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Operation One Eyed Jack Sting in Williston Nets Drugs, Money, and Guns

Darryl Sherod James

Quinton Harris

By Kathy Hilliard
Editor

Community leaders in Williston had enough with the goings on at a home on NE 11th Street and complained to just the right people. The Levy County Sheriff's Office, the Williston Police Department and the Chiefland Police Department joined forces and executed a search warrant at the home called the Gambling House used by 50-year-old Darryl Sherod James.

Eight people were arrested in the sting which had Drug Task Force Agents making undercover drug buys in December of 2011. James sold marijuana and powdered cocaine to the agents. The Gambling House was a known hub of criminal activity including illegal gambling, selling and using drugs, selling alcohol and cigarettes without a license and renting out the back bedroom for prostitution activities.

Reports state that as many as 40 to 50 people would be on the premises on any given night and in the past have become very combative towards Williston Police officers conducting traffic stops, according to the Levy County Sheriff's office.

But Friday the 13th of this month was very unlucky for this group at the Gambling House as agents shut down the illegal activities after dark as the successful conclusion to Operation One Eyed Jack as it was dubbed by

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Daniel Joiner

Manuel Terrell Jr.

Lifelong Lighter'd Wood Collection Goes Up in Flames on Christmas Eve – Reward

Tire track of suspects truck

Levy County Sheriff's Department and Crime Stoppers are looking for the perpetrators of an arson crime committed sometime late in the day on Christmas Eve 2011 at two locations: one approximately 2 miles south of Chiefland and the second fire 2 ½ miles south of Chiefland off U.S. Hwy 19. The owner was out of town and the crime was not discovered until late Christmas day. A lifetime collection of precious lighter'd wood went up in smoke when a person or persons torched the two collection sites. The resulting fire did spread to the outlying areas but thankfully no homes were damaged and there were no vehicular accidents due to the smoke on Hwy 19; however, approximately 15 acres of pine forest was burned. Law enforcement has pictures of the tire tracks and is asking for help from the community to solve this crime. Several tire tracks were left on salamander mounds, also known as "pocket gophers," and were made very evident by there being no tracks through the burnt grass but tracks did show up on the soft sand mounds. There are several suspects under investigation. A reward is being offered for the information leading to an arrest.

Lighter'd wood pile foundation 4.5' h x 35' wide after torching.

Each of the two collection sites were centered in open areas for full sun on a concrete foundation of broken concrete "rip-rap" for drainage and rot prevention. One foundation was approximately 4.5' tall and 35' wide and the second approximately 4' tall and 40' wide. There were two separate collection piles, each being more than two tractor trailer loads of wood, mounded up on both foundations resembling an old fashion bee-hive or haystack. This takes time and effort. Each was located in two separate areas, more than walking distance apart on a private farm. The arsonists appeared to be very familiar with the farm. It did not seem to matter to the arsonists that it took a lifetime to collect and save this wood as they burned it up in a few short hours. Years of accumulating fence rails, fence post, lighter'd cut snags, lighter'd knots and other pieces of high-grade heart pine are now gone and the only things left are the foundations. This collection would have lasted approximately 100 or more years and was kept for posterity! This collection would have outlasted the owner! No amount of money could replace the time and effort lost here. Southern culture has always respected and held a person's lighter'd pile as sacred!

If you have any knowledge of this crime please contact Crime Stoppers at 1-877-349-8477 (TIPS).

You do not have to give any personal information;

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Second location of lighter'd wood pile foundation 4'x 40' wide

Florida Department of Corrections to Close Prisons, Work Camps

As a result of declining prison admissions and excess bed space, the Florida Department of Corrections will be closing seven prisons and four work/forestry camps by July 1, 2012, as part of a statewide consolidation plan. No inmates will be released early as a result of this decision, and there will remain adequate bed space to accommodate projected prison admissions, which have steadily decreased since FY 2007-08.

Among those being closed, listed below, will be the Levy Forestry Camp near Bronson which is part of Marion County's Lowell Correctional Institution and the Gainesville Correctional Institution on NE 39 Avenue in Gainesville.

Around the state all 11 closures will save the Department of Corrections almost $15 million for the rest of the current fiscal year and nearly $76 million for the next fiscal year.

But with the savings to the department also comes the end of 1,293 full-time jobs. The International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 2011 that represents the corrections employees is strongly opposed to the closings but Dept. of Corrections Secretary Ken Tucker said,

"Declining prison admissions has led to a surplus of prison beds, allowing us to pare down our budget shortfall by consolidating and closing our older, less efficient facilities. We are committed to placing as many affected staff as possible in vacant positions for which they are qualified."

Inmates will be relocated to institutions with vacancies that meet their custody, profile, health, education and risk assessment needs.

To determine which prisons and facilities would be affected,

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Levy County Sheriff's Office Jail Report

Barclay, Melissa L., 37, of Williston: OUT –OF-COUNTY WARRANT x 3.

Byram Jr., Mark, 21, of Cross City: OUT-OF-COUNTY WARRANT.

Colson, Shea Jacob, 21, of Gulf Hammock: BURGLARY OF UNOCCUPIED DWELLING UNARMED; GRAND THEFT AT LEAST $300 BUT LESS THAN $5K.

Cottrell, William Jensen, 31, of Williston: BATTERY WITH INTENTIONAL TOUCH OR STRIKE.

Douglas, Amanda Jean, 32, of Morriston: VOP x 8.

Harris, Jermaine Levon, 34, of Williston: POSSESSION/ USE OF DRUG EQUIPMENT.

Harris, Quinton Lamar, 28, of Williston: POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA NOT MORE THAN 20 GRAMS; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WITHOUT VIOLENCE.

Henderson, Amos McHenry, 34, of Chiefland: FAILURE TO APPEAR.

Hill, Kelvin Shantel, 29, of Williston: POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE WITH INTENT TO SELL/ MANUFACTURE/DELIVER; POSSESSION OF NOT MORE THAN 20 GRAMS OF MARIJUANA; POSSESSION OF COCAINE; POSSESSION AND/OR USE OF DRUG EQUIPMENT; OUT-OF-COUNTY WARRANT.

Holifield, Ernest Edward, 30, of Old Town: DEALING IN STOLEN PROPERTY.

Hooper, Nicole Diann, 21, of Chiefland: AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON WITHOUT INTENT TO KILL; BATTERY WITH INTENTIONAL TOUCH OR STRIKE; GRAND THEFT OF AT LEAST $300 BUT LESS THAN $5K; BURGLARY OF OCCUPIED DWELLING UNARMED; DEALING IN STOLEN PROPERTY.

Hopkins, Jerrell Lashaw, 24, of Gainesville: POSSESSION OF NOT MORE THAN 20 GRAMS OF MARIJUANA; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WITHOUT VIOLENCE.

Hutchison, Tamra Lynn, 39, of Ocala: POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION; POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE WITH INTENT TO SELL/ MANUFACTURE/DELIVER.

James, Darryl S., 50, of Williston: MFG SCHEDULE I OR III OR IV HALLUCINOGEN x 2; POSSESSION/ MFG OF SCH I, III, IV HALLUCINOGEN WITHIN 1000 FT OF SPECIFIED AREA x 2; POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE WITH INTENT TO SELL/ MANUFACTURE/DELIVER x 2; POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE WITHIN 1000 FEET OF SPECIFIED AREA x 2; ILLEGAL SALE OF BEVERAGES; GAMBLING OR GAMES OF CHANCE.

Joiner, Daniel Benard, 21, of Williston: POSSESSION OF NOT MORE THAN 20 GRAMS OF MARIJUANA; POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE WITH INTENT TO SELL/MANUFACTURE/DELIVER.

Kirkland, Jeffery Scott, 44, of Trenton; POSSESSION 4 GRAMS TO UNDER 30 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; USE OF A 2-WAY COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE TO FACILITATE A FELONY.

Miller, Robert Wayne, 64, of Chiefland: VOP.

Monroe, Mario Kentrell, 31, of Williston: POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE WITH INTENT TO SELL/ MANUFACTURE/DELIVER x2; POSSESSION/ MANUFACTURE OF SCHEDULE 1 OR III OR IV HALLUCINOGEN.

Rheaume, Felicia Nicole, 28, of Chiefland: AGGRAVATED BATTERY CAUSING BODILY HARM OR DISABILITY; BURGLARY OF OCCUPIED CONVEYANCE UNARMED; ROBBERY WITH NO FIREARM OR WEAPON; GRAND THEFT OF AT LEAST $300 BUT LESS THAN $5K.

Rose, John Uriah, 60, of Inglis: DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED, HABITUAL OFFENDER.

Sandstrom, Raymond, 33, of Interlachen: OUT-OF-COUNTY WARRANT.

Sassany, Louis, 37, of Bell: PETIT THEFT 2ND DEGREE, 1ST OFFENSE.

Shiver Jr., Raymond Shelton, 26, of Williston: GRAND THEFT OF AT LEAST $300 BUT LESS THAN $5K; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WITHOUT VIOLENCE.

Smith, Joseph Lee, 30, of Old Town: PETIT THEFT 2ND DEGREE, 1ST OFFENSE; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WITHOUT VIOLENCE.

Spivey, Cory Stephen, 24, of Spring Hill: DUI ALCOHOL OR DRUGS.

Terrell Jr., Manuel Lynn, 22, of Williston: POSSESSION OF NOT MORE THAN 20 GRAMS OF MARIJUANA.

Thomas, Elizabeth Erika, 25, of Bronson: VOP x 2.

Walker, Lex Douglas, 22, of Bell: VOP.

Weeks Jr., David Franklin, 31, of Cross City: OUT-OF-COUNTY WARRANT.

Wommack, Detwan Lorenzo, 20, of Williston: VOP x 2.

Levy County's Most Wanted

Flacklam, Amber A
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Lewis, John V
Williston
FTA BATTERY
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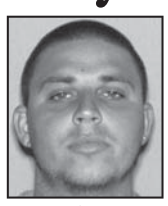

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Bronson
VOP DEAL IN STOLEN PROPERTY
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Powell, Jennifer E
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Rowe, Melissa Ann
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Skelly, Timothy A
Trenton
LARCENY, DEAL IN STOLEN PROP
$10,000 BOND

UPDATE: In the January 12th edition of the *Levy County Journal* we published a list of Most Wanted from the Levy County Sheriff's Office. Listed was David R. Morris. Mr. Morris's case was quashed by the judge with a nolle prosequi (will no longer prosecute) from the prosecutor with no notification to this newspaper. Mr. Morris is not wanted by the Sheriff's Department.

RESOLUTION 2011-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO CHANGE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.

WHEREAS, by virtue of Florida Constitution, Article VIII, Section 1(e), and Section 124.01, Florida Statutes, in the odd-numbered year after each decennial Census the Board of Levy County is to divide the County into county commissioners' districts of contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as practicable, and fix the new boundaries of these County Commissioners' Districts; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is necessary to change the boundaries of the County Commissioners' Districts to meet the objectives of the Florida Constitution and Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board considered a proposed option for redistricting in a public meeting December 6, 2011, and finalized the new boundaries for County Commissioners' Districts in a public meeting on December 20, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

1. From and after the effective date of this Resolution, the existing County Commissioners' Districts shall be and are abolished and repealed.

2. The Board has divided the County into five (5) new County Commissioners' Districts of contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as practicable, and has established them by accurate description of the changed boundaries of such Districts, as set forth in the map attached as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference.

3. Exhibit "A," the map constituting descriptions ofthe boundaries ofthe County Commissioners' Districts, shall be entered upon the minutes of this Board.

4. A certified copy of Exhibit "A," constituting the descriptions ofthe boundaries of such Districts, shall be published once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks (two publications being sufficient) in a newspaper published in Levy County. Proof of such publication shall be entered upon the minutes of the Board.

5. The Clerk of Circuit Court and Ex Officio Clerk to the Board shall forthwith furnish this Resolution to the Department of State with a certified copy of this Board's minutes reflecting the description of the boundaries of the Districts as changed.

6. The effective date of this Resolution shall be December 31,2011.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th day of December, 2011.

ATTEST: Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

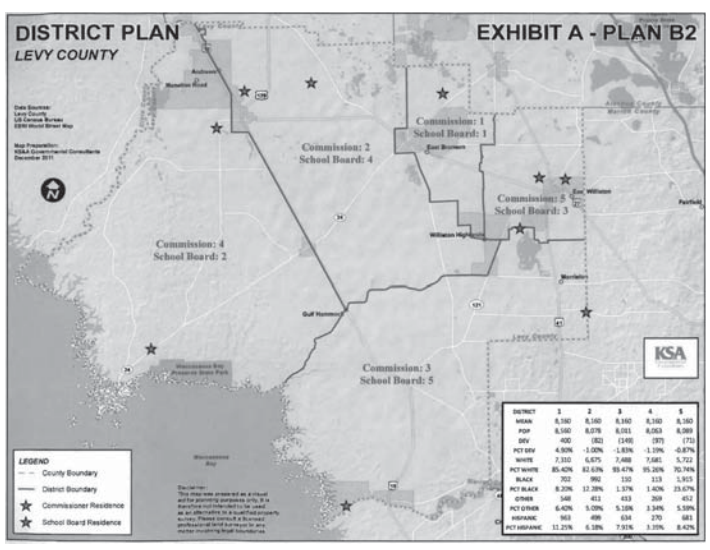
Danny J. Shipp

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Danny Stevens, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Anne Bast Brown, County Attorney



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Close Prisons, Work Camps *continued from page 1*

Secretary Tucker assembled an internal workgroup of subject matter experts, who developed criteria for evaluating facilities based on several factors including: facility mission, cost per inmate, maintenance and construction costs, community and employee impact, inmate labor squads, security, education and programs, and volunteers. These criteria were vetted through a variety of public and private sector entities. The Department employed quantitative measures to create an Institutional Scoring Sheet to objectively measure the pros and cons for each institution.

Below are some details about the prisons that are affected.

Prison Name	Total Capacity	FTE Reductions	Est. FY11-12 Savings	Est. FY12-13 Savings	Closure Date
Broward CI	611	50	$210,281	$2,523,371	May 1, 2012
Demilly CI	342	118	$---	$6,068,260	June 1, 2012
Gainesville CI	507	150	$3,012,948	$9,038,845	Feb. 1, 2012
Hillsborough CI	431	115	$2,078,663	$8,314,653	March 1, 2012
Indian River CI	381	155	$668,994	$8,027,931	May 1, 2012
Jefferson CI	1,179	177	$1,705,057	$10,230,340	April 1, 2012
New River CI	1,363	281	$3,961,002	$17,644,740	March 1, 2012 CI April 1, 2012 O
Levy Forestry Camp	292	65	$1,295,421	$3,886,263	Feb. 1, 2012
Hendry Work Camp	280	74	$---	$4,028,832	June 1, 2012
Caryville Work Camp	133	31	$576,264	$1,728,792	Feb. 1, 2012
River Junction Work Camp	736	77	$1,422,818	$4,268,454	Feb. 1, 2012
Totals		**1,293**	**$14,931,448**	**$75,760,481**	

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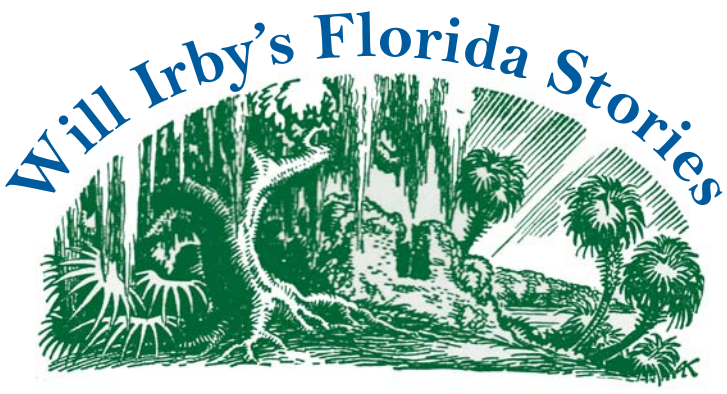


Illustration by Alexander Key

Night Drifts on the Suwannee: *Journey's End*

Part 2

Wri and Bill paddled slowly in the twilight. This time there was a marmalade sky. The dark fell first to the right bank and then blotted out all but a soft silhouette of the other. They went with the river into the eve, watching for drift logs or odd tangle of brush along the near bank.

Bill was talking. He had fallen in love and her name was Dawn. Not the dawn they were drifting toward, but a classmate, a friend. Wri reminded him that he was talking about her again and could sense that Bill was cascading toward a deeper commitment. Recently discharged from the military, Wri was glad to be without one. It felt good, he said, to be free for a while of obligations, constraints and the uniformed code he'd kept vigilantly for the last four years. They were quiet then. There were only the night sounds of water against root and bent bough, some snap or winged sound moving away from the bank beside their drift. Then they heard the music.

Downriver a dog began to bark, and then another. The dogs didn't stop barking except to bark more loudly. A light flickered through the trees far down the right bank. They heard voices. Even with the dogs' incessant barking over the music, they heard laughter. Someone was shouting, a man shouting at the dogs, maybe. By then their canoe was entering the deep shadows along the opposite bank. Suddenly a Q-Beam flashed out across the water but didn't reach them. The man was shouting to the dogs and working the long beam of light out ahead of them. Then it passed before them again and worked higher up the descending bank behind them. "I don't know," Wri said, "how he missed us. He was all over the place with that light and we just lay low and drifted right past."

"It was like we were invisible or something," Bill added. "Man, it was wild. You don't know if a guy like that is going to start taking pot shots or what!"

The next day the river descended noticeably. Lush ferns lay down to the water. The sweep of the current was as telling as the first appearance of signs warning, "Dangerous Shoals Ahead."

They heard the whitewater before they saw it: the Big Shoals. These are said to be the biggest white water rapids in Florida. They make a three foot drop, then drop another four or five feet, depending. Below that the river boils and churns a yellowish, tannin-tinged froth over the jagged limestone beneath. The water was high enough to make the race rougher. By the time they reached the sign offering a portage, they had discussed and ruled out a run of the rapids. "We were loaded with gear, so lower in the water," Bill explained.

"Yeah," Wri added. "We didn't think risking the rest of our trip was worth running rapids we weren't properly outfitted to run. The guys doing the rapids were mostly kayaking, just there for the day. Making the long run was more important to us."

They lugged their gear-laden canoe round the portage path on the left bank and put back in. The river from there was more rapid than before, coursing between tall limestone banks embedded with fossils. As certainly as hieroglyphics tell of ancient cultures, these told of geographical histories. Some revealed ancient mammals. In other places was life more ancient yet with gelatin-like tubes (now stone shapes) rooted in the mossy rock.

After the narrows, the water would widen and deepen in the bends. They went more slowly after the narrows, only a stroke now and then to correct the bow. Then there were more shoals just before Highway 41 and the railroad bridge. The water rifled here and there and the surface was rough and churned in spots. But there were no falls and they bobbed and wove their way through to a bluff. There was a sign up on the grade above directing anyone who noticed to the town of White Springs.

They needed supplies. Wri stayed with the canoe and Billy walked down the road to a little grocery at the edge of town. The woman behind the counter was accustomed to "paddlers." She spotted him right off. The supplies Billy selected, the new beard and wood smoke permeating his clothing were telling, too. A local man was also shopping. The clerk called him by name, and arranged a ride for Bill in his pickup back down to the landing. There wasn't a lot of conversation – just local folk giving a paddler a lift.

The nights had been cool and this one felt colder. Mist was heavier over the water. "There was the irregular shape of the shoreline, and then looming out of the mist was this eerie, castle-like structure." That was at Suwannee Springs, the old tourist attraction there. Somewhere farther down in the dawn they made a breakfast on the shore, and slept while the river brightened with the day and the way ahead became clear and distinct in the distance.

Somewhere above Branford, they drifted in the dark again. Something silly giggled and popped, whistled and blabbered far down the river ahead. The nearer they approached, the louder these comic, quizzical sounds became. Then they saw what they were hearing.

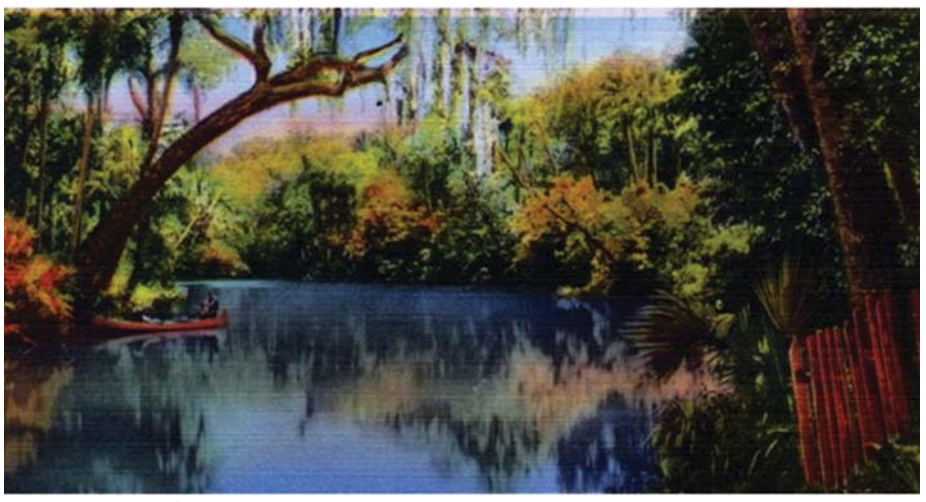
Playful music blasted from a large blue/green screen blinking up in a stilt house on the high bank. Somebody had the cartoon channel on full-blast at three o'clock in the morning. The distinctive Warner Brothers' cartoon soundtrack announced yet another Tweety, Daffy, Road Runner, Wile E Coyote – all Looney Toons.

By daylight they slept on the bank above the confluence of the Santa Fe. Midmorning, they were paddling more familiar territory. This began the Lower Suwannee they knew. The river widened considerably after that. Each tested the legendary deciphering of the name Suwannee, said to derive from the Timucuan word, Suwani, meaning "Echo River." In the late afternoon, their yelps and whoops reverberated between the distant banks. The sky that eve seemed to churn with great swirls of pink, flecked with gold against a dark turquoise.

Later in the dark near midnight, the nearly psychedelic sunset took on a strange irony when the strains of a solitary electric guitar ripped through the silence. "I don't know if the guy was doing Lynyrd Skynyrd, or Allman Brothers or what," Wri said. "But he was getting down on some kind of southern rock sound. Maybe it was his own thing, but it was a wild riff." The sound of the guitar was virtually palpable as they passed. Resting their paddles on the gunnels, each felt the music's vibrations as they passed in the night.

Then they were round another bend, and only a faint, waning wail of the electric guitar filtered through the intervening woodland. When it was quiet again, a sudden slap over the water was immediately reminiscent of the sound of beaver up on the north end. It took several occurrences before they could be certain, but these were sturgeon, armored and among the most ancient of fish species on the planet.

By day, they paddled past Rock Bluff where the old hand-drawn ferry had crossed. Wri's grand- dad and his lifelong friend, Hubert Alligood, had built a camp boat up on the bluff beside the ferryman's rustic house. The men and their families had camped and fished out from the "houseboat" for years in the 1960s. Now the camp boat was gone, as was the hand-drawn ferry. They paddled through the cool, elongated shadow of the bridge overhead.



Vintage Post Card of the Suwannee River, Private Collection

Looking up the Suwannee River, White Springs, Florida Private Collection

Manatee Springs would be within that day's long paddle. Then Old Clay Landing, where once the Arbuthnot trading post had operated in the early 1800s. That was before General Andrew Jackson and his troops raided the Seminole village, Bow Leg's Town, across the river. They paddled along Flower's Bluff, known to pirates and rumored to have buried treasure on that mossy ridge. The bluff was known, too, to the contemporary troubadour, Jimmy Buffett, who once had a house there.

The young men camped their last night on the river, not far from where Bill's grandfather had once commanded timber crews early in the last century. In the firelight that night the whole of the river entered into their conversation. All about them the soft light of the fire's circumference returned imaginative recollections shaped by night shadow: the ancient creatures they'd found frozen in stone, those that rambled the river's banks even now or swam its dark water. Indians and pioneer settlers, pirates and song writers, timber men laboring at their long saws, ferrymen and fishermen, found men and lost men – all drew near in retrospect.

The next day the tide would take Bill and Wri down to where the river opens to the Gulf. "We'd been on the river long enough by day and through the night drifts, that time and the river seemed to have converged with our own presence there," Wri reflected. "We felt a part of it all by then, and we were. The river had taken us as much as we had taken it."

Air Conditioner Bandit on the Run Gets Nabbed

Levy County Sheriff's Deputy Scott Stancil got his man on Wednesday, Jan. 11 when he spotted a blue S-10 pickup truck that was reported to belong to one of the air-conditioner bandits reported last week, Raymond Shiver, 26, of Morriston.

On Dec. 27, 2011 a 3.5 ton air conditioner unit was stolen and caught on game camera and the two brothers in the taped evidence were Alexander and Raymond Shiver.

Alexander Matthew Shiver, 23, was arrested for grand theft. But Raymond was on the loose and the police were looking for him.

Deputy Stancil attempted to stop the Chevy S-10 truck for a traffic infraction on Jan. 11 but Raymond Shiver jumped out and ran on foot and refused to stop. Deputy Stancil chased Shiver on foot and Shiver was apprehended approximately ¼ of a mile into the woods.

Raymond Shiver was arrested for grand theft and resisting arrest without violence and transported to the Levy County Jail on a $60,000 bond.

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OPINION

An Ignored 'Disparity'

Thomas Sowell
Creators Syndicate

Part 1

With all the talk about "disparities" in innumerable contexts, there is one very important disparity that gets remarkably little attention -- disparities in the ability to create wealth. People who are preoccupied, or even obsessed, with disparities in income are seldom interested much, or at all, in the disparities in the ability to create wealth, which are often the reasons for the disparities in income.

In a market economy, people pay us for benefiting them in some way -- whether we are sweeping their floors, selling them diamonds or anything in between. Disparities in our ability to create benefits for which others will pay us are huge, and the skills required can develop early -- or sometimes not at all.

A recent national competition among high school students who create their own technological advances turned up an especially high share of such students winning recognition in the San Francisco Bay Area. A closer look showed that the great majority of these Bay Area students had Asian names.

Asian Americans are a substantial presence in this region but they are by no means a majority, much less such an overwhelming majority as they are among those winning high tech awards.

This pattern of disproportionate representation of particular groups among those with special skills and achievements is not confined to Asian Americans or even to the United States.

It is a phenomenon among particular racial, ethnic or other groups in countries around the world -- the Ibos in Nigeria, the Parsees in India, the Armenians in the Ottoman Empire, Germans in Brazil, Chinese in Malaysia, Lebanese in West Africa, Tamils in Sri Lanka. The list goes on and on.

Gross inequalities in skills and achievements have been the rule, not the exception, on every inhabited continent and for centuries on end. Yet our laws and government policies act as if any significant statistical difference between racial or ethnic groups in employment or income can only be a result of their being treated differently by others.

Nor is this simply an opinion. Businesses have been sued by the government when the representation of different groups among their employees differs substantially from their proportions in the population at large. But, no matter how the human race is broken down into its components -- whether by race, sex, geographic region or whatever -- glaring disparities in achievements have been the rule, not the exception.

Anyone who watches professional basketball games knows that the star players are by no means a representative sample of the population at large. The book "Human Accomplishment" by Charles Murray is a huge compendium of the top achievements around the world in the arts and sciences, as well as in sports and other fields.

Nowhere have these achievements been random or representative of the demographic proportions of the population of a country or of the world. Nor have they been the same from one century to the next. China was once far more advanced technologically than any country in Europe, but then it fell behind and more recently is gaining ground.

Most professional golfers who participate in PGA tournaments have never won a single tournament, but Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods have each won dozens of tournaments.

Yet these and numerous other disparities in achievement are resolutely ignored by those whose shrill voices denounce disparities in rewards, as if these disparities are somehow suspicious at best and sinister at worst.

Higher achieving groups -- whether classes, races or whatever -- are often blamed for the failure of other groups to achieve. Politicians and intellectuals, especially, tend to conceive of social questions in terms that allow them to take on the role of being on the side of the angels against the forces of evil.

This can be a huge disservice to those individuals and groups who are lagging behind, for it leads them to focus on a sense of grievance and victimhood, rather than on how they can lift themselves up instead of trying to pull other people down.

Again, this is a worldwide phenomenon -- a sad commentary on the down side of the brotherhood of man.

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Obama to Congress:
I'll Decide What is Constitutional.

By Chris Cox

Election season is here, and you might think President Obama would be going out of his way to show voters that he can be trusted with the powers of the presidency. But you would be wrong. Just a few days before Christmas, Obama served notice to all Americans that he will continue to abuse executive privilege by seeking new ways to vilify gun owners and further his anti-gun agenda. Congress placed a provision in the $1 trillion omnibus spending bill for 2012 designed to bar the National Institutes of Health (NIH) from using any of its $30.7 billion taxpayer funds to "advocate or promote gun control." However, upon signing the bill into law, President Obama issued a caveat of his own:

"I have advised Congress that I will not construe these provisions as preventing me from fulfilling my constitutional responsibility to recommend to the Congress's consideration such measures as I shall judge necessary and expedient."

In other words — Congress may pass laws, but I decide which of its laws are constitutional and which I can simply choose to ignore.

Of course, the Constitution doesn't actually give the president this power, but Obama won't allow a little thing like the U.S. Constitution to get in his way. And in the present case, Congress is right to try to prevent him from using a federal health agency, not to mention our tax dollars, as a weapon in his ongoing war against the Second Amendment. As The Washington Times reports, NIH has wasted over $5 million since 2002 producing deceptive studies aimed at furthering gun control — including one study that tried "to prove that a home without firearms was essential to a child's safety and well-being."

Even more importantly, Congress knows that there is no scheme too radical, or dangerous, for the Obama administration when it comes to using federal agencies to push its anti-gun agenda.

Last month, email exchanges surfaced between employees at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATFE) that show the administration helped illegally transfer guns to violent Mexican drug cartels in order to manufacture a case for gun registration [emphasis added]. Now gun dealers in four Southwest border states must abide by a new gun registration requirement, courtesy of BATFE, that forces them to register the sales of any law-abiding American who purchases more than one semi-automatic rifle within five business days.

Congress never passed any law like this. Rather, Obama's BATFE orchestrated the deadly "Fast and Furious" gun-walking scandal to give cause for its unconstitutional gun-control edict. Given this, how hard is it to envision the Obama administration issuing a phony "health" study that maligns gun owners?

Obama may not have a majority in Congress, or the will of the people, behind his anti-gun agenda. But that isn't stopping his administration from finding deceitful ways to evade Congress and build public support for gun bans, gun registration and other regulations designed to weaken and destroy our Second Amendment rights.

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"The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government." - Thomas Jefferson

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Romney and McCain: The GOP Frenemies' Club

Michelle Malkin
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Michael Corleone said to "keep your friends close, but your enemies closer." But what, pray tell, do we do with our frenemies? This is the awful election-year quandary of movement conservatives. And everything you need to know about our heartache can be summed up in one image: 2008 presidential election loser John McCain and Mitt Romney together on the campaign trail.

When they're together, they look like they're holding each other (and the rest of us) hostage. Their toxic chemistry makes seething, ex-newlyweds Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries look like Fred and Ginger. In New Hampshire last week, after Romney's Iowa caucus squeaker, an overly giddy McCain mocked his endorsee for his "landslide victory." Awkward.

Then in South Carolina on Friday, McCain mistakenly referred to Romney as "President Obama" -- as Romney and South Carolina GOP Gov. Nikki Haley rushed to correct the gaffe. Freudian slip? Senior moment? Sabotage? All of the above?

Of course, if you choose to pal around with a double-talking, big government barnacle, you get what you deserve.

McCain is the entrenched incumbent Arizona senator/war hero who lost to a neophyte, radical leftist community organizer from Chicago. The "straight-talk" GOP candidate flip-flopped on everything from illegal immigration to global warming to offshore drilling to closing Gitmo. He pandered to minority grievance-mongers and the liberal media. He proposed massive government interventions bigger than Obama's.

This Beltway fossil who now poses as a tea party hero proudly teamed with Big Government liberals Teddy Kennedy and Russ Feingold. He's the "maverick" who supported the $700 billion TARP bailout, the $25 billion auto bailout, the first $85 billion AIG bailout and a $300 billion mortgage bailout -- yet he now carps about "record deficits and debt."

A career politician for the past 30 years, McCain set the stage for the suicidal anti-capitalist rhetoric now polluting the GOP primary. Four years ago this month, during a GOP primary debate held at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, it was McCain up on stage denigrating Romney's private-sector experience. Asked whether he thought Romney's record as CEO made him qualified to lead, McCain snarked: "I know how to lead. I led the largest squadron in the United States Navy. And I did it out of patriotism, not for profit."

Newt Gingrich, Rick Perry and Jon Huntsman have all followed suit, bashing Romney's venture-capitalist past at Bain Capital with Occupy Wall Street-style zeal.

It's one thing to carefully dissect Romney's investments, as the Wall Street Journal did, and weigh his wins against his losses. (The paper found that "in total, Bain produced about $2.5 billion in gains for its investors in the 77 deals, on about $1.1 billion invested. Overall, Bain recorded roughly 50 percent to 80 percent annual gains in this period, which experts said was among the best track records for buyout firms in that era.")

It's quite another to shamelessly disparage those who work in private equities as immoral corporate raiders and avaricious job-killers, as the three aforementioned GOP Occupiers have done. If they keep it up, they'll soon be chaining themselves together with bike locks, performing "mic checks" and "down twinkles" at the next GOP debate.

Gingrich has pushed McCain's profit-bashing line the furthest. Backed by a super-PAC (the very campaign finance vehicle he was whining about last week) flush with $5 million from casino mogul Sheldon Adelson, the vendetta-driven former House speaker accused Romney and a "handful of rich people" of "looting" companies. Channeling left-wing propagandist Michael Moore, Gingrich railed that Bain "manipulate(d) the lives of thousands of other people." Gingrich -- who raked in millions consulting for the taxpayer-subsidized Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac racket -- also served on the advisory board of private equities firm and leveraged buyout experts Forstmann Little.

But, hey, it's only "looting" if it doesn't line your own pockets.

Romney's chronic flip-flopping political career is teeming with reasons for grass-roots conservatives to oppose his nomination -- from his support for racial preferences and government funding of abortion, liberal judges, global warming enviro-nitwittery, TARP, auto bailouts, the Obama stimulus, gun control and, of course, the Massachusetts individual health insurance mandates that presaged Obamacare. But instead of focusing on his long political record of expedience, incompetent non-Romneys have borrowed from McCain's 2008 playbook and thrown wealth creators of all kinds who take risks in the private marketplace under the bus.

With frenemies like these, who needs Democrats?

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VA Announces Changes to Emergency Care Payment Policy

The Department of Veterans Affairs announced today a change in regulations regarding payments for emergency care provided to eligible Veterans in non-VA facilities.

"This provision helps ensure eligible Veterans continue to get the emergency care they need when VA facilities are not available," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki.

The new regulation extends VA's authority to pay for emergency care provided to eligible Veterans at non-VA facilities until the Veterans can be safely transferred to a VA medical facility.

More than 100,000 Veterans are estimated to be affected by the new rules, at a cost of about $44 million annually.

VA operates 121 emergency departments across the country, which provide resuscitative therapy and stabilization in life-threatening situations. They operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week. VA also has 46 urgent care units, which provide care for patients without scheduled appointments who need immediate medical or psychiatric attention.

For more information about emergency care in non-VA facilities, visit www.nonvacare.va.gov

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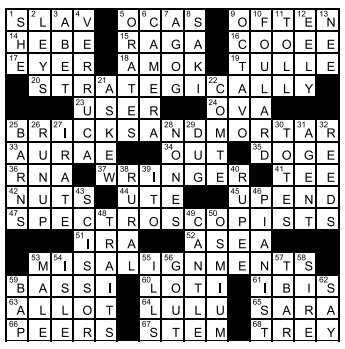

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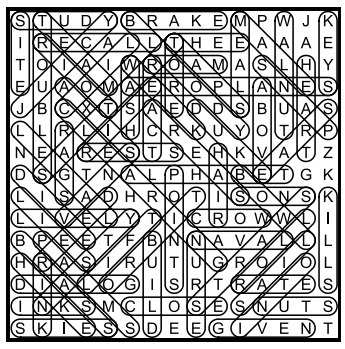

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just leave the information on the crime. The caller is given a code number and remains anonymous. Any person who directly contacts CRIME STOPPERS and gives information which leads to the arrest of an adult or juvenile, or the arrest of a fugitive is eligible for a reward. Crime Stoppers is an organization composed of everyday citizens helping all our law enforcement agencies to solve crimes in the area. Arson is a crime and punishable by fine and/or jail.

— submitted

Interesting FYI on Lighter'd Wood

Lighter'd wood, a precious commodity in these parts and elsewhere, is the heart of the pine tree, most commonly the Longleaf pine (Pinus palustris) that grows prolifically in this area. This heartwood is impregnated with resin and becomes hard and rot-resistant making it extremely 'burnable' for many years and the jewel of starting a good fire. Some call it fatwood and it has been highly prized for its high pitch concentration that makes it so combustible.

At one time the United States was covered with as much as 90,000,000 acres of the up to 150-foot high Longleaf pine but that has been reduced by 95% due to clear cutting. These trees take 100 to 150 years to mature and can live up to 500 years. Upon cutting down the trees it was discovered that the remaining stumps were full of resin and did not rot and made excellent sources of naturally preserved wood for starting up a fire.

Operation One Eyed Jack Sting *continued from page 1A*

the coalition of law enforcement here in Levy County.

The team arrived Friday night to find nine people gambling and assorted drugs including cocaine and marijuana and cash on the table. Inside the Gambling House James was selling alcohol, cigarettes, cigars, chips, candy, beer and condoms without a license.

Numerous people scattered on foot and one vehicle parked in the front yard attempted to run through the drag net. In the car were the driver Quinton Harris, 28, with front passenger Daniel Joiner, 21, and in the back seat 22-year-old Manuel Terrell Jr., all of Williston. Harris attempted to escape with the car in reverse but Detective Roger Bell, Detective Jay Crooms, Police Officer Justin Douglas and Major Evan Sullivan managed to stop the vehicle taking the occupants out at gun point. Inside the car was a pistol and Daniel Joiner had 30 individually-packaged baggies of cocaine and two bags of marijuana in his pocket.

Also included in the arrests were: Jermaine Harris, 34; Kelvin Hill, 29; Jerrell Hopkins, 24; and Marrio Monroe, 31 – all with Williston addresses.

Needless to say this location is shining bright on the radar of law enforcement and will continue to be monitored by the Levy County Sheriff's office who said they have zero tolerance for illegal activity.

IMPORTANT TAX SAVINGS NOTICE

From The

Levy County Property Appraiser

OSBORN "Oz" BARKER

Filing Period for Tax Saving Exemptions Ends March 1st

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION - $25,000

FLORIDA LAW requires that applications be made by MARCH 1, 2012 to be eligible for this $25,000 exemption. In order to qualify for this exemption you must:

1. Hold title to the property as of January 1, 2012
2. Reside on the property as of January 1, 2012
3. Be a LEGAL resident of the State of Florida as of January 1, 2012

You must then appear personally at the County Property Appraiser's Office.

PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING WITH YOU: Deed or Tax Bill or something showing the legal description of the property on which you are claiming homestead exemption: Florida Driver's License, Social Security Card, Florida Car Registration, Florida Voter's Registration or Declaration of Domicile. If not a U.S. Citizen, bring Residency (Green) card for both husband and wife. If filing on a mobile home.

Homestead Exemption Granted for 2011 Will Automatically Be Renewed for 2012

It is no longer necessary to sign and return a Homestead renewal card.

Except for Additional Senior Homestead

If filing for the first time, you must come to the Property Appraiser's Office.

ADDITIONAL SENIOR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

1. **Must be 65 years of age by January 1, 2012.**
2. **Annual household adjusted gross income must not exceed $26,500 for year 2011.**
3. **Proof of age and income required.**
4. **If you do not file an IRS schedule 1040 income tax return, then a sworn statement is required.**
5. **Annual statement of income from social security and veterans administrating benefits will be accepted.**
6. **This is an annual application and is not automatically renewed.**

$500 WIDOWS/WIDOWERS EXEMPTION

Any widow/widower who is a permanent Florida resident may claim this exemption. If the widow/ widower remarries, she/he is no longer eligible and if the husband and wife were divorced before his/her death, the woman is not considered a widow, nor the man a widower.If filing for the first time, please present a Death Certificate or other proof of your widow/widower status.

DISABLED VETERANS' EXEMPTION

A disabled veteran who has 10% or more war time disability is entitled to an additional $5,000.00 beyond Homestead Exemption. A "V.A." letter must accompany application, or other acceptable record of disability. Veterans who are totally and permanently disabled as a result of certain service connected disabilities should contact the Appraiser's Office for determination or other special benefits.

AGRICULTURAL (GREENBELT) FILINGS

All owners or lessees of agricultural lands who desire agricultural classifications for tax purposes on their property must file agricultural application with the Appraiser between January 1 and March 1. Agricultural classifications are automatically renewed.

PROPERTY TAX DISCOUNT FOR VETERANS AGE 65 AND OLDER WITH COMBAT RELATED DISABILITY

A Florida veteran who is age 65 or older who is partially or totally permanently disabled shall receive a discount from the ad valorem tax otherwise owed on homestead property the veteran owns and resides in if the disability was combat related, the veteran was a resident of this state at the time of entering the military service of the United States, and the veteran was honorably discharged upon separation from military service. The discount shall be in a percentage equal to the percentage of the veteran's permanent, service-connected disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. To qualify for the discount granted by this subsection, an applicant must submit to the county property appraiser, by March 1, proof of residency at the time of entering military service, an official letter from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs stating the percentage of the veteran's service-connected disability as combat related, and a copy of the verteran's honorable discharge.

NON-VETERAN DISABILITY EXEMPTION $500.00

Every Florida resident who is totally and permanently disabled qualifies for the $500 exemption. If filing for the, first time, present proof of the total and permanent disability by obtaining a certificate from a licensed physician of Florida.

Residency must be as of January 1, 2012. Quadriplegics should contact the Appraiser's Office for' special benefit information. If blind or confined to a wheelchair, there is an income limitation per year, including Social Security, contact the Appraiser's Office for determination of other special benefits. Disability forms are available at the Appraiser's Office.

TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY EXEMPTION $25,000

Tangible Personal Property returns must be filed no later than April 1st. Failure to file a return will result in a penalty and an assessment will be made as provided by Florida Law. Tangible Personal Property includes property such as business funiture and fixtures, machinery and equipment, household goods, and personal effects. (Florida residents are exempt from the tax on household goods and personal effects in their homestead.) The deadline for charitable and qualified non-profit organizations eligible as such exemption is March 1st. All others must file by April 1st.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IS NOT TRANSFERABLE — A NEW APPLICATION MUST BE FILED FOR ANY CHANGES

Information will be required from all persons applying for exemptions to determine their residency status. If Husband or Wife is filing for one or both, residency documentation will be required for both.

We are at your service and will be most happy to assist you in any way.
Our office is located in the Levy County Courthouse. Website - www.levypa.com

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Celestial Star Party in Williston

For the first time in its history, Alachua Astronomy Club is coming to Levy County! Williston Elementary School is hosting a "Star Party" on Thursday, February 2, 2012. Set up will begin at the back track (the bus loop on the east side of campus) around 5:00 pm. Sunset will occur a little after 6:00, and the "Star Party" will begin at 6:30 p.m. The highlights of the night will be observations of the Moon, Venus, Mars and Jupiter through telescopes provided by the Astronomy Club.

We would love to have a great turnout! Please plan to attend!

For more information, please contact Jeanne DuBois at 352/528-6030.

By Jeanne DuBois, WES 5th grade team facilitator, and Lisa Posteraro

SRWMD Will Receive $1.8M to Assist FEMA with Flood Mapping

On Jan. 10, the Suwannee River Water Management District's Governing Board authorized the District to enter into an agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to assist with flood mapping efforts. FEMA will provide a $1.8 million grant for the District to administer FEMA's Risk MAP (Mapping, Assessment, and Planning) Program for the Upper Suwannee River and the Santa Fe River basins.

Since 1999, the District has served as a technical partner with FEMA to update flood hazard data and flood maps. The first phase of the project included assisting FEMA with the development of Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs) for all counties within the District as part of FEMA's Map Modernization Program. The process involved remapping certain floodplain boundaries, converting old, paper maps into digital format, and producing geographical information system (GIS) data to support the new maps.

The District is nearing the completion of this phase of the project, with maps for Bradford and Levy counties entering the final stages of completion. Northwest Florida Water Management District is developing the DFIRMs for Jefferson County.

In the Risk MAP phase of the project, the District will assist FEMA with obtaining additional and more precise information about flood risks to better assess flood hazards. For instance, whereas the first phase of the project identified floodplain boundaries, the second phase will specify the depth of flooding in those flood hazard areas.

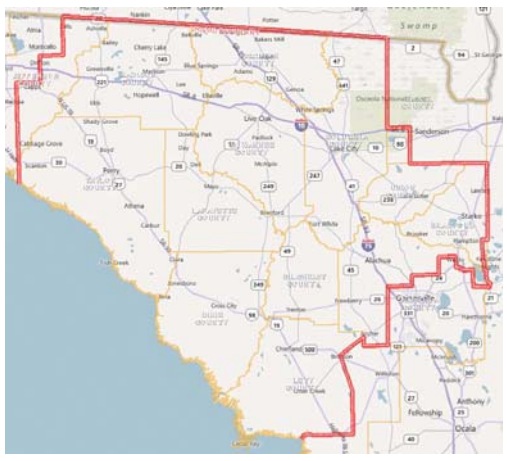
The District will use part of the FEMA grant to obtain data through the use of light detection and ranging (LiDAR), a data-collection method that provides more detailed topographic information.

"Having more precise data will allow us to better identify, assess, and mitigate flood risks," said James Link, District's FEMA program manager. "This will assist our communities by helping to prevent loss of life and property."

These programs are part of FEMA's plan to provide updated flood hazard data to identify flood risks for flood insurance and development purposes. To learn more about these programs visit http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/mm_main.shtm and http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/rm_main.shtm.

The District disseminates floodplain mapping information to the public through its website at www.srwmd.state.fl.us/index.aspx?nid=33.

The District manages water and related natural resources in north-central Florida by providing water quality and quantity monitoring, research, regulation, land acquisition and management, and flood protection.



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January 23, 2012	January 24, 2012	January 25, 2012	January 26, 2012	January 27, 2012
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January 30, 2012	**January 21, 2012**	**February 1, 2012**	**February 2, 2012**	**February 3, 2012**
Chili Con Carne w/ Beans or Cheese Pizza Tossed Salad/ Green Beans Apple Wedges Assorted Milk	Battered Dipped Fish/ Pizza Baked Beans/ Cole Slaw Chilled Peaches Hot Corn Bread Assorted Milk	Pop Corn Chicken or Ham and Cheese Sub Oven Fries / Green Peas Apple Wedges Assorted Milks	Spaghetti w/ Meat Balls or Hamburger on Bun Buttered Carrots / Salad Chilled Peaches Home Made Garlic Rolls Assorted Milks	Nachos w/ Ground Beef or Pizza Tossed Salad / Green Beans/ Buttered Corn Pineapple Up-Side Down Cake Sliced Orange Wedge Assorted Milks

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Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club Again Offers Scholarships

Each year the ladies of the Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club go in search of deserving students to receive a scholarship. The awards are open to students who attended Yankeetown School for at least two years, and graduated, or will graduate, from Dunnellon High School or Crystal River High School. Also eligible are homeschooled seniors, those who are attending college and maintain a 3.0 GPA, and those who have worked after graduation but now have concrete plans for resuming their education.

To be considered for a scholarship, students are asked to write a personal essay and complete a questionnaire, have a 3.0 GPA or higher, and submit teacher and counselor recommendation letters. Those who wish to apply may obtain an application from guidance counselors at Dunnellon or Crystal High Schools, at the A.F. Knotts Library on 56th Street in Yankeetown or download from the Woman's Club website, www.yiwomansclub.com. Selection will be made by members of the Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club Education Committee.

Completed applications should be mailed to: Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club Education Committee, P.O. Box 298, Yankeetown, FL 34498, and must be post marked no later than April 4, 2012 to be considered. If you have further questions, prospective applicants may call the club at 447-2057, Tuesday thru Saturday between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. or email: yiwomansclub@gmail.com.

Community Invited to Discussion of Refuge Programs and Projects

The Lower Suwannee and Cedar Keys National Wildlife Refuges will host a community discussion at the Cedar Key Public Library on Thursday Jan. 26 at 5 p.m. to meet the new Manager, Deputy Manager, and a Wildlife Officer at the Refuges. The community of Cedar Key will have an opportunity to learn of the Refuges' current and planned programs and projects, and interact with members of the staff representing the various programs. Refuge programs that will be presented include visitor services and recreational activities, forestry and habitat restoration, prescribed fire management, law enforcement, education, landscape conservation, and community interactions. Please come and take part. Everyone is welcome.

The event is cosponsored by the Friends of the Library and the Friends of the Refuges.

Health Department Opens After-Hours Medical Care

The Levy County Health Department will be providing after-hours medical care for minor injuries, illness, routine health care, physicals for work, sports or school starting on Jan. 25 and continuing on the last Wednesday of every month from 4:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

This clinic is for those people that meet the eligibility requirements which include: having no insurance, being a Levy County resident, having an income less than 200% of poverty (for example: a family of 4 earning less than $44,700 per year).

The health care is administered by licensed providers and members of the Levy County Medical Reserve Corp and the Levy County Health Department.

The Levy County Health Department does NOT provide any pain management services at any of their clinics. They also cannot provide services to children less than 12 years of age.

The after-hours clinics provide no family planning, STD or maternity services but appointments can be made for these at our regular clinics.

