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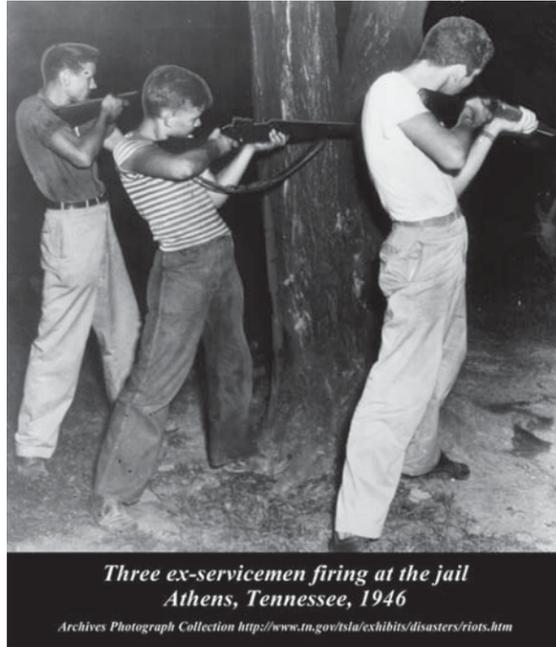
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The Battle of Athens, Tennessee 1946



Three ex-servicemen firing at the jail Athens, Tennessee, 1946

Archives Photograph Collection <http://www.tn.gov/tsla/exhibits/disasters/riots.htm>

By Lones Seiber, 1985
For americanheritage.com

The GIs came home to find that a political machine had taken over their Tennessee county. What they did about it astounded the nation. In McMinn County, Tennessee, in the early 1940s, the question was not if you farmed, but where you farmed. Athens, the county seat, lay between Knoxville and Chattanooga along U.S. Highway 11, which wound its way through eastern Tennessee. This was the meeting place for farmers from all the surrounding communities. Traveling along narrow roads planted with signs urging them to "See Rock City" and "Get Right with God," they would gather on Saturdays beneath the courthouse elms to discuss politics and crops. There were barely seven thousand people in Athens, and many of its streets were still unpaved. The two "big" cities some fifty miles away had not yet begun their inevitable expansion, and the farmers' lives were simple and essentially unaffected by what they would have called the "modern world." Many of them were without electricity. The land, their families, religion, politics, and the war dominated their talk and thoughts. They learned about God from the family Bible and in tiny chapels along yellow-dust roads. Their newspaper, the Daily Post-Athenian, told them something of politics and war, but since it chose to avoid intrigue or scandal, a story that smacked of both could be found only in the conversations of the folks who milled about the courthouse lawn on Saturdays.

Since the Civil War, political offices in McMinn County had gone to the Republicans, but in the 1930s Tennessee began to fall under the control of Democratic bosses. To the west, in Shelby County, E.H. Crump, the Memphis mayor who had been ousted during his term for failing to enforce Prohibition, fathered what would become the state's most powerful political machine. Crump eventually controlled most of Tennessee along with the governor's office and a United States senator. In eastern Tennessee local and regional machines developed, which, lacking the sophistication and power of a Crump, relied on intimidation and violence to control their constituents.

In 1936 the system descended upon McMinn County in the person of one Paul Cantrell, the Democratic candidate for sheriff. Cantrell, who came from a family of money and influence in nearby Etowah, tied his campaign closely to the popularity of the Roosevelt administration and rode FDR's coattails to victory over his Republican opponent.

Fraud was suspected—to this day many Athens citizens firmly believe that ballot boxes were swapped—but there was no proof. Over the following months and

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AmVets Donate Again to Haven Hospice



Marking the fifth anniversary of his wife's passing, Richard Bater, commander of AmVets Suwannee River Post 422 in Fanning Springs, along with some of his associates, recently presented a \$1,000 check to Haven Hospice. That was the second \$1,000 donation to Haven from AmVets in the last two months.

These donations are used to pay for unfunded and unreimbursed Haven programs and services in the tri-county area.

Pictured from left to right are: Haven Tri-County Administrator DeAnna M. Beverly, Post Commander Richard Bater, Ladies Auxiliary President Patricia Orr, Trustee Wayne Huffer, AmVets Riders President Billy Thompson and Sons Commander Dick Jarvis.

DEP Setting the Record Straight

The editorial in the Gainesville Sun entitled Purge at DEP omits critical factors:

- The Department has directed \$11.5 million to springs protection alone.
- The Department's numeric nutrient criteria – designed to clean Florida's waters – has been approved by the U.S. EPA and an Administrative Law Judge.
- Statewide to date, the Department has adopted 13 waterbody restoration roadmaps to reduce nitrogen and phosphorus, about half of which were adopted in the past 24 months.

CLAIM: Headline characterizes recent staffing reduction as a "purge."

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has 3,024 full-time employees, plus another 830 part-time employees, statewide who are dedicated to enforcing federal and state rules, studying the environment and seeking to leave Florida better tomorrow than it is today. Recent reductions amount to 1.5 percent of the workforce. To characterize this percentage of

employees as a purge is factually inaccurate and omits significant improvements made by the Department.

CLAIM: "And in a master stroke, the department has laid off 58 veteran employees who were apparently too serious about doing their jobs." . . . and "purged the DEP of its most senior and experienced regulators."

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT: The Department's recent reorganizations were conducted after months-long assessments of procedures and processes as well as staffing and workload levels. The process has included thoughtful assessments to implement measures that increase the effectiveness of reaching the Department's core mission of protecting environmental and human health. No programs or core functions have been eliminated and the Department's level of service will not be compromised.

By reorganizing districts and divisions, leadership eliminated levels of bureaucracy that improve communication, created a stronger employee to supervisor ratio and combined or elevated similar

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Florida Leaders Organized For Water (FLOW)

Flow Endorses Five Guiding Principles for a Florida Water Ethic

At a meeting in Lake City on October 8, 2012, Florida Leaders Organized for Water (FLOW) voted to endorse the five guiding principles for a Florida water ethic that were adapted by Gainesville writer Cynthia Barnett from her book *Blue Revolution: Unmaking America's Water Crisis*.

"FLOW was formed so that local leaders could begin to address water problems—especially falling water levels—throughout North Florida," said Sue Weller, chair of the group's Public Information & Education Committee. "Everyone who uses water needs to be involved in solving those problems. With

this endorsement, FLOW encourages citizens to begin a public dialogue about what their local water ethic might involve."

Barnett is a fifth-generation Floridian who is familiar with North Florida's Suwannee River region. In *Blue Revolution*, she demonstrates that neither politics, nor water management, nor the courts, nor costly technical fixes will be adequate to solve our water problems in the long run. The most important part of the solution, Barnett argues, is a water ethic that is shared by citizens, government and every sector of the economy.

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Progress Energy Warns Customers of Utility Bill-Payment Scam

Progress Energy Florida, a subsidiary of Duke Energy, is urging customers to be on alert for a new utility bill payment scam affecting customers across the country.

Under the scam, customers are receiving a call informing them their electric service is scheduled for immediate disconnection and they should make a payment by purchasing a "money pack" card at a local drug or convenience store. Progress Energy has received reports of customers who have been contacted about this scam in its Florida service territory, targeting Spanish-speaking customers.

The "money pack" card is a temporary pre-pay credit card that requires a registration process.

After the customer purchases the card, he or she is instructed to call the fraudulent party back to make a payment. The customer is instructed to provide a receipt number and PIN number. Once that information is obtained, the money on the card is then transferred to the fraudulent party.

Progress Energy does not contact customers to obtain personally identifiable information. In addition, the company encourages anyone who receives a call indicating their electric service is

scheduled for immediate disconnect, to contact law enforcement and report the attempted fraud.

Any homeowner in doubt about the identity of someone claiming to be a Progress Energy employee should call Progress Energy's customer service center (1-800-452-2777 in the Carolinas/ 1-800-700-8744 in Florida) to confirm the employee's identity. Customers who are contacted by phone, email, through social media or through other channels, can verify an individual's affiliation with Progress Energy by calling the same number.

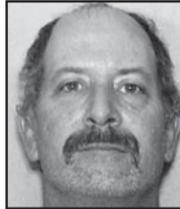
Levy County Sheriff's Office Arrest Report

Jail Media Report for 12/24/2012 to 12/28/2012

BARRS, JUSTIN BEAU, 30, OF WILDWOOD, FL: DRIVE WITH SUSPENDED REVOKED LICENSE; OBSTRUCT BY DISGUISED PERSON.
COLEMAN, TAMMY TERRELL, 44, OF WILLISTON, FL: NON SUPPORT OF CHILDREN OR SPOUSE.
FLANDERS, QUINTEN JIMAR, 22, OF CHIEFLAND, FL: BATTERY TOUCH OR STRIKE.
GONZALEZ, LAURA, 30, OF CHIEFLAND, FL: PROB VIOLATION.
HOLLIFIELD, THOMAS ANDREW, 22, OF WILLISTON, FL: DISORDER INTOX PUBLIC PLACE CAUSE DISTURBANCE; OBSTRUCT



Boykin, Tiffani
Gainesville
DWL REVOKED FOR HTO
\$16,000 BOND



Devanie, Michael
Trenton
FTA CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
\$2,000 BOND



McCray, Cecil
Gainesville
DWLS 3RD OR SUBSQ CONVICTION
\$10,000 BOND



Maxwell, Roderick
Ocala
WRIT OF BODILY ATTACHMENT
\$1,000 PURGE



Norris, Todd B
Trenton
VOP RESIST W/O VIOLENCE
\$10,000 BOND

WO VIOLENCE.
JAMES, CORY, 22, OF CHIEFLAND, FL: OUT-OF-COUNTY WARRANT.
MACIAS-MACIAS, ADAN, 23, OF WILLISTON, FL: OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLE WO VALID LICENSE; OBSTRUCT WO VIOLENCE;

COUNTERFEITED DRIVERS LICENSE OR ID CARD.
VOGEL, JOSHUA ROBERT, 35, OF CLEARWATER, FL: OUT-OF-COUNTY WARRANT X 2.

Wal-Mart's the Target for the Season of Stealing

The Chiefland Police Department has been busy taking care of those who don't want to pay for their merchandise this season.

Officer Clancy was dispatched to Wal-Mart in Chiefland on Dec. 18 on a retail theft. A store security witness said he saw three women take multiple items from the store without paying for them. The witness stated he followed the women through the women's clothing area, the seasonal area and then the grocery section.

The witness watched Jewel M. Little, 35, of Trenton stand at the end of the aisle as the "look out." Then Amber N. Baker, 22, of Trenton stood beside a baby stroller midway down the aisle as Staci R. Lubin, 24, of Trenton removed some of the items from the store cart to put in the stroller. In all \$219.23 worth of merchandise were put into the stroller. The women went to the garden area supposedly to purchase the items left in the store cart. The women changed direction and went to the front of the store and purchased the items in the cart at self checkout. They then left the store through the grocery side with the stroller that contained the unpaid merchandise.

The security witness contacted the women, detained them and brought them back to the

store awaiting the arrival of Officer Clancy. The witness had also seen the women in the store earlier that day but felt they got scared and left to come back later. All three women were arrested for Larceny.

On Dec. 20 Officer Alton Horne answered a call to Wal-Mart and contacted store security. Both security personnel saw Shane Siegel, 31, of Trenton select three 5-gallon buckets of paint valued at \$340.26 from the shelf. Siegel then placed the cans in his store cart and located his female friend in the toy section. He told the female that he needed to return the paint but had left his driver's license at home and asked her to return the paint for him. She returned the paint and received a gift card for the amount of the paint and give the card to Siegel. The female returned to shopping.

Siegel was detained by the store security who had witnessed the transaction and CPD was called. The female did not know anything about the theft. Siegel was arrested for Larceny and booked in to the Levy County Jail.

—from the Chiefland Police Department.

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE

Extension of Phase I Water Shortage Order

In response to recent declines in water resource conditions, the District's Governing Board has decided to extend the terms of Water Shortage Order SWF 2010-022 through July 31, 2013.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

- Be alert. If conditions do not stabilize, it may become necessary to impose additional water use restrictions.
- For now, in the absence of an equally or more stringent local ordinance, continue following the Phase I restrictions. These restrictions are the same as the District's year-round water conservation measures (see summary below).
- Local ordinances may still apply. Some cities and counties use different or stricter watering days or hours. For example, Tampa and unincorporated Hillsborough County use different watering days. Visit your local government's website or call your water department for details.

Current Water Restrictions
 Except where stricter measures have been imposed by local governments

- Twice-per-week restrictions
- County ordinances with one-day-per-week restrictions (cities may differ)
- Continue following restrictions from St. Johns River WMD

PHASE I RESTRICTIONS AND YEAR-ROUND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES:

- Lawn and landscape watering days are: Thursday and Sunday for even addresses, Wednesday and Saturday for odd addresses, and Tuesday and Friday for mixed address locations and common areas.
- Allowable watering hours for lawns, landscapes, agriculture, golf courses and other athletic play surfaces are before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
- Micro-irrigation, handwatering and other low-volume irrigation of non-grass landscape areas may occur on any day and at any time.
- Additional limitations and allowances apply to agriculture, golf courses and other athletic play surfaces. Please refer to the original order for details.
- There are no specific limitations on car washing, pressure washing or fountains.
- All wasteful water use is still prohibited.

QUESTIONS?

- Call 1-800-848-0499 (FL only) during business hours.
- Send an inquiry to Water.Restrictions@WaterMatters.org at any time.

This notice is only a summary of Water Shortage Order No. SWF 2010-022, including its fifth modification. For complete information, please visit the District's website, WaterMatters.org.

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) does not discriminate on the basis of disability. This nondiscrimination policy involves every aspect of the District's functions, including access to and participation in the District's programs and activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the District's Human Resources Bureau Chief, 2379 Broad St., Brooksville, FL 34604-6899; telephone (352) 796-7211 or 1-800-423-1476 (FL only), ext. 4702; TDD 1-800-231-6103 (FL only); or email ADACoordinator@WaterMatters.org.

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DEP Setting the Record Straight *continued from page 1*

functions to become more efficient and consistent.

The Department has directed \$11.5 million to restoration, outreach, monitoring and research of springs – doubling the amount of money spent from the three previous fiscal years and identifying projects to take action.

CLAIM: "...protection of Florida's much abused water resources has become a joke. Scott has... fought off federal water quality regulations..."

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT: Florida submitted its rules directly to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, which reviewed and ultimately approved the entirety of the state's numeric nutrient criteria prepared by Department scientists. These rules provide a reasonable and predictable implementation strategy and for the first time provide numeric

criteria to cover all lakes, rivers, streams, and now 72 percent of our estuaries. Over the last three years, the Department has developed a better understanding of nutrient impacts to our waterbodies, leading to the establishment of numeric nutrient criteria that will increase protection of Florida's waters.

The notion that Florida is acting in defiance of federal agencies is a direct contradiction of the fact that proposed rules were upheld by both a state Administrative Law Judge and the EPA. This endorsement by the EPA proves that Florida is capable of implementing statewide rules that equal or exceed the protection afforded by current federal rules.

—submitted by the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation

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Around the Nature Coast

Do You Have Questions About Medicare?

Do you have questions about your options for Medicare, Medicare/Medicaid, Disability, Supplemental Insurance, Part D Prescription Drug Plans, Low Income Programs or Medicare Billings? If you do, come see SHINE, a volunteer program with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, for one-on-one counseling. SHINE provides free, unbiased and confidential assistance. If you cannot come to a site call the Elder Helpline at 1-800-262-2243 to be referred to a SHINE Volunteer near you. SHINE will be at:

Williston Public Library – Wed, Jan. 2 - 10 AM-Noon
Bronson Public Library – Wed, Jan. 2 - 1:30-3:30 PM
Chieffland Senior Ctr. – SITE DATE CHANGE – Wed., Jan. 30 -1:30-3:30 PM

Give Blood in Steinhatchee Jan. 4

LifeSouth and the community of Steinhatchee invite you to be a part of saving lives when they team up to host a blood drive on Fri., Jan. 4 between the hours of 11 AM and 6 PM at Maddie's Market. Donors are entered into a drawing to win an iPad Mini on Jan. 31st.

All who donate will receive a recognition item and a complimentary cholesterol screening. Donors must be at least 16 years old, weigh 110 pounds or more, and have photo ID. Sixteen-year-old donors must have signed parental consent. For more information about becoming a donor or about blood drives in your area, call LifeSouth at (888) 795-2707 or visit

www.lifesouth.org.

FLOW Meeting in Cross City Jan. 7

The Legislative Committee of Florida Leaders Organized for Water (FLOW) will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, January 7, 2013, in the Taste of Dixie Diner Conference Room, 16840 SE 12 Avenue (Hwy 19), Cross City FL 32628.

Levy County BoCC Jan. 8, 2013

The Levy County Board of County Commissioners will meet on Tues. Jan. 8, 2013 at 9 AM in the meeting room in the courthouse located at 355 S. Court Street in Bronson. The BoCC meets on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of the month and again two Tuesdays later.

Levy County District Spelling Bee Jan. 8

The Levy County District Spelling Bee will be held Tues. Jan. 8, 2013 at the Bronson High School cafeteria at 9:45 AM. Winners in grades 4 through 8 from Levy County School Spelling Bees will compete for District Champion. The District Champion will be eligible to compete in the Big Bend Regional Spelling Bee in Tallahassee on Feb. 9, 2013. If successful there, they will then be eligible to compete at the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

SRWMD Governing Board Meets Jan. 8

On Tues., Jan. 8, 2013, the Suwannee River Water Management District's Governing Board will meet at 9:00 AM at PCS Phosphate Conference Center, 15843 SE 78 St.,

White Springs, FL 32096. The meeting is to consider district business and conduct public hearings on regulatory, real estate and other various matters. A tour will follow.

During the Jan. 8 Board meeting, the District will hold a Public Hearing on the strategic priorities established in the 2014-2018 Strategic Plan. The strategic priorities are Sustainable Water Supply, Water Conservation, Minimum Flows and Levels, Heartland Springs Initiative, Water Management Lands and Non-Structural Flood Protection. A Public Hearing will also be held to receive comments on the draft 2013 Florida Forever Work Plan.

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

WWII Vets and Proud of It Meets Jan. 10

World War Vets and Proud of It will meet on Thurs. Jan. 10 at 11:30 AM at Beef 'O' Brady's which is north of Chieffland on Highway 19 on the West side of the road.

Any questions? please call Virginia Lewis at 352/528-2310. All Veterans, spouses, care givers or friends are invited to join us.

FLOW Meeting in Lake City Jan. 14

The Public Information & Education Committee of Florida Leaders Organized for Water (FLOW) will meet at 5 p.m. Mon., Jan. 14, 2013, in the Columbia County School Board Administrative Complex auditorium, 372 W. Duval Street (U.S. 90), Lake City, Florida.

Levy County Community Calendar

BRONSON

FWC Volunteer Hunter Safety Instructor Training

An Instructor Training for hunter safety will take place on Sat. Jan. 26, 2013 at the Levy County Extension 4-H Pavilion beginning at 9 AM. Training in the new skills day program and administrative aspects of the course will be covered at this workshop. There is no cost to attend, and lunch will be served to the attendees. If you know anyone who would be interested in becoming a volunteer hunter safety instructor with the FWC, please have them contact Karen at 386-754-1654 or e-mail at Karen.Little@MyFWC.com.

Bronson Parks & Recreation

Bronson Parks & Recreation would like to extend the opportunity to anyone who would like to be considered as a coach for the Spring Baseball, Softball and T-Ball season. If you are interested please call Curtis Stacy at 352-486-2354.

Bronson Town Council Meeting Jan. 7, 2013

The next meeting of the Bronson Town Council will be on Mon. Jan. 7, 2013 at 7 p.m. at the Dogan S. Cobb Municipal Building. City Hall – 352/486-2354.

Levy County Republican Executive Committee Meeting Jan. 21

The Levy County Republican Executive Committee meets at 7 PM at the Bronson Restaurant in Bronson, Florida on the 3rd Monday of the month. The next meeting is Jan. 21, 2013. Come at 6:30 and get a meal Dutch Treat and mingle. www.levyrepublikans.com

Greater Bronson Area Chamber of Commerce

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

OTTER CREEK

Otter Creek Council Meeting Jan. 21

The Otter Creek Town Council conducts their regular meetings on the third Monday of the month. The next meeting is Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

GAINESVILLE

Quilt Exhibition at Trinity United Methodist Church Thru Jan. 6

Join the Quilters of Alachua County Day Guild (QACDG) at Trinity United Methodist Church quilt exhibition, located at 4000 NW 53rd Avenue in Gainesville, that includes quilts that go on beds, quilts that hang on walls, and fiber art creations in a showcase. The quilts and other works of fiber art will remain on display in the church's art gallery through Sun., Jan. 6. Art gallery hours are Mon. through Thurs., 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sun., 8 a.m. to noon. The gallery is closed Saturday.

For more information, contact Judy Kavanagh, (386) 518-6402, or Grace TeSelle, art exhibit committee, (352) 372-8673, at Trinity United Methodist Church, (352) 376-6615.

Cedar Key Arts Center Workshops January 2013

Jan. 7-14: Beginning Throwing with Clay 2 by Amy Gernhardt, 8 classes with five mandatory appearances per student. A sign up sheet for practice times will be available the first night. Limited to 10 students. We will be focusing on techniques. Participants will pay \$50 in instructor fees, plus \$10 supply cost. Contact: Amy at cedarkeypotttery@yahoo.com or 352-215-2096.

Jan. 12: Raku Party with Amy and Henry Gernhardt, 1-5 PM. Join us at the CK Arts Center back yard for another fun day of firing raku glaze on pottery. You will come away with one completed piece. Cost: \$20, \$25 non-members. Maximum 25 students. Contact Amy Gernhardt 352-215-2096 or CKPottery@yahoo.com

Jan. 15: Marguerite Beaded Bracelet with Joni Sialaff, 1-5 PM. Make a lovely beaded bracelet with marguerites and Swarovski crystals. Some beading experience required. Limit 5 students. Cost \$25 for class plus \$25 for supplies. \$55 for non-members. Contact Joni at Jomi74@aol.com.

Jan. 16: Broken Color and Color Mixing in Oil with Bob Goodlett, 10 AM-4 PM. Mix oil colors with the basic color palette and use broken color to create a Florida Landscape painting. Cost \$40 for members, \$45 non-members. Bring 11 x14 canvas, palette and knife, brushes, and paints if you have them or use CKAC paints. Participants should have a little painting experience. Contact Bob at 352-465-4226 or Goodlettville@bellsouth.net

Jan. 17 and 18: Landscape Painting in Oils and/or Watercolor with Joe McFadden of the Tallahassee Landscape Painters, 9 AM-4 PM. Bring your easel and supplies and join Joe for demonstrations and painting workshops. You should complete 2-4 painting in either oil or watercolor. Cost \$200 for members, \$205 for non-members. Beginners are encouraged as well as painters on any other level. Contact joemcfadden@comcast.net, call 850-224-9121 or register at Keyhole.

Jan. 19 and 21: Creating Stepping Stones with Mosaics taught by Donna and David Tanck, Sat. 10-4 and Monday

1-2. Cost \$65. \$70 for non-members. Use pre-cut beautiful stained glass to create a piece of art that you can walk on. No experience needed. Contact Donna Tanck at 352-528-6453.

Jan. 22, 23, 24, 25: Weaving Your History: A Fabric Time Capsule with Victoria Sowers, 9 AM-12 PM. Learn the history of weaving with hands-on participation on a 300 year old floor loom. Bring items of sentimental value that represent who you are to weave into a large weaving called "A Fabric Time Capsule". You will also weave on a lap loom designing your own personal weaving such as a small wall hanging, pillow, pocketbook, or book mark to take home. All materials are provided. Cost \$155, \$160 for non-members. Contact Victoria@sandycreekweavers.com.

Open Studio-Jan. 6/7; 13/14; 27-Acoustical Afternoon for OFCA

Boat Builders every Wednesday at 9 AM.

Cedar Key City Council Meeting Jan. 15, 2013

The Cedar Key City Council meets every third Tues. at 7 p.m. at the Cedar Key City Hall with the next meeting on Jan. 15. City Hall is located at 490 2nd Street – 352/543-5132.

Old Florida Celebration of the Arts Festival in Cedar Key April 13 & 14

The 2013 Old Florida Celebration of the Arts festival is April 13 & 14, Sat. and Sun., 10 AM -to-5 PM, on Historic Second Street. Along with fabulous, original art, the festival features homemade goodies by the local non-profits and the freshest seafood, in an eclectic, historic atmosphere, with special entertainment in the Gulf front park. Mark your calendars to see the art and savor the food in the unique village of Cedar Key. For more information: www.cedarkeyartsfestival.com or call Laura Matson Hahn at 352-543-5400.

YANKEETOWN-INGLIS

Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club

We're looking for Super Soup Makers! The Yankeetown-Inglis Woman's Club annual Soup-A-Thon and Bake Sale will be held Sat., Jan. 19 from 11 AM-1 PM. Everyone is invited to enter their favorite soup to vie for the title of "Souper Chef". Call now to reserve your spot to win a cash prize...\$50 for 1st place, \$25 for 2nd and \$10 for 3rd. Space is limited to the first 30 soups registered.

The clubhouse on 56th St. becomes an old fashioned County Fair where you can join your friends and neighbors to sample the delicious soups and vote for your favorite. Visit the Second To None Thrift Shoppe to check out the new arrivals and pick up some homemade treats at Sweet Magnolia Confections. If all the tasty soups have filled you up, take some treats home for a "midnight" snack.

The Soup-A-Thon will be your last chance to purchase tickets for the Sweet Magnolia Gift Basket Raffle. The basket, valued at over \$100, is full of wonderful beauty products and sweet treats just in time for Valentine's Day. Get your tickets, \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 starting Jan. 2 at The Second To None Thrift Shoppe, Thursday Bingo or at the Soup-A-Thon on January 19. The drawing will be held at 1 PM after the "Souper Chef" is crowned. Call the club at 352/447-2057, visit our FaceBook page or email yiwomansclub@gmail.com to register your soup or for more information.

Inglis Council Meeting Jan. 8, 2013

The Town of Inglis' next regular Commission meeting will be on Jan. 8, 2013 at 6 PM in the Commission Room. City Hall, 135 Hwy. 40 West, Inglis – 352/447-2203. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month.

Yankeetown Town Meetings 2013

There will be a Special Board of Trustees Meeting on Thurs. Jan. 3 at 5 PM followed by a Planning and Zoning meeting at 7 PM. A Special Council hearing will be held on Mon. Jan. 7 at 7 PM followed by the Regular Town Council meeting at 7 PM. City Hall is at 6241 Harmony Lane, 352/447-2511

WILLISTON

Williston City Council Meeting Jan. 8

The Williston City Council meets at City Hall on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of each month and again in two weeks on Tuesday after the first one at 7 p.m. in the Williston City Council Room. The next Council meeting is Jan. 8. City Hall is at 50 NW Main Street, Williston, 352/528-3060.

Williston Pro Rodeo Jan. 25 & 26

It's Rodeo Time in Williston with the Williston Pro Rodeo on Jan. 25 & 26. The Gates will open at 6:00 PM and the Rodeo action starts @ 7:00 PM. For more info call 352/222-4567.

DUNNELLON

Historic Village Merchants Market Jan. 5

The Historic Village merchants of Dunnellon invite you to join us for our First Saturday Village market on Sat., Jan. 5, 2013 which runs from 9 to 2 PM. Come stroll down W. Pennsylvania Avenue to Cedar Street and then up to Walnut and Chestnut streets. This event feature vendors selling their arts and crafts as well as people selling homemade goodies. All of the shops will be open for business as usual. Come

bring your whole family and enjoy!

For more information, call (352) 465-9200.

CITRUS COUNTY

Port Authority Meets Tues., Jan. 8

The Citrus County Port Authority will meet on Tues., Jan. 8, 2013 at 9:30 AM in the Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100. Among the topics to be discussed is the Port Citrus feasibility agreement with TranSystems.

This meeting is open to the public. The Courthouse is located at 110 N. Apopka Ave., Inverness, FL 34450.

AARP Safe Driving Courses

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 the listed instructor below to register.

Crystal River, Homosassa, Homosassa Springs
Jan. 15 & 16, 1 PM – 4 PM, Coastal Region Library, 8619 W. Crystal St., Crystal River. Call Lou Harmin at 352-564-0933.

Inverness, Hernando, Floral City
Jan. 15 & 16, 9 AM – 12 PM., at Citrus Memorial Health Systems Auditorium, call Don Slough at 352-344-4003.

CHIEFFLAND

Chieffland City Commission Meeting Jan. 14, 2013

The Chieffland City Commission meets at City Hall on Mondays with the next meeting being in Jan.17 of 2013 as the Dec. 24 meeting is cancelled. The Recreation Committee will meet on Dec. 20 at 12 PM at City Hall. City Hall is located at 214 E. Park Avenue, Chieffland, 352/493-6711.

AARP Tax Aide Needs Volunteers

Want to help with tax preparations in our communities? Tax Aide needs volunteers and also instructors and computer technicians. Luther Callaway Library is the Chieffland tax site. For more information about classes in January call Bob at 352/463-8936 or email: rcburkhardt@earthlink.net

GILCHRIST COUNTY

American Legion Post 91

Come join us for Bingo every Tuesday evening at our smoke-free and alcohol-free Bingo Hall at 4200 S. US Hwy 129 between Trenton and Bell across from the "Field of Dreams" with doors open at 6:30 PM and games at 7 PM. Bingo Games are open to the public. Free coffee is provided or during the cooler winter season free hot chocolate.

American Legion Post 91 is forming an American Legion Riders chapter for military veterans who served honorably anywhere during the Congressionally-designated wartime eras and have a motorcycle. Sons of American Legion members are also eligible. The first group will be considered charter members. Contact our Legion Rider chairman Richard Czarniak or our 2nd Vice Commander Sherry Hayes-Luzader.

We are still looking for recently separated veterans who have a strong desire to give back to their community by promoting Americanism, Veteran Advocacy, and "Pride of Ownership" in our community. American Legion Post 91 is a non-profit, nationally accredited Veteran Organization. To learn more call 1st Vice Commander Rod Lacey at (352) 221-2352 or visit us on the web at www.facebook.com/AmericanLegionJamersonSheffieldPost91 .

For God and Country!!

Rod Lacey, 1st Vice Commander

CROSS CITY

DAV Auxiliary Events

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OPINION

Random Thoughts

Thomas Sowell
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Random thoughts on the passing scene:
When I was growing up, an older member of the family used to say, "What you don't know would make a big book." Now that I am an older member of the family, I would say to anyone, "What you don't know would fill more books than the Encyclopedia Britannica." At least half of our society's troubles come from know-it-alls, in a world where nobody knows even 10 percent of all.

Some people seem to think that, if life is not fair, then the answer is to turn more of the nation's resources over to politicians -- who will, of course, then spend these resources in ways that increase the politicians' chances of getting reelected.

The annual outbursts of intolerance toward any display of traditional Christmas scenes, or even daring to call a Christmas tree by its name, show that today's liberals are by no means liberal. Behind the mist of their lofty words, the totalitarian mindset shows through.

If you don't want to have a gun in your home or in your school, that's your choice. But don't be such a damn fool as to advertise to the whole world that you are in "a gun-free environment" where you are a helpless target for any homicidal fiend who is armed. Is it worth a human life to be a politically correct moral exhibitionist?

The more I study the history of intellectuals, the more they seem like a wrecking crew, dismantling civilization bit by bit -- replacing what works with what sounds good.

Some people are wondering what takes so long for the negotiations about the "fiscal cliff." Maybe both sides are waiting for supplies. Democrats may be waiting for more cans to kick down the road. Republicans may be waiting for more white flags to hold up in surrender.

If I were rich, I would have a plaque made up, and sent to every judge in America, bearing a statement made by Adam Smith more than two and a half centuries ago: "Mercy to the guilty is cruelty to the innocent."

If someone wrote a novel about a man who was raised from childhood to resent the successful and despise the basic values of America -- and who then went on to become

President of the United States -- that novel would be considered too unbelievable, even for a work of fiction. Yet that is what has happened in real life.

Many people say, "War should be a last resort." Of course it should be a last resort. So should heart surgery, divorce and many other things. But that does not mean that we should just continue to hope against hope indefinitely that things will work out, somehow, until catastrophe suddenly overtakes us.

Everybody is talking about how we are going to pay for the huge national debt, but nobody seