

## Authorities Need Help on Missing Motorcycle Hit & Run

A black motorcycle with raised chrome handle bars hit a woman and dislocated her foot on US 129 south of I-10 and fled the scene Jan. 2 at 7:50 p.m. FHP is looking for public assistance, call 1-800-387-1290.

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## Arrested PTSD Veteran a Victim of the War and Maybe the System

By Kathy Hilliard  
Editor

Army veteran Arthur Pipes, 25, is a veteran of the war in Iraq who returned home to his family not realizing that his Post Traumatic Stress Disorder was going to turn that happy homecoming into a sad and difficult event. And this is also the story of many other returning soldiers and maybe many more as the war in Iraq is closing down.

According to Pipes' wife and her family, Pipes had some difficulties after his first tour in Iraq but the second tour took him much further into the condition known as PTSD. Upon returning home to Chiefland Pipes was diagnosed by the VA with PTSD and put on medications for that and stomach problems. Last week he erupted after some familial altercations which ended in shooting the family dog and surrendering to Levy County sheriff deputies who confiscated his guns, arrested him and transported him to the Levy County Jail.

This family is trying to help Pipes but his estranged wife is afraid now after Pipes showed violent tendencies. She decided to move in with her parents for safety at the time and took the money from the savings account for herself and left Pipes with all the money from the checking account and the debit card to retrieve those funds. Pipes was also supposed to sign up for about \$551 in unemployment funds but, as is the case with many PTSD sufferers, he did not step into the world of strangers and strange things very easily and did not fill out the necessary paperwork. Now Pipes is incarcerated in the Levy County Jail and is no longer entitled to the UE compensation because he is in jail and his wife has since returned to their home.

Pipes had also been off of his usual type and quantity of medications for about 6 days, according to the family, which contributed to his instability. The family said that his meds had been changed and cut back by the nurse practitioner that was treating him. The family states that he had tried to get another appointment but could not get one and was being sent medications for his stomach, not his PTSD. After the violent episode landed Pipes in jail, the family says they finally received a 4-month supply of PTSD medications.

According to the Veteran Administration's information on PTSD, these veterans need a lot of help besides the medications and many families are just not knowledgeable about the condition and what type of care is needed to work through it. Many soldiers are trying to work through it on their own not taking advantage of the many other offerings the VA has available to them and their families.

PTSD will leave the sufferer with many physical reactions such as trouble  
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## Recreation Vehicles Can Be Deadly



Photo is a representation of a mud bogging event elsewhere courtesy of Mud Boggin USA.

By Kathy Hilliard  
Editor

This weekend proved that playing with vehicles can be fatal.

On New Years Eve day about 5 p.m. people were pullin' and muddin' at the Hog Waller Mud Bog and ATV Park on CR 310 in Palatka during a two-day New Year's event. If you have never been to one of these they are exciting and dirty but no one much cares about that. The kids are out in the open and play in the mud to their heart's content.

Little Landon Teitloff, 3, of Pomona Park, was one of those kids and all he wanted to see was the monster trucks. Landon was playing with his toy trucks in the mud on Saturday at the makeshift camp site when his aunt, Victoria Higginbotham, 32, of Pomona Park, Fla. got in a 1997 Chevy Silverado with Lisa Smith, 33, of Bunnell, the passenger. The Chevy was parked adjacent to

the camp site next to the tent at the time and Higginbotham backed the truck up not knowing the child was by playing nearby. Bystanders yelled out to Higginbotham just she had just run over the child. She immediately stopped and remained at the scene. Three-year-old Landon was transported to Putman Community Hospital where he died from the injuries. Charges are pending along with alcohol test results.

On the same day, Dec. 31, at 8:30 p.m. Jeffrey Spradley, 44, of White Springs, was operating his 3-wheel 1986 Honda ATV on private property when he collided with Angela Kent, 43, of Jacksonville. That collision was fatal to Kent who was pronounced dead at the scene by Hamilton County EMS. No alcohol arrest was made but charges are pending investigation.

Vehicles can be fun while recreating but the vigilance of noting who is where cannot be relaxed.



## Take a Bite Out of PTSD

In the Dec. 15 issue of the *Levy County Journal* we covered the 'Passing of the Leash' ceremony for Guardian Angel Medical Service Dogs, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization in Williston that raises and trains service dogs for PTSD veterans. In the article there was a misspelling of candidate for Levy County Sheriff, Bobby McCallum, who attended the event, which we are correcting here. Pictured is veteran Michael Gaither with Honey the Wonder Dog who is a Guardian Angel medical service dog trained to help her PTSD owner Michael live his life in

freedom. Medical service dogs have been able to interrupt the anxiety attacks, stop the night terrors, flashbacks and explosive behaviors of PTSD sufferers before they get out of hand. While these dogs are not a cure, they are an excellent tool for managing the symptoms. If you know of someone with PTSD and are interested in this program available through the VA or other means you can visit the website at [www.medicalservicedogs.com](http://www.medicalservicedogs.com)

Veteran Michael Gaither with his dog, Honey.



## DCF Announces New Leadership

Department of Children and Families Secretary David Wilkins announced today the appointment of two new leaders in the agency's regional offices.

Col. David Abramowitz, an Inspector General with the United States Armed Forces Command, will be in charge of the Northeast Region, which covers 20 counties including Jacksonville, Gainesville and Daytona Beach. In the Southeast, Dennis Miles, the region's current Director of Family and Community Services, will be the interim regional director and head up operations in Palm Beach and Broward counties.

"David's experience as a leader of talented men and women in a complex organization will be a wonderful addition to our Department as we

continue to enhance oversight of our structure and our contracted partners," Secretary Wilkins said. "Dennis has been a valuable part of our successes in the Southeast Region and will continue to provide solid leadership."

Regional Managing Directors oversee all operations in each of the six regions throughout the state. This includes child welfare, adult abuse and neglect, economic self-sufficiency benefits, and substance abuse and mental health services.

Abramowitz has 30 years of experience with the U.S. Army, starting as an aviation officer, then serving as a battalion commander in Germany and a brigade commander in Korea. In 2007, he served as commandant of the Sergeants Major Academy

in Fort Bliss, Texas, and then as chief of staff for the Iraq Assistance Group in Baghdad.

Abramowitz graduated with a bachelor's degree in science from the United States Air Force Academy, and has a master's degree in international security strategy studies from the United States Army War College and a master's degree in military art and science from the United States Army Command and General Staff College.

"David has a legacy of service to this country and will be a great addition in our Northeast Regional office," Secretary Wilkins said. "We are proud to have someone of his caliber join our agency and work with us to protect children, families and

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# Levy County Sheriff's Office Jail Report

# Levy County's Most Wanted

Allen, Jonathan Maurice, 23, of Chiefland: AGGRAVATED BATTERY ON A PERSON USING A DEADLY WEAPON; POSSESSION/SALE/MANUFACTURE OF METHAMPHETAMINE WITHIN 1000 FT OF SPECIFIED AREA; POSSESSION AND/OR USE OF DRUG EQUIPMENT.

Boyle, Krystal Lynn, 29, of Chiefland: BATTERY WITH INTENTIONAL TOUCH OR STRIKE x 2; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WITHOUT VIOLENCE.

Bray, Charles Rowland, 54, of Inglis: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WITHOUT VIOLENCE; DISORDERLY INTOXICATION IN A PUBLIC PLACE CAUSING A DISTURBANCE.

Brunelle, Christopher Lee, 20, of Williston: VOP.

Bryant, Ebonie Christine, 23, of Williston: OUT OF COUNTY WARRANT x 2.

Buenaventra, Fransico, 30, of Dunnellon: OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE.

Cason III, Alfred Lee, 25, of Williston: BATTERY 2ND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE; CRIMINAL MISCHIEF WITH DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OF \$1,000 OR MORE.

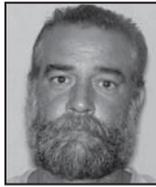
Champion, John Christopher, 22, of Chiefland: DUI ALCOHOL OR DRUGS; DUI WITH DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.



**Bristol, Valrize L**  
Bronson  
VOP FELONY  
DWLSR & DUI  
NO BOND



**Harris, Mashana Michelle**  
Williston  
VOP GRAND  
THEFT, RWOW  
NO BOND



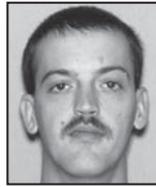
**Hill, Neil Allen**  
Morrison  
FALSE  
STATEMENT  
TO OBTAIN  
UNEMPLOYMENT  
ROR BOND



**Pettigrew, Thomas M**  
Trenton  
VOP PETIT  
THEFT  
\$5,000 BOND



**Santerfeit, Sara Adele**  
Bronson  
VOP FRAUD  
INSUFF FUNDS  
\$2,000 BOND



**Taylor, Timothy James Thomas**  
Bronson  
CONVICTED  
FELON W/  
FIREARM  
\$10,000 BOND

Chapman, Charles, 20; BATTERY WITH INTENTIONAL TOUCH OR STRIKE.

Dinkins, Laquan Nathan, 20, of Chiefland: AFFRAY.

Elwood, George Kenneth, 26, of Williston: FAILURE TO STOP AND REMAIN AT A CRASH INVOLVING AN INJURY.

Garcia-Cano, Hector Abilio, 29; OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE; LEAVING THE SCENE OF A CRASH INVOLVING DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

Grant, Julia N., 23, of Inglis: ALTERING A PUBLIC RECORD CERTIFICATE X 6; PASSING A FORGED ALTERED INSTRUMENT x 3; PETIT THEFT 2ND DEGREE 1ST OFFENSE x 6.

Green, Jarvis Obrian, 23, of Chiefland: AFFRAY.

Jackson, Khiri, 18: AFFRAY.

Lewis, Michael Lee, 31, of Gainesville: BATTERY WITH

INTENTIONAL TOUCH OR STRIKE.

Perrotto, Michael, 43, of Bronson: TRESPASSING AN OCCUPIED STRUCTURE OR CONVEYANCE.

Reuter, Craig Matthew, 42, of Dunnellon: OUT OF COUNTY WARRANT x 2.

Ritchie, Gina Marie, 47, of Williston: OUT OF COUNTY WARRANT.

Rogers Jr., Thomas Edward, 39, of Bronson: FAILURE TO APPEAR.

Scott Jr., Rodney Eddie, 21, of Cross City: AFFRAY.

Seyez, Freddie Joseph, 19, of Chiefland: OUT OF COUNTY WARRANT; AFFRAY.

Wilkerson, Wade Austin, 18, of Bell: AFFRAY.

Wright, Wanda Faye, 49, of Cedar Key: ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO COMMIT A FELONY; DISORDERLY INTOXICATION IN A PUBLIC PLACE CAUSING A DISTURBANCE.

## Authorities Need Help on Missing Motorcycle Hit & Run

On Jan. 2, 2012 a driver wearing dark clothing and a black helmet and riding a black motorcycle with raised chrome handle bars that now possibly has damage to the foot peg, fender, exhaust or undercarriage area hit Connie Harris, 58, of Tallahassee on US 129 just one mile south of I-10 in Suwannee County at 7:50 p.m. The driver fled the scene leaving Harris with a dislocated foot at the crash scene. Harris was transported to Shands at UF and is listed in serious condition.

Harris was crossing US 129 when the motorcycle hit her and then sped off. Anyone with any information is asked to please call the Florida Highway Patrol Communications Center in Jacksonville at 1-800-387-1290.

### DCF New Leadership *continued from page 1*

vulnerable adults." Miles, 53, joined the Department in 2003 as a child protective investigator and worked his way up as a supervisor, program administrator and director of support services before being named the director of family and community services. Miles was honorably discharged after a 13-year career in the U.S. Marine Corps, leaving with the rank of Captain-select. At the time, he was

Company Commander in the 3rd Assault Amphibious Battalion. Before coming to the Department, he also worked at the Palm Beach County Tax Collector's office and in the financial services industry.

A long-time basketball coach in Palm Beach, Miles has been the head coach of the Cardinal Newman High School girls' basketball team for the past two seasons. A proud Gator, Miles earned a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Florida in 1985 while on active duty.

"I would like to thank Dennis for stepping in to take on the leadership in our Southeast Region after the departure of Regional Managing Director Perry Borman," Secretary Wilkins said. "I would also like thank Perry for his years of local service and wish him well in his new endeavors."

## Sometimes Justice Takes Some Time

Way back in April of 2011 Michael Hammer, 36, of Umatilla and Brandon Hammer, 16, also of Umatilla were traveling east around the curve on CR 42 just west of Sandy Acres in Marion County about 11 a.m. with Michael driving the 1992 Chevy Z71 pickup truck. At the same time William Penley, 59, of Umatilla was traveling west in the same curve in his 1996 Jeep Cherokee when Michael Hammer crossed over the double-yellow centerline engaging his left front with that of Penley's left front. As the vehicles rotated counterclockwise onto the south grass shoulder Hammer's Chevy disengaged from Penley's Jeep and the Jeep continued east to rest on the north grass shoulder.

Mr. Penley was pronounced dead at the scene and was not wearing a seatbelt but it was determined that there was no alcohol

in use for him.

The passenger, Brandon Hammer, was seriously injured and it was not determined if he had his seatbelt on.

The driver, Michael Hammer, at the time of the accident was listed as not being arrested for alcohol in use, was not wearing a seatbelt and sustained critical injuries.

On December 28, 2011 this investigation was finally concluded as the toxicology results indicated that Hammer was impaired by drugs. The Florida Highway Patrol obtained an arrest warrant for Michael Hammer and charged him with DUI manslaughter (a felony) and three other misdemeanor counts of DUI. Hammer was arrested by the New Milford Police Dept. in New Milford, Connecticut on Dec. 28.

## Infantry Soldier Drowns in Brooksville

A member of the Florida Army National Guard's 53rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team died Monday when he drowned in a lake at a west Florida golf course, according to the Hernando County Sheriff's Office.

Staff Sgt. David Voiles, 43, of Brooksville, is assigned to A Company, 53rd Brigade Support Battalion, as a traditional National Guard Soldier. He was not on duty at the time of death.

A Company, 53rd Brigade Support Battalion, is based in Pinellas Park, Fla.

Voiles served as a motor transport operator, and had more than 20 years of military service. He deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom with the Tennessee National Guard 2004-2005, serving in Kuwait and Iraq. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Army Commendation Medal. He joined the Florida Army National Guard in January 2006.

According to Hernando County Sheriff's

Office spokesperson Cpl. Wendy McGinnis, Voiles was a certified diver and was searching for golf balls Monday afternoon in the lake at the Sherman Hills Golf Course in Brooksville. He was reported missing Monday evening and divers from the Pasco County Sheriff's Office assisted with the search. Law enforcement officials recovered the body of Voiles Tuesday morning shortly before 11 a.m., and have ruled the death an accident.

"Our entire Florida National Guard family is saddened by Staff Sgt. Voiles' death," said Maj. Gen. Emmett Titshaw Jr., the Adjutant General of Florida. "His service to this nation, to Florida, and the 53rd Infantry Brigade are appreciated and will be remembered by his comrades who served with him in uniform. We offer our heartfelt thoughts, prayers and support to the family during this tragic time."

**NOTICE OF MEETING BY WRPC**  
The Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council working groups of the Levy County Local Mitigation Strategy and Community Wildfire Protection Plans will hold their quarterly meeting on Jan. 27, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the emergency Operations Center in Bronson. For further information contact: Michael Arnold, LEPC-5 Coordinator/ Senior Planner, Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council, at 352/732-1315 ext. 228.  
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**NOTICE FOR LEVY COUNTY VOTERS**

The following schedule is for the Canvassing Board and the public logic and accuracy test of the voting equipment for the January 31, 2012 Presidential Preference Primary Election.

DATE/DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY
January 12, 2012, Thursday	9 am	L/A Test (early vote)
January 24, 2012, Tuesday	9 am	L/A Test (precinct)
January 26, 2012, Thursday	9 am	Open/Tabulate Absentee Ballots
January 31, 2012, Tuesday	11 am	Open/Tabulate Absentee Ballots
January 31, 2012, Tuesday	5 pm	Election Night
February 1, 2012, Wednesday	Open	Recount (possible)
February 2, 2012, Thursday	5 pm	Provisional Ballots
February 3, 2012, Friday	9 am	Sign 1 <sup>st</sup> Unofficial Results
February 10, 2012, Friday	11 am	Canvass Overseas Absentees
February 10, 2012, Friday	11 am	Sign Official Results
February 14, 2012, Tuesday	10 am	Voting System Audit

All meetings and testing will be at the Supervisor of Elections office located at 421 South Court Street, Bronson, Florida. If you have any questions, please call 352-486-5163 x4.  
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# USS Narcissus Proposed for New Florida Underwater Archeological Preserve

Secretary of State Kurt Browning today announced today that the Department of State's Division of Historical Resources has officially proposed the USS Narcissus to be designated Florida's twelfth Underwater Archaeological Preserve. The site was nominated by Mike Terrell of the Florida Aquarium and maritime archaeologists John William Morris III and Nicole Tumbleton Morris. The USS Narcissus would be unique among Florida's archaeological preserves in that it is still the property of the US Navy, which has made recommendations that are incorporated into the proposal.

"The USS Narcissus provides not only a fascinating underwater preserve to explore, it also offers a unique and adventurous look into our nation's naval history," said Secretary Browning. "The site would be an exciting addition to Florida's underwater archeological preserves."

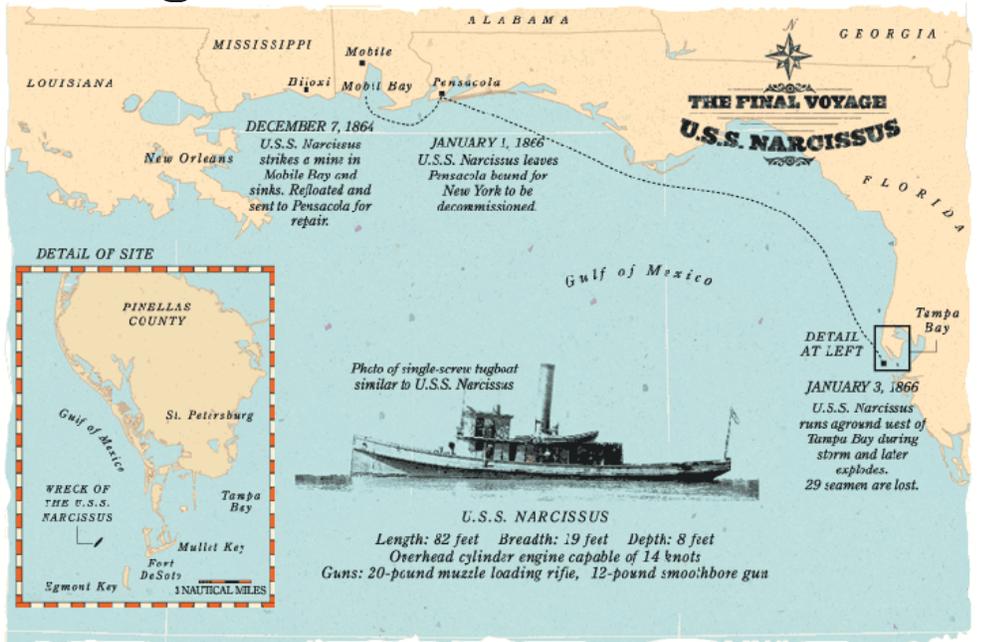
The public proposal is a response to the Florida Aquarium's nomination of the site, and is being made available to area stakeholders and members of the public for comment. If public response is favorable, the site of USS Narcissus will be designated Florida's Twelfth Underwater Archaeological Preserve. The preserve program encourages state, county and city officials, local organizations and individuals to work together to protect and interpret Florida's maritime history. The proposal is available online at [www.flheritage.com/archaeology/underwater/docs/USS\\_Narcissus\\_Proposal.pdf](http://www.flheritage.com/archaeology/underwater/docs/USS_Narcissus_Proposal.pdf)

A Civil War-era steam tugboat, USS Narcissus was lost in a storm off Egmont Key in 1866. Built in 1863 in East Albany, New York, the vessel was purchased by the US Navy.

According to a report by Terry Tomalin of the St. Petersburg Times, the Narcissus never won any battles or even fought to a stalemate like its contemporary, the Monitor. But it went down as one of the first casualties in the modern era of naval warfare.

At the start of the Civil War, the Confederate Navy was no match for that of the industrialized north. As a result, the rebels were forced to try to even the odds through unconventional methods such as privateers, submarines and torpedoes. But these did not resemble what we were used to in WWII. During the Civil War, torpedoes, dubbed "infernal machines" were actually mines.

On Dec. 12, 1862, in the Yazoo River, the USS Cairo earned its spot in history when it sank after steaming by a five-gallon jug filled with gunpowder that was detonated through a wire by a soldier hiding onshore. Two years later, mines would play a prominent role in the Battle of Mobile Bay, where Union Adm. David G. Farragut would utter a command that would inspire generations. Farragut's fleet, which consisted of 14 wooden ships and four ironclad Monitor-class vessels, attempted



to shut down the blockade running that had helped keep the Confederate cause alive.

The Narcissus, a 115-ton tug that had been launched in New York a year earlier, had a single engine capable of producing 14 knots. Armed with two guns, a 20-pound muzzle loader and a 12-pound smooth-bore, the tug soon joined the blockade fleet. While the Narcissus was patrolling the waters off Mississippi, Farragut and his ships pressed the fight in Mobile Bay further east. During the battle, a Union ironclad struck a mine and sank, but Farragut told his men, "Damn the torpedoes! Full speed ahead."

The Confederate forces surrendered, but the waters around Mobile remained littered with mines for months.

In December 1864, the Narcissus struck a derelict mine that lifted the hull out of the water. The ship was salvaged and sent to Pensacola for repairs, and on Jan. 1, 1866, it set sail for New York to return to civilian service.

But the normally placid Gulf of Mexico can turn deadly

during the winter. The Narcissus got caught by a cold front and ran aground off Egmont Key.

Florida's Underwater Archaeological Preserves must meet several criteria such as safe public access, be located in state waters, be an identified wreck with recognizable features, and have abundant marine life. The Bureau of Archaeological Research has determined that USS Narcissus meets these criteria. If designated as a preserve, the site will be more accessible and better interpreted for divers, with brochures, posters, underwater maps and a website. In addition, the site will be marked with a bronze plaque.

Florida's unique Underwater Archaeological Preserves include Urca de Lima, a Spanish galleon off Ft. Pierce; USS Massachusetts, the nation's oldest battleship sunk off Pensacola; Half Moon, a racing yacht near Key Biscayne; and Georges Valentine, a steel barkentine off Stuart. Visit [www.museumsinthesea.org](http://www.museumsinthesea.org) for more information on Florida's Underwater Archaeological Preserves.

## Rabies Alert in Marion County

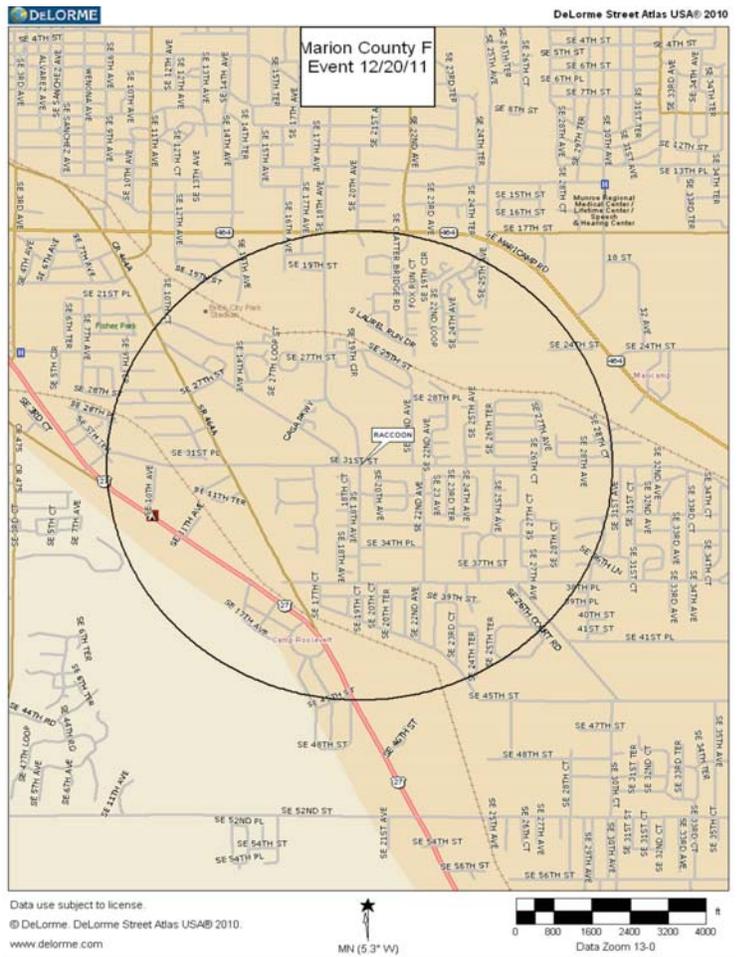
Pursuant to Section 381, Florida Statutes and Chapter 64D-3, Florida Administrative Code, the Marion County Health Department Director has issued a rabies alert for the location shown below in Marion County, Fla. All citizens, especially the ones within the depicted area shown below on the map, are asked to maintain a heightened awareness that rabies is active in this county. The alert is in response to a positive laboratory result from a RACCOON. The rabies alert commenced on the day of the incident, which was December 20th, 2011.

- Residents in the depicted area are advised to:
- Avoid contact with free roaming domestic or any wild animals.
  - Not leave pet food outside and secure outside garbage in covered containers to avoid attracting wild animals.
  - Contact your veterinarian to make sure your dog(s), cat(s), horse(s) or ferret(s) have current rabies vaccination.

Law enforcement and animal control officials are requested to assist in enforcement of the following requirements:

- All dogs, cats and captive wild mammals shall be confined to their owner's premises. Confinement shall be by fence, cage, on a leash under control of a responsible person, or inside the living quarters or related building.
- All dogs and cats roaming at large will be impounded and may be released to their owners upon payment of any fee(s) assessed by Marion County Animal Services. No dogs or cats will be released from the Animal Shelter except to the owner upon proof of current vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian.

This alert ends in 60 days unless another incident occurs within the alert area. Please contact a local veterinarian for questions regarding the health of an animal.



### Victim of the War *continued from page 1*

sleeping, being overly tired, stomach upsets and trouble eating, headaches and sweating when thinking of the war, rapid heartbeat or breathing, worsening of already existing health problems, shock, numbness, and the inability to feel happy.

Mentally and emotionally PTSD sufferers experience bad dreams, nightmares, flashbacks, frequent unwanted memories, anger, nervousness, a feeling of helplessness or fear, guilt, self-blame, shame, sadness, rejection or abandonment, agitation, irritation or annoyance, and hopelessness about the future. Minor incidents can lead to severe over-reactions.

Behaviors can change leading to trouble concentrating, being edgy, jumpy and easily startled, being on guard, always alert, overly concerned about safety and security, avoidance of people or places related to trauma, overindulgence in alcohol, smoking, or drug use, poor diet habits and health care, difficulty in accomplishing even regular tasks at home or work or school, and aggressive driving habits. Isolation and withdrawal are the effects of avoidance of people who might want to ask you about the war especially when there is no plan in place to provide social support.

These side effects of war on our soldiers are being experienced in the midst of all the daily living stresses of making a living, re-establishing family ties, and readjusting to the social scene.

According to the VA, in the past few years the military has made a greater effort to prepare troops for re-entry to civilian life including making them aware that the same mindset that helped them survive in a combat zone can backfire when used in the "home zone." Too much discipline causes problems when applied too strictly with family and the soldier must learn to talk to people other than combat buddies or isolation from family and friends will occur.

Families are also suffering during the deployment of their loved one and experience loneliness, concern, and worry as they have to learn new skills and take on new responsibilities. They also need to create new support systems to help them through and then re-connect with their soldier upon return. Both returning soldier and receiving family are worried about how much the other has changed, whether they are still needed and loved, and if there is understanding on both parts as to what each has been through.

According to some other PTSD sufferers in this area that were interviewed for this story, the VA hospital in Gainesville has provided a great array of medical help and social support through many programs available to returning soldiers and their families. But some have stated though that the VA does not always let everyone know well enough what is available to the family and the soldier.

This may be the case with Pipes and his family. Pipes' family stated that the mix-up in the medications was a major factor

in his violent outburst and the preceding week of steady breakdown in rational thinking. Other sufferers state that the role of a caregiver is greatly misunderstood and is extremely necessary as the PTSD sufferer must have help in reaching out to make decisions to medicate properly and work through the disturbing mental, emotional and physical effects. If the help being received is felt to be inadequate for the soldier's condition, contact the VA and set up an appointment to discuss this and what can be done to change the situation.

The VA is the largest healthcare system in the United States. If you need to start the process you can call for and complete the VA form 10-10EZ to sign up, even if you think you will never use these services. The phone number for VA Healthcare is: 877-222-VETS (8387) and for Benefits: 800-827-1000. The website is: [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)

Each medical center, such as the one in Gainesville has: an OEF/OIF Program manager to help all recent returnees, Health and Mental Health Services, a Women's Veterans Program manager, Social Work Services, and a VA chaplain.

The Vet Centers supply readjustment counseling service by calling 800-905-4675 and they will assist veterans and their families in making a successful postwar adjustment with counseling including PTSD treatment; marriage and family counseling including benefits, bereavement, alcohol and drug counseling; and job services. There are no co-payments or charges for Vet Center services and the services are completely confidential.

The VA centers also provide help in life issues 24/7, known as Military OneSource, by providing a master's level consultant who can answer almost any question, no matter how big or small by calling 800-342-9647 or the International toll-free number 800-464-8107. Military OneSource user id is: military; and the password is: onesource. The Military OneSource website is: [www.militaryonesource.com](http://www.militaryonesource.com)

If you need help completing paperwork and navigating the VA system the VSOs are available locally which are the many veterans service organizations such as the American Legion, the VFW, AMVETS, Disabled American Veterans and more. For a direction of VSOs go to the website: [www1.va.gov/vso](http://www1.va.gov/vso)

All states have a variety of programs and resources for veterans and their families. You can check out your state by

dialing: 211 or visit 211.org online to see what your state offers or visit the State's Office of Veterans Affairs (NASDVA) at [www.nasdva.net](http://www.nasdva.net).

The Employer Support of the Guard and Reserves (ESGR) provides assistance with issues between service members and employers. Call them toll-free in the US at 800-336-4590 or visit the website at: [www.esgr.org](http://www.esgr.org).

The Veterans Transition Assistance Program is a collaboration of DoD (Department of Defense), VA and the Dept of Labor to help with transition from military to civilian life. Their website is: [www.turbotap.org](http://www.turbotap.org).

The National Guard Bureau provides family assistance in every state for all military family members, no matter the branch of service. Find the location near you by calling: 703-607-5414 or visiting the website at: [www.jointservicesupport.org](http://www.jointservicesupport.org)

The VA also provides employment and financial services at: the US Dept of Labor [www.dol.gov/vets](http://www.dol.gov/vets) and [www.americasheroesatwork.gov](http://www.americasheroesatwork.gov); Vet Success at <http://vetsuccess.gov>; and Work Adjustment at [afterdeployment.org](http://afterdeployment.org) which offers all types of connections including facebook for information and help.

We at the Levy County Journal are publishing this information so our readers can be aware of the many avenues of help available to them through the VA and the local veteran clubs. As a community we might be able to help reduce the number of violent incidences through understanding the condition and providing support to our returning heroes and their families. And maybe the families that feel they need more help or a change in the plan for their loved one can see there are many programs available to make those changes so that soldiers like Pipes can receive all they need to return to the community and live their lives in peace after taking a very brave step to help secure our continuing freedom in America.

OPINION

# Republican Voters' Choices

**Thomas Sowell**  
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No one seems to be really happy with this year's field of Republican candidates for that party's presidential nomination -- except perhaps the Democrats.

The sudden rise, and equally sudden fall, of a succession of Republican front-runners is just one sign of the dissatisfaction of the Republican voters with this field of candidates.

In this, as in many other aspects of life, we can only make our choice among the options actually available. So Republican voters who want to be realistic need to understand that they are going to end up with qualms and nagging doubts about whomever they pick this time.

Not all voters want to be realistic, of course. Some voters, whether Democrats, Republicans or independents, treat elections as occasions to vent their emotions, rather than as a process to pick someone into whose hands to place the fate of the nation.

People who think this way tend to vote for someone they just happen to like, whether for personal or ideological reasons, and regardless of whether that candidate has any realistic chance of being elected.

The surprising support in the polls for Congressman Ron Paul seems to be of this sort. But does anyone seriously want

to put the fate of this nation in the hands of a man who can casually brush aside the danger of nuclear weapons in the hands of Iran, the world's leading sponsor of international terrorism?

Barring some astonishing surprise, the contest for the Republican nomination for president boils down to Mitt Romney versus Newt Gingrich. It is doubtful whether either of them is anyone's idea of an ideal candidate or a model of consistency.

The fact that each of the short-lived front-runners in the Republican field gained that position by presenting themselves as staunch conservatives suggests that Republican voters may have been trying to avoid having to accept Mitt Romney, whose record as governor of Massachusetts produced nothing that would be regarded as a serious conservative achievement.

Romney's own talking point that he has been a successful businessman is no reason to put him into a political office, however much it may be a reason for him to become a successful businessman again.

Perhaps the strongest reason for some voters to support Governor Romney is that the smart money says he is more "electable" than the other candidates in general and Newt Gingrich in particular. But there was a time when even some conservative smart money types were saying that Ronald Reagan was too old to run for president, and that he should step aside for someone younger.

Washington Post editor Meg Greenfield said that the people in the Carter White House were "ecstatic" when the Republicans nominated Reagan, because they were convinced that they could clobber him.

Today, it is said that the Obama administration fears

Romney, but would relish the opportunity to clobber Gingrich because of his "baggage." CNN has already started digging into Gingrich's most recent divorce.

Much depends on whether you think the voting public is going to be more interested in Newt Gingrich's personal past than in the country's future. Most of the things for which Gingrich has been criticized are things he did either in his personal life or when he was out of office. But, if we are serious, we are more concerned with his ability to perform when in office.

Even some of those who believe that Gingrich would devastate Obama in head-to-head debates on substantive issues nevertheless claim that all Obama has to do is come back with questions about Newt's work for failed mortgage finance giant Freddie Mac.

But, even at the personal, point-scoring level, Barack Obama can open up a can of worms by going that route, since Freddie Mac at least never planted bombs in public places, like some of Obama's political allies.

There are no guarantees, no matter whom the Republicans vote for in the primaries. Why not vote for the candidate who has shown the best track record of accomplishments, both in office and in the debates? That is Newt Gingrich. With all his shortcomings, his record shows that he knows how to get the job done in Washington.

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## The True Declaration

By Brother Ray Zander

On July 4th we celebrate the Declaration of Independence of 1776  
It's time that we now contemplate how we got in and out of this fix

Will we ever again stand for truth and love  
as handed down by God?

Many who stood for those inalienable rights are  
now buried beneath the sod.

Ungodly leaders have dishonored God's Name  
as well as the U.S.A.

There's a greater Judge than those of earth,  
before Him each must pay

My father served in the Army and  
I served in the Navy at sea

We love the land we defended  
that all may have "Liberty."

When man discards the Bible  
his foundation becomes frail and weak

Morals and decency disappear,  
wisdom and mercy they fail to seek

Jesus Christ alone is the answer,  
all other sources are futile

There's time to repent, turn back to Him or  
the consequences will be brutal.

God is Holy and those of Washington  
have given Him grief

In Bible days those who deceived and lied  
would have a life that's brief

We don't need a New Declaration like in 1776,  
God's Word will see us through,

Even in turbulent waters  
we must keep the Lord Jesus in view.

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## The Year in Obama Scandals -- and Scandal Deniers

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With 2011 drawing to a close, it is time to account. As an early-and-often chronicler of Chicago-on-the-Potomac, I am amazed at the stubborn and clingy persistence of President Barack Obama's snowblowers in the media. See no scandal, hear no scandal, speak no scandal.

Dartmouth College professor Brendan Nyhan asserted in May -- while Operation Fast and Furious subpoenas were flying on Capitol Hill -- that "one of the least remarked upon aspects of the Obama presidency has been the lack of scandals." Conveniently, he defines scandal as a "widespread elite perception of wrongdoing."

So as long as left-wing Ivy League scribes refuse to perceive something to be a scandal -- never mind the actual suffering endured by the family of murdered Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry, whose death came at the hands of a Mexican cartel thug wielding a Fast and Furious gun walked across the southern border under Attorney General Eric Holder's watch -- there is no scandal!

Self-serving much? Mother Jones' Kevin Drum likewise proclaimed: "Obama's presidency has so far been almost completely free of scandal."

This after the year kicked off in January with the departure of lying eco-radical czar Carol Browner. In backroom negotiations, she infamously bullied auto execs to "put nothing in writing, ever." The previous fall, the White House's own oil spill panel had singled out Browner for misleading the public about the scientific evidence for the administration's Draconian drilling moratorium and "contributing to the perception that the government's findings were more exact than they actually were."

The Interior Department inspector general and federal judges likewise blasted drilling ban book-cooking by Browner and Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, who falsely rewrote the White House drilling ban report to doctor the Obama-appointed panel's own overwhelming scientific objections to the job-killing edict.

In February, federal judge Martin Feldman in Louisiana excoriated the Obama Interior Department for defying his May 2010 order to lift its fraudulent ban on offshore oil and gas drilling in the Gulf. He called out the administration's culture of contempt and "determined disregard" for the law.

This spring saw rising public anger over the preferential Obamacare waiver process (which I first reported on in September 2010). Some 2,000 lucky golden ticket winners were freed from the costly federal mandates -- including a handful of fancy restaurants in Aloha Nancy Pelosi's San Francisco district, the entire state of Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's Nevada, and scores of local, state and national Big Labor organizations, from the Service Employees International Union and Teamsters on down. Meanwhile, as The Hill newspaper reported last month, other not-so-lucky Republican-led states seeking waivers, such as Indiana and Louisiana, were rejected.

But it wasn't just Republicans objecting to the president's arbitrary Obamacare fiats. In July, congressional Democrats turned on the monstrous federal health bureaucracy known as the Independent Payment Advisory Board. The constitutionally suspect panel -- freed from normal public notice, public comment and public review rules -- would have unprecedented authority over health care spending and an expanding jurisdiction of private health care payment rates.

Obama's health and human services secretary, Kathleen Sebelius, faced separate

legal questions over her overseer role in a hair-raising document-shredding case when she served as governor of Kansas.



In October, a district judge in the Sunflower State

suspended court proceedings in a high-profile criminal case against the abortion racketeers of Planned Parenthood. Bombshell court filings showed that Kansas health officials "shredded documents related to felony charges the abortion giant faces" and failed to disclose it for six years.

That same month, Bloomberg News columnist Jonathan Alter gushed: "There is zero evidence ... of corruption. Where is it?"

Alter's declaration of the "Obama Miracle" came just weeks after the politically driven half-billion-dollar Solyndra stimulus "investment" went bankrupt, prompting an FBI raid and ongoing criminal and congressional probes of the solar company funded by top White House bundler and visitor George Kaiser.

As Solyndra and an avalanche of other ongoing green subsidy scams erupted, so did the LightSquared debacle -- a federal broadband boondoggle involving billionaire hedge fund managers and Obama donors Philip Falcone and George Soros. In September, two high-ranking witnesses -- William Shelton, the four-star general who heads the Air Force Space Command, and National Coordination Office for Space-Based Positioning, Navigation and Timing Director Anthony Russo -- exposed how the White House had pressured them to alter their congressional testimony and play down concerns about LightSquared's interference threat to military communications.

The White House continues to block efforts to gain information about the Federal Communications Commission's approval of a special waiver for the company, even as new government tests this month showed that the company's "signals caused harmful interference to the majority of ... general purpose GPS receivers."

The Obama White House closed out the year with Democratic Sen. Claire McCaskill of Missouri demanding a probe of the smelly \$443 million no-bid smallpox antiviral pill contract with Siga Technologies -- controlled by big lefty donor Ron Perelman. Then there was the small matter of massive voter fraud in Indiana, where a Democratic official resigned amid allegations that "dozens, if not hundreds," of signatures were faked to get Obama on the state primary ballot in 2008. And while Americans busied themselves with the holidays, White House and Democratic campaign officials were dumping more than \$70,000 in contributions from another deep-pocketed contributor -- scandal-plagued pal and former New Jersey Gov. Jon Corzine, who oversaw the collapse of MF Global.

All this -- and so much more -- yet erstwhile "conservative" journalist Andrew Sullivan of Newsweek/The Daily Beast scoffed, "Where are all the scandals promised by Michelle Malkin?"

There's none so blind as those who will not see.

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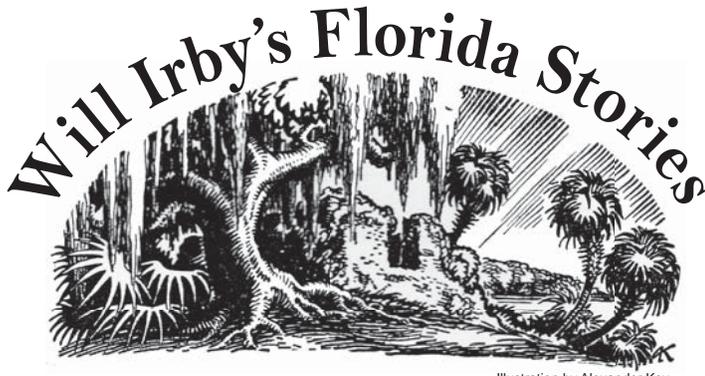


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## Buster's Big Splash

A brand new '54 Ford convertible pulled away from the curb across from Pepe's Restaurant near the intersection of Caroline and William Streets. A Key West taxi angled in and a woman in a red velvet blazer got out. The cabby's arm extended from the opened window, pointing out the marina a short block up William where the masts of trawlers and a schooner bobbed gently in the chalky green water.

In the bustle about the harbor a fellow known about as 'Buster' was down a dock ladder, quick as a rabbit, with a bucket and brush. Buster Krebs was a quirky, curious little fellow who worked around that wharf on the Key West Bight. He was blunt and cantankerous, thought generally to be a crotchety conch - one of the islander's by birth. But in fact, he'd appeared on the Key West scene little more than two decades earlier.

Buster had most certainly had a life (half a century at least) before Key West. Though what that life was exactly, Buster never said. Few asked, as even life-long locals felt Buster Krebs to be as much of the key as barnacles, or an old brown pelican always about. Nobody remembers when the bird first came. It's as if he'd been there all along. Print or stain, the old fella was now simply part of the fabric of the place - until the episode known locally as Buster's big splash.

The joke was that Buster Krebs had hooked a giant fish one night and not landed him until the next year! That's because the fish first stirred on Buster's line about nine o'clock on the 31st of December, and he didn't land him until noon of the next, New Year's Day.

It was quite an ordeal, though the night's fishing had begun no differently than usual for Buster. He'd washed down his last boat by six-thirty that evening and rode his rusty bicycle back to his rented room. This was a simple place with a private entrance at the rear of a bamboo-shrouded bungalow up a lane off William. Despite Buster's disheveled personal appearance, the grimy sleeveless chambray shirt and stained khakis he always wore, his room was immaculate. Buster tossed his crumpled captain's hat to a neatly-made bed. He hung his shirt on a hook behind the door. The room featured a small alcove with a hot plate kitchenette and tiny icebox. Buster washed his hands and ruddy face in the galley-sized sink.

He fried some baloney in a pan on the stove, slicing off a raw onion to make a sandwich with chunks of Cuban bread. He stood looking out the window above the sink, eating solemnly and watching a rooster walk the ridgeline of a shed visible behind the bougainvillea in the next yard.

There was a box on the bedside table. Buster extracted a Lucky Strike and sat on the back steps in the blue shade of a banyan tree to smoke. This was the one cigarette he now allowed himself each day. He was down to that. Buster didn't drink alcohol anymore. He said that was because it confused him and got in the way of his cussing - the one vice he was steadfastly refused to tackle. It wasn't that Buster liked to cuss or even that he thought to cuss. He certainly didn't recommend cussing to others. It was purely that he was good at cussing. He was a natural, he said, and had a talent for it: "Same as some do for poetry or the ----- harp."

After dark, Buster hooked an old paint bucket on his handlebars and pushed his bike back out to the street. He kept his fishing tackle in the bucket, clanking now against the brown frame as he peddled back up William to the bight.

Buster fished out on the wharf most nights. Depending on the tides he might fish early or late, depending on the catch. Sometimes, weather allowing, he might be joined by another of his acquaintances, Pitch Friday. Originally from Mississippi, Pitch had bounced around the South playing minor league baseball his entire adult life. The "Pitch Friday" nickname came about early on, when an old coach welched continually on promises to start him. Pitch had played his last, or "ridden the pine" finally for the defunct Key West Conchs in the late 40s. He'd been a fixture with the bums over on Mallory Square ever since. But despite that, Pitch was a reader and something of a learned man. He was quite a conversationalist, too, stirring the local chatter in much the same manner as troubadours did in their heyday.

So it came about that Buster was out on the dock that night, assuming his usual position in his usual place. He had line out with a small blue crab as bait scratching deep in the dark channel. Pitch came up and they exchanged gruff pleasantries before Buster started in on the too-small Hawaiian print shirt Pitch was wearing. Buster had another name for it which assigned such apparel to houses of ill repute. Pitch baited his line and countered with an apt description of Buster's wardrobe, but he was no match for Buster when it came to cussing a thing.

They'd caught nothing that night. Then, about the time fireworks began to thud, then pop, spraying brilliant color high above the lawn of the Casa Marina Hotel across the island behind them, Buster's luck changed. His line moved almost imperceptibly at first. Pitch said it was the crab latching to a rock or a submerged engine part in the outgoing tide. Buster said he knew a ----- thing about fishing and that it was a ----- fish had moved his line.

When Buster felt the line move again, he snatched his light rod above his chest and said he'd set the hook sure and fast. He said he'd felt the hook set solidly into supple tissue, like that of a fish's mouth, rather than some rock-hard, inanimate thing. This was not exactly how Buster described the set, nor was one particular body part identified here as harbor for his hook. But he was absolutely certain he had a fish on.

It was a big ---- fish, a giant -----, Buster insisted, though Pitch was not a believer until about three o'clock in the morning. That's when the line most certainly began to ease up more rapidly than the tide toward the dock. "Could be a ray," Pitch intoned with genuine conviction. Buster gathered his line, cranking steadily in the light stirred by darting moths around the exposed bulb overhead.

Then the incoming line was still, holding fast nearer the dock. It didn't move again for more than an hour. Buster tested the line carefully, certain that no matter what kind of fish, it was mammoth enough to snap his line in an instant. At best he suspected the Goliath on the other end of his rod to be mildly irritated by the itch of the small hook in his fat lip. For no apparent reason, other than the provocation of argument, Pitch retracted his conviction that Buster had hooked a ray. He decided that it was a tire or rubber boot maybe, shifting about on the whimsical persuasion of the current. Buster's response was coarse and impolite, but Pitch Friday was immune to the caustic remarks of his friend. Oddly enough, it was in that instant that Buster's line was suddenly loose and surfacing. The green water boiled below the spot of light speckled by moth wings. There it was: the expansive, dark tail of a giant fish showing suddenly, if but slightly, before rolling back to the bottom.

"Ohhhh, I told you! Didn't I?" Buster crowed. "He's a ---- jewfish, big as a big fat -----sow!"

"That he is," a wide-eyed Pitch agreed. He couldn't have been more astonished by the effect of a mermaid surfacing. "Now what'll we do?"

"What'll we ---- do!" Buster repeated with profane emphasis. "Why we bring the ----up!"

"How?"

"He ---- comes when he wants to come," Buster said wistfully. "He comes when he's good and ---- ready. You don't take a fish like this."

"Not with the outfit you've got, you don't take him," Pitch muttered.

"Not with any ----- outfit. You could have a ----- wire cable and winch like that hanging there," Buster gestured toward a hoist nearby for hauling up large catches. "A fish like this could rip the whole ----- business up by the roots. He comes when he's ready to come, when he knows the will on the other end of the line's greater than his own."

By daylight fisherman and crew, who weren't still celebrating the New Year, drifted down to the dock to find Buster slumped over the reel of his rod. Some scoffed and others ribbed, but Pitch Friday backed Buster's play. "It's down there," he assured them leaning out. "Bigger than an oil drum, maybe two from what I saw."

Buster wouldn't give up. It made no sense, even to him by then, except to say he simply wasn't giving up. He'd given up on other things, more important things, he'd told Pitch in his

delirium. "But not this time," he said. "Not this ---- time!" He was down to his last, he figured. It was him or the fish. Sooner or later one of them would have to give or break and run.

It was later. Nearly noon and the small crowd on the dock had dispersed. Pitch Friday was asleep on the dock with his ball cap covering his eyes. The giant grouper began to rise. It was as if he simply released himself from the shadowy bottom and relaxed into a buoyance that brought him dreamlike to the shimmering surface of the water.

Buster startled Pitch awake. He shoved the rod handle into Friday's hands, as if it actually mattered that the rod be held. Buster went for the hook on the hoist cable. He snatched it down and placed his small foot in and rode the hook over the side. The fish rolled lazily like a hippo in the shadow as Buster held to a ladder with one hand and wedged the hoist hook into the fish's mouth with the other. It was a most improbable and seemingly unsportsmanlike conclusion to the catch, if one considers that the catch was not yet made. Buster Krebs insisted it was. He said the deed was done when the giant jewfish, almost 400 pounds heavier than was he, "presented" himself.

The crowd reassembled as the gigantic grouper was foisted above the wharf. Among those hurrying up was a man with a camera and a press card. He insisted Buster pose with his miraculous catch and Buster, addled with exhaustion, complied with the photographer's instructions. The little fellow stood erect, the fish taller, even with its tail draping upon the dock. His casting rod looked small and inconsequential, humorous even in relation to the gargantuan denizen of the deep.

Some weeks later outside Saugerties, New York over 1,500 miles away, Neiman Bernard-Henri sat at breakfast examining his morning paper. A prominent Wall Street investment banker, he had already scoured the business news. Niemen turned then to the Sports section with a particular interest in the equestrian competitions. His wife, Kerstin was a top-ranked competitor. She also bred champion horses on their stately farm that had earlier been a jewel in the crown of her industrialist father's vast estate, an estate now held in trust entirely to her benefit.

So, Kerstin's youth had been spent there, where white fences and thick hedges lined the paved drive up to the old brick manse. Now she and her husband spent as much time as possible at "the farm" when not in "the City," where Bernard-Henri's apartment overlooked Central Park.

So it was that Neiman Bernard-Henri came across the photo of Buster Krebs and his giant jewfish. Bernard-Henri was most amused, as the big city Sports editor had intended in selecting it from others offered on the wire. It was a humorous and playful diversion in an otherwise dreary 15th of March edition. Bernard-Henri folded that section back, halved and quartered it with Buster's photo exposed just above the fold.

It was there beside his plate when Kerstin came in from her morning ride. A servant in starched cap poured another coffee as the newspaper caught her eye. She brought it up instantly, scrutinized Buster's image with the intensity of a desperate spy. "Oh my. Oh my!" she said breathlessly.

"Yes, quite a catch isn't it?" Bernard-Henri said without looking up from the Arts & Culture page.

"You have no idea!" Kerstin Bernard-Henri gasped. Then she told him.

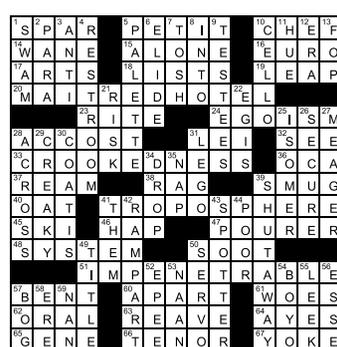
It was less than a week later that Kerstin Bernard-Henri, the woman in the red velvet blazer, walked out the Key West wharf. She stood where Buster Krebs was busy scrubbing fish chum from the afterdeck of a boat tied there. Shielding his eyes from the Key West sun, Buster looked up at the beautiful woman waiting with a jeweled clutch purse in her hands.

"Hello, Daddy," Kerstin Krebs Bernard-Henri said.

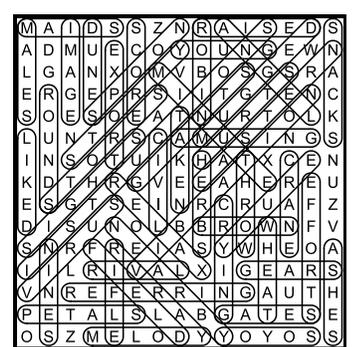


Buster's Big Splash. Private Collection

### Last Week's Crossword



### Last Week's Word Search



## Word Search



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| Advance | Cab           | Dim    | Gun       | Large | Out    | Reply       | Slot | Type  |
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# FISH BUSTERS' BULLETIN

## New Year's messages from the FWC

By Bob Wattendorf  
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As many of us prepare to hang a calendar for the new year and we flip the pages to glance in awe at photographs featuring nature's beauty – from wild habitats to fish and wildlife or outdoor recreation – it is a good time to reflect on what it takes to make those glorious images.

Ask any passionate angler, hunter or outdoors person what he or she loves about nature and getting outdoors, and key points come up, including a love of connecting with nature, being able to relax and spending quality time outdoors with friends and families.

To help them enjoy their experiences, people say they want protection for habitats and public access, and education to help make sure the next generation cares about and understands the importance of fish and wildlife conservation and appreciates the joy and benefits conservation provides.

Each state has an agency dedicated to fish and wildlife conservation and providing fishing and hunting opportunities to the 88 million Americans over the age of 16 who fish, hunt or enjoy other wildlife-related recreation (2006 National Survey). In Florida, that is the responsibility of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). Throughout 2011, the FWC made huge inroads to address those concerns through enhanced education, outreach and communications efforts. In previous Fish Busters' Bulletins, we've discussed Get Outdoors Florida! ([www.GetOutdoorsFlorida.org](http://www.GetOutdoorsFlorida.org)) and the Florida Youth Conservation Centers Network ([www.FYCCN.org](http://www.FYCCN.org)), which have gotten off to amazing starts but still need your support to reach Floridians about the benefits of enjoying active, nature-based recreation.

This column is about the FWC's education and outreach. In October 2010, FWC staff joined educators from 37 state fish and wildlife agencies for a North American Conservation Education Strategy Training Academy, which stressed core concepts in education and outreach (including outdoor skills, hunter education and aquatic education programs) to provide more valuable and relevant messages to Americans of all ages.

Training was fully funded by a grant from the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and included understanding the association's core conservation concepts, formulating benchmarks, implementing a K-12 education process, and integrating outdoor skills-based education into state education standards, among other topics.

The FWC's core concepts for conservation education have been refined and will be part of a consistent messaging effort in Florida and nationally. These ideas communicate what every citizen should know and understand about fish, wildlife and their conservation and management:

**Concept 1:** Fish and wildlife belong to us all, and the FWC manages and protects these resources on our behalf.

**Concept 2:** Regulations are sometimes necessary to conserve natural resources for generations to come and to keep people safe, whether they are harvesting or observing wildlife.

**Concept 3:** All living things benefit from a healthy and diverse environment.

**Concept 4:** Fish and wildlife conservation and management are solidly rooted in science and balance the needs of people with consideration for maintaining healthy populations of fish and wildlife, as well as their habitats.

**Concept 5:** Fish and wildlife habitat conservation provides human-health, recreation, aesthetic and economic benefits.

**Concept 6:** The future of Florida's fish and wildlife depends on citizens and partners working together with the FWC.

**Concept 7:** Fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing and boating are appropriate recreational uses of Florida's natural resources; participation in these activities contributes revenue, harvest information and increased public support to fish and wildlife management.

**Concept 8:** Everyone has the opportunity to participate in fish and wildlife recreation. That opportunity implies a responsibility to take care of nature's resources, stay safe and respect the rights and property of others.

**Concept 9:** The FWC uses a variety of funding sources to manage Florida's fish and wildlife resources for everyone. Floridians should know that when they buy licenses and permits, register their vehicles or buy and sell property they help support fish and wildlife conservation.

**Concept 10:** Fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing, boating and other nature-based activities provide people with millions of days of outdoor recreation and generate nearly \$15 billion for Florida's economy each year (2011-12 Programs of the FWC).

**Concept 11:** Habitat management, protection and restoration help sustain and conserve ecosystems and benefit Florida's fish, wildlife and human populations.

**Concept 12:** Enforcement of conservation and safety laws requires an educated, coordinated and consistent effort.

It is the FWC's hope that as people attain a greater understanding and respect for these core concepts of fish and wildlife conservation, we will all work together with a greater sense of purpose to provide outstanding recreational opportunities for generations to come.

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Outdoor recreation can be sustainable when everyone follows the rules, including catch-and-release rules when required. Photo courtesy of FWC

## South Florida Spotted Seatrout Season Opens Jan. 1

Anglers, prepare your rods and reels; the recreational harvest season for spotted seatrout in southern Florida will reopen on Jan. 1. The opening rings in 2012, a recreational closure-free year that will include several spotted seatrout management changes effective Feb. 1.

Recreational spotted seatrout management changes include:

- The removal of all recreational spotted seatrout closures, including the annual Feb. 1 closure that would have affected anglers in northeast and northwest Florida;
- An increased recreational bag limit of six fish in the northeast region of the state.

Spotted seatrout harvest has been closed in the southern region of the state since Nov. 1.

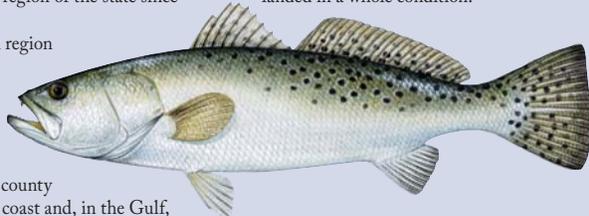
The southern region includes any Florida state waters and federal waters south of the Flagler-Volusia county line on the east coast and, in the Gulf, south of a line running due west from the westernmost point of Fred Howard Park

Causeway, which is about 1.17 miles south of the Pinellas/Pasco county line.

The maximum daily bag limit for spotted seatrout in the southern region of the state is four fish per person. In northeast and northwest regions, the daily limit is five spotted seatrout per person until the new rules take effect Feb. 1.

The statewide slot limit for spotted seatrout is 15-20 inches total length, and anglers may keep one spotted seatrout larger than 20 inches as part of the daily bag limit.

Spotted seatrout may not be harvested by snagging or snatch-hooking or by any multiple hooks with live or dead natural bait. Spotted seatrout may be taken only with hook-and-line gear and cast nets, and must be landed in a whole condition.



## Tiger Shark, Hammerhead Prohibitions Start Jan. 1

The recreational and commercial harvest of tiger sharks and smooth, scalloped and great hammerhead sharks will be prohibited in Florida state waters beginning Jan. 1.

The new measures also prohibit the possession, sale and exchange of tiger sharks and great, scalloped and smooth hammerhead sharks harvested from state waters. These sharks can still be caught and released in state waters and can be taken in adjacent federal waters. Prohibited species that die while on the line after being caught in state waters should be returned to the water immediately.

The FWC is also working on an educational campaign highlighting fishing and handling techniques that increase the survival rate of sharks that are caught and released while ensuring the safety of the anglers targeting them. These techniques include:

- Use tackle heavy enough to land a fish quickly, reducing exhaustion;
- Release the fish while it is in the water when possible;
- Use a de-hooking device to remove hooks safely;
- Use non-stainless steel hooks that can dissolve if they remain in a fish;
- Use non-offset circle hooks to avoid gut-hooking a fish.

Florida waters are considered essential habitat for these and other species of shark, especially juveniles and pregnant females.

Shark fishing has been strictly regulated in Florida since 1992, with a one-shark-per-person, two-sharks-per-vessel daily bag limit for all recreational and commercial harvesters and a ban on shark finning. Roughly two-dozen overfished, vulnerable or rare shark species are catch-and-release only in Florida waters.

For more information on shark fishing, visit [MyFWC.com/Fishing](http://MyFWC.com/Fishing) and click on "Saltwater Fishing" and either "Recreational Regulations" or "Commercial."



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January 9, 2012	January 10, 2012	January 11, 2012	January 12, 2012	January 13, 2012
Hamburgers on Bun or Deli Ham & Cheese Sub. Lettuce/Tomato/Oven Fries Orange Slices Assorted Milk	Spaghetti w/ Meat Balls or Grilled Cheese Sandwich Mixed Vegetables/ Tossed Salad Chilled Peaches Home Made Garlic Rolls Assorted Milk	Chili Con Carne w/ Beans or Cheese Pizza Tossed Salad/Buttered Corn Apple Wedges Assorted Milk	BarbeQue Chicken or Rib a Que on Bun Mashed Potatoes Steamed Cabbage Chilled Mixed Fruit Hot Corn Bread Assorted Milk	Grilled Cheese/ Hot Dog on Bun Vegetable Soup Salad w/ Spinach Apple Cobbler Assorted Milk

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## Supervisor of Elections Connie Asbell Retires



### Announcement of Retirement

As I write this, I do so with a heart that is full of emotions and outlook. After 34 years of working with Levy County in several capacities and 20 years serving as Supervisor of Elections, I would like to announce my retirement, which will be effective December 31, 2012.

I have been challenged and enthused by my work throughout the years. I appreciate all the encouragement and support I have received during my service to the citizens of Levy County.

Thank you for the professional and personal development that I have been granted over my term. It is time for a new generation to step forward and continue to lead our county in conducting fair and impartial elections.

Again, thank you to the citizens who voted and supported me for the past 20 years to serve as YOUR Supervisor of Elections.

Connie Asbell

## Bobby Schultz Announces Candidacy for Gilchrist County Sheriff

Bobby Schultz, a twenty-year veteran of law enforcement and working investigations within the judicial system, has announced his candidacy for Gilchrist County Sheriff. Mr. Schultz cites the need for a higher level of professionalism, accountability, consistency, and fiscal responsibility as the motivation for his candidacy.

Schultz is a graduate of Bell High School and is state certified in both Law Enforcement and Corrections. He has held many diverse positions in his career, to include communications officer, corrections officer, patrol officer, evidence/crime scene supervisor and investigations sergeant. He has also served as an investigator for the both the State Attorney's Office and the Public Defender's Office, serving in Gilchrist County. Mr. Schultz served as a police advisor under the direction of the International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Division of the State Department of the United States. As such, he was embedded with U. S. Army Police Mentoring Teams where he trained and mentored members of the Afghan National Police in remote areas of Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom.

Schultz has approximately two thousand hours of law enforcement training, including with the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, the U. S. Customs Service and the U. S. Army in the area of narcotics investigations. He has proven experience with

all types of investigations to include narcotics, death investigations, property crimes, persons crimes, financial and agriculture crimes, crimes against children and numerous others.

Schultz is the son of [the late] Bob Schultz and Sharon Schultz of Bell. He and his wife of 18 years—Betty Lou Baker Schultz—are the parents of four children; Keagon, Kyle, Kasydi and Kolby.

Schultz feels that his varied experience in law enforcement and with the judicial system makes him uniquely qualified to be the next Sheriff of Gilchrist County. "The people of Gilchrist County helped to instill in me strong moral values and a desire to serve which has made me the person that I am today. The time has come for me to give something back and serve them."



## Tammy Jones - Candidate for Supervisor of Elections in Levy County

Tammy Jones, a long time Levy County resident, has officially announced her candidacy for the Supervisor of Elections. Tammy has been involved in the process of planning and overseeing elections for 18 years as your Assistant Supervisor of Elections. As a long time employee of the elections office, she is uniquely qualified for the position because of her experience and knowledge of the office.

Tammy takes great pride in her service to the voters and ensuring that every vote counts, saying, "I pride myself in knowing that I have taken every step possible to make sure that every citizen that votes has their vote counted accurately and with the upmost care." She knows firsthand the importance of "every vote counts," stating, "from personal experience working here for 18 years, I have seen some really close races and it makes me appreciate every vote."

Tammy's experience in the office has ranged from the very first step in the voting process of registering citizens to vote to the tedious tasks of maintaining the voting equipment to the educational task of training the poll workers. Also, she has been responsible for sending and receiving absentee ballots. Being a military wife, one of her top priorities is ensuring our military members and their families that are deployed overseas receive their ballots in a timely manner. These are just a few examples of her many job duties. Tammy said "when you work in a small office of 4 employees it

is important that you know every job and responsibility that comes with conducting an election."

For Tammy, conducting elections is a great privilege and she takes her responsibilities serious and treats every voter and candidate with the upmost respect and dignity. Tammy has always helped make improvements to the Elections Office by implementing common-sense ideas and acquiring state-of-the-art technology to better serve the voters of Levy County.

Tammy believes in giving back to the community and has been a part of the Bronson Youth League helping her husband coach and mentor the youth. She has been involved as the Secretary for both the Bronson Grand Slam Booster Club and the Bronson Quarterback Club. Her dedication to these endeavors gave her the great honor of receiving the Bronson High School and Levy School District volunteer of the year award for 2009-2010.

Tammy was raised in Levy County and graduated from Bronson High School. She has been married for 21 years to her husband, Jim Jones. She has two children, Cassidy and Jimmy, her pride and joy.



## Nature Coast Development Council

The Nature Coast Business Development Council will conduct its regular monthly meeting 8:30 a.m. Jan. 10, 2012 at the Dogan S. Cobb Municipal Building, 660 E. Hathaway, Bronson, Fla.

The board will discuss presentation by economic consultants for possible consulting work for the NCBDC, as well as discuss the appointment of new members to its board. The 10-member board was formed by the Levy County Board of County Commissioners in 2000.

The board works with its executive director to foster business and job growth in Levy County, and promote available incentives such as tax credits and grants.

Meetings are open to the public.  
Agenda—January 10, 2011

- 1) Call to order & roll call quorum
- \_\_\_ Doug King, Chair
- \_\_\_ Sharon Battles
- \_\_\_ Marilyn Ladner, Vice Chair
- \_\_\_ Amy Mangan
- \_\_\_ Skipper Henderson, Sec./Treas.
- \_\_\_ Walt McJordan

- \_\_\_ Carol McQueen
- \_\_\_ Greg Galpin
- \_\_\_ Bob Hastings
- \_\_\_ Arlene Bell

Guests

- 2) Approval of minutes – Dec. 6 meeting
- 3) Financials
- 4) Chairman's report/old business
  - Economic consultant proposals
  - Office space relocation
  - New board member appointments
- 5) New Business
  - New board member recruitment/current member vacancies
  - Fee generation
  - Executive Director performance reviews/measurables
  - Executive Director report: Project UHT, city wish lists progress, Workforce Connection/NCBDC training luncheon, newsletter
  - 6) Board Member Comments
  - 7) Next meeting
  - 8) Adjourn

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# STARS Gala Supports Schools and Students in Levy County

By Kathy Hilliard  
 Editor

The future of our country and Levy County is in our greatest asset – our children. The Levy County Schools Foundation is a not-for-profit organization that distributes scholarships and grants to schools and students, recognizes outstanding teachers, educational staff professionals and school volunteers, and supports a variety of educational programs and projects throughout our district.

On Jan. 28 at 6 p.m. the Levy County Schools Foundation is sponsoring the 12th Annual STARS Gala – Set Sail for Education from Port Levy – at Chiefland Elementary School, 1205 NW 4th Ave. in Chiefland to continue their tradition of providing funds for our schools, students and educators of all phases. To date, the Galas have raised over \$109,000 for Foundation initiatives and during the 2010-2011 year they distributed: college scholarships to high school graduates totaling \$52,550; literacy initiatives totaling \$4,300; classroom and school grants totaling \$9,605; STEM initiatives totaling \$12,321; career and technical education totaling \$19,325; teacher and staff recognition totaling \$1,512 and community engagement totaling \$5,581.

One of the major resources of funding for this group is people signing up to be Gala Patrons. STARS Gala Sponsors will receive complimentary tickets to attend the STARS Gala event on Jan. 28 as well as be recognized during the event as a sponsor. The contribution levels to become a Gala Patron are: Gold Patrons \$1,000 and will receive one table or 8 tickets; Silver Patrons \$500 and will receive 4 tickets; Bronze Patrons \$250 will receive 2 tickets; Individual Gala Ticket contributors \$50.

The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. The evening will include: a Gourmet Dinner prepared by some of Levy County's best restaurants with Appetizers, Salad and Bread, Prime Rib, Grilled Shrimp, Green Beans and Potatoes, Tea and Coffee, and Dessert. There will be fabulous entertainment by the students of Levy County Schools, recognition of the Gala



Patrons and special guests, a Silent Auction, and Door Prizes for everyone's enjoyment. To become a Gala Patron or reserve Gala tickets contact Angela Johnson at the Foundation office at (352) 486-3408 no later than Jan. 18.

## Bronson High School's Benjamin R. Nutt Graduates Lackland

Air Force Airman 1st Class Benjamin R. Nutt graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Nutt earned distinction as an honor graduate and his flight was top in Academics, Fitness and Marksmanship.

He is the son of Richard and Kelly Nutt of Family Circle Drive, Bronson and the brother of Dewayne and Melissa.

He is a 2009 graduate of Bronson High School.

Congratulations to Air Force Airman 1st Class Benjamin R. Nutt on your accomplishment.



## Suwannee River Fair News Important Deadlines Approaching!

The entry deadline for all non-sale animals is Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2012. This includes the following divisions: horse, goat, dairy cow, rabbits, and poultry.

Exhibitors must submit a completed official entry form that has been signed by the exhibitor, exhibitor's parent or guardian, and the FFA Advisor, 4-H Agent or 4-H Leader. Entry forms are due according to registration deadlines and with the correct fees. No refunds will be made after entry deadline. All applications must be completed with required entry fee and postmarked by this date. No hand delivery is accepted. Exhibitors are encouraged to include a self-addressed, stamped post card which will be returned upon receipt of their entry forms. A list of all received entries will be posted on the fair website at mysrf.org. Entries post

marked after the deadline but on or before Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2012 will be accepted at double the entry fee.

Each year, the Suwannee River Fair & Livestock Association awards (2) \$500 scholarships to selected certified members of 4-H, FFA or FCCLA youth development programs in Dixie, Gilchrist, or Levy county. Volunteer work at the Suwannee River Fair is required. The deadline is Wednesday, March 7, 2012. Applications must be postmarked - no hand delivery is accepted.

Scholarship information and animal registration forms, along with complete rules and other important information can be found on our website at mysrf.org or call Marti Smith at (352) 262-1829.

## OUTTA' THE WOODS

# Wild hogs – nuisance or hunting opportunity?

Tony Young  
 Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

The white-tailed deer is the most popular game animal pursued each winter by Florida's more than 200,000 hunters. But, there's another big-game species that's hunted quite a bit too and is especially popular with hunters in the southern and central parts of the state: the wild hog.

Wild hogs, also called wild boars or feral pigs, aren't native to Florida. They either were introduced by colonists or may even have been brought over by the Spanish explorer Hernando DeSoto as early as 1539. Hogs provided a major food source for the early settlers, and those pigs that escaped or were released adapted and prospered readily in Florida's mild climate and varied habitats.

Though nonnative, you can hardly tell, because wild hogs are plentiful throughout Florida and can be found in all 67 counties. They live in various habitats but prefer moist forests, swamps and pine flatwoods. Abundant populations of wild hogs occur west of Lake Okeechobee, between the Kissimmee and lower St. Johns river basins, and farther north along the Gulf coastal marshes between the Aucilla and Withlacoochee rivers.

Wild hogs are omnivorous and feed by rooting up the ground with their broad snouts, leaving some areas looking like plowed fields. Because of this, they are considered by many agricultural producers to be nuisance animals. Their diet consists of grasses and flowering plants in the spring, fruits in the summer and fall, and they eat roots, tubers and invertebrates throughout the year.

As with all animals, it's against the law to release wild hogs on public lands. It's also not recommended on private lands either, unless the property is surrounded by adequate fencing.

Wild hogs have an annual home range of more than 10 square miles and are prolific reproducers. A healthy female (sow) can breed when only 6 months old and continue to breed every six months, producing four to 14 piglets per litter.

They're not listed as game animals by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) but are considered wildlife. And even though wild hogs can have negative impacts on native vegetation and wildlife, they're an important food source for several native species, including the alligator, bobcat and black bear, as well as the endangered Florida panther



and threatened American crocodile.

Wild hogs also make for a great hunting opportunity. This especially is true in the southern portion of the state where, in some areas, wild hogs actually have replaced deer as the preferred hunting species. Because of the abundance of hogs there and the fact these regions tend to have smaller-bodied deer with lighter racks, hog hunting has gotten pretty popular in those parts.

On private property with the landowner's permission, you may hunt or trap wild hogs year-round. Also, there are no size or bag limits. You may harvest either sex, and you don't even need a hunting license to do so. That goes for nonresidents as well.

Now I do need to make you aware that when hunting one of the state's many wildlife management areas (WMAs), you will need a valid Florida hunting license and a management area permit. On most WMAs, wild hogs may be hunted during all hunting seasons except spring turkey. But if it's during archery season, you must use a bow; during muzzleloading gun season, you'll have to use a muzzleloader. Also, on some WMAs, daily bag limits do apply, and in some cases, there's a minimum size limit on what you can shoot.

During this time of year, many of the WMAs' small-game seasons are going on. The great thing about that is you never need a quota permit to hunt during a WMA's small-game season, and on most of them, hogs are legal game. The only thing is, you can't use a centerfire rifle during that season, but you can use a shotgun with buckshot or a slug, or a rimfire rifle like a .22 magnum, or even a pistol if you want.

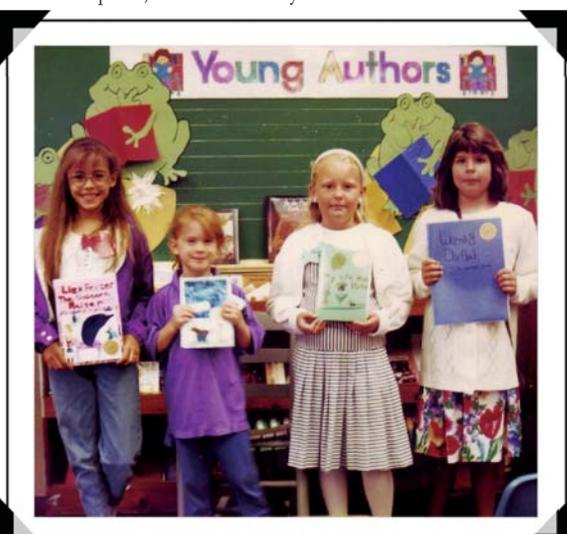
In addition to still hunting for hogs from a stand or blind, there are those hunters who prefer to catch them with traps or by the use of dogs. Special pens with trap doors work well when baited with acorns or slightly fermented corn. Dogs, such as black-mouth curs and pit bulls, make good "catch" dogs because they can be trained to capture hogs, which they do by biting down on their ears and pinning them to the ground.

So whether you think wild hogs are a nuisance or a hunting opportunity, they're a critter some of us are dealing with one way or another. Here's wishing all you hunters a great season and a wonderful new year!

Tony Young is the media relations coordinator for the FWC's Division of Hunting and Game Management. You can reach him with questions about hunting at Tony.Young@MyFWC.com.

## Found Photo

In the Fall of 2003, a *Levy County Journal* staffer discovered a white box full of photographs that may or may not have run in earlier editions of the newspaper. The box was unmarked, and the photographs remain unidentified and unclaimed. Hence the name of our feature: Found Photo. We ask our readers to take a look and see if they can identify the folks in the photo, as well as the story behind it.



Call or write to us at PO Box 2990, Chiefland, FL 32644-2990 or email editor@levyjournall.com.

# Levy County Community Calendar

## BRONSON

### Nature Coast Business Dev. Council Meeting Jan. 10

The Nature Coast Business Development Council will conduct its regular monthly meeting 8:30 a.m. Jan. 10, 2012 at the Dogan S. Cobb Municipal Building, 660 E. Hathaway, Bronson, Fla.

The board will discuss presentation by economic consultants for possible consulting work for the NCBDC, as well as discuss the appointment of new members to its board. The 10-member board was formed by the Levy County Board of County Commissioners in 2000.

The board works with its executive director to foster business and job growth in Levy County, and promote available incentives such as tax credits and grants.

Meetings are open to the public.

## CEDAR KEY

### Cedar Key Arts Center

Cedar Key Arts Center has lots to offer in January. All events are open to the public.

Cedar Key Arts Center January 2012 Workshops: Register at Cedar Keyhole or by contacting instructor. Non-members are welcome, just add \$5 to cost or join CKAC. Info at cedarkeyartscenter.org

Salons are held the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays from 3 to 5 p.m. to demonstrate and discuss different aspects of art to gain a better understanding of various media. Jan 15 – Composition and Jan 29 – Perspective.

Workshops for January: Jan. 13 – wood shade burning with Carolyn Marek or wood relief carving with Bob Marek from 10 to 5 p.m., call Donna Bushnell, 352/493-1807; Jan. 16 – color Wheel Mixing with Sandra Allen from 10 to 3 p.m., call 352/543-6208; Jan. 18 – Fabric Dyeing with Virginia Stevenson from 10 to 3 p.m., call 352/465-7809; Jan. 30 – costume jewelry rescheduled to Mar. 12.

Classes – Jan. 5 Art Education for middle/high school students, 3 p.m., call Zandy Zettler, 352/543-9920; Jan. 4, 9 to 12 p.m. Boat Builders with Earl Starnes, 352/543-6715; Photography processing and darkroom techniques with Chris Harkness at 10 a.m.; Jan. 10, Adobe Photoshop Elements (version 9) to improve/process photos with Ann Kamzelski, 7 p.m., 352/543-5568; Jan. 12, Painting 101

with Sandra K. Allen, 10 a.m., 352/543-6208; Jan. 12-Feb 16, Art Group Therapy, closed sessions, evenings with Alexandria Zettler, 352/543-9920; Jan. 20, Still Life Open Studio with Sandi Allen.

### Call to All Artists

Gallery events this winter will be open to all artists for contribution. Limit of 3 pieces per exhibitor and \$5 entry fee per piece.

Jan. 7th: Quilt Exhibit-open to community. Quilts due to CKAC by 5 p.m., on Jan. 3rd. Photographer Christian Harkness will be featured in the Members' Gallery. Gallery Reception is Jan. 7th from 5 to 7 p.m.

March 3: Salute to Wildlife of Lower Suwannee and Cedar Keys National Wildlife Refuges includes all mediums and open to the community. Due Feb. 28 by 5 p.m.

### Acoustical Afternoon for the Arts in Cedar Key Jan. 15

On Sun., Jan. 15, 2012, the 2nd annual "Acoustical Afternoon for the Arts" benefit concert and silent auction will be held from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Island Room Restaurant in Cedar Key. The silent auction will showcase pieces from a number of art festival artists including a live painting performance by well-known artist Susan Dauphinee of Cedar Key. There will be a variety of appetizers served, a no-host bar will be available, and doors will open early at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 each.

Proceeds will promote the 2012 Old Florida Celebration of the Arts, a juried fine art festival that has been happening in Cedar Key every April for the past 48 years. Reduced funding has made it necessary to raise additional monies to insure the continuation of the fine arts festival.

The musicians volunteering their time and talents for this benefit are Joe Peters and Linda Hicks (West Lafayette, Ind.) and Bishop Davidson (Nashville, Tenn.).

For a look and a listen about our performers and their music, go to: Joe Peters – www.reverbNation.com/joepeters ~ Linda Hicks – www.lindahicksmusic.com ~ MJ Bishop – www.sonicbids.com/mjbishop ~ WT Davidson – www.reverbNation.com/wtdavidson

For more information or tickets, please contact: Mandy Cassiano at 352/543-5400 or cedarkeyarts@bellsouth.net or visit Old Florida Celebration of the Arts official website www.cedarkeyartsfestival.com

## YANKEETOWN-INGLIS

### Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club Thrift Shop

The Yankeetown-Inglis Thrift Shop has reopened Tues. Jan. 3, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come and find your treasure while helping out the community.

### Zora Hurston and other Black Artists at the A.F. Knotts Public Library

The Friends of the A.F. Knotts Library invites you to join the January activities aimed at celebrating the under-recognized talent of black artists of another age through books, films, and a live performance. The A.F. Knotts Public Library at 11 56th Street, Yankeetown, is the place to meet.

Tues., Jan. 10, at 8:00 p.m. the award winning film by Vincent Minnelli "Cabin in the Sky" will be shown. This 1943 musical film has an all black cast which includes singer Lena Horne, Ethel Waters, and Eddie "Rochester" Anderson.

Fri., Jan. 13, at 11:00 a.m., there will be a viewing of the PBS documentary "Zora's Roots" and at 1:30 p.m. a showing of "Their Eyes Were Watching God", based on Zora Neale Hurston's best known novel. Hurston was an award winning novelist in the first half of the 1900s and was raised in

Eatonville, Fla.

Mon., Jan. 16, at 2:00 p.m., a Performance by Phyllis McEwan - "Zora Live" presented through Florida Humanities Council.

Wed., Jan. 18, at 1:30 p.m., the Book Talk Group will discuss Hurston's novel Their Eyes Were Watching God.

Join us and visit the Friends website at friendsofaknotts.com for more information and ongoing activities.

## WILLISTON

### Williston Area Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet Jan. 20

Please mark your 2012 calendar for a very special event, the Williston Area Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet. The Egg-stravaganza this year will feature a grand prize of a 37" flat screen TV. The Banquet will be held on Jan. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Williston Highlands Golf & Country Club and the cost of \$25 per person includes a full meal and dessert. Table sponsorships are \$200 for a table of 6.

### Levy County Fair Association Gearing UP for April 2012

Preparations are underway for the 2012 Levy County Fair. The Fair will be April 12 through 15, at the Williston Airport Industrial Park, just across from the Williston Horseman's Park.

The Fair Association is now collecting donations for its' annual yard sale fundraiser. We are a non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible. We also REALLY need a large storage shed for both the yard sale and then at the Fairgrounds. We can pick up and move any donations. Call Marc at 352/538-5551 to make arrangements.

There is currently a lot of planning underway. Please visit our web site at www.LevyCountyFair.com and click on the Creative Arts link to see all the Creative Arts categories from Baking & Food Preservation, to Sewing and Hobby Crafts. We will have a Livestock Show that will include Steers, Heifers, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Rabbits and Poultry.

Remember the Levy County Fair is not just a livestock show, we will have a full Midway with lots of exciting rides, attractions, games, tons of great food, a variety of exhibitors and much more, all for one low gate-admission price! Mark your calendars now and check out the website or call 352/528-2516.

## DUNNELLON-RAINBOW SPRINGS

### The Historic Village Merchants of Dunnellon Village Market Jan. 7

The Historic Village Merchants of Dunnellon invite you to join us for our First Saturday Village market on Saturday, Jan. 7, 2012 which runs from 9 to 2 p.m. Come stroll down W. Pennsylvania Avenue to Cedar Street and then up to Walnut and Chestnut streets. This event features vendors selling their arts and crafts as well as people selling homemade goodies. All of the shops will be open for business as usual. Come bring your whole family and enjoy! Happy New Year!

## CHIEFLAND

### Friends of the Chiefland Library Board Meet Jan. 12

The Friends of the Luther Callaway Public Library (FLCPL) Board of Directors, will hold their monthly meeting at the Library, 104 NE 3rd Street, Chiefland (a block behind City Hall), at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 12. The Luther Callaway Public Library is the Chiefland Branch of the Levy County Public Library System. For an agenda, email: tomreitz@msn.com The FLCPL supports the Luther Callaway Public Library by promoting the Library's programs and resources and through fund-raising, projects to augment the Library's budget for the purchase of reading materials, books on tape, videos, operating supplies and minor equipment. Members, prospective members and guests are encouraged to attend the meeting. For further information, call FLCPL president Tom Reitz at 493-1896 or 949-5413.

### Chiefland Train Depot Museum Committee Meeting Jan. 17

The City of Chiefland Train Depot Museum Committee will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012 at 1 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Train Depot. All interested persons are encouraged to attend. Anyone who has any historical artifacts, pictures or information on the history of Chiefland they wish to donate or loan to the city can contact Laurie Copeland at City Hall, 214 East Park Ave., Chiefland, FL 32626 (352) 493-6711

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with Disabilities needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the office of the City Manager at City Hall, address listed above.

### 12th Annual 2012 STARS Gala Jan. 28

The Levy County Schools Foundation is sponsoring the 12th Annual STARS Gala – Set Sail for Education from Port Levy – on Jan. 28, 2012 at 6 p.m. at Chiefland Elementary School, 1205 NW 4th Ave. in Chiefland. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. The evening will include: a Gourmet Dinner prepared by some of Levy County's best restaurants

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## Levy County Saltwater and Freshwater Tides

DAY	HIGH /LOW	TIDE TIME	HEIGHT /FEET	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOON TIME	% MOON VISIBLE
<b>Cedar Key</b>						
Th	5	Low	5:27 AM	-0.2	7:27 AM	Set 4:11 AM
	5	High	12:06 PM	2.5	5:48 PM	Rise 2:51 PM
	5	Low	4:52 PM	1.6		
	5	High	10:42 PM	3.4		
F	6	Low	6:14 AM	-0.4	7:27 AM	Set 5:04 AM
	6	High	12:52 PM	2.7	5:49 PM	Rise 3:40 PM
	6	Low	5:47 PM	1.5		
	6	High	11:30 PM	3.6		
Sa	7	Low	6:55 AM	-0.6	7:27 AM	Set 5:56 AM
	7	High	1:31 PM	2.8	5:50 PM	Rise 4:34 PM
	7	Low	6:35 PM	1.3		
Su	8	High	12:14 AM	3.7	7:27 AM	Set 6:45 AM
	8	Low	7:32 AM	-0.8	5:50 PM	Rise 5:31 PM
	8	High	2:06 PM	2.9		
	8	Low	7:19 PM	1.2		
M	9	High	12:56 AM	3.7	7:27 AM	Set 7:31 AM
	9	Low	8:08 AM	-0.8	5:51 PM	Rise 6:31 PM
	9	High	2:38 PM	3		
	9	Low	8:00 PM	1		
Tu	10	High	1:38 AM	3.8	7:27 AM	Set 8:13 AM
	10	Low	8:42 AM	-0.8	5:52 PM	Rise 7:32 PM
	10	High	3:08 PM	3.1		
	10	Low	8:41 PM	0.9		
W	11	High	2:20 AM	3.7	7:27 AM	Set 8:52 AM
	11	Low	9:17 AM	-0.7	5:53 PM	Rise 8:34 PM
	11	High	3:37 PM	3.2		
	11	Low	9:23 PM	0.7		
<b>Suwannee River Entrance</b>						
Th	5	Low	5:45 AM	-0.2	7:28 AM	Set 4:12 AM
	5	High	12:12 PM	2.2	5:48 PM	Rise 2:52 PM
	5	Low	5:10 PM	1.5		
	5	High	10:48 PM	3		
F	6	Low	6:32 AM	-0.4	7:28 AM	Set 5:05 AM
	6	High	12:58 PM	2.4	5:49 PM	Rise 3:41 PM
	6	Low	6:05 PM	1.4		
	6	High	11:36 PM	3.2		
Sa	7	Low	7:13 AM	-0.6	7:28 AM	Set 5:57 AM
	7	High	1:37 PM	2.5	5:50 PM	Rise 4:34 PM
	7	Low	6:53 PM	1.2		
Su	8	High	12:20 AM	3.3	7:28 AM	Set 6:46 AM
	8	Low	7:50 AM	-0.8	5:51 PM	Rise 5:32 PM
	8	High	2:12 PM	2.6		
	8	Low	7:37 PM	1.1		
M	9	High	1:02 AM	3.3	7:28 AM	Set 7:31 AM
	9	Low	8:26 AM	-0.8	5:51 PM	Rise 6:31 PM
	9	High	2:44 PM	2.6		
	9	Low	8:18 PM	0.9		
Tu	10	High	1:44 AM	3.3	7:28 AM	Set 8:14 AM
	10	Low	9:00 AM	-0.8	5:52 PM	Rise 7:33 PM
	10	High	3:14 PM	2.7		
	10	Low	8:59 PM	0.9		
W	11	High	2:26 AM	3.3	7:28 AM	Set 8:53 AM
	11	Low	9:35 AM	-0.7	5:53 PM	Rise 8:34 PM
	11	High	3:43 PM	2.8		
	11	Low	9:41 PM	0.7		
<b>Withlacochee River Entrance</b>						
Th	5	Low	6:22 AM	-0.2	7:25 AM	Set 4:10 AM
	5	High	12:13 PM	2.3	5:47 PM	Rise 2:51 PM
	5	Low	5:47 PM	1.5		
	5	High	10:49 PM	3.1		
F	6	Low	7:09 AM	-0.4	7:26 AM	Set 5:03 AM
	6	High	12:59 PM	2.5	5:48 PM	Rise 3:40 PM
	6	Low	6:42 PM	1.4		
	6	High	11:37 PM	3.3		
Sa	7	Low	7:50 AM	-0.6	7:26 AM	Set 5:55 AM
	7	High	1:38 PM	2.5	5:49 PM	Rise 4:33 PM
	7	Low	7:30 PM	1.2		
Su	8	High	12:21 AM	3.4	7:26 AM	Set 6:44 AM
	8	Low	8:27 AM	-0.8	5:50 PM	Rise 5:30 PM
	8	High	2:13 PM	2.6		
	8	Low	8:14 PM	1.1		
M	9	High	1:03 AM	3.4	7:26 AM	Set 7:29 AM
	9	Low	9:03 AM	-0.8	5:50 PM	Rise 6:30 PM
	9	High	2:45 PM	2.7		
	9	Low	8:55 PM	0.9		
Tu	10	High	1:45 AM	3.5	7:26 AM	Set 8:12 AM
	10	Low	9:37 AM	-0.8	5:51 PM	Rise 7:31 PM
	10	High	3:15 PM	2.8		
	10	Low	9:36 PM	0.9		
W	11	High	2:27 AM	3.4	7:26 AM	Set 8:51 AM
	11	Low	10:12 AM	-0.7	5:52 PM	Rise 8:33 PM
	11	High	3:44 PM	2.9		
	11	Low	10:18 PM	0.7		

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# Around the Nature Coast

## SRWMD Governing Board Meetings

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2012, the Suwannee River Water management District's Governing Board will meet at 9 a.m. at Alachua City Hall, 15100 NW 142nd Terrace, Alachua, Fla. 32615. The meeting is to consider District business and conduct public hearings on regulatory, real estate, and other various matters including the 2012 Florida Work Plan and the 2012-2021 Strategic Plan. Following the meeting, the Governing Board will workshop and tour South Florida Water Management District; the workshop and tour will be Jan. 10, 2012 through Jan. 12, 2012.

On Monday, Jan. 30, 2012, at 1 p.m., a tentative Intermediate Governing Board Meeting will be held at District Headquarters in Live Oak, Fla. Public should check the District website or contact the District to confirm that the meeting has not been cancelled or rescheduled.

All meetings, workshops, and hearings are open to the public.

## Do You Have Questions About Medicare?

Do you have questions about your options for Medicare, Medicare/Medicaid, Disability, Supplemental Insurance, Part D Prescription Drug Plans, or Medicare Billings?

If you do, come see SHINE, a volunteer program with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, for one-on-one counseling. SHINE provides free, unbiased and confidential assistance. If you cannot come to a site call the Elder Helpline at 1-800-262-2243 to be referred to a SHINE Volunteer near you. SHINE will be at: Wed, January 18th 1:30-3:30pm Chiefland Sr Ctr.

## Guardian Ad Litem New Class Jan. 10, 2012

Make a New Years Resolution to advocate for abused and neglected children. No special background needed. Legal and staff support provided. Next class starts Jan 10th. Call 352/493-6051 or go to [www.gal.alachua.fl.us](http://www.gal.alachua.fl.us)

## Levy County Coalition Against Tobacco Meeting Jan. 10

The Levy County Coalition against Tobacco will be holding a meeting on Tues. Jan. 10, 2012 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Capital City Bank of Chiefland. The Public is encouraged to attend.

## USDA Commodity Distribution for Levy County

Jan. 10	Inglis Community Center	1 to 2 p.m.
Jan. 14	Chiefland Methodist Church	707 Main St 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
Jan. 19	Williston Masonic Lodge	1 to 2 p.m.
Jan. 24	Bronson Ag Building Hwy 27	1 to 2 p.m.
Jan. 24	Otter Creek Town Hall	2:30 to 3 p.m.

USDA is available to all eligible recipients. There will be certification available to those who have not registered. If you have any questions please call 352/336-0839.

## WWII Veterans Meeting Jan. 12

World War II Veterans will start the new year at a meeting on Jan. 12th at 11:30 a.m. at Akins Bar-B-Q and Grill in Bell. May this year be a prosperous and healthy year for you and yours. All WW II veterans are welcome to join us. Bring your spouse, a friend or a fellow veteran and join in the camaraderie.

We enjoyed our December meeting at the Island Room in Cedar Key in December. The food was outstanding and the weather was perfect. Wayland Wadley was raised in Cedar Key and talked about the early days there. He brought a slew of beautiful pictures. Waylan is also very "Crafty" and displayed a lighted Christmas Tree he made with the use of fish line.

May 2012 be an outstanding year for our country. "Let there be Peace On Earth and let it begin with me." God bless all of our veterans for the price they've paid for our freedoms and the price they continue to pay.

Our sympathies to the family's of two of our members, Pauline Barton age 94, a retired professor of Nursing at UF who served with the U.S. Army, and Virgil Sirmans age 91, US Marine Corps who is survived by Betty, his wife of 64. Dot Halvorsen-352/542-7697.

## Simple Steps to Start Your Business Jan. 30

The College of Central Florida Levy Center and SCORE Gainesville, counselors to America's small business, have joined forces to present Simple Steps to Starting Your Business.

This free introductory workshop will be held on Monday, Jan. 30, from 6 to 9 p.m. The focus is on testing your business idea and identifying the key factors that influence start-up success.

This workshop will provide an overview of the skills and tools needed when deciding to start a business. Learn about the advantages and disadvantages of owning a business, the most profitable form for your business, and the fundamentals of formation, organization, marketing, cash flow and funding sources. At the conclusion, participants may sign up for additional business planning and mentoring sessions for a modest fee.

Participants must register in advance to attend this free session. Register in person at the Levy Center, 114 Rodgers Blvd., Chiefland, or online at [CFItraining.cf.edu](http://CFItraining.cf.edu) (select Levy noncredit classes). For more information call 352/493-9533.

## Tax-Aide Volunteers Needed

AARP Tax-Aide is looking for volunteers to help with tax preparation in their community. Tax-Aide also needs instructors and computer technicians. The Luther Callaway Library is the Chiefland tax site. For information call Bob at (352) 463-8936 or email: [reburkhardt@earthlink.net](mailto:reburkhardt@earthlink.net)

## WRPC Working Groups Meeting Jan. 27

The working groups of the Levy County Local Mitigation Strategy and Community Wildfire Protection Plans will hold their quarterly meeting on Jan. 27, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the emergency Operations Center in Bronson. For further information contact Michael Arnold, LEPC-5 Coordinator/ Snior Planner, Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council, at 352/732-1315 ext 228.

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with Appetizers, Salad and Bread, Prime Rib, Grilled Shrimp, Green Beans and Potatoes, Tea and Coffee, and Dessert. There will be fabulous entertainment by the students of Levy County Schools, recognition of the Gala Patrons and special guests, a Silent Auction, and Door Prizes for everyone's enjoyment.

To become a Gala Patron or reserve Gala tickets contact Angela Johnson at the Foundation office at (352) 486-3408 no later than Jan. 18

## College of Central Florida

### CF Holiday Hours

The College of Central reopened Tuesday, Jan. 3, at 8 a.m. Classes begin Thursday, Jan. 5. Some offices will have limited operations during the break to assist students.

Levy Center Enrollment Services will be open Dec. 27 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center is located at 114 Rodgers Blvd. in Chiefland.

A full schedule is available at the CF website, [www.CF.edu](http://www.CF.edu). Click on MyCF at the top right.

## CNA Course Jan. 23

The College of Central Florida Levy Center is accepting applications for the next Certified Nursing Assistant training program which begins Monday, Jan. 23.

This 120-hour program prepares students to take the Florida CNA exam and to work as a nursing assistant in hospitals, long-term care facilities, outpatient clinics and physician's offices. The course consists of classroom instruction, skills lab training and hands-on clinical experience. Training is approximately six weeks and takes place at the Levy Center, 114 Rodgers Blvd. in Chiefland, and Ayers Health and Rehabilitation Center in Trenton.

A high school diploma or GED is not required but prospective candidates must take the Test of Adult Basic Education prior to enrolling in the class. To make an appointment to take the TABE at the Levy Center call 352-493-9533. Cost is \$15.

The course fee is \$589 and additional expenses include textbook, background screening, health screening, uniform and the cost of the state exam. This course is not eligible for federal financial aid including Pell Grant. For more information call 352/493-9533.

Free Workshop to Start a Business Jan. 30  
CCF and Gainesville Score will be holding a workshop entitled "Simple Steps to Starting Your Business." This workshop will be held on Mon., Jan. 30 from 6 to 9 p.m. This is a free workshop. For more information please call 352/493-9533, ext. 2106.

## GILCHRIST COUNTY

### Free Computer Classes for Job Assistance Jan. 9

Beginning on Jan. 9, 2012 Florida Crown Workforce Board will be offering FREE computer classes in the Trenton office at 211-B SE 11 St. Basic computer classes will be offered to assist those that are new to using a computer. We will also have basic computers classes for veterans and seniors. An advanced computing course will be offered that will cover Microsoft Word, Power Point, Publisher, Outlook, and Excel. Every Tuesday, we will feature a resume writing and interview skills workshop. This is a great opportunity to create a new resume or update an existing one. It's also an opportunity to brush up on your interview skills. Contact Jackie Loubet at (352) 463-3677, ext. 109 for more information or to indicate your interest in attending one of these free classes. Space will fill up quickly and is on a first-come, first-served basis.

## BRANFORD

### Branford Camera Club Meeting Jan. 12

The Branford Camera Club will start off the new year on Thurs., Jan. 12 (an exception to our usual 3rd Thursday of the month to accommodate our speaker), at 7 p.m. We will be meeting at our new location, Cuzin's Restaurant, on US 129 across from Scaff's Market in Branford. Come about 6 p.m. to join some of us for dinner before the meeting.

To kick off our programs for the new year, we will have Lou Kellenberger from St. Mark's Photo Club as our special guest speaker. Lou will share skills, tips, and tricks for photographing wildlife. If you would like to get to know Lou and view some of his work before our meeting, please visit his website at <http://loukellenbergerphotography.zenfolio.com>

If you got a new camera for Christmas and need some help getting started, bring it with you to the meeting along with the instruction manual. You'll find folks ready and willing to help you out. After Lou's class, we will share our Christmas homework pictures and other photos as time permits.

The Branford Camera Club meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month, with an occasional exception, for the purpose of sharing, learning, and enjoying all things photographic. We are an eclectic group with experiences ranging from complete novice to consummate professional. Please join us.

For more information, please contact: Carolyn Hogue, Program Chair, 386/935-2044; Dick Madden, Technical Consultant, 386/935-0296; Skip Weigel, Technical Consultant, 386/935-1382.



# State Park Takes Public Comment on Cave Diving

The Department of Environmental Protection's Florida Park Service will host a public workshop on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012 to hear from the public regarding the proposed inclusion of recreational cave diving at Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park.

The Florida Park Service is examining proposals to provide recreational cave diving in Wakulla Spring. In an effort to solicit the views of the local community, the park's citizen support organization and other park stakeholders, public comment will be taken before formally proposing the addition of cave diving in Wakulla Spring. Interested

parties unable to attend the public workshop on Jan. 19 may send written comments to the Division of Recreation and Parks' Office of Park Planning, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd, Mailstation 525, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

Featuring one of the largest and deepest freshwater springs in the world, Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park is home to an abundance of wildlife, including alligators, turtles, deer, and birds.

The public workshop will be held on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012, at 7 p.m. at the Wakulla County Agriculture Extension.



A serene view of Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park

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# Worship Directory

**Ellzey United Methodist Church**  
 Corner of 336 & Hwy 24  
 Worship Service.....11:00am  
 Sunday School.....9:45am  
**Pastor Terry Knight**

**First Baptist Church Chiefland**  
 511 N. Young Blvd. (US Alt. 27)  
 352-493-1481  
 Visit us online at [www.fbcChiefland.com](http://www.fbcChiefland.com)  
**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**  
 Bible Study for all ages 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
*Bible Class 9:15am*  
*Worship Service 10:30am*  
 352-493-4597  
 4 miles N of Walmart on Hwy 19 (before Dakota Winery)

**CONCORD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 5551 NW CR 336  
 Chiefland, FL 32626  
 (352) 493-1219  
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 Sunday School.....10 a.m.  
 Worship Service.....11 a.m.  
 Discipleship Training.....6 p.m.  
 Worship Service.....7 p.m.  
 Wed. Night Prayer Service.....7 p.m.  
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 463-6369  
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 Bro. Tony Barber, Pastor  
 Services...  
**Sunday -**  
 Sunday School 9:00am  
 Worship 10:00am  
**Wednesday -**  
 Dinner 5:30pm  
 Awanas 6:00pm  
 Worship 7:00pm  
 171 SW 3rd Street - Otter Creek  
 352-486-2112

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF CHIEFLAND**  
  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:15 a.m. Worship  
 707 N. Main St. • 493-4627

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 4050 N.W. Hwy. 27  
 493-1561 or 493-9723  
 Saturday Evening 5:30pm  
 Sunday 8:30am  
 Religious Education Class  
 Wed 6:00pm-7:10pm pre K-12th  
**Father Joe McDonell**

**First Baptist Church**  
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**Tuesday:** Sr. Adult Bible Study 10:00am  
**Wednesday:** Church Supper 5:30pm, RA/GA Children's Program 6:30pm, Full Throttle Youth 6:30pm, Prayer Hour 6:30pm  
**Pastor Troy A. Turner**  
 451 S. Court Street - Bronson, FL 32621 - 352.486.2282

**Pine Grove Baptist Church**  
 16655 N. W. CR 339  
 Trenton, Florida 32693  
 352-463-2151  
[www.pgbcfl.com](http://www.pgbcfl.com)  
 Dr. Greg Douglas, Senior Pastor  
 Pastor Rickey Whiteley, Assoc. Pastor/Youth  
 Pastor Emanuel Harris, Education/Children  
 Pastor Jared Douglas, Collegiate/Missions  
 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday Night Services:**  
 Prayer Meeting, Youth, College & Career ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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**Manatee Springs Church of Christ**  
**Sunday**  
 10 a.m. .... Bible Study  
 11 a.m. .... Worship Period  
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**Minister Gene Dumas**  
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## Church Calendar

### Fish Dinner at Holy Family Catholic Church Jan. 13, 2012

The Fish Dinner, fried or baked, at Holy Family Catholic Church Parish Hall will be on Friday Jan. 13, 2012 at 5 p.m. Adults \$7, smaller portion \$6, children under 12 \$4.

Lite Lunch will be on Wed. Jan. 18 from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Angel House Thrift Store is open Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. every weekend.

This weekend because of the Men's Club Flea Market on Saturday only there will be a special \$2 bag day. All the clothes you can fit in a plastic shopping bag for \$2. The ladies there will be happy to show you how to fold to get the most for your money.

We are located 3 miles N. of Williston on Hwy 27A

### YOU are invited to a Free Movie in Bronson Jan. 14

Bronson United Methodist Church invites everyone to a free movie on Saturday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall. There will be popcorn and soft drinks provided. The movie showing will be Soul Surfer.

Soul Surfer is the inspiring true story of teen surfer Bethany Hamilton, who lost her arm in a shark attack and courageously overcame all odds to become a champion again, through her sheer determination and unwavering faith. The film features an all-star cast, including AnnaSophia Robb and Helen Hunt, with Carrie Underwood in her film debut, and Dennis Quaid.

In the wake of this life-changing event that took her arm and nearly her life, Bethany's feisty determination and steadfast beliefs spur her toward an adventurous comeback that gives her the grit to turn her loss into a gift for others.

This will be the first of a monthly event. Please come enjoy the free movie and refreshments. The church is located at 235 Court Street, Bronson, just north of the courthouse on the east side of the street. If you need further information, please call the church office at 352/486-2281 or Sue Bazin at 352/486-4094. We look forward to seeing you!

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors -- You Are Welcome Here!

## A Relative Disaster

By Daris Howard

The church bulletin carried a notice for a genealogy class that was going to be offered in our local community. A friend of mine joked that I ought to take it to help me find out why I'm so nutty.

"Maybe you will learn that you have had squirrels in your family tree."

"Very funny," I replied.

But I must admit that the thought intrigued me. I have some old aunts that work on this kind of thing all of the time. They can tell me who my ancestors are back to somewhere around ten generations before Adam and Eve. But I had never done much with it myself, so I decided to give it a go.

When I arrived at the designated classroom, I saw rows and rows of computers. The instructor greeted me and told me to take a seat at any of them. I chose one that looked good, where I would also have an unobstructed view of the screen at the front.

As the other students filed in, I found I knew most of them. A neighbor took one of the seats next to me. She said it was her second time taking the class.

"Is it that hard?" I asked.

"Oh, no," she laughed. "It's just that it allows me to use the commercial software for free."

When the class finally started, the instructor showed us some things, and then let us try it on our own. Some, like my neighbor, were busily working away, not needing any instruction.

We had been asked to bring our family chart filled out as far back as we could. I had it done by my grandparents. It wasn't long before I had all of the information for my great grandparents and was working my way back to my pioneer ancestors and their families.

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## Laying a Foundation for Generations to Come

I was buckling my six year olds seat belt last Sunday morning when I noticed a far off look in his eyes. "What you thinking Josh," I inquired.

"Thinking about playing," He stated simply. Then nodding, as if considering it further he added, "I'm like the KING of playing." I'll give it to him. The boy does have one of the most active imaginations I've ever seen. You toss him an old gum wrapper and thirty seconds later he's slaying a dragon with it- and not without a full array of accompanying sound effects. He'll take one of my old Matchbox cars and entertain himself for hours. I don't know where he gets it.

I ventured another question on the drive to Church. "So why you been getting up so early to go with daddy?" (I usually get there two hours early for Praise team practice.)

"I like a little peace and quiet," he quipped, "Momma and Sissy are toooooo loud." That didn't require further explanation, so we both nodded and rode on.

Once at the Church we each settled in to our routines; him playing with cars, and me with guitars. Later when I went to the men's room I was startled by a voice from the stall, "Hey daddy."

I looked around, thinking I was hearing things. "That you Josh?"

"Yeah," he giggled, "I seen your big ole' feet."

After a flush he busted out of the stall stating, "You're a Bigfoot daddy. If you walked like Frankenstein you'd kick yourself in the face. Hee hee hee..."

While I stood there trying to decide if that was funny or not, he rushed out and got big laughs with the guys on the praise team. What a wise guy! I don't know where he gets it.

After Church my Christian rock band SoulFood had a date booked at the local nursing home. When Joshua heard, he begged to go.

"Aren't you tired yet?" I implored, "You've already put in quite a day."

He looked up at me as if I'd busted the stitches on my frontal lobotomy, or at least wiggled my neck bolt loose. He completely ignored my silly question and rushed me with a litany of his own, concerning what band equipment we'd be bringing. Not that he cared how we sounded. He just wanted to know how much gear he'd get to tote to prove his muscles. What a show off. I don't know where he gets it.

Joshua ran circles around us old timers at the load in, and



But Anyway... with Guy Sheffield

after everything was set up, he hit me up about the snack machine. I extolled him briefly about the virtues of capitalism and flipped him a dollar for his hard work. He came back with a bag of Funyuns.

Soon the crowd rolled in (literally). Joshua grabbed a table up front and whipped out a candy bar of mysterious origins. There was no time to ask, so I just shook my head and began the show. Somewhere along the set I lost track of him. It wasn't until we eased into a soothing worship song from which to launch an altar call that I heard from him again. It was in the form of a terribly off key clanging from across the hall. He was banging on an old piano! I tried to flag him down, but he was jamming way too hard to be distracted. Finally, I screamed in the microphone, "Josh!" He pounded one last note and spun around with all the swagger of Jerry Lee Lewis hawking a new ego enhancing drug. There was a moment of silence, followed thankfully, by a room full of chuckles. With the new lighter mood, three patients went on to give their hearts to Jesus. Praise the Lord, the boys anointed!

Joshua sauntered back to his seat where he opened three packages of peanut butter crackers. I watched disgustedly as he maneuvering them around the dirty table like checker pieces until I couldn't help myself.

"Josh!" I lamented, "Where'd you get those?"

He parted his lips to smile and spewed out enough crumbs to choke a stump grinder. Again chuckles filled the room. One lady waved me off, "Honey, you leave that boy to us. We're taking good care of him."

After the service Joshua tagged along while I shook hands and prayed for folks. What a delight it was to watch him hit his knees and bow reverently beside those wheelchairs; a humbling moment that really puts a dad's heart in his throat. Joshua's so sweet. I don't know where he... Oh yeah I do. He gets that from his mamma.

But anyway- Overall it was just another typical Sunday with my boy. He and his sister have a unique way of helping me keep life in perspective. I reckon there's no task I've been asked to do that could rival the responsibility I have to raise them both to know and follow the Lord. Abraham was chosen to be the father of our faith because of that. God said, (For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him. Genesis 18:19 KJV)

Hopefully, when it's Josh's turn to be dad he'll have a firm foundation of God's ways under his Franken feet, and he'll pass it on down.

-Guy Sheffield

You can visit Guy Sheffield at his website [www.butanyway.org](http://www.butanyway.org), or email him at [sfm4christ@gmail.com](mailto:sfm4christ@gmail.com).

## Obituaries

### EVELYN L. PHILLIPS

Evelyn L. Phillips of Chiefland passed away on Dec. 12, 2011 at her home at the age of 81. Born in Thomasville, Ga. she moved to this area in 1999 from San Antonio, Tex. She is a member of the Church of God in Manhattan, and a member of Moose Lodge #494, VFW Ladies Auxiliary #5625, and the Republican National Committee. Mrs. Phillips was a homemaker and also worked as a cashier and secretary. She worked for five years for Southway Ford in San Antonio, Tex.

Mrs. Phillips was preceded in death by her husband, Paul W. Phillips, and brother James Jackson.

She is survived by her daughter Brenda Rose (Robert) O'Connor of Ohio, sons, Guy Conner (Teresa) Williams of Corpus Christi, Tex. and Dan (Emily) Williams of Chiefland; her sister, Mary Buyers of

Chiefland; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Memorial Services were held Thursday, December 15, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the Assembly of God Church in Chiefland.

Arrangements were placed under the care of Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services in Chiefland, 352/493-0050. On line condolences may be sent through our website at [www.hiers-baxley.com](http://www.hiers-baxley.com)

### BERNICE RENA PATTERSON

January 8, 1971 - December 29, 2011  
 Bernice Rena Patterson passed away December 29, 2011 in Gainesville at the age of 40. She was born on January 8, 1971 to George and Nola Patterson in Gainesville. She was a housewife and has lived in this area all her life. She was of the Christian faith and belonged to the Church of God. She loved her grandchildren and loved

spending time with them whenever she could.

Bernice leaves behind her husband of 7 years, Leon Moore, her sons, Denver Patterson (Jamie) and Jonathon Cook; her daughters, Amanda Patterson and Crystal Lamb; her father, George Patterson Jr.; her brothers: Vernon Patterson, Randall Patterson and Junior Davis (Dora); her sister, Brenda Eldridge (Edward); five grandchildren and several adopted grandchildren.

Services were held on January 2, 2012, at 2 p.m. at Knauff Funeral Home in Chiefland with visitation at 1 p.m. The service was officiated by Reverend Joe Link and interment followed at Long Pond Cemetery in Chiefland. Arrangements were placed under the care of Knauff Funeral Home-Chiefland, Fla.

LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 6648-05 of the sale of 2005 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): MARGARET SMITH  
 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 44, BLOCK 2, CORRECTIVE PLAT OF OAK FOREST ESTATES IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 29, 29A AND 29B, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: T. JEAN MADDEN

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): COUNTY HELD CERTIFICATE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: COMMENCING AT A POINT WHERE THE RANGE LINE DIVIDES 14 & 15, CROSSES THE RIGHT OF WAY OF A.C.C. RAILROAD ON THE WEST SIDE AND RUNNING SOUTH ON RANGE LINE 150 FEET; THENCE RUN WEST 65 FEET; THENCE NORTH 175 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID LAND BEING IN SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 15 EAST, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA. LESS AND EXCEPT ANY EXISTING ROAD RIGHT OF WAYS.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: LENARD E JAMISON, FANNIE MAE JAMISON

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 0667-08 of the sale of 2008 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): TIMBERLAKE PRESERVE LLC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: THE E 1/2 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF

THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: C. SANTAMARIA, O. RODRIGUEZ, CAYETANO SANTAMARIA, ONEIDA RODRIGUEZ

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 3856-08 of the sale of 2008 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): WOMBLE, BILL

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 3, BLOCK 42, WILLISTON HIGHLANDS UNIT 12, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 13, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: ROBERT DARDEN, KEVIN ROBERT DARDEN

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 3985-08 of the sale of 2008 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): WOMBLE, BILL

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 1, BLOCK 4M IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST IN LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA AS RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 18A AND 18B.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: CHAN H. CHIN, ALICE J CHIN

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s)

of Certificate number 0337-09 of the sale of 2009 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): CHARLES CASEY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: THE SOUTH 330 FEET OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 14, RANGE 14, LYING WEST OF STATE ROAD 345, SITUATE IN LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: JUDY MOSES, KEVIN B NYACK

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 0690-09 of the sale of 2009 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): TIMBERLAKE PRESERVE LLC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: THE E 1/2 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: LUIS SILVA

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 0691-09 of the sale of 2009 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): TIMBERLAKE PRESERVE LLC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: R. H. TARRADEL, M. A. ABREU, RAMADES HERRERO TARRADEL, MIREYA ALVAREZ ABREU

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 1007-09 of the sale of 2009 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): SHIRLEY DIGREGORIO

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: THE E 1/2 OF THE NE 1/4, OF THE NW 1/4, OF THE SE 1/4, OF THE NW 1/4, OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS TRACT 140.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: ISMAEL TORRES-RODRIGUEZ

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 1010-09 of the sale of 2009 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): SHIRLEY DIGREGORIO

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: THE E 1/2, OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4, OF THE SE 1/4, OF THE NW 1/4, OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: GENEROSA FANTAUZZI, GENEROSA FANTAUZZI VDA DE ACEVEDO

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 2730-09 of the sale of 2009 has (have) filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The name(s) of the holder(s) of said Certificate, the description of the property, the name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows:

NAME(S) OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER(S): DAVID DIBARTOLOMEO

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 1 AND 11 AND THE SOUTHERLY 20 FEET OF LOTS 2 AND 10, BLOCK D, HALE'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF CEDAR KEY, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 22, PUBLIC RECORDS OF

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA. NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: MICHAEL FISCHER, GAIL FISCHER

All of said property being in the County of Levy, State of Florida.

Unless such Certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such Certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the Courthouse lobby on the 23rd day of January, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00

DATED this 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 Pub: Dec 22, 2011, Dec 29, 2011, Jan 05, 2012, Jan 12, 2012.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA JUVENILE DIVISION CASE NO: 38-2011-DP-0024

IN THE INTEREST OF: K. A-J (M) 3/15/2010

A minor child

**NOTICE OF SUIT FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION**

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO:

Leslie Thomas  
 Address unknown

You are hereby notified that a petition under oath has been filed in the above-styled Court for the termination of your parental rights to K. A-J, a male child born March 15, 2010, in Marion County, Florida, and for permanent commitment of the child to the Department of Children and Families for subsequent adoption. You are hereby commanded to be and appear before the General Magistrate, at the Levy County Courthouse, Bronson, Florida, on the 18th day of January, 2012, at 9:40 a.m. for an Advisory Hearing.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED, YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE NAMED CHILD.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY REPRESENT YOU IN THIS MATTER. IF YOU WANT AN ATTORNEY BUT ARE UNABLE TO AFFORD ONE, THE COURT WILL APPOINT AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU.

This notice shall be published once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in *The Levy County Journal* at Bronson, Florida, commencing on December 22, 2011.

WITNESS my hand as the clerk of said Court and the Seal therefore, this day of December, 2011. (COURT SEAL)

DANNY J. SHIPP  
 Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Judy Marino  
 Deputy Clerk

KRISTINE L. COFFIN,  
 ESQUIRE

Florida Bar No. 0068508  
 Attorney for the Department

P.O. Box 1459  
 Chiefland, FL 32644

Telephone: (352) 493-6850  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY**

CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 38-2008-CA-000940

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVI-SEES, GRANTEES, AS-SIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, TRUSTEES OF HELEN BAXTER HAWKINS, DECEASED; CLIFF HAWKINS, HEIR; SUZANNE MCDONALD, HEIR; LIANNE YOUNG, HEIR; IF LIVING, IN-CLUDING ANY UNKNOWN

SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVI-SEES, GRANTEES, AS-SIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); SUN-TRUST BANK, N.A.; Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVI-SEES, GRANTEES, AS-SIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, TRUSTEES OF HELEN BAXTER HAWKINS, DECEASED; Whose residence are/is unknown.

YOU ARE HEREBY required to file your answer or written defenses, if any, in the above proceeding with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney, Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra, 9204 King Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-1328, telephone (813) 915-8660, facsimile (813) 915-0559, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, the nature of this proceeding being a suit for foreclosure of mortgage against the following described property, to wit:

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS EXHIBIT IS LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF LEVY AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN DEED BOOK 581 AT PAGE 429 AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS.

LOT 7, BLOCK 24, UNIT 7, WILLISTON HIGHLANDS, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 4 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS, OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME VIN#JACFL16995A AND VIN#JACFL16995B.

To include a:  
 1996 CLASSIC , VIN JACFL16995A and 71266040  
 1996 CLASSIC , VIN JACFL16995B and 71266041

If you fail to file your response or answer, if any, in the above proceeding with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney, Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra, 9204 King Palm Dr., Tampa, Florida 33619-1328, telephone (813) 915-8660, facsimile (813) 915-0559, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

DATED at LEVY County this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2011.

Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 By: Gwen McElroy /s/ Deputy Clerk

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES (ADA) REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR NOTICE OF COURT PROCEEDINGS: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Ms. Jan Phillips, ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601 at (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact the Court Interpreter Program at interpreter@court8.org  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO: 38-2011-CA-000716  
DIVISION: 21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, etc., Plaintiff

vs. STACY L. DUPREE, et al., Defendants.

**NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 45.031(1), FLORIDA STATUTES**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment entered on December 20, 2011, in Case No: 38-2010-CA-000716 of the Circuit Court, Levy County Florida, in which 21st Mortgage Corporation is Plaintiff and Stacy L. Dupree, et al., are the defendants, the Clerk of this Court will sell at public sale the following described real property:

The SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4, and the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and the East 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 and the East 1/2 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and East 1/2 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, all in Section 30, Township 14 South, Range 16 East, Levy County, Florida.

Together with 2004 Nobility, Reg. Man Spec, 66 x 26 manufactured home, Serial No: N1-9616AB, located on the property.

The sale will be held on January 30, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the main lobby to the Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court St., Bronson, Florida, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes..

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 needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, 355 S. Court St. Bronson, FL 32621 (352) 337-6327 at least 7 days before you scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this 20th day of December, 2011.

DANNY J. SHIPP  
CLERK OF SAID COURT  
By: Gwen McElroy /s/  
As Deputy Clerk  
Pub.: Dec. 29, 2011 and  
Jan. 5, 2012.

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

CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO.: 38-2010-CA-001505

CU MEMBERS MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF COLONIAL SAVINGS, F.A., Plaintiff

vs. NED POTTER, et al. Defendant(s)

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure or Order dated December 20, 2011, entered in Civil Case Number 38-2010-CA-001505, in the Circuit Court for Levy County, Florida, wherein CU MEMBERS MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF COLONIAL SAVINGS, F.A. is the Plaintiff, and NED POTTER, et al., are the Defendants, I will sell the property situated in Levy County, Florida, described as:

LOT 6, BLOCK 1, GLENWOOD ESTATES UNIT 3, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 50, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in the lobby of the Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court Street, Bronson, FL 32621 at 11:00 AM, on the 30th day of January, 2012.

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.

Dated: December 20, 2011.

Levy County Clerk of Court CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: Gwen McElroy /s/ In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court Street, Bronson, FL 32621, telephone (352) 486-5100, TDD 1-800-955-8771 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.  
Pub.: Dec. 29, 2011 and Jan. 5, 2012.

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

CASE NO. 38-2011-CA-000831

US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-BC2 Plaintiff,

vs. SHANE KEITH COLEMAN, ET AL. Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: SHANE KEITH COLEMAN, SHARON COLEMAN, and all unknown parties claiming by, through, under or against the above named Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, spouses, or other claimants Current Residence Unknown, but whose last known address was: 2630 N.E. 167TH AVE., WILLISTON, FL 32696

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Levy County, Florida, to-wit:

LOT FIVE (5), FOX RUN SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 24, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on DOUGLAS C. ZAHM, P.A., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 12425 28th Street North, Suite 200, St. Petersburg, FL 33716, on or before January 27, 2012, or within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 355 South Court Street, Bronson, FL 32621, either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, 885110827 otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint petition.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court on this 19th day of December, 2011. (SEAL)

Danny J. Shipp  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Gwen McElroy /s/

Deputy Clerk PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES REQUESTING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT (352) 374-3639 OR VIA FLORIDA RELAY SERVICE 1-800-955-8771. Pub.: Dec. 29, 2011 and Jan. 5, 2012.

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

CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO.: 38-2011-CA-000154

DIVISION: WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,

vs. KELLY JONES PUTMAN A/K/A KELLY J. PUTMAN, et al, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated December 20, 2011 and entered in Case No. 38-2011-CA-000154 of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for LEVY County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA is the Plaintiff and KELLY JONES PUTMAN A/K/A KELLY J. PUTMAN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KELLY JONES PUTMAN A/K/A KELLY J. PUTMAN N/K/A CHARLES BISHOP; SHANE TRAVIS PUTMAN A/K/A SHANE T. PUTMAN; STATE OF FLORIDA - DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; BENEFICIAL FLORIDA, INC.; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at MAIN LOBBY OF THE LEVY COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00 AM, on the 6th day of February, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 48, FOREST PARK, UNIT 11, AS PER PLAT THEREOF US RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4 PAGE 27, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON AS A PERMANENT FIXTURE AND AN APPURTENANCE THERETO. ID NO: DISH02509A/B A/K/A 11951 NE 80TH STREET, BRONSON, FL 32621

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on December 20, 2011.

Danny J. Shipp  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Gwen McElroy /s/  
Deputy Clerk  
Florida Default Law Group, P.L.

P.O. Box 25018  
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018  
Americans with Disabilities Act - If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Ms. Jan Phillips, Human Resources Manager Alachua County Family/ Civil Courthouse, 201 E. University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601  
Phone: 352-337-6237/Fax: 352-374-5238.  
Pub.: Dec. 29, 2011 and Jan. 5, 2012

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

CIVIL DIVISION  
Case No.: 2011-CA-000715  
DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF SAXON AS-

SET SECURITIES TRUST 2005-1 MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2005-1 Plaintiff,

vs. JAMES E. STEWART; KAREN J. STEWART; ANNA C. THOMPSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ANNA C. THOMPSON; ROBERT S. JOHNSON; TUCKER RYALS; EQUITY ONE, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, Defendants,

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

Anna C. Thompson  
Last Known Address: 425 NW 1st Avenue Williston, FL 32696  
Current Address: Unknown  
Previous Address: 203 E Main St New Straitsville, OH 43766  
Previous Address: 5390 NE 134th Avenue Williston, FL 32696

ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS  
Last Known Address: Unknown  
Current Address: Unknown  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Levy County, Florida:

LOTS 11 AND 12, BLOCK 4, WILLISTON HEIGHTS ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGES 41, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

This property is located at the Street address of: 425 NW 1st Avenue, Williston, FL 32696

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses on or before February 18, 2012 a date which is within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Elizabeth Wellborn, P.A., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 350 Jim Moran Blvd., Suite 100, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442, and file the original with 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 or petition.

This Notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Levy County Journal.  
WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on December 27, 2011. (COURT SEAL)

DANNY J. SHIPP  
CLERK OF THE COURT  
By: Gwen McElroy /s/  
Deputy Clerk

\*\*IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Ms. Jan Phillips, Human Resources Manager, 201 East University Ave., Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601, at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 working days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.  
Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

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

CASE NO. 2010-CA-1218  
FLORIDA CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

vs. THOMAS W. MARTIN AND HUDSON FOODSTORES, INC., Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Clerk of Circuit Court, Levy County, Florida will on February 20, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in the Lobby of the Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court Street, Bronson, Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry, one by one, to the highest bidder for cash, the property located in Levy County, Florida, as follows:

Lot 5, Block 10, Ocala Highlands West, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 16, Public Records of Levy County, Florida. Together with that certain 1996 Doublewide KING with I.D.#'s N87564A and N87564B which is permanently affixed to the lands above-described and, as such, is deemed to be a fixture and a part of the real estate.

pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on Dec. 20, 2011, in the above-styled cause, pending in said Court.

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

Danny Shipp, Clerk  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
By: Gwen McElroy /s/  
Deputy Clerk  
Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

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

GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 38-2009-CA-000176

GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff,

VS. TOMMY RHODES, JOHN T. MCCAGH, MARY M. MCCAGH, SUSAN RHODES, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN T. MCCAGH, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARY M. MCCAGH, UNKNOWN TENANT(S), et al. Defendant.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated December 20, 2011, and entered in 38-2009-CA-000176 of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for Levy County, Florida , wherein GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, is the Plaintiff and TOMMY RHODES, JOHN T. MCCAGH, MARY M. MCCAGH, SUSAN RHODES, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOHN T. MCCAGH, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARY M. MCCAGH, UNKNOWN TENANT(S), et al. Defendant.

This Notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Levy County Journal.  
WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on December 27, 2011. (COURT SEAL)

DANNY J. SHIPP  
CLERK OF THE COURT  
By: Gwen McElroy /s/  
Deputy Clerk  
\*\*IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Ms. Jan Phillips, Human Resources Manager, 201 East University Ave., Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601, at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 working days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.  
Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

14 EAST, IN LEVY COUNTY FLORIDA, AND RUN N. 00°38'03" W. A DISTANCE OF 20 FEET; THENCE RUN S. 89°35'29" W., A DISTANCE OF 390.45 FEET ALONG NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF PAVED COUNTY ROAD TO POINT OF BEGINNING:

FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, RUN N. 00°38'03" W., A DISTANCE OF 351.0 FEET; THENCE RUN S. 89°35'29" W., 124.25 FEET; RUN THENCE S 00°38'03" E., A DISTANCE OF 351.0 FEET TO RIGHT OF WAY OF PAVED ROAD; THENCE RUN N. 89°35'29" E., ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY A DISTANCE OF 124.25 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN CITY OF CHIEFLAND, LEVY COUNTY STATE OF FLORIDA, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 888, PAGE 698, ID# 03-12-14-00930-005-00, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS SECTION 3, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS A METES AND BOUNDS PROPERTY.

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.

Dated this 28th day of December, 2011.

Danny Shipp  
Clerk of the Court  
By: Gwen McElroy /s/  
As Deputy Clerk  
Dated this 28th day of December, 2011

IMPORTANT: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Courthouse, 201 East University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601 at (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired call 711.  
Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

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

CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO. 38-2011-CA-000944

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP Plaintiff,

vs. DONALD E. SHERLOCK, JR. A/K/A DONALD E. SHERLOCK; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DONALD E. SHERLOCK, JR. A/K/A DONALD E. SHERLOCK; CYNTHIA G. O'DONNELL; DAVID P. O'DONNELL; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

To the following Defendant(s): DONALD E. SHERLOCK, JR. A/K/A DONALD E. SHERLOCK 7950 NW 168TH LANE TRENTON, FLORIDA 32693 (LAST KNOWN ADDRESS) UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DONALD E. SHERLOCK, JR. A/K/A DONALD E. SHERLOCK 7950 NW 168TH LANE TRENTON, FLORIDA 32693N (LAST KNOWN ADDRESS) YOU ARE NOTIFIED that

LEGAL NOTICES

an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 52, BLOCK 6, FANNIN SPRINGS ANNEX, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 31, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH: 1989 FLEETWOOD DOUBLE WIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS FL1FL4631A AND FL1FL4631B AND TITLE NUMBERS 47235497 AND 47224649 a/k/a 7950 NW 168TH LANE, TRENTON, FLORIDA 32693

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Kahane & Associates, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 8201 Peters Road, Ste. 3000, Plantation, FLORIDA 33324 on or before February 18, 2012 a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the LEVY COUNTY JOURNAL 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.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No.2.065.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 355 S. Court Street, Bronson, FL 32621, Phone No. (352)3743639 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 27<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2011. DANNY J. SHIPP Clerk of the Court By: Gwen McElroy /s/ As Deputy Clerk Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

A Relative Disaster continued from page 4B

While I was looking up material on them, I noticed that one of my 4th great uncles was one of my neighbor's 4th great grandfathers.

"Wow, look at that!" I said to her.

"We're related."

"Not really," she replied. "The person you are looking at was not really my distant great grandfather. I am actually a descendant of the first husband."

"Oh, really?" I asked, somewhat surprised. "His wife had more than one husband? I haven't found anything on that."

"That's probably because our family doesn't like to talk about him much."

"Why?" I asked.

My neighbor smiled a sheepish smile and told me the story.

The lady's first husband, John, decided to move his family to the Snake River Valley to homestead. As most families did, they built their cabin near the river where they would have ample water, as well as easy access to the wild game that used the river. But not long after he finished their cabin, other settlers reported problems with Indian activity in the area.

John expressed his concern as to whether they would be able to defend themselves if they were attacked. The local tribe was mostly located in the

land farther south on the other side of the river, and he figured if they came, they would come from that direction. But near where their cabin was located, the river was wide and shallow.

"I'm not sure our old gun can fire clear across the river to stop them," he told his wife. "I am going to go over there, and I will wave to you, and you fire the gun at me. I will let you know if I feel anything."

"And that," my neighbor told me, "is why she ended up needing another husband, and why no one talks too much about the first one."

Daris Howard is an award-winning, syndicated columnist and playwright and author of "Super Cowboy Rides."

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION File No.: 38-2011-CP-000220 Division Probate IN RE: ESTATE OF HUGH LLYWELYN POPENOE Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Hugh Llywelyn Popenoe, deceased, whose date of death was September 21, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Levy County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 355 S. Court Street, Bronson, Florida 32621. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is January 5, 2012.

Personal Representative: /s/ Elizabeth Haeseker 11950 NE 131st Place Archer, FL 32618

Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ John C. Bovay Florida Bar Number:

349895 Richard I. Withers Florida Bar Number: 039692 Attorneys for Personal Representative Dean, Mead & Bovay, P.A. 901 N.W. 57th Street Gainesville, FL 32605 Telephone: (352) 331-9092 Fax: (352) 331-6895 Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO.: 38-2011 CP000229 DIVISION: IN RE: ESTATE OF: FRED EMANUEL ALFORD, Deceased.

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of FRED EMANUEL ALFORD, deceased, File Number 38-2011 CP000229 by the Circuit Court for Levy County, Florida, Probate Division; the address of which is 355 South Court Street, Bronson, Florida 32621; that the decedent's date of death was July 28, 2010; that the total value of the estate is \$10,000.00 and that the names and address of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are: NAME & ADDRESS Caglianone, Miller & Anthony, 703 Lamar Avenue Brooksville, Florida 34601 Nettie Alford 4850 N.W. County Road 345 Chiefland, Florida 32626 Shands Teaching Hospital P.O. Box 100172 Gainesville, Florida 32610-0172

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE

CODE. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is: January 5, 2012.

Person Giving Notice /s/ Nettie Alford Petitioner Attorney for Person Giving Notice: /s/ Linda Muralt, Esquire Florida Bar No.: 0031129 Walton Lantaff Schroeder Carson LLP 2203 North Lois Avenue Suite 750 Tampa, Florida 33607 Telephone: (813) 775-2375 Facsimile: (813) 775-2385 Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Dona Potter d/b/a Bronson Self Storage, pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Self Storage Facility Act (Fla. Stat.83.801 et. sec.) hereby gives notice of sale under said act to wit:

On January 28, 2012 at Bronson Self Storage, 839 E. Hathaway Ave., Bronson, FL 32621 Dona Potter or her agent will conduct an open auction sale at 9:00 a.m. by (auction, sealed bid or yard sale) to the highest bidder. Bids to begin at 9:00 a.m. when auctioning will start for contents of the bay or bays, rented by the following person/persons: Elizabeth Fish Units 8044,8060,8083 10050 NE 81 Street Bronson, FL 32621 Gloria Rydzewski Unit C118 PO Box 1264 Bronson, FL 32621 John Shryock Unit D182 580 Stephens Street Bronson, FL 32621 Joe Garcia Unit B055 PO Box 1103

Bronson, FL 32621 Nancy Welker Units D147, P06 PO Box 1162 Summerfield, FL 34492 Consists of household, personal items, miscellaneous merchandise, stored at Bronson Self Storage, 839 E. Hathaway Ave., Bronson, FL 32621. Sale is being held to satisfy a statutory lien. Low bids may not be accepted. Dated: Jan. 2, 2012 Bronson Self Storage Dona Potter PO Box 1705 Bronson, FL 32621 Phone: (352) 486-2121 Sale Date: Jan. 28, 2012 Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2012.

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

CASE NO. 38-2011-CA-000902 CAPITAL CITY BANK, Plaintiff,

v. EILEEN BROWNE MITCHELL as Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert Marion Browne; EILEEN BROWN MITCHELL, Individually; ROBERT L. BROWNE; DUANE R. GREENE; ANGELIKA BROWNE; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR DEVISEES OF ROBERT MARION BROWNE, DECEASED; and JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, E. Dylan Rivers, whose address is Ausley & McMullen, Post Office Box 391, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, on or before January 27, 2012, 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 or petition.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: ANGELIKA BROWNE DUANE R. GREEN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Levy County, Florida:

TRACT 12, GULF RIDGE, UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION IN THAT PART OF SECTIONS 33 AND 34, TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 13 EAST, LYING EAST OF STATE ROAD S-347, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS

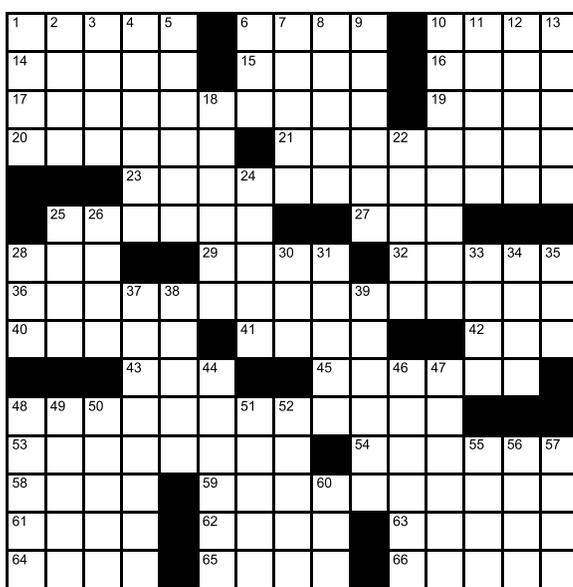
FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE 1/4 CORNER OF THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 13 EAST, FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN ON THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 33, S 00° 33' 05" W, 246.53 FEET; THENCE RUN N 89° 27' 15" W, 80.00 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00° 33' 05" W, 153.47 FEET; THENCE RUN N 89° 27' 57" W, 1186.24 FEET TO THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD NO. 347; THENCE RUN ON SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, N 26° 05' 30" E, 443.32 FEET; THENCE RUN S 89° 27' 57" E, 1075.22 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

has been filed against you and EILEEN BROWNE MITCHELL, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert Marion Browne, EILEEN BROWNE MITCHELL, Individually, ROBERT L. BROWNE, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR DEVISEES OF ROBERT MARION BROWNE, DECEASED; and JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, E. Dylan Rivers, whose address is Ausley & McMullen, Post Office Box 391, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, on or before January 27, 2012, 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 or petition. DATED on December 19, 2011.

DANNY SHIPP LEVY COUNTY CLERK OF COURT

By: Gwen McElroy /s/ Deputy Clerk Pub.: Jan. 5, 12, 2011.

Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1. Gyro wrappers
- 6. Goya's "Duchess of \_\_\_\_"
- 10. Become unhinged
- 14. "Haste makes waste," e.g.
- 15. Function customarily served by another
- 16. Blue hue
- 17. Joined together again
- 19. City on the Yamuna River
- 20. Keen
- 21. Football playing field
- 23. Male hormone
- 25. Magical drink
- 27. "Dear" one
- 28. "\_\_\_ Ng" (They Might Be Giants song)
- 29. "Buenos \_\_\_"
- 32. "\_\_\_ go!", slang
- 36. Words interpreted two ways (2 wds)
- 40. Any Platters platter
- 41. "Cut it out!"
- 42. Common deciduous tree
- 43. \_\_\_ v. Wade
- 45. Wanderers
- 48. Reinforcement
- 53. Woman who receives patron's support
- 54. Kvetch
- 58. Bringing up the rear
- 59. Malign
- 61. Hip bones
- 62. \_\_\_-friendly
- 63. Member of Quechuan people in Peru
- 64. Beach shades
- 65. \_\_\_ Station
- 66. Cast out

Down

- 1. Legal prefix
- 2. Bad day for Caesar
- 3. Boor's lack
- 4. Rabbitlike rodent
- 5. Pliable plastic explosive
- 6. "Aladdin" prince
- 7. Fast talk
- 8. Fermented alcoholic beverages
- 9. Examinations of financial accounts
- 10. Carpet runner holder
- 11. The "N" of U.N.C.F.
- 12. Composer Copland
- 13. 747, e.g.
- 18. Near
- 22. Condescend
- 24. Attempts
- 25. Carbon compound
- 26. Extol
- 28. "Much \_\_\_ About Nothing"
- 30. Amazon, e.g.
- 31. Backgammon piece
- 33. Put one's foot down?
- 34. After-dinner selection
- 35. "Don't \_\_\_!"
- 37. Catholic clergy's caps
- 38. Freetown currency unit
- 39. Word derived from person's name
- 44. Small dish for serving poultry product
- 46. Bully
- 47. Equipping with weapons
- 48. Divided
- 49. Start of a refrain
- 50. Pine sap derivative
- 51. Bait
- 52. She had "the face that launched a thousand ships"
- 55. Defensive spray
- 56. Flight data, briefly (acronym, pl.)
- 57. Cost of living?
- 60. Ashes holder

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# Air Conditioner Bandits Caught in the Act

By Kathy Hilliard  
Editor

A Williston man is about tired of having his air conditioner stolen from his home. So he took action and installed a game camera facing the 3.5 ton air conditioner unit he had to get to replace the last one that was stolen. Ladies, those hunting tools can sometimes come in right handy!



It worked. On Dec. 27, 2011 the new unit was gone and Mr. Roy Alexander called the Levy County Sheriff's office to report the theft. And, he told them he had the evidence this time for them to see. The Sheriff's office reviewed the recording and saw the 3.5 ton unit being lifted into the back of a gray Ford pickup truck.

On Jan. 2, 2012 a concerned citizen notified the sheriff's office that the truck used in the theft may belong to Raymond Shelton Shiver of Morriston. Deputy Scott Stancil and Sgt. Mike Narayan went to the residence of Shiver and made contact with Raymond Shiver's son, 23-year-old Alexander Matthew Shiver. Deputies were able to identify Alexander Shiver as one of the two suspects in the theft from the recording and pictures.

Alexander Shiver was arrested for grand theft and is on felony probation for grand theft.

The second suspect has been identified as Raymond Shiver, Jr., Alexander's older brother. Deputies are



currently looking for Raymond Jr. and if anyone knows his whereabouts is asked to call the Levy County Sheriff's Office.

# Computer Cleanup Time

With the New Year opening the door to a new vision of another year of emails and computer correspondence, it just might help to do a little maintenance. Here are two suggestions to clean up and speed up your computer's performance.



Has your email program become sluggish? Does it take forever to open and perform simple email tasks?

This is probably a result of your email program holding on to years and years of data. With every email you send or receive, the file that your email is stored in grows. After months and years of use that file can grow to a size that will make it become slow and unresponsive.

Your email program needs to have regular maintenance. You need to remove the items that you will never need. You should purge the deleted items every now and then. There are also some behind the scenes things that need to happen to keep it running like it should.



Be careful when installing programs. During most installs, it will ask you if you would like to install additional free programs. Be sure to uncheck any items you do not want installed.

Software sometimes installs stuff that you are unaware of; this can sometimes be installed so that it starts every time you load Windows. If you're not careful you can end up with tons of "stuff" running in the background that causes problems with your PC.

If you do not know how to do the maintenance call your local computer shop and ask them if they can service it for you. Some can even do it by remote service.

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## Cedar Key Arts Center Classes

### ONGOING ART THERAPY GROUPS/WORKSHOPS

**PROBLEM SOLVING AND THE GREAT ROUND**

ATx: Alexandria Zettler  
Time: Thursday Evenings (6-7:30pm), 01.12.12 – 02.16.12  
Limited to six adults (18 years and up)  
Fee: \$10.00 material fee payable to CKAC  
Overview: **PROBLEM SOLVING AND THE GREAT ROUND** is a closed six-week art therapy group wherein the participants will have the opportunity to create and interpret circular designs using Joan Kellogg's theory of the Great Round. The philosophical approach is cognitive-behavioral and Jungian ATx.

**CREATIVELY CONTAINING THE ANXIETY MONSTER**

ATx: Alexandria Zettler  
Time: Thursday Evenings (6-7:30pm), 03.01.12 – 04.05.12  
Limited to six adults (18 years and up)  
Fee: \$10 Material Fee  
Overview: **CREATIVELY CONTAINING THE ANXIETY MONSTER** is a six-week closed art therapy group wherein the participants will explore a variety of media in order to identify feeling states and develop/discover methods for reducing feelings of anxiety. The approach is cognitive-behavioral ATx.

**ART EDUCATION**

**CKAC YOUTH: SKILLS AND CONCEPTS IN TWO-DIMENSIONAL ART FORMS**

Alexandria "Zandy" Zettler  
Time: Thursday Afternoons (3-4:30pm), School year 2011-2012  
Fee: \$10 material fee (Sarasota Trip separate & optional) payable to the CKAC  
Thursday, January 12, 2012 Painting classes begin  
Sunday, January 22, 2012 National Portfolio Day at Ringling College: Sarasota, FL (optional) (<http://portfolioday.net/>)  
Thursday, February 23, 2012 Mid-winter break  
Thursday, March 1, 2012 Alternative Media classes begin  
Thursday, April 5, 2012 Classed end

**OPEN PHOTOGRAPHY STUDIO/DARKROOM**

Photographer: Christian Harkness  
Time: Every Wednesday: 10am, Beginning 01/11/2012  
Fee: Demonstration Free/ Darkroom material cost as needed  
No Darkroom experience necessary

**CALL FOR ARTISTS**

**QUILTERS OF NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA**

Medium: Traditional and Contemporary Art Quilts  
Entry Deadline: Works must be delivered to Arts Center Gallery by 5 pm, Tues, January 3, 2012.  
Opening and Artists' Reception: Saturday, January 7th, 5-7 pm  
Closing Date: Works must be picked up no later than Tues, January 31, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 5.00 each entry – submission per person limited by size. Please download entry forms from <http://www.cedarkeyartscenter.org/forms.html>

**SALUTE TO WILDLIFE**

Medium: Any  
Entry Deadline: Works must be delivered to Arts Center Gallery by 5 pm, Tues, February 28, 2012. (CKAC, PO Box 949 Cedar Key, FL 32625).  
Opening and Artists' Reception: Saturday, March 3rd, 5-7 pm  
Closing Date: Works must be picked up no later than Tues, April 3rd, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 5.00 each entry – limit of 3 submission per artist. Please download entry forms from <http://www.cedarkeyartscenter.org/forms.html>