Appointments and walk-ins are accepted. The location for the after-hours clinic is at the Levy County Health Department at 66 West Main Street in Bronson.

For more information or to make an appointment call: 352/486-5300.

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The local council meets at Haven Hospice of North Central Florida, 4200 NW 90th Boulevard in Gainesville to discuss the program's current activities and give the public a chance to provide comments about long-term care facility issues. These public meetings begin at 12:30 p.m. Concerned citizens and those interested in volunteering are welcome to attend. tfnf

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2	3	1	7	4	9	5	6	8
5	7	9	6	2	8	4	1	3
6	1	7	9	8	2	3	5	4
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9	5	4	3	7	6	1	8	2
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The answers for this week's sudoku puzzle will appear in next weeks issue.

Florida Agency Opens Website Window to Government Spending

Want to check out how our Florida government is spending our tax dollars? Go to floridaopengov.org. It is the brainchild of the Foundation for Government Accountability.

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2. To engage policymakers, the media and the public with rigorous analysis, captivating outreach and tireless advocacy to advance market-based economic policies that create opportunity and prosperity.
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"Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passion, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence. – John Adams

Engagement Announcement

Alvin and Diane (Mikell) Price of Micanopy are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn Price, to Zachary Aaron Rose. Zach is the son of Sheldon and Karen Rose of Plantation, Florida.

Jennifer is a graduate of Gainesville High School. She received a B.S. degree in Political Science and Interdisciplinary Social Science from Florida State University. Jennifer completed the Teach For America Americorps program from 2009 to 2011 in Metro-Atlanta and is now working for The Leadership for Educational Equity in New York City.

She is the granddaughter of the late Alvin and Mildred (Barber) Mikell of Bronson, Florida.

Zach is a graduate of Nova High School in Davie, Fla. He received a bachelor in Architecture from the University of Florida. He received his masters in Architecture from the University of Michigan. Zach is currently the CEO of Green Education Services in New York City.

The couple met on New Years three years ago and after a long friendship they began dating. The couple was engaged Memorial Day weekend 2011. They will be married on June 9, 2012 in Gainesville, Florida. After their honeymoon to Hawaii, the couple will reside in New York City.

Log Cabin Quilters

The Log Cabin Quiltesr met Thurs., Jan. 12 at the Levy County Quilt Museum. It looked like old home week. Carolyn is back from the cold country. Joanalle is back from Ohio. Myrtice is recovering from surgery. Carol Davis is our new visitor and we have known her husband Andy from our many meetings at C F Electric. It was so great to see so many today. We had 25 present and everyone had a great time sharing quilting and craft books.

Greg and six boys were here on Tuesday and got so much done. We haven't had them for three weeks with some on vacation, going hunting and whatever. Thanks Lancaster.

What a dinner we had on Thursday with meat casserole, spaghetti, squash, fish sticks, corn casserole, meat balls, deviled eggs, potato salad, rolls, great fruit marmalade, green beans and potatoes, pound cake, lemon pie, chocolate pie, chocolate cake and so much more.

—Winelle Horne

This quilt was made over 15 years ago. Each of the Club members was given the same pansy pattern. The results were that no two flowers are the same.

CHIEFLAND FFA 3rd ANNUAL HOMEMADE CHILI COOK-OFF 2012 CONTEST ENTRY FORM

WHO: Anyone who can make Chili.
WHEN: Friday, February 3, 2012 - 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
WHERE: The Chiefland High School Ag. Building
WHY: A Benefit Fundraiser for The Chiefland Ag Program
COST: $15.00 per entry (meal included)

----------GENERAL RULES----------
(Entrants must adhere to the following rules)

Entry forms must be received by January 30, 2012

Entry must be a minimum of 1 gallon of chili so everyone gets a taste.

Check-in for Participants is 4:45 p.m. Judging will begin at 5:00 p.m. Hot dogs and chili will be served to the general public beginning at 5:30 p.m. The cost will be $5.00.

A panel of three judges will determine the official winners in the following classes:

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Best Overall

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Kanapaha Bamboo Now Available Until March

By Don Goodman, Director Emeritus
Kanapaha Botanical Gardens

At Gainesville's Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, the New Year means more than partying and making resolutions for change. With January comes the commencement of one of the facility's most important fundraising events, the Winter Bamboo Sale and until the first of March the staff will concern themselves with little else. It all began in 1978 when the bamboo garden was originally installed. Now Kanapaha is home to Florida's largest bamboo garden. In what must be one of the most unusual fundraising events for a non-profit organization, Kanapaha Botanical Gardens began to sell its surplus bamboos on a dug-to-order basis to try to meet a seemingly insatiable demand for bamboos to use in home landscapes. Now, three decades later, the gardens' volunteers have begun digging the fifteen different kinds being offered this year in the 30th Annual Winter Bamboo Sale.

"There is an intense interest in utilizing bamboos for landscape purposes, especially visual screening." says Kanapaha's director, Alexis Caffrey. "We've been offering bamboo for public sale since 1982 and have yet to see any lessening of interest."

Caffrey says some potential customers are afraid to use bamboo in their landscapes because they have heard horrifying stories about its unstoppable invasiveness but "they need to recognize that the vast majority of our bamboos are 'clumping' types whose new shoots arise at the immediate periphery of a dense cluster of canes to produce an expanding clump, not a thicket of more widely spaced canes that is characteristic of running bamboos."

Most of the fifteen types of bamboo offered this year are clumpers that range in size from Chinese Goddess, whose pencil thin canes grow only about 8 feet tall to giants like Buddha's Belly Bamboo, whose massive 4 inch diameter canes may grow to a height of more than 60 feet. One of the most popular is Wong Chuk (Royal Bamboo), whose popularity derives from having canes that have no leaves or branches---just straight and stately giant canes---on the lower half of the 40-foot high plant. It is also known as Weaver's Bamboo because its thin walled canes may be split into strips that can be woven into baskets and other products.

The few kinds of "running" bamboos offered each winter possess some outstanding ornamental feature that more than compensate buyers for the work that is required to control their spread. Arrow bamboo, for instance, thrives in shady situations, an unusual trait for a bamboo. Another, the elegant black bamboo is considered by many aficionados to be the world's most beautiful bamboo, a distinction that is attributable to its shiny jet black canes.

According to Caffrey, there is a valid reason bamboos have acquired a reputation as the gold standard for visual screening. Unlike shrubs which lose their lower leaves in time, enabling one to see through the "leggy" lower portions, bamboos possess tightly spaced stems ---the canes--- that serve as screening so the configuration of the canopy of overlying leaves is of little consequence. When February draws to a close, it is all over for another year as Kanapaha's exhausted bamboo diggers set aside their shovels and attend to the many garden chores that attend the warmer months.

Director Alexis Caffrey amidst a forest of bamboo.

"The best way to decide which type of bamboo to add to your landscape is to see them on display in their full glory," Says Caffrey. "There's simply nothing else like them."

Kanapaha Botanical Gardens is a 62 acre non-profit facility located in Gainesville, Florida. Information about the 30th Annual Winter Bamboo Sale are available at www.kanapaha.org, or will be mailed upon request. 352/372-4981.

Levy County Health Department Issues Mosquito- Borne Illnesses Advisory

The Levy County Health Department (LCHD) emphasizes the importance of protection against mosquito-borne diseases after receiving notification that two horses in the Morriston area have died from complications of the Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) virus. Neither of the horses had received their EEE vaccinations. EEE is caused by a virus transmitted by mosquitoes and can infect mammals, birds, amphibians and reptiles. The virus can be transmitted from birds to humans by mosquitoes. The virus causes severe illness in humans and horses.

Symptoms of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) may include headache, fever, fatigue, dizziness, weakness and confusion. Physicians should contact the local county health department if they suspect an individual may have a mosquito-borne illness. State of Florida Department of Health laboratories provide testing services for physicians treating patients with clinical signs of mosquito-borne diseases.

Levy County Mosquito Control and the Levy County Health Department continue surveillance and prevention efforts and encourage everyone to take basic precautions to help limit exposure to mosquitoes by following the health department's recommendations. The Levy County Health Department is also recommending horse and livestock owners contact their veterinarian about vaccinations against mosquito borne diseases.

Remember "Drain and Cover":

- DRAIN standing water to stop mosquitoes from multiplying.
- Drain water from garbage cans, house gutters, buckets, pool covers, coolers, toys, flower pots or any other containers where sprinkler or rain water has collected.
- Discard old tires, drums, bottles, cans, pots and pans, broken appliances and other items that aren't being used.
- Empty and clean birdbaths and pet's water bowls at least once or twice a week.
- Protect boats and vehicles from rain with tarps that don't accumulate water.
- Maintain swimming pools in good condition and appropriately chlorinated. Empty plastic swimming pools when not in use.

COVER skin with clothing or repellent

CLOTHING - Wear shoes, socks, and long pants and long-sleeves. This type of protection may be necessary for people who must work in areas where mosquitoes are present.

REPELLENT - Apply mosquito repellent to bare skin and clothing.

Always use repellents according to the label. Repellents with DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, and IR3535 are effective.

Use mosquito netting to protect children younger than 2 months old.

COVER doors and windows with screens to keep mosquitoes out of your house;

Repair broken screening on windows, doors, porches, and patios.

Tips on Repellent Use

Always read label directions carefully for the approved usage before you apply a repellent. Some repellents are not suitable for children.

Products with concentrations of up to 30 percent DEET are generally recommended. Other EPA-approved repellents contain Picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR3535. These products are generally available at local pharmacies. Look for active ingredients to be listed on the product label.

Apply insect repellent to exposed skin, or onto clothing, but not under clothing.

In protecting children, read label instructions to be sure the repellent is age-appropriate. According to the CDC, mosquito repellents containing oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under the age of 3 years. DEET is not recommended on children younger than 2 months old.

Avoid applying repellents to the hands of children. Adults should apply repellent first to their own hands and then transfer it to the child's skin and clothing.

If additional protection is necessary, apply a permethrin repellent directly to your clothing. Again, always follow the manufacturer's directions.

DOH continues to conduct statewide surveillance for mosquito borne illnesses, including West Nile virus infections, Eastern equine encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis, malaria, and dengue. Residents of Florida are encouraged to report dead birds via the web site http://www.myfwc.com/bird/. For more information, visit DOH's Environmental Public Health web site at http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Environment/medicine/arboviral/index.html or call your local county health department.

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@levyjournal.com.

Found Photo Identified

Thanks to Aimee Conquest who used Facebook to contact one of the young ladies in the picture we have the story on one of the people in this Found Photo. The first young lady on the left with the glasses is none other than – Gina Cohen. Gina emailed us to tell us it was a Young Author's event in Cedar Key. Gina now lives in California and has a one-year-old daughter. She works as a Medical Prosthetic Artist sculpting and painting realistic arms and legs for amputees. What a creative career. Be blessed Gina and thanks for contacting us.

Levy County to Meet New President of CCF

The Levy County community will have an opportunity to meet Dr. James Henningsen, the new president of College of Central Florida, at a reception on Wednesday, Jan. 25.

The reception, hosted by the CF District Board of Trustees, begins at noon and will be held at the CF Levy Center, 114 Rodgers Blvd. in Chiefland. Community members who would like to attend are requested to RSVP by calling 352/493-9533 or emailing Lordr@cf.edu.

Henningsen, who has more than two decades of experience with the Florida College System, was selected after a national search that involved college staff, faculty, students and community members. He previously served as vice president for academic affairs/chief academic officer at Seminole State College of Florida.

Levy County Community Calendar

BRONSON

Greater Bronson Area Chamber of Commerce

We need fundraisers for the spring; Patriotic pins can be sold again for Memorial Day and Fourth of July; lawn mower racing discussed; dinner, lunches.

Membership fees are $25 for individuals and $50 for businesses. We are welcoming new members! If you are interested, please contact bronsoncoc@gmail.com or laci_lynn@hotmail.com.

If you would like more information about joining the Greater Bronson Area Chamber of Commerce or about meeting times, please email info@bronsoncoc.com

Bronson Annual African American Festival Feb. 18

The Bronson Annual African American Festival will be held on Saturday Feb. 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in front of the Levy County Public Health Dept at 66 S. Main Street in Bronson.

Anyone who would like to be a participant such as performers whether as a choir, duet or solo, dancers, mimes, or vendors for food should contact the organizers by Jan. 31. The cost for vendors is $25.

If you would like more information please call: Beatrice Mongo (352)-642-2603; Lillian McClendon (352)-486-6077; Mary Joe Edmondson (352)-486-2605 or (352)-221-5285 cell; or Katherine Manuel (352)-486-2693.

NEWBERRY

Newberry Branch Library Presents Popular Quilting Jan. 22

Quilters of Alachua County Day Guild (QACDG) member Bette Viessman, will present an introduction to the Alachua County quilting community during a presentation Sunday, January 22nd, at 2 p.m., at the Alachua County Library, Newberry Branch, 110 South Seaboard Drive in Newberry, Florida.

Ms. Viessman will bring a trunk-show filled with beautiful and inspirational quilts and show how to make simple but elegant quilts that can be given as gifts. The program is open to anyone interested in learning more about quilting or the Alachua County quilting community.

For more information on the Newberry Branch library, call Marian Suggs, (352) 472-1135. For information on Quilters of Alachua County Day Guild, go to www.qacdg.org.

Quilters of Alachua County Day Guild (QACDG) meets monthly the first Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to noon, at the Senior Recreation Center, 5701 N. W. 34th Street, Gainesville. Refreshments at 9:30 a.m., meeting begins 10 a.m. Guests are welcome.

Founded as a not-for-profit organization in August of 2003, Quilters of Alachua County Day Guild has grown from that initial handful to well over 100 members. QACDG provides a broad spectrum of educational programs at meetings, and workshops throughout the year.

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 29 – Perspective.

Workshops for January: Jan. 30 – costume jewelry rescheduled to Mar. 12.

Classes –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.

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.

The Children's Summer Art Program Benefit Dinner will be held on Wed. Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. upstairs at the CK Arts Center with a 3-course gourmet dinner created by The Island Room. Cost is $25/person and includes beverage, tax and tip. There will be a raffle of original art and other fun items. To make reservations call 352/543-6520.

Refuge Photo-Walks Start Jan. 24

Michelle Pearson will lead Cedar Keys and Lower Suwannee Friends of the Refuges Photo Walks/Trips every 4th Tuesday at 10 a.m. starting on Jan. 24th at the Dennis Creek Trail (near Shell Mound. Most trips will be free, unless there is admission or other such costs. During the walks/trips, Michelle will suggest photo ops, as well as provide camera/photo skills assistance.

These photo-walks are open to public.

This Dennis Creek walk will have no costs.

Call 352/325-0134 for more info.

Lower Suwannee NWR Community Discussion at Library Jan. 26

The Lower Suwannee and Cedar Keys National Wildlife Refuges are hosting a community discussion at the Cedar Key Public Library on Thursday, Jan. 26 at 5:00 p.m. Recently the Refuges gained a new Manager, Deputy Manager, and a new Wildlife Officer. The community of Cedar Key will have an opportunity to learn of the Refuge's current and planned programs and projects, and interact with members of the staff representing the various programs. Refuge programs that will be presented include visitor services and recreational activities, forestry and habitat restoration, prescribed fire management, law enforcement, education, landscape conservation, and community interactions. Please come and take part; everyone is welcome.

The event is cosponsored by the Friends of Library and the Friends of the Refuges.

For more information, please contact The Refuge at 352/493-0238, extension 223.

YANKEETOWN-INGLIS

Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club Looking for Super Soup Makers

Calling all soup makers…reserve your spot today to try for the title of "Best Soup Chef" in the area. The Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club Soup-A-Thon will be Saturday, Jan. 21 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Bring your favorite soup and join your neighbors at #5 56th St., Yankeetown to try them all and vote for the best. ALL YOU CAN EAT ONLY $6.00. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three tastiest soups…..1st place $50, 2nd place $25 and 3rd place $10.

The ladies of the Club have been busy baking and will have lots of homemade goodies for sale. If all the delicious soups have filled you up, take some home for a "midnight" snack. Make plans to check out the new arrivals at the Thrift Store. Lingerie, sleepwear and Christmas decorations are 50% off as well as all items marked with a red or blue tag. Call the Club at 352/447-2057 or email yiwomansclub@gmail.com to sign up.

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,

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Levy County Saltwater and Freshwater Tides

	DAY	HIGH /LOW	TIDE TIME	HEIGHT /FEET	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOON TIME	% MOON VISIBLE
Cedar Key							
Th	19	Low	4:55 AM	-0.5	7:26 AM	Rise 3:57 AM	23
	19	High	11:52 AM	2.5	5:59 PM	Set 2:35 PM	
	19	Low	4:26 PM	1.6			
	19	High	10:12 PM	3.6			
F	20	Low	5:56 AM	-0.7	7:26 AM	Rise 4:57 AM	14
	20	High	12:47 PM	2.7	6:00 PM	Set 3:36 PM	
	20	Low	5:34 PM	1.4			
	20	High	11:15 PM	3.7			
Sa	21	Low	6:47 AM	-0.9	7:26 AM	Rise 5:52 AM	7
	21	High	1:28 PM	2.9	6:01 PM	Set 4:38 PM	
	21	Low	6:30 PM	1.2			
Su	22	High	12:10 AM	3.8	7:25 AM	Rise 6:42 AM	2
	22	Low	7:30 AM	-0.9	6:02 PM	Set 5:41 PM	
	22	High	2:03 PM	3			
	22	Low	7:18 PM	1			
M	23	High	12:59 AM	3.8	7:25 AM	Rise 7:25 AM	0
	23	Low	8:08 AM	-0.9	6:03 PM	Set 6:42 PM	
	23	High	2:34 PM	3.1			
	23	Low	8:02 PM	0.7			
Tu	24	High	1:44 AM	3.8	7:25 AM	Rise 8:04 AM	0
	24	Low	8:42 AM	-0.7	6:04 PM	Set 7:42 PM	
	24	High	3:01 PM	3.2			
	24	Low	8:43 PM	0.6			
W	25	High	2:26 AM	3.7	7:24 AM	Rise 8:39 AM	2
	25	Low	9:13 AM	-0.5	6:04 PM	Set 8:38 PM	
	25	High	3:27 PM	3.2			
	25	Low	9:22 PM	0.4			
Suwannee River Entrance							
Th	19	Low	5:13 AM	-0.5	7:27 AM	Rise 3:58 AM	23
	19	High	11:58 AM	2.2	6:00 PM	Set 2:36 PM	
	19	Low	4:44 PM	1.5			
	19	High	10:18 PM	3.2			
F	20	Low	6:14 AM	-0.7	7:27 AM	Rise 4:58 AM	14
	20	High	12:53 PM	2.4	6:00 PM	Set 3:36 PM	
	20	Low	5:52 PM	1.3			
	20	High	11:21 PM	3.3			
Sa	21	Low	7:05 AM	-0.9	7:27 AM	Rise 5:53 AM	7
	21	High	1:34 PM	2.6	6:01 PM	Set 4:39 PM	
	21	Low	6:48 PM	1.1			
Su	22	High	12:16 AM	3.3	7:26 AM	Rise 6:42 AM	2
	22	Low	7:48 AM	-0.9	6:02 PM	Set 5:41 PM	
	22	High	2:09 PM	2.6			
	22	Low	7:36 PM	0.9			
M	23	High	1:05 AM	3.3	7:26 AM	Rise 7:26 AM	0
	23	Low	8:26 AM	-0.9	6:03 PM	Set 6:43 PM	
	23	High	2:40 PM	2.7			
	23	Low	8:20 PM	0.7			
Tu	24	High	1:50 AM	3.3	7:26 AM	Rise 8:04 AM	0
	24	Low	9:00 AM	-0.7	6:04 PM	Set 7:42 PM	
	24	High	3:07 PM	2.8			
	24	Low	9:01 PM	0.6			
W	25	High	2:32 AM	3.3	7:25 AM	Rise 8:40 AM	2
	25	Low	9:31 AM	-0.5	6:05 PM	Set 8:39 PM	
	25	High	3:33 PM	2.8			
	25	Low	9:40 PM	0.4			
Withlacoochee River Entrance							
Th	19	Low	5:50 AM	-0.5	7:25 AM	Rise 3:56 AM	23
	19	High	11:59 AM	2.3	5:59 PM	Set 2:35 PM	
	19	Low	5:21 PM	1.5			
	19	High	10:19 PM	3.3			
F	20	Low	6:51 AM	-0.7	7:25 AM	Rise 4:56 AM	14
	20	High	12:54 PM	2.5	5:59 PM	Set 3:35 PM	
	20	Low	6:29 PM	1.3			
	20	High	11:22 PM	3.4			
Sa	21	Low	7:42 AM	-0.9	7:24 AM	Rise 5:51 AM	7
	21	High	1:35 PM	2.6	6:00 PM	Set 4:37 PM	
	21	Low	7:25 PM	1.1			
Su	22	High	12:17 AM	3.5	7:24 AM	Rise 6:40 AM	2
	22	Low	8:25 AM	-0.9	6:01 PM	Set 5:40 PM	
	22	High	2:10 PM	2.7			
	22	Low	8:13 PM	0.9			
M	23	High	1:06 AM	3.5	7:24 AM	Rise 7:24 AM	0
	23	Low	9:03 AM	-0.9	6:02 PM	Set 6:42 PM	
	23	High	2:41 PM	2.8			
	23	Low	8:57 PM	0.7			
Tu	24	High	1:51 AM	3.5	7:24 AM	Rise 8:02 AM	0
	24	Low	9:37 AM	-0.7	6:03 PM	Set 7:41 PM	
	24	High	3:08 PM	2.9			
	24	Low	9:38 PM	0.6			
W	25	High	2:33 AM	3.4	7:23 AM	Rise 8:38 AM	2
	25	Low	10:08 AM	-0.5	6:04 PM	Set 8:37 PM	
	25	High	3:34 PM	2.9			
	25	Low	10:17 PM	0.4			

Florida Cattle Auctions Weekly Summary

Bartow, FL Fri Jan 13, 2012 USDA-FL Dept of AG Market News

At the Florida Livestock Auctions; Cattle receipts at 8 markets; Okeechobee, Lakeland, Webster, Ellisville, Arcadia, Ocala, Madison and Lake City, receipts totaled 11,213 compared to 6,420 last week, and 8,622 last year. According to the Florida Federal-State Livestock Market News Service: Compated to one week ago, slaughter cows steady to 4.00 higher, bulls steady to 2.00 higher, feeder steers 2.00 to 4.00 higher, heifers steady to 2.00 higher, steer calves and heifer calves mostly 2.00 to 3.00 higher, replacement cows 2.00 to 4.00 higher.

	This week	Last week	Year ago
Steers over 600 lbs	3%	1%	2%
Steers under 600 lbs	37%	40%	40%
Heifers over 600 lbs	2%	1%	1%
Heifers under 600 lbs	36%	37%	38 %t
Feeder cows	2%	0%	3%
Slaughter cows	17%	18%	15%
Bulls	3%	3%	2%

Slaughter Cows Breakers 75-80

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1015-1190	1103	67.00-70.00	68.62
1210-1595	1412	68.00-79.00	74.14
1255-1585	1407	80.00-89.00	85.00 HD
1625-1975	1720	73.50-80.00	76.72

Slaughter Cows Boners 80-85

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
845-1190	1056	66.00-83.00	74.95
885-1195	1073	77.50-90.00	81.66 HD
1105-1175	1140	62.00-63.00	62.48 LD
1200-1910	1368	72.00-83.00	78.68
1200-1550	1326	84.00-88.00	85.51 HD
1685-1730	1708	64.00-70.00	66.96 LD

Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
805-835	823	65.00-68.00	67.2
800-830	809	55.00-62.00	58.86 LD
850-1195	975	63.00-72.00	66.98
850-1190	967	52.00-63.00	58.99 LD
1210-1585	1323	65.00-73.00	68.73

Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1060-1495	1333	80.00-95.00	85.29
1370-1375	1373	97.00-98.00	97.50 HD
1000-1450	1308	74.00-83.00	77.73 LD
1505-1985	1700	84.00-98.00	90.3
1505-2180	1856	95.00-109.00	100.56 HD

Feeder Steers and Bulls Medium and Large 1-2

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
200-245	219	194.00-240.00	206.38
250-295	268	185.00-225.00	200.51
300-345	320	180.00-215.00	191.7
350-390	367	162.50-200.00	179.46
400-445	419	147.50-185.00	164.15
450-495	469	142.50-170.00	155.41
500-545	518	135.00-163.00	148.04
550-595	569	130.00-155.00	141.55
600-645	619	125.00-142.00	134.6
650-695	671	125.00-140.00	133.07
700-710	708	124.00-128.00	126

Feeder Steers and Bulls Medium and Large 2-3

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
200-245	225	150.00-197.50	176.96
250-295	275	150.00-190.00	175.15
300-345	319	140.00-187.50	166.15
350-395	372	135.00-175.00	153.68
400-445	424	120.00-160.00	142.38
450-495	471	120.00-150.00	136.03
500-545	521	115.00-140.00	129.25
550-595	570	114.00-132.00	123.88
600-645	615	107.00-124.00	116.6
650-675	659	108.00-123.00	114.35

Feeder Holstein Steers and Bulls Large 3

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
265-290	276	120.00-122.00	121.05
305-325	308	118.00-120.00	118.85
355-390	370	116.00-120.00	117.86

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
205-245	226	160.00-200.00	173.21
250-290	268	150.00-190.00	161.01
300-345	320	142.50-165.00	151.55
350-395	369	138.00-163.00	147.22
400-445	421	126.00-161.00	142.53
450-490	467	125.00-150.00	137.04
500-545	517	116.00-148.00	132.12
550-590	562	119.00-140.00	127.31
600-635	617	115.00-134.00	122.42
650-685	662	111.00-127.00	118.94
710-720	713	112.00-113.00	112.67

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
200-245	224	135.00-170.00	147.03
250-290	271	130.00-152.00	141.52
300-345	321	122.50-150.00	136.79
350-390	369	120.00-149.00	132.02
400-445	423	115.00-143.00	127.14
450-495	475	114.00-140.00	124.68
500-545	520	108.00-135.00	119.83
550-595	571	107.00-128.00	113.87
605-640	624	105.00-118.00	111.66
655-690	670	110.00-117.00	112.95

Bred Cows Medium and Large 1-2

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
905-1085	982	67.00-100.00	83.03
1115-1135	1125	69.00-81.00	75.05
1325-1335	1330	73.00-76.00	74.51

Bred Cows Medium and Large 2-3

Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
975-1015 MoBred	1001	64.00-80.00	68.40 7-9

Around the Nature Coast

Florida Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program to Meet Jan. 19

The local council of the Florida Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program will meet on Jan. 19 at Haven Hospice of North Central Florida, 4200 NW 90th Boulevard in Gainesville to discuss the program's current activities and give the public a chance to provide comments about long-term care facility issues. These public meetings begin at 12:30 p.m. Concerned citizens and those interested in volunteering are welcome to attend.

WRPC Board of Directors Meeting Jan. 19

The next WRPC Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council office, located at 1241 S.W. 10th Street, OcalaFL.

Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Board Meets Jan. 19

The Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board will conduct its regular business meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. in the Chiefland City Hall, located at 214 East Park Avenue, Chiefland, Florida 32626.

The board meeting is open to the public.

Please note that future quarterly meetings will be held at 10 a.m. instead of 1:00 p.m., per the coordinating board's discussion. This change will take effect during the next quarterly meeting in May 2012.

Healthy Start Board Meeting Jan. 19

Healthy Start of North Central Florida Coalition Board Meeting will be held on Thurs. Jan. 19, 2012 at 2 p.m. at the WellFlorida Council in Gainesville. The public is invited. For more information call Heather Hollingsworth at 352/313-6500 ext. 119.

School Health Advisory Council Meeting Jan. 24

The School Health Advisory Council for Levy County Schools will meet Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 4 p.m. in the Media Center of Bronson Middle High School, 351 Ishie Ave. Bronson, Fla. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the latest updates on various Health and Safe and Drug Free School projects.

Priority topics will include an update of the Levy County School District policy on tobacco and the upcoming Florida Youth Survey that will be conducted between Jan. 23 and Feb. 17. The Florida Youth Survey is conducted in the even years and is supported by The Department of Education, Department of Health, and the Department of Children and Families. The Florida Youth Survey includes: The Florida Youth Tobacco Survey, Youth Risk Behavior Survey, the Middle School Health Behavior Survey, and the Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey. To look at past survey data you may go the following website: www.doh.state.fl.us/disease_ctrl/epi/Chronic_Disease/FYTS/Reports.htm

All who are interested are invited to attend. For more information you may contact Angie Phillips, SHAC Chair at 352/486-5261 or Carol Jones, District Wellness Contact at 352/486-5231.

USDA Commodity Distribution for Levy County

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.

LC Tourist Dev. Council Meeting Jan. 26

The Levy County Tourist Development Council will have its bi-monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 26, 2012 at 6 p.m. at the Levy County Visitors Bureau, 620 N. Hathaway Ave., in Bronson.

The meeting is open to the public.

An Evening with Rudy Guiliani Jan. 26

Accent Speakers Bureau will be presenting and Evening with Rudy Guiliani on Thurs. Jan. 26 at the Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts at 315 Hull Road in Gainesville, Fla. diwth doors opening at 7 p.m and the show starting at 8 p.m. This is a first come, first served seating agenda.

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.

School Readiness Service Providers Training Jan. 30

The Head Start/Early Head Start grantee operating programs in Marion, Citrus, Gilchrist and Levy counties, Childhood Development Services, Inc., is accepting proposals from child care providers and family childcare homes. If you are interested in providing School Readiness Services during the school year 2012-2013, please plan to attend the mandatory training Jan. 30, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Childhood Development Services, Inc., 1601 NE 25th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34470. The Invitation To Bid (ITB) Packet is not available prior to the training. If you have any questions, contact Cynthia Graham at (352) 629-0055 x293.

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 (select Levy noncredit classes). For more information call 352/493-9533.

Restricted Use Pesticide Training Jan. 31 in Bronson

The Levy, Gilchrist and Dixie County Extension Offices will hold a Restricted Pesticide Training on Jan. 31 from 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. After the training, testing will begin and this usually takes about 2 hours or until completed.

This training event is for people who do not have a license and would like to take the test to be able to purchase restricted use pesticides.

The location of the training and testing will be at the Levy County Ag Center located at 625 North Hathaway Ave. (Alt. Hwy 27 across from Road Department Garage) in Bronson.

You may call the Levy office at 352/486-5131 for more information.

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

Zumba Classes in Levy County

Mondays –First Baptist Church, Bronson, 6:15 p.m.; Holy Family Church, Williston, 6 p.m.; Chiefland in old Curves next to Ralph's burgers 6 p.m.

Tuesdays – First Baptist Church, Williston, 6:30 p.m.; Chiefland old Curves next to Ralph's 6 p.m. and 7:15 p.m.

Wednesdays – Lion's Club, Williston, 6:15 p.m.

Thursdays – First Baptist Church, Bronson, 6:15 p.m.; Holy Family Church, Williston, 6 p.m.; Chiefland in old Curves next to Ralph's burgers 6 p.m. and 7:15 p.m.

Saturdays – Chiefland at old Curves next to Ralph's 12 noon.

All classes are 1 hour long. Chiefland classes are $5; Williston and Bronson $1.00 donation.

For information call Lori at (352) 221-4634.

AARP Safe Driving Course

Florida is a mandated State and any insurance company doing business in Florida must give a discount to those completing an AARP Safe Driving Course. Open to all 50 and older. Contact your agent for discount amounts. Update yourself to earn a discount and get newly enacted motor vehicle and traffic laws. Course fee is $12 for AARP members and $14 all others. Call instructor listed below to register.

Please arrive 10 minutes early to complete registration.

Levy County

Jan. 19, Suwannee Baptist Church, Old Town, 9 a.m., call Linda Cochran at 352/493-1742;
Jan. 24, Capital City Bank, North Young Blvd., Chiefland, 9 a.m., call Linda Cochran at 352/493-1742;
Jan. 30, First Baptist Church, Williston, 9 a.m., call Linda Cochran at 352/493-1742;
Feb. 21, Capital City Bank, North Young, Blvd., Chiefland, 9 a.m., call Linda Cochran at 352/493-1742;
Mar. 13, United Methodist Church, Old Town, 9 a.m., call Linda Cochran at 352/493-1742;
Apr. 11, Bronson Road Baptist Church, Bronson, 9 a.m., call Linda Cochran at 352/493-1742.

Crystal River, Homosassa, Homosassa Springs

Feb. 13 and 14, 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., 7 Rivers Hospital Annex. Call Hedda Smith at 352/527-8144.

Beverly Hill, Lecanto, Citrus Hills, Citrus Springs

Feb. 28 and 29, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m., Central Ridge Library, 425 W. Roosevelt Blvd, Beverly Hills. Call Ron Plageman at 352/860-1578.

Dudley Farm Historic State Park Plow Days Feb. 3 & 4

Dudley Farm Old-Fashioned Plow Days will showcase agricultural practices before the tractor and mechanization. Highly skilled draft horse and mule teams plow the crop fields in preparation for spring planting. There will be traditional skills demonstrations, food and music. Come look at these big beautiful and powerful creatures and the hard work we once depended upon them for. Friday and Saturday Feb. 3 & 4, 2012. 10am-2pm. The farm is located on SR 26 (Newberry Rd), 4 miles East of Newberry and 7 miles West of I-75 exit 387. Admission $5/vehicle. Phone 352/472-1142; www.friendsofdudleyfarm.org

Life Skills Workshop
Sponsored By
First Baptist Church of Bronson
A free event for all in the community.
Classes will be available on:

Healthy Living
Practical tips on how to eat right and exercise.

Finances
Learn how to better manage your finances.

Parenting
Godly wisdom for raising children.

Christianity
Learn the basics of Christianity.

Marriage
Turn your marriage into a love story.

Saturday, January 21st
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Lunch Provied.
Childcare available, by reservation only.
Call 352.486.2282
to Reserve Your Spot.
First Baptist Church of Bronson
451 S. Court Street - Bronson

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ALL DAY EVERY DAY
Crab Legs • Catfish• Fried Shrimp • Boiled Shrimp
SEABREEZE RESTAURANT
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7 DAYS A WEEK
Banquet Facilities Available!
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6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
7 DAYS A WEEK
1/4 mi. N of Walmart on East side of US 19, Chiefland
352-490-4906
ALL YOU CAN EAT SEAFOOD
Friday & Saturday Night 5 to 10 p.m.

ALL YOU CAN EAT SEAFOOD
Friday Night 5 to 10 p.m.
Breaded Fish Fingers • Mullet • Clam Strips • Stuffed Crab
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7 DAYS A WEEK
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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
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
COME JOIN US!
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.
Pastor Jamie Brock

FAMILY BIBLE CHAPEL
"The Little Church With A Big God"
For over 16 years, continues to present the inspirational words of God from the Bible.
Come join us at
12 N Main Street, Chiefland
Sunday: Family Worship Service: 10:30am
463-6369
Don Lunsford, *Pastor*

Otter Creek Baptist Church
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
"Serving God & Loving People"
Sunday:
Sunday School 9:15 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Discipleship Hour 5:00 pm
Evening Worship 6:30 pm
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. Tur
451 S. Court Street - Bronson, FL 32621- 352.486.2282

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Pine Grove Baptist Church
16655 N. W. CR-339
Trenton, Florida 32693
352-463-2151
www.pgbcfl.com
Dr. Greg Douglas, Senior Pastor
Pastor Rickey Whitley, 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.
~ Nursery provided for all services ~

Manatee Springs Church of Christ
Sunday
10 a.m. ..... Bible Study
11 a.m. ..... Worship Period
5 p.m. ..... Worship Period
Wednesday
7 p.m. ..... Bible Study
Minister Gene Dumas
352-542-0657 or 352-493-7775
11450 NW 76th Terr., Chiefland
Our goal is to "Speak where the Bible speaks and be silent where the Bible is silent." We seek Bible authority for the things that we believe and practice.

Tel. 352-486-2281
Come and Worship
8:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Sunday Morning Worship
7:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study - *(except 3rd Wednesday)*
Reverend Priscilla Scherrah, Pastor
Bronson United Methodist Church
235 Court Street
Bronson, Florida

A Non-Denominational Faith Community
Turning Point
LEARNING HOUR: 9AM
WORSHIP: 10:14AM
PASTOR: KENT ZIMMERMANN
CELL 352-949-6501
IN OUR NEW FACILITY
CR 341 (Dairy Road)
Children's Church
Wednesday Night
Learning Time 7 pm

Church Calendar

LIFE SKILLS WORKSHOP at First Baptist Bronson Jan. 21

Take your choice of a Life Skill class to attend for FREE at First Baptist Bronson, 451 S. Court Street in Bronson on Saturday Jan. 21 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. There will be classes on Healthy Living with tips on how to eat correctly and exercise by Lisa Winburn; Financial Managing by Selina Surles; Parenting with Godly wisdom by Sandra McKoy; Christianity Basics by Chris Orr and Marriage with practical tips to improve your marriage by Troy and Nina Turner.

Lunch will be provided and childcare is available by reservation only. RSVP or ask for more info at (352) 486-2282.

Marriage Classes at Lighthouse Word Church in January

Lighthouse Word Church, 2350 NW Hwy. Alt. 27 in Chiefland, will be offering Marriage Classes on the following dates; Sunday, Jan. 22 and 29 at 6:00 pm, and Sunday, Feb. 5 at 5:00 pm. At the class on January 29th, we will be featuring the new "Courageous" movie. A Marriage Ceremony for renewing wedding vows will be held on Sunday, Feb. 12 at the 10:30 a.m. Service and a reception with light refreshments will follow. Please call 493-1554 if you are interested in attending the classes.

Recorded Marriages

December 27, 2011
Michael James Gargano, 12/6/51, to Shelley Ann Townsend, 1/16/52, both of Bronson.
Gary Vern Taney, 8/30/85, to Christina Elaine Penney, 12/22/84, both of Morriston.

December 30, 2011
Ryan Daniel Daube, 4/11/73, to Jennifer Lynn Lindley, 12/24/83, both of Bronson.

January 3, 2012
Howard Gilliam Jr., 5/27/71, of Archer to Orpha Matilda Stumpp, 4/12/70, of Chiefland.

January 4, 2012
Anthony Leroy Thomas, 7/17/67, to Erica Jean Crowley, 4/19/82, both of Bronson.
Douglas Ray Hall Jr., 11/8/85, of Ocoee to Stacy Diane Cogland, 10/9/84, of Thomasville, Ga.

January 10, 2012
Richard William Travers, 2/23/64 to Lisa Louise Lee-Owen, 2/20/60, both of Chiefland.

January 11, 2012
Pedro Garcia, 10/5/85, of Morrison, to Claudia Aracely Rodriguez, 8/25/88, of Bronson.

January 12, 2012
Tressey Jones, 1/28/74, to Shereka Latoya Jackson, 5/29/81, both of Williston.

January 13, 2012
Ronald Wichowski, 11/29/54, of Glouchester City, NJ to Kimberly June Collins, 6/1/59, of Sicklerville, NJ

Rising Out of the Miry Clay

But Anyway... with Guy Sheffield

Once, when I was a young teen, a line of thunderheads came through and belched enough rain on my street to float a Buick. Before the tornado sirens could wind down, my best friend Ray was at my stoop ranting about some six foot wall of rushing water he'd seen in the local drainage ditch. Apparently it'd thrown his epinephrine levels into a tizzy. I could tell he had one of his crazy plans brewing. Knowing Ray, he wouldn't be dissuaded. It didn't matter that the peak water sports season was long past, it being nigh onto February and all.

We snuck out and hit the streets under the cover of the barking thunder. The poor gutters gurgled and gulped what little they could before sending the rest rippling on down the street. We splashed along shivering in the cold, cringing with each new flash of lightning. Something was telling me I shouldn't be listening to Ray again, even before I heard the roar of the muddy torrent ahead.

One look at that overwhelmed concrete canal justified all my apprehension. My well honed macho exterior imploded into its gooey center. "I ain't for playing no frozen Tidy Bowl man!" I quipped from between clattering teeth.

"What's wrong," Ray retorted, "You scared?"

With that I bristled. He and I both knew those were fighting words in our neck of the woods. I was about to open up a can and fix him a knuckle sandwich when thankfully, for one of us, he changed the subject. Rattling off his idea, he finished by nodding towards a big log swirling around in a little eddy near a bridge pylon.

"Alright Duck lip," I jabbed back, "How are we going to get under that bridge with the waves scuffing its underside and all?"

"The shear speed of the rushing water will pop us right on out the backside dummy," he reasoned, adding under his breath, "One way or another."

I hoped he was right, because it was on now. I wasn't going to have anybody calling me a chicken. We scaled the chain link fence, and on the count of three, leapt onto the log. There was a splash and two loud gasp as we each contemplated the biting chill of that frothing water. Ray kicked us free of the swirl and immediately we were whisk underneath the bridge and spit out on the other side, just like he'd predicted!

We zipped on down that concrete tube at breakneck speed for miles, ducking one overpass after another. There were brief stints we might have actually enjoyed ourselves, if our legs wouldn't have been so painfully numb. All hopes of that suddenly ended when the concrete unceremoniously ended. We were flushed out into a deep mud pit, spun around backwards, and eased off into a creek where wild undergrowth lined the ragged shores.

By now the afternoon had grown increasingly dim. I could barely make out the soiled diaper that floated up against my neck, or the old tires and other assorted items strewn along the spooky banks. Everything seemed to be eerily veiled in dark shadows. Ray's eyes bugged as a rusty old washing machine bobbed by.

Soon our feet began to scrape the miry bottom and somehow we crawled out onto the bank, where we lay shivering for long minutes waiting for the feeling to return to our legs. Fueled by a strong desire to one day see our fourteenth birthdays, we hacked through the dense brush and clawed up the muddy levee. A quiet little neighborhood loomed above, oblivious to idiots in their midst. I didn't know where we were, but it had to be better than where we'd just been. Ray forced his trademark grin, but I knew deep down he was just as happy as me to be alive.

Maybe you've made some bad decisions too; taken some Duck lipped advice and leapt off into a ditch in your life? Maybe you're feeling helpless and cold, floating through the valley of the shadow of death, spiraling out of control into an ever increasing darkness? I want to encourage you today. There is a way home.

Jesus longs to pull you out of the miry clay and to set your feet upon solid ground. He offers you a warm robe of righteousness. Don't be content to just grow numb in those cold filthy rags you've clothed yourself in. Listen to me. Reach out to Jesus. (He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. Psalms 40:2 KJV)

But anyway- There will always be thunderheads somewhere on the horizon, but if you'll trust the Lord and be determined to build your house upon the Rock, you'll stand strong.

Ray was right about some things. Each of us will be spit out the backside of this bridge called life, one way or another. I hope when your day comes you'll find yourself in an eternally nice neighborhood.

-Guy Sheffield

You can visit Guy Sheffield at his website www.butanyway.org, or email him at sfm4christ@gmail.com.

Obituaries

LUCAS B. CORBITT

November 14, 1988 – January 8, 2012

Lucas B. Corbitt of Bronson passed away January 8, 2012 in Bronson at the age of 23. He was born on November 14, 1988 to Robert and Amy Corbitt in Gainesville, Fla. and has lived here all his life. He worked in construction as a painter and loved fishing, hunting, 4-wheeling and metal fabricating. He was of the Methodist faith and a member of the Bronson United Methodist Church. He was also a member of the Sons of Amvets, Post 88.

Lucas leaves behind his father and mother, Robert and Amy; his sister Sarah Burgress (Doug); and his grandmother Alice Cerone. He also leaves many aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and a niece that loved and cherished him very much.

The family held a memorial at his home on Saturday January 14, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. officiated by Pastor Priscilla Scherrah and Lloyd Deckman.

Arrangements were placed under the care of Knauff Funeral Home in Williston, Fla.

CHRISTIAN J. BUCHERT

June 28, 1930 – January 12, 2012

Christian J. Buchert of Archer passed away on January 12, 2012 at the age of 81.

He was born on June 28, 1930 in Feasterville, Pa. to Frank and Mae Buchert. He served in the United States Air Force. He retired from Southern Bell as an installer. He moved to the Tri-County area in August of 2011 from Ft. Lauderdale. He was of the Lutheran faith. He enjoyed traveling, camping, being in the outdoors. He was an avid football and auto racing fan.

Mr. Buchert is survived by his son Christian Buchert Jr. (Antoinette); daughters Judith A. Woodhouse and Cheryl Lynn Tucker; sisters, Florence Wolestonholme and Grace Blankenship; grandchildren: Gus, Sophia, Francine, Matthew and great grandchildren Caleb and Ethan.

The family plans on holding a memorial service at a later date.

Arrangements are under the care of Knauff Funeral Home-Chiefland.

BETTY JANNEY PARKINSON

Betty Janney Parkinson of Williston passed away on January 14, 2012 at the age of 80. She was born in West Palm Beach to Cecil R. and Vallie G. Janney. She moved to Williston in 1970 from Archer. She was of the Baptist faith and a member of the First Baptist Church of Williston where she taught Sunday school. She was also a member of the American Business Women's Association and the Levy Association of Retarded Citizens. She enjoyed reading.

Mrs. Parkinson was preceded in death by her husband Ray Parkinson; brothers, Cecil R. Janney and Thomas R. Janney.

She is survived by her children Stephanie P. Lane (Frank) and Donald A. Parkinson (Rose); sibling, Alfred C. Janney (Elinor); step-siblings Laurence Cannon (Amelia) and Ronald Cannon (Evelyn); six grandchildren: Justin, Kyle, Jarrett, Sydney Lane and Shannon and Shelby Parkinson.

Family received friends on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Knauff Funeral Home-Williston. Funeral services are being held on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Williston with Pastor Alfred Janney and Pastor David A. Janney officiating. Interment is to follow at Orange Hill Cemetery. The family asks that in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the Hospice of the Nature Coast at P.O. Box 641270, Beverly Hills, Florida 34464.

Arrangements are under the care of Knauff Funeral Home-Williston.

THOMAS LEO SANCHEZ, SR.

March 20, 1926 - January 11, 2012

Thomas Leo Sanchez, Sr. passed away on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at the Lafayette Health Care Center in Mayo, Fla. at the age of 85. He was born on March 20, 1926 in Trenton to Edgar Sanchez and Essie Martin Sanchez.

Mr. Sanchez was raised by his maternal Martin clan along with his brother, Gad H. Sanchez, since his parents divorced when he was a toddler. He was a deacon at the New Hope Family Church in Bell and he was a lifetime member of the Eastern Star. Mr. Sanchez retired as a district sales manager for Conwood Corporation. He loved spending time with family and friends, gardening and fishing. He was a loving husband, father, brother and uncle.

Mr. Sanchez was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Patsy Cannon Sanchez and his brother, Gad H. Sanchez.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Diana and Larry Zimmerman of Bell; a son, Thomas Leo Sanchez, Jr. of Bell; and 2 grandchildren, Laura

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LEGAL NOTICES

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

CASE NO.: 2011-216-CP
IN RE: ESTATE OF
EDWIN LEON DOUGLAS
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of EDWIN LEON DOUGLAS, deceased, whose date of death was October 14, 2011 is pending in the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Levy County, Florida, Probate Division, Case No. 2011-216-CP, the address of which is Clerk of Circuit Court, Probate, 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 who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, and who have been served with a copy of this notice, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE 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, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with the Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWTTHSTAND7NG THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is January 12, 2012.

/s/ MYRON EDWIN DOUGLAS
Personal Representative

/s/ WILLIAM H. McDONALD, III, ESQUIRE
Attorney for Personal Representative
426 N.W. 2nd Avenue
Ocala, Florida 34475
(352) 622-2636
Florida Bar No.: 367670
Pub.: Jan. 12, 19, 2012.

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

Case No.: 38-2011-CA-00917

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PASCO,
Plaintiff,
vs.
GARY D. PANKOW, DELLA PANKOW a/k/a DELLA STUMP the spouse of GARY D. PANKOW and WILLISTON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is given that in accordance with the Amended Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on January 3, 2012, in Case No.: 38-2011-CA-00917, of the Circuit Court for Levy County, Florida, in which GARY D. PANKOW, DELLA PANKOW a/k/a DELLA STUMP the spouse of GARY D. PANKOW and WILLISTON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, were the Defendants and FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PASCO, the Plaintiff, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash in MAIN LOBBY OF THE LEVY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 305 S. Court St., Bronson, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on the 30th day of January, 2012, the following real property:

Lots 12 and 13, Block 25, WILLISTON HIGHLANDS GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 67, 67A through 67M, Public Records of Levy County, Florida. Together with 1986 Palm Mobile Home ID#PH09168A and PH09168B.

WITNESS the hand and seal of this Court on this 3rd day of January, 2012.

DANNY J. SHIPP
Clerk of Circuit Court
By: Gwen McElroy /s/
As Deputy Clerk

Pub.: Jan. 12, 19, 2012.

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

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 38-2011-CA-001258

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND OR BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM L. WELCH, et al,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO:
ELISA M. WELCH
LAST ADDRESS UNKNOWN
CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND OR BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM L. WELCH
LAST ADDRESS UNKNOWN
CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 2, BLOCK Q, FOX GROVE FARMS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE(S) 70, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH 1998 MOBILE HOME VIN# N17137A, N17137B, N17137C

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Marshall C. Watson, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1800 NW 49TH STREET, SUITE 120, FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33309 on or before February 17, 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.

Under the American 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 at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please 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 Court Interpreting at interpreter@circuit8.org.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 4th day of January, 2012.

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

Pub.: Jan. 12, 19, 2012.

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

PROBATE DIVISION
File Number 38-2011-CP-000242

IN RE: ESTATE OF
P. ERIC WATSON,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of P. ERIC WATSON, Deceased, whose date of death was November 21, 2011; File Number 38-2011-CP-000242, is pending in the Circuit Court for Levy County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court Street, Bronson, FL 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 PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: January 12, 2012

/s/ Gregory v. Beauchamp
Personal Representative
P. O. Box 1129
Chiefland, FL 32644

/s/ GREGORY V. BEAUCHAMP, PA
Attorney for Personal Representative
Florida Bar No. 178770
P. O. box 1129
Chiefland, FL 32644
(352) 493-1458
Pub.: Jan. 12, 19, 2011.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 0829-04 of the sale of 2004 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): ANNA FERTIE FOUNDATION

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: PARCEL 29, A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 12-15-17; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 44'53" W, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 12, A DISTANCE OF 1626.50 FEET; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 25' 17" E, PARALLEL WITH SAID NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 12, A DISTANCE OF 535.63 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; CONTINUE S 89 DEGREES 25'17" E, PARALLEL WITH SAID NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 12, A DISTANCE OF 535.63 FEET; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 44' 53" W, PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 12, A DISTANCE OF 813.25 FEET THENCE N 89 DEGREES 25'17" W, 535.63 FEET, THENCE N 00 DEGREES 44'53" E, 813.25 FEET TO CLOSE ON THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO THAT CERTAIN DECLARATION OF EASEMENT RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 188, PAGE 117 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: DRIGGERS CONCRET INC, DRIGGERS CONCRETE INC., A FLORIDA CORPORATION

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

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 1381-04 of the sale of 2004 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): COUNTY HELD CERTIFICATE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 49, BLOCK 2, MIDWAY HEIGHTS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 3 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: KAREN A ALLEN, DONALD ALLEN JACKSON

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

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CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 3154-04 of the sale of 2004 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 R PICKFORD TR

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 11, OF BLOCK 31, UNIVERSITY OAKS ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 15, 15A-15M OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: DONALD OLSON, JUANITA WILSON, DONALD OLSON TRUSTEE, JUANITA WILSON TRUSTEE, GEORGE OLSON TRUST

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

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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 3775-04 of the sale of 2004 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): JAMES L SLEDGE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 64 OF FOREST PARK III PHASE II, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 17 THROUGH 19 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A 1997 WESTCOTT MOBILE HOME BEARING ID#GAFLT75A28910WT21.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: ALFRED C RUSSELL SR, STUBBLEFIELD CORPORATION

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

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 6576-05 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 9, BLOCK 31, WILLISTON HIGHLANDS, UNIT 12, SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 18 EAST, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, AT PAGE 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A 1997 KING MOBILE HOME BEARING ID# N88266A & N55266B.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: ALVIN GRAHAM, CYNTHIA M GRAHAM

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

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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 1936-06 of the sale of 2006 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): COUNTY HELD CERTIFICATE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: THE WESTERLY 20 FEET OF THE NORTHERLY 20 FEET OF LOT 9, BLOCK 35, OAK RIDGE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES 63-1 THROUGH 63-7, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: ANNIE L HUGULEY, ANNIE HUGULEY, JAMES W HUGULEY

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

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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 1846-07 of the sale of 2007 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): COUNTY HELD CERTIFICATE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 15, BLOCK D, HAMMOCK HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 23, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: WILLIE W DICKINSON, INEZ W DICKINSON

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

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 3777-08 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 4, BLOCK 47, UNIVERSITY OAKS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 15, 15H-15M, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: MARCELINE CADET

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

DANNY J. SHIPP
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

LEGAL NOTICES

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 3878-08 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 10, BLOCK 51, WILLISTON HIGHLANDS, UNIT 12, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 13 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: HERBERT H. THOMAS, LORNA S THOMAS

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.
DANNY J. SHIPP
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Pub: Jan 19, 2012, Jan 26, 2012, Feb 02, 2012, Feb 09, 2012.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the holder(s) of Certificate number 0687-09 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: S 1/2 OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 AND N 1/2 OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, APPROXIMATELY 2-1/2 ACRES, LEVY COUNTY FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: ARMANDO ALONSO, MILDRED A ALONSO

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.
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 2532-09 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): ALMAX INVESTMENTS LLC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 38, BLOCK D, SUWANNEE RIVER SPRING SUBDIVISION #2 OF MANATEE SPRINGS AREA, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 62, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: PETER RANDALL PECK

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.
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 2838-09 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): ROBERT OBERT

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOTS 9 AND 16, BLOCK 3, PEACEFUL ACRES SUBDIVISION, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 57, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: MICHAEL CROUCH, MICHAEL C CROUCH, CROUCH PLASTERING SYSTEMS INC

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.
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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 4461-09 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): NATIONAL TAX ASSET GROUP LLC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: LOT 3, WHISPERING OAKS SUBDIVISION, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 70, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: GENE MERCER, GENE H MERCER, FRANCES MERCER

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 20th day of February, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 2:00
DATED this 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.
DANNY J. SHIPP
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Pub: Jan 12, 2012, Jan 19, 2012, Jan 26, 2012, Feb 02, 2012.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
CASE NO: 38-2011-CA-000489
DIVISION:
STEVEN BLAKEWOOD AND
SALLY R. BLAKEWOOD,
Plaintiff,
vs.
SCOTT RICKETTS, et. al.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO:
SCOTT RICKETTS, and, and unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, lienors, creditors, trustees or other claimants and all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against Scott Ricketts, whose last address is 2170 SW 140th Court, Ocala, FL 34481.

All parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to Foreclose on the following property in Levy County, Florida

Lot 4 of GREEN HILL SUBDIVISION as per the plat thereof recorded in Plat book 8 page 13 of the public records of Levy County, Florida. Tax Parcel #19433-000-00

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on WILLIAM K. GORDON Plaintiff's attorney, at P.O. Box 1017, Melrose. FL 31666, on or before thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, 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.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court on December 30, 2011.
CLERK OF THE COURT
By: Gwen McElroy /s/
As Deputy Clerk
Pub.: Jan. 19, 26, 2012.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 38-2011-CA-000865
DIVISION:
DAVID E. STIBBINS, INC.,
Plaintiff,
VS.
WLR, INC.; STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION, DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO; and STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment entered in this cause on January 9, 2012, in Case No. 38-2011-CA-000865, in the Circuit Court, in and for LEVY County, Florida, wherein DAVID E. STIBBINS, INC., is the Plaintiffs, and WLR, INC.; STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION, DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO; and STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, are the Defendants, I will sell, pursuant to the terms of said Summary Final Judgment, to the highest and best bidder for cash on Monday the 6th day of February, 2012, at 11:00 a.m., to the highest bidder for cash, except as hereinafter set forth, in the BOCC meeting room in the Levy County Courthouse at 355 S. Court St., Bronson, Florida the following described property located in LEVY County, Florida, to-wit:

LEVY County, Florida, Alcoholic Beverage License No. 48-00009

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal of this Court, this 10th day of January, 2012.

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

cc: Robert E. Kramer, Esquire, 555 West Granada Boulevard, Suite A-9, Ormond Beach, FL 32174; WLR, Inc., Theodore M. Burt, Registered Agent, 114 NE First Street, PO Box 308, Trenton, FL 32693.

Thomas J. Morton, Esquire, DBPR-DABT, 1940 North Monroe Street, Suite 40, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1040.

John Mika, Esquire, Office of the Attorney General, Revenue Litigation Section, PL-01 The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050.

NOTICE IN COMPLIANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 45.031 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.

ATTENTION: PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: Under the American 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 at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please 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 Court Interpreting at interpreter@circuit8.org

THIS IS NOT A COURT INFORMATION LINE.
Pub.: Jan. 19, 26, 2012.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 38-2011-CP-228
Division: PROBATE
IN RE ESTATE OF LOUVINEA WATER-DALLAS,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of LOUVINEA WATER-DALLAS, deceased, whose date of death was September 5, 2011, File Number 38-2011-CP-228, is pending in the Circuit Court for LEVY County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 355 S. Court Street, Bronson FL 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 rile 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 FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of First publication of this notice is: January 19, 2012.

Signed on Jan. 11, 2012
/s/ HAROLD DALLAS
Personal Representative
20031 NE 24th Place
Williston, FL 32696

/s/ Sean F. Bogle,
Attorney for Personal Representative
Email: sean@boglelawfirm.com
Florida Bar No. 0106313
Bogle Law Firm
101 South New York Ave., Suite 205
Winter Park, FL 32789
Telephone: 407-834-3311.
Pub.: Jan. 19, 26, 2012.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 38-2011-CP-244
Division
IN RE: ESTATE OF EMORY F. SULLIVAN
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Emory F. Sullivan, deceased, whose date of death was September 6, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Levy County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 355 South 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.

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The date of first publication of this notice is January 19, 2012.

Betty Carol Sullivan
P. O. Box 32
Inglis, Florida 34449

Gregory G. Gay, Esquire
Florida Bar Number: 162024
The Nature Coast Law Offices of
Gregory G. Gay, P. A.
5318 Balsam St.
New Port Richey, FL 34652
Telephone: (727) 849-1122
Fax: (727) 848-4466
E-Mail: gregg@willtrust.com
Pub.: Jan. 19, 26, 2012.

Town of Bronson NOTICE OF QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING

PETITION FOR A LAND USE CHANGE AND REZONING AND CONCEPTUAL USE
Petition No. 2012-01 BOCC
Applicant(s): BOCC LEVY COUNTY
Location: Fronting on N. Court Street near Ishie Ave.
Legal: Lots 8 and 10-15, Allen Wade S/D, Plat book 8, pages 38 & 39.

Notice is hereby given that a Quasi-Judicial hearing will be conducted by the Town Board of Bronson on Monday, February 6th, 2012, at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers in the Dogan S. Cobb Municipal Building at 660 East Hathaway Avenue, Bronson, Florida to hear and act upon a request for a Zoning and Land Use change.

Petitioners are requesting change of the zoning and land use designation from R-1 to Public.

All interested persons are urged to attend this hearing. Comments may be forwarded to the Town of Bronson, P.O. Box 266, Bronson, Florida 32621, or bring them to the office of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall in Bronson, Florida.

If any person decides to appeal the decision of the Town Board with respect to any matter considered at said Public Hearing, he will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the Appeal is to be based.

If any accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, contact the Clerk's Office in Town Hall at 352-486-2354.

Bronson Town Board
Bronson, Levy County, Florida
Pub.: Jan. 19, 26, 2012.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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

Bartow Service Office Governing Board Subcommittee Meeting: Discuss subcommittee business including facility rehabilitation, construction and leasing options. Governing Board members may attend.

DATE/TIME: Thursday, January 26, 2012; 8 a.m.

PLACE: SWFWMD Bartow Service Office, 170 Century Boulevard, Bartow FL 33830

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

For more information, you may contact: time.parkerson@watermatters.org 1(800)492-7862 (FL only) or (863)534-1448, x6006 (Ad Order EXE0185)

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

Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the District's Human Resources Director, 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville, Florida 34604-6899; telephone (352) 796-7211, ext. 4702 or 1-800-423-1476 (FL only), ext. 4702; TDD (FL only) 1-800-231-6103; or email to ADACoordinator@swfwmd.state.fl.us
Pub.: Jan. 19, 2012.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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

Governing Board Meeting, Committee Meetings, Subcommittee Meetings and Public Hearing: Consider SWFWMD business. Some Board members may participate in the meeting via communications media technology.

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, January 31, 2012; 9 a.m.

PLACE: SWFWMD Tampa Service Office, 7601 US Highway 301 North, Tampa FL 33637 (note: this is a change of location from the published calendar)

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting:

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For more information, you may contact: Luanne. Stout@watermatters.org 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211, x4605 (Ad Order EXE0184)

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

Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the District's Human Resources Director, 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville, Florida 34604-6899; telephone (352) 796-7211, ext. 4702 or 1-800-423-1476 (FL only), ext. 4702; TDD (FL only) 1-800-231-6103; or email to ADACoordinator@swfwmd.state.fl.us Pub.: Jan. 19, 2012.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

The Southwest Florida Water Management District is proposing to amend the following rule: 40D-1.1010, F.A.C.

This rulemaking deletes the requirement set forth in Section 40D-1.1010(6), F.A.C., for certain permit applicants to publish notice of agency decision on their application. The District will continue to advise permittees of the benefits of publishing notices of agency action, but such publication will no longer be required by the District.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking appeared in the Florida Administrative Weekly, Vol. 38, No.02, 40D-1.1010, F.A.C., on January 13, 2012. A copy of the proposed rule can be viewed on the District's website at http://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/rules/proposed/

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to provide comments on this rulemaking is asked to contact: The Southwest Florida Water Management District Human Resources Director, 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville, Florida 34604-6899; telephone (352) 796-7211, ext. 4702 or 1-800-423-1476 (FL only), ext. 4702; TDD (FL only) 1-800-231-6103; or email to ADACoordinator@swfwmd.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULES AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT OF EACH, IS: Barbara Martinez, 2379 Broad St., Brooksville, FL 34604-6899, (352) 796-7211 (4660) (Reference OGC No. 2011065)

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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.

CITRUS COUNTY/INVERNESS

American Legion Post #237 Hosts Poker Run Jan. 28

American Legion Post 237, located at 4077 N. Lecanto Hwy., Beverly Hills, will host a Poker Run to be held on Saturday, Jan. 28 starting at 9:30 a.m. with registration at American Legion Post 237. Last bike out will be 10:30 a.m. and last bike in will be 4:30 p.m. The cost for the event is $10 per rider which includes a poker hand and a meal at the end of the run. Best Hand wins the Poker Run. No food will be served before 4:00 p.m. All vehicles are welcome.

Proceeds will benefit Hospice of Citrus County and American Cancer Society Ovarian Cancer Research. There are six stops which include AmVets Post 441 Inglis, American Legion Post 155, I.R.R.U., Fraternal Order of Eagles # 4272 Homosassa, Scoreboard Sports Bar and the last stop which is American Legion Post 237. There will be music and door prizes and a 50/50 Drawing.

For additional information, please call 352/746-5018 or contact Ride Chair John Roby at 352/341-5856.

CHIEFLAND

Chiefland Chamber of Commerce Meeting LOCATION CHANGE for Jan. 27

The Greater Chiefland Area Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors and Members Chamber Meeting will be held on Friday Jan. 27, 2012 at a new temporary location at: HAVEN HOSPICE, 311 NE 9th Street, Chiefland, FL 32693.

Lunch will be catered in by BubbaQue's Restaurant at $ 5.00 Per Person (to be collected at the door).

For a proper head count we will need all members wishing to attend to please RSVP in advance no later than Wednesday January 25th.

Email RSVP to: chieflandchamber@bellsouth.net or call the Chamber office at 352/493-1849

Monday through Friday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

We thank you in advance and apologize for any inconvenience

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 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.

Chiefland FFA 3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off Feb. 3

The Chiefland FFA Alumni are having their 3rd Annual Homemade Chili Cook-Off on Friday, Feb. 3rd, 2012, at the Chiefland High School Ag. Building. The cost is $15.00 per entry which also includes the hot dog/chili meal. Check-in time for entrants is 4:45 p.m., with a minimum of one gallon of chili. Prizes will be awarded. Hot dog/chili meals will be sold to the general public for $5 beginning at 5:30 p.m. The Chiefland FFA Chapter Cake Auction begins at 6 p.m. Come join the fun. For more information please call 352-493-6035 or email to chieflandffaalumni@yahoo.com. Thank you for your support of the Chiefland FFA Program.

Chiefland Chamber Mixer Feb. 7

The Greater Chiefland Area Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Chamber Mixer on Feb. 7 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Chiefland Billiards & Sports Bar, (In the old Chiefland Bowling Alley behind TireMart on Hwy 19) 1545 NW 26th Ave, Chiefland.

There will be finger foods and a raffle of Door Prizes. The Chamber office will also hold a 50/50 drawing at $1 per ticket or 6 for $5.

For more information call the Chamber office at 352/493-1849 Mon. thru Fri. between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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Zimmerman and Chandler Zimmerman.

Funeral Services were held on Monday, January 16, 2012 at 11 a.m. at New Hope Family Church in Bell with Reverend Lynn Wagner officiating. Interment followed at Townsend Cemetery. Visitation was held on Sunday, January 15, 2012 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Watson Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Alachua County Animal Services, (352) 264-6870.

Arrangements were placed under the care of Watson Funeral Home, Trenton, Fla. (352) 463-8888.

BILLY JOHN PADGETT

November 3, 1950 – January 14, 2012

Mr. Billy John Padgett of Old Town passed away Saturday, January 14, 2012 at North Florida Regional Medical Center at the age of 61.

Billy was born on November 3, 1950 to Cecil and Eileen Padgett. He was a lifetime resident of Dixie County graduating from Dixie County High School in 1971. For the past 11 years he worked for Mayo Fertilizer as their shop foreman. For the 35 years prior he was shop foreman for Anderson Columbia. He was a member of the Suwannee River Baptist Church and enjoyed fishing, hunting, go-cart racing and spending time with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 26 years, Betty Sue Padgett of Old Town; daughters, Jennifer (Chris) Mundhenk of Tallahassee and Joannie (Joe) Morse of Old Town; father, Cecil Padgett of Old Town; sisters, Linda (Jim) Raposa of Chesapeake, Va. and Kathleen (Tony) Kirk of West Palm Beach; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services are being held Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 11 a.m. at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jarrett Thomas officiating. Interment will follow at Old Town Cemetery. A visitation was held Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home from 5 to 7 p.m.

Arrangements have been placed under the care of the Rick Gooding Funeral Home, Cross City, Florida, 352-498-5400.

JAMES PHILLIP BOWDEN

May 9, 1956 – January 14, 2012

James Phillip Bowden of Morriston passed away Saturday, January 14, 2012 in Gainesville at the age of 55. He was born on May 9, 1956 in Hampton,Va. to Joseph and Ruby Bowden. He has lived in this area for 6 years coming from Oklahoma City where he was a retail manager. He enjoyed working around the house on various projects as well as doing extensive research on the computer. He was of the Methodist faith.

Mr. Bowden leaves behind Roger Ridgway, Mary Fosser, Rob Fosser, Alex Fosser, several nieces, nephews and many friends.

Funeral Services were held at Knauff Funeral Home on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 11 a.m. officiated by Pastor Keith Stewart. There was a visitation the evening before from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m..

Arrangements were placed under the care of Knauff Funeral Home in Williston, Fl.

KEN SANDERS

Ken Sanders of Cedar Key passed away January 11, 2012 at Haven Hospice of the Tri Counties in Chiefland at the age of 66. He was born in Pensacola to Bracy and Mary Sanders. Ken was a 1972 engineering graduate of the University of Florida. He proudly served his country in the US Army during Viet Nam, receiving a Bronze Star. He was a member of the Lions Club and the VFW in Alabama. He was as an Engineer/Manager for International Paper, Proctor and Gamble, Union Camp and Scott Paper. After retirement he went into real estate in Cedar Key and in Clermont. Family hunting trips and traveling were his hobbies but Ken is best known for his dedication to his family.

Ken is survived by his wife of 44 years, Faye Sanders of Cedar Key; sons, Guy (Stacey) Sanders of Clermont and Ty Sanders of Laredo, Tex.; siste,r Mary Ann Parker of Christmas, Fla.; brothers: Robert Sanders of Land O Lakes, Merrill Sanders and Gene Sanders both of the Philippines; and four grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at Cedar Key Cemetery on Saturday January 14, 2012 at 1 p.m. with Rev. Clark Reichert officiating.

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

CARL WILLIAMS

Carl Williams of Otter Creek passed away at his home on January 11, 2012 at the age of 56.. He was a member of Otter Creek Baptist Church. Carl enjoyed woodcarving and was an avid Gator fan.

Carl was preceded in death by his niece, Julie Yearty.

He is survived by his son, Chad Williams of Otter Creek; his loving companion Kathy Polk of Otter Creek; sister and brother-in-law, Charlotte and Danny Yearty; nephew Will (Liz) Yearty, and great-nephews Gibbs Yearty and Grayson Yearty, all of Gulf Hammock and great niece, Serenity Yearty of Cedar Key.

Graveside services were held at Ellzey Cemetery on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at 11 a.m. with Pastor Billy Keith officiating. Visitation was Friday, January 13, 2012 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Arrangements were placed under the care of Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services, Chiefland, Fla., 352-493-0050. On line condolences may be sent through our website at www.hiers-baxley.com

TRULA MAE COKER

Trula Mae Coker of Chiefland passed away January 16, 2012 at home surrounded by her family at the age of 68. She was born in Wise, Va. and has been in this area since 1996. She was a homemaker and attended Mt. Zion Church of Jesus Christ.

Mrs. Coker was preceded in death by one sister and three brothers.

She is survived by her husband, Franklin Coker of Chiefland; daughters: Corina Jane Dillinger, Teresa Hall and Stella Jean Smith and husband Wayne; sons: William Hall and wife Karen, Kyle Hall and wife Dawn and Parker Mullins and wife Nancy; brothers: Henry Akers, Roy Akers, James Akers and Sterling Akers; 18 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 11 a.m. at Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services with Pastor Huggins officiating. Visitation was Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the care of Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services, 1301 N. Young Blvd., Chiefland, FL 32626, 352-493-0050. On line condolences may be sent through our website at www.hiers-baxley.com

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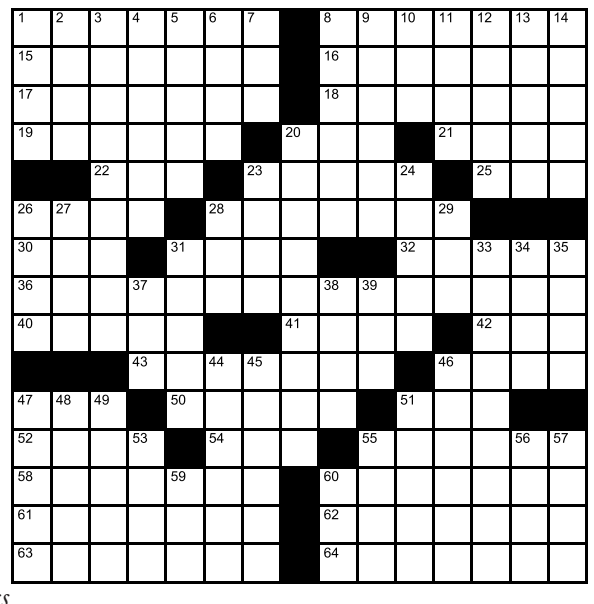
Crossword Puzzle



Across

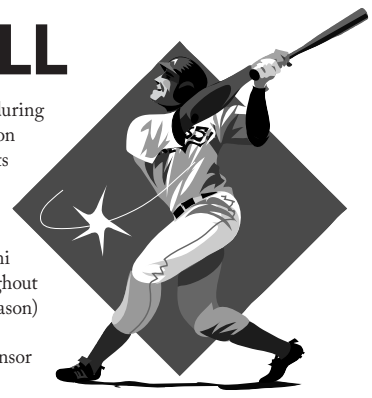
1. Malleable
8. Linked sequentially
15. Inability to use spoken or written language
16. Beat, in a way
17. Hollywood hopeful
18. Have an inspiration?
19. Played (around)
20. ___ cry
21. Call for
22. Functioned as
23. Air freshener option
25. Arid
26. "American ___"
28. Wild pig
30. Nancy, in Nancy comic strip
31. Characteristic carrier
32. TV, radio, etc.
36. Government group in charge of foreign affairs (2 wds)
40. Join securely
41. Ancestry
42. Amateur video subject, maybe (acronym)
43. Island state in the West Indies
46. "Cut it out!"
47. Bleat
50. Bring out
51. Clod chopper
52. Early pulpit
54. Anger
55. Shallow trench made by a plow
58. Residential areas outlying a city
60. North Carolina's capital
61. By and large (3 wds)
62. Kind of mark
63. Tenants with a lease
64. Letter carriers

Down

1. 100-meter, e.g.
2. "What've you been ___?" (2 wds)
3. Cleaning lady
4. Of the ankle
5. British ___
6. Emulated Pinocchio
7. "Dig in!"
8. ___ blue color
9. Cry of triumph
10. Absorbed, as a cost
11. "Terrible" czar
12. Eminent
13. Aromatic solvent
14. Industrious
20. Hot spot
23. Channel
24. French pilosopher, founder of positivism
26. Acad.
27. Spoil, with "on"
28. Lent's start, e.g.: Abbr.
29. Beauty
31. Romance, e.g.
33. Stable isotope of hydrogen
34. Data
35. Above
37. Deck (out)
38. Assistant
39. Biochemistry abbr.
44. Like some mushrooms
45. Hospital caregivers
46. Most painful
47. Of primary importance
48. Charm
49. Old Jewish scholars
51. Luau dances
53. "One of ___" (Willa Cather novel)
55. Betting game
56. Shrek, e.g.
57. "Say ___"
59. Morgue, for one
60. Certain theater, for short

The answers for this week's crossword puzzle will appear in next week's issue.

WILLISTON HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL



"Alumni Day 2012"

Presented by: Knauff Funeral Home

Saturday, February 4, 2012, 2:00 p.m.

The WHS Baseball Program has experienced great success over the years; but, it is entering a transitional phase with the retiring of former Coach Jim Smith and the hiring of new Coach Scott Hall. As with any transitional organization, changes are imminent and sometimes costly. Coach Hall, the boys, and booster members have already put in a tremendous amount of work at the baseball facility, but there is still more to do. Our "wish list" includes more improvements at the field, batting cage repairs, and possibly building an outfield fence.

In order to help defray the costs of the improvements noted above, the Williston High School Baseball Boosters are proud to announce that we will be hosting the first WHS Baseball Alumni Day on February 4, 2012. The Alumni Day is being presented by Knauff Funeral Homes and will include a baseball game featuring recent graduates. There will also be a softball-style homerun derby and an "old-timers" softball game. The softball game, in particular, will showcase some of the area's most involved residents displaying their old-time skills! The Boosters are soliciting sponsorships for the games, the derby, and for innings within the game.

You have received this letter because you are a valued member of the Williston community and its surrounding areas. If you would like to support our Williston High School Red Devil Baseball Team, while receiving valued publicity, please contact the Boosters for more information on available sponsorships. Our Williston-area students and young people are the future of our community and we treasure your willingness to help in their growth.

The attached page details the available sponsorships. For more information, please contact myself, or any of the booster members listed below.

Sincerely,
Frank Jones, President
WHS Baseball Boosters
386-330-4414
Boosters: Molly White 558-4286, Lori Jones 528-1721, Linda Etheridge 538-7727

Send check payable to:
"Williston Baseball"
PO Box 462
Williston, FL 32696

PLAYERS NEEDED for Alumni Games !
Cost is $15 per player, which includes admission for the day and a game t-shirt.
Contact Justin Head @ 528-1710 or Jason Cason 528-1720 for team placement.
You may pay "the day of" event, or to preregister:
Send check payable to: Williston Baseball at the address above.

Sponsorship Information

The fun will start at 2 p.m. with a baseball game played by recent WHS graduates. Later, enjoy a Home Run Derby, followed by the main event: a softball game featuring the "old timers". BBQ dinners and concessions will be offered, and throughout the day, past players and coaches will be spotlighted as we pay tribute to the teams of the past, and introduce the 2012 Varsity and JV teams, and coaches.

The levels of sponsorship:

Alumni Baseball Game Sponsor - $700
Promoted during game, Name on player's t-shirts
Perimeter banner (displayed during Alumni Day & throughout the regular season)

Inning Sponsor AND Season Banner Sponsor - $300
Promoted during inning, Perimeter banner (displayed during Alumni Day & throughout the regular season)

Inning Sponsor - $100
Promoted during inning
Name displayed on banner at Alumni Day with other inning sponsors

**If you have been a banner sponsor in the past and wish to renew your existing banner for the regular baseball season only, the renewal price is $200. Please contact Frank @ 386-330-4415 Lori @258-5998 or Linda @ 538-7737 (lether194@aol.com) for more information.

Send check payable to:
Williston Baseball Boosters
PO Box 462
Williston, FL 32696

Lady Eagles Triumph over Tigers

The Bronson Lady Eagles (7-7) defeated the Trenton Tigers 55-31 in an impressive performance on Tuesday night, Jan. 10. After opening a 14-1 lead the bench was given lots of time as eight of the eleven Eagle players scored.

Shay Sherman led all scorers with 24 points including four three-point shots and Brittany Riley adding 12 points for the Eagles. Heather Butler led Trenton with 14 points. Shay Sherman also led the Eagles with six assists and Brittany Riley topped the team with 11 rebounds.

Coach Hamilton was excited about the win. "Wow. What a difference it makes to come out hitting our shots. We can be a dangerous team to play when we shoot in the games like we do in practice. It was great to get those other kids in and let them have playing time on the varsity. This was a good night for our basketball team."

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Bronson	14	14	10	15	55
Trenton	8	8	8	7	31

Bronson Lady Eagles:
Sherman 24, Riley 12, Hamilton 5, C. Cates 4, Mitchell 2, Heath 2, K. Cates 2, Ronaldo 4.
Three pointers: Sherman 4, Hamilton 1. Rebounds: Riley 11 Assists: Sherman 6
Trenton Tigers:
Buckler 14, Stokes 7, D. Williams 6, Norris 2, Beam 2.

Submitted

Bulldogs Escape with a Win

The Bell Bulldogs (11-4) defeated the Lady Eagles on Saturday night, Jan. 14, 41-36. The Bulldogs have eight seniors and one junior that have lost only seven times the past two years and they needed all that experience to come away with a win. Led by Olivia Bailey's 16 points and Sam Bruce's 10, the Bulldogs were able to produce just enough points to defeat the Eagles. With the Eagles leading 35-31, the Bulldogs were able to outscore the Lady Eagles 10-1 down the stretch to preserve the victory. The Eagles were 1 for 6 from the foul line and 0-7 from the field in that stretch.

Shay Sherman led the Lady Eagles with 18 points and Brittany Riley and Brianna Mitchell grabbed 11 and 10 rebounds respectively. Coach Hamilton was disappointed with the loss. "We certainly had our chances. We couldn't throw it in the ocean in the first half then went stone cold at the end of the game. We must finish better in order to beat a team like Bell. It is frustrating to play well but shoot poorly and lose. I think we are getting closer to putting it all together."

The Lady Eagles were 10-25 from the foul line. The Lady Eagles fell to 7-8 for the season.

Bronson Lady Eagles:
Sherman 18, Hamilton 5, Cates 5, Mitchell 4, Heath 2, Riley 2.
Three pointers: Hamilton and Sherman 1.
Rebounds Riley 11, Mitchell 10.
Bell:
Bailey 16, Bruce 10, Taylor 7, Matthews, Sanders 2, Thomas 2.
Three pointers; Taylor 1.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Bronson	8	6	13	9	36
Bell	10	13	6	12	41

Submitted

Springhouse Quilter's News

Springhouse Quilter's Guild met Tues., Jan. 10 with President Mary Rawlins officiating. A fantastic group of 47 ladies attended the first business meeting of 2012. There was a lot of excitement as friendships were renewed and topics of business for the new year were discussed. Total membership of Springhouse Quilters is now 100 members.

Miriam Otera, Program Chairperson, announced that Ginny Whitener would instruct the Jan. 24 workshop---"Reverse Cathedral Windows." A beautifully completed quilt, using this pattern, was displayed by Ginny.

Special Projects Chairperson, Jan Litzinger, introduced the 2012 community service project, a Rag Time Quilt. She provided guidelines and instructions for construction and a completion date of October 31. Haven Hospice of the Tri-County Area was designated as the recipient of this year's community service project.

Stephanie Metts, Suwannee Valley Quilt Shoppe, discussed quilting classes presently offered at the shop as well as special events scheduled in the Ruffled Rose Tea Room. She noted that the featured quilter of the March 10 Trenton Quilt and Craft Festival would be Madalyn Jones. Thanks to family members, the art and skill of this prolific quilter will be on display in the Trenton Depot during the festival.

Springhouse will participate in the March 10 event with a wonderful gift shop and bake sale with many handmade items.

Tickets are now available from Springhouse Members for the 2012 raffle quilt, a version of the French Braid called, "Am I Blue."

Business concluded with Show and Tell, a segment of our meetings anticipated by everyone.

For information about Springhouse Quilters, call Lois Scott, 463-2207.

—submitted by Beverly Shobe and Lois Scott, Publicity

A beautifully quilted Fan Quilt on displayed during one of Springhouse Quilter's Show and Tell sessions .

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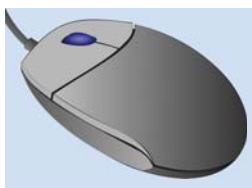

COMPUTER TIPS

Protect your Computer

Many of the computers that come into our office are infected with a malware form of a rogue program. These rogue programs present themselves as legitimate software programs, usually either an antivirus or security program such as Windows 7 Antivirus 2012. The rogue program changes its name randomly depending on your version of Windows. The program notifies the user of infections or security issues while continuing to appear like it is scanning the computer. In the background while the scan is going on, the rogue begins disrupting normal program use and makes changes to your computer to make it difficult for you to remove it. It will offer to fix the problem, but requires a purchase by credit card. This is a scam to get your money and can be difficult to recover.

Frequently these programs infect your computer from web pages that have been hacked. The program infects your system without you even knowing it. There are some precautions that you can take to help protect against this.

- Use a good antivirus. Keep the program you choose up to date and scan your system regularly.
- No antivirus is 100%, in addition to your antivirus program use one of the free programs such as Ad-Aware, Spybot, or Malwarebytes. Research any free program that you are thinking of using, some of the ones that advertise on the web are much like the rogue programs.
- Do your Windows Updates regularly to insure all security patches are installed.
- Since these rogue programs tend to use ads on webpages, keep the Java and Adobe programs up to date. Currently Java is version 6, update 30 and Adobe Flash is 11.1.102.55.

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