter to allow for more merchandise and to enhance the customer experience."

All sales from the Attic Resale Store support Haven Hospice's unreimbursed programs and services in the Suwannee Valley. Donations are accepted Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

About Haven Hospice

Haven Hospice is your not-for-profit community hospice organization providing services since 1979 and licensed in Florida since 1980. Haven is North Florida's expert in end-of-life and palliative care, receiving national recognition as a Circle of Life Award Recipient from the American Hospital Association for its excellence and innovation. Haven has also been recognized as a Florida Pacesetter for its leadership in promoting advance directives. For more than 30 years Haven has had the honor and privilege to serve more than 60,000 patients and families in North Florida. For more information, visit www.havenhospice.org or call 800-727-1889.

Hickory Horned Devil



This Hickory Horned Devil was dropped off at Suwannee Forestry Center Monday, Aug. 26. According to County Forester Brian Cobble, landowners should not be alarmed if they spot one. They are common in the deep south this time of year, he said This one was about five inches long. To learn more about the Hickory Horned Devil, visit, http://entnemdept.ufl.edu/creatures/bfly/regal_moth.htm. Courtesy photo

Jasper Legals

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09/12, 19

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2013 CA 000194

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

Plaintiff,

vs.

TERRY C. ARNOLD, et al

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION
FOR FORECLOSURE
PROCEEDING-PROPERTY

TO:
Terry C. Arnold, ADDRESS UNKNOWN
BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS
IS: 1639 Lynn Street NW
Jasper, FL 32052

Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendant(s) are dead, their respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); and the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant(s) as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action has been commenced to foreclose a mortgage on the following real property, lying and being and situated in HAMILTON County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

LOT 9, BLOCK A, LYNN LAKES ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF ON FILE IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 9, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, IN AND FOR HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1639 LYNN STREET NW, JASPER, FL 32052

This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, such Morris Hardwick Schneider, LLC, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 5110 Eisenhower Blvd, Suite 302A, Tampa, FL 33634 on or before September 28, 2013, and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 21st day of August, 2013.

Greg Godwin
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ Kristy Morgan
Deputy Clerk

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who requires accommodations in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, the provision of certain assistance. Individuals with a disability who require special accommodations in order to participate in a court proceeding should contact the ADA Coordinator, 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Room 408, Lake City, FL 32055, (386) 719-7428, within two (2) business days of receipt of notice to appear. Individuals who are hearing impaired should call (800) 955-8771. Individuals who are voice impaired should call (800) 955-8770.
09/12, 19

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO.: 11000068CA

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.;
Plaintiff,

vs.

MOLLIE JUANITA MATHIS, RONALD W. MATHIS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS;
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVENthat, in accordance with the Default Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 29, 2013, in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at The Hamilton County Courthouse, 207 NE 1st Street, Jasper, FL 32052, SOUTH FRONT DOOR of the Courthouse beginning at 11:00 A.M., on October 2, 2013, the following described property:

SITUATED IN HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE POINT 554 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF A 21 1/2 ACRES TRACT OF LAND DEEDED BY I.J. MCCALL AND WIFE, BERTHA MCCALL, TO SUWANNEE CYRESS COMPANY, AS DESCRIBED IN A DEED DATED MAY 6, 1926, RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 14, PAGE 206, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, RUN SOUTH 155 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE EAST PARALLEL WITH SUWANNEE CYPRESS COMPANY LANDS (FORMERLY MAXWELL BROTHERS LANDS) FOR A DISTANCE OF 125 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 155 FEET TO SUWANNEE CYPRESS COMPANY LANDS (FORMERLY MAXWELL BROTHERS LANDS); THENCE RUN WEST ALONG MAXWELL BROTHERS LAND FOR A DISTANCE OF 125 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; CONTAINING ON HALF (1/2) ACRE, MORE OR LESS, AND BEING IN SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST, HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

THE ABOVE LEGAL DESCRIPTION BEING THE SAME AS THE LAST DEED OF RECORD, NO BOUNDARY SURVEY HAVING BEEN MADE AT THE TIME OF THIS CONVEYANCE.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO RONALD W. MATTHIS AND HIS WIFE, MOLLIE JUANITA MATHIS, BY DEED FROM WILLIAM JONES, DATED FEBRUARY 9, 1988, RECORDED DECEMBER 7, 1989, IN BOOK 253, PAGE 91, IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 4021 NORTHWEST 110TH DR, JASPER, FL 32052, Hamilton

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

If you are a person with a disability who requires accommodations in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, the provision of certain assistance. Individuals with a disability who require special accommodations in order to participate in a court proceeding should contact the ADA Coordinator, 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Room 408, Lake City, FL 32055, (386) 719-7428, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on the 29th day of August, 2013.

(Court Seal) GREG GODWIN
CLERK OF COURTS,
HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: /s/ Cynthia Johnson
Deputy Clerk

09/12, 19

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO. 24-2012-CA-000024

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-FF4, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-FF4

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

ALAN ROSS, et al.

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 29, 2013, and entered in Case No. 24-2012-CA-000024 of the Circuit Court of the 3RD Judicial Circuit in and for HAMILTON County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TURST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-FF4, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-FF4 is the Plaintiff and ALAN B. ROSS AND JOYCE ROSS are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the front steps of the Hamilton County Courthouse, 207 NE 1st Street, Room 106, Jasper, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 2nd day of October, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Order of Final Judgment, to wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST, HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 27, AND RUN WEST (BASE BEARING) ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 420.00 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER AND POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PARCEL; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID SECTION LINE 113.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 37'45" EAST 373.00 FEET; THENCE EAST 65.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 37'45" EAST 380.90 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE CREEK; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 37'45" EAST 11 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE MIDDLE OF THE CREEK; THENCE SOUTH 87 DEGREES 04'47" WEST ALONG THE MIDDLE OF SAID CREEK 178.13 FEET TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LINE; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 37'45" WEST LEAVING SAID CREEK 17 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT ON THE NORTH BANK OF SAID CREEK; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 00 DEGREES 37'45" WEST 756.96 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, LESS AND EXCEPT ROAD RIGHT OF WAY RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 241, PAGE 114 AND OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 454, PAGE 98.

and commonly known as: 9357 NW COUNTY RD 148, JASPER, FL 32052.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF COURT NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER 60 DAYS, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

DATED at HAMILTON County, Florida, this 29th day of August, 2013.

(Court Seal) GREG GODWIN, Clerk
HAMILTON County, Florida

By: /s/ Cynthia Johnson
Deputy Clerk

09/12, 19

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY TO ALL PERSONS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY

Pursuant to Florida Statute 705.103, the State of Florida, Florida Highway Patrol, hereby gives notice of its intent to dispose of the following property:

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Local homeless service agencies awarded HUD grants

United Way of Suwannee Valley, lead agency for the local homeless coalition, received notification from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that projects included in the homeless assistance application submitted by the local United Way in the homeless assistance competition were selected for funding. There are now six HUD funded projects in the local homeless coalition, two which received renewal funding, two which are newly funded projects, and two which were approved for funding in the 2011 competition but not yet under contract to be renewed in the 2012 competition.

Nationwide, there were 489 new projects funded, with 28 of those submitted by local homeless coalitions in the state of Florida and two of the 28 from the application submitted by United Way of Suwannee Valley. HUD challenged local communities to reexamine their response to homelessness and give greater weight to proven strategies including permanent supportive housing for those experiencing chronic homelessness. HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan noted, "Investing in programs that are moving homeless families and individuals to permanent housing is as critical as ever, because it's not only the right thing to do, but it's smart government and fiscally prudent."

New projects were largely the result of local strategic decisions that resulted in the reallocation of funds from existing renewal projects. However, the United Way of Suwannee Valley application fully funded the renewal projects and garnered additional funds for the new projects.

The application submitted by United Way of Suwannee Valley, as the lead agency for the Homeless Services Network of Suwannee Valley, garnered renewal funding for two projects initiated through the local United Way's original 2004 HUD McKinney-Vento homeless assistance application. The two projects receiving renewal funding include United Way of Suwannee Valley's implementation of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and Volunteers of America of Florida's permanent supported housing units.

United Way of Suwannee Valley received a one-year renewal of $32,146 for the HMIS system. HUD requires local homeless coalitions to maintain a homeless information management system for homeless service providers to receive grant funds. "This web-based system allows homeless service providers who are participants in the homeless coalition to enter client data to provide for community coordinated case management," explained Jennifer Lee, United Way of Suwannee Valley homeless coordinator. "The system also provides for the collection of aggregate data which must be reported to HUD for annual reports to Congress."

The local United Way maintains a coalition-wide HMIS by coordinating with United Way of Northeast Florida. "Meeting the HUD requirements in the most cost efficient manner possible makes available the remaining HUD funds for direct client services," explained Rita Dopp, executive director of United Way of Suwannee Valley. Participating in the neighboring United Way's system provides economies of scale.

Volunteers of America of Florida received a one-year renewal of $128,188 for 11 scattered-site permanent supported housing units for chronically homeless individuals.

The 2012 HUD application submitted by the local United Way also included two new projects submitted by Another Way and a homeless Continuum of Care Planning project application from United Way. "One of the two Another Way projects sought to utilize a bonus grant opportunity. It is always our goal to secure the greatest amount possible to enhance the amount of homeless housing services available locally," Dopp said. The new Another Way project funded is funded at $38,404 annually and will provide additional permanent supportive housing for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

Two projects submitted by Another Way, utilizing the area's HUD established pro rata need plus bonus funds, were funded during the 2011 competition and also provide for permanent supportive housing for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

Another Way, Inc. is the certified domestic violence center serving Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette and Levy counties. In addition it is the certified rape crisis center serving those six counties and Suwannee County. Another Way has shelter facilities in Lake City and Chiefland with a total of 70 beds. Executive Director Donna Fagan said, "We are very pleased this project has been funded. This funding, coupled with previous HUD funding for supportive permanent housing and state funding just allocated to add 20 beds to our Lake City shelter facility, put us well on our way to alleviating the overcrowding situation we have faced in Lake City for the last three years."

"Our United Way focuses on unmet community needs and opportunities to address these needs," said Dana Huggins, chair of the local homeless coalition and Executive Committee-level member of the United Way Board of Directors. "While the annual community fundraising campaign provides for support of local health and human service agencies, the community impact initiatives of our United Way result in significant resources for the provision of necessary services to address our community's most pressing needs."

John Martz, CEO of Suwannee Valley Electric Co-op and president of the United Way of Suwannee Valley Board of Directors, acknowledged our local United Way is unique in its pursuit of grant resources. "United Way of Suwannee Valley serves a rural community. Our rural community is a caring community. However, resources are limited. Our United Way expands our resources by seeking significant grant funds in support of targeted community impact areas. While it may not be uncommon for a local United Way to seek grant funds, the amount of grant funds leveraged by our United Way in comparison to its community fundraising campaign is unique – and something our board of directors is very proud of."

United Way of Suwannee Valley is a community impact and fundraising organization which, utilizing volunteers on all levels, identifies unmet community needs and seeks to alleviate those needs through United Way of Suwannee Valley initiatives and the funding of 22 affiliated health and human service agencies.

United Way of Suwannee Valley serves as the lead agency for the Homeless Services Network of Suwannee Valley, which serves the counties of Columbia, Suwannee, Lafayette and Hamilton. The network includes agencies and individuals interested in the services available to those who are homeless or threatened with homelessness.

Campbell/Gurganus Wedding reminder

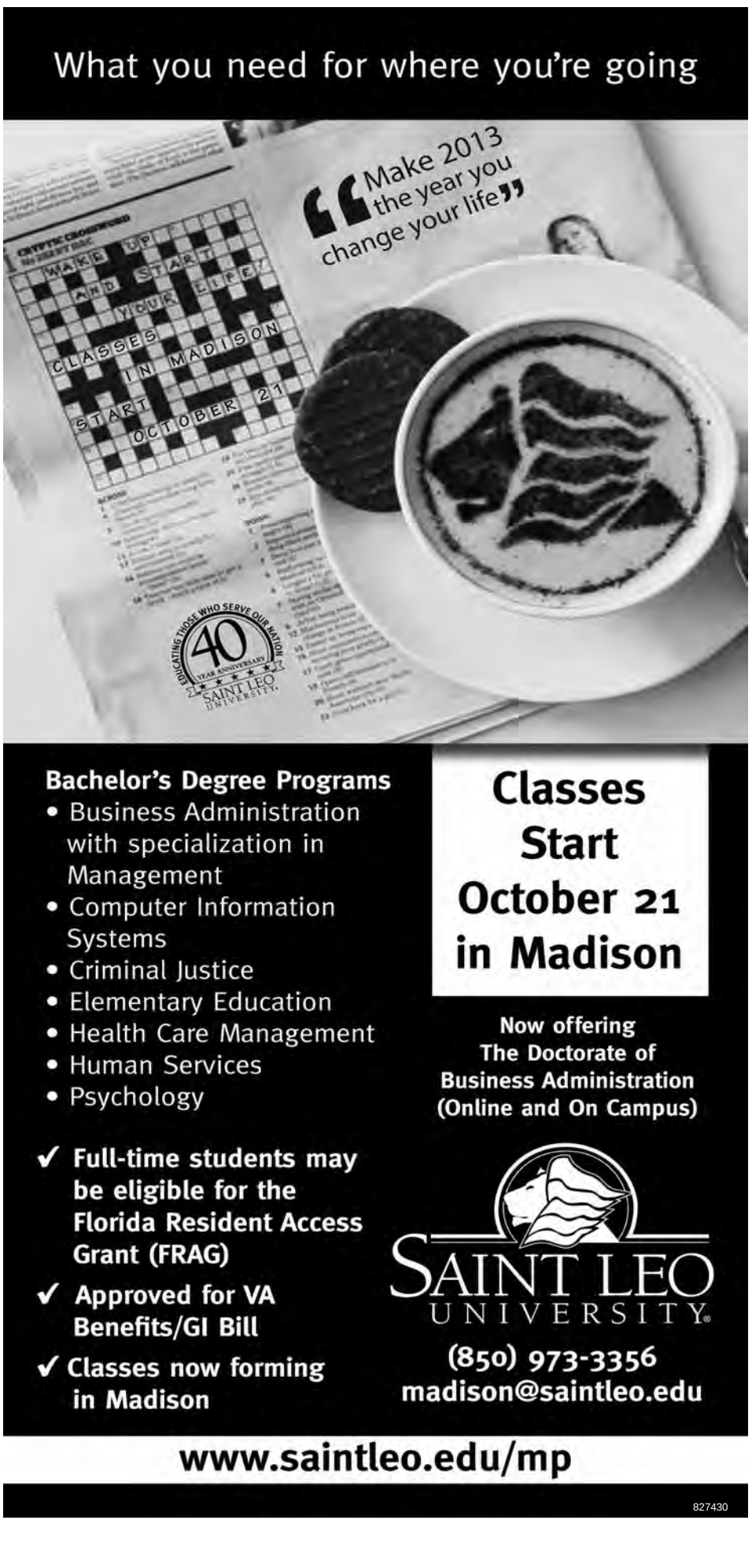
Donnie and Stephanie Tharp of Jennings, Fla., would like to remind you of the upcoming marriage of their son Justin Gurganus to Shannon Campbell, daughter of Richard Campbell and the late Sonya Campbell of Tampa, Fla.

The wedding is panned for Saturday, Sept. 21, 2013, at 5 p.m. at Burnham Christian Church, Jennings, Fla.

Friends and family are invited to attend.

The Live Oak Art Guild

Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month (except July and December), at the Suwannee River Regional Library. Each meeting has a business agenda followed by refreshments and a program. We welcome all who are interested to attend.



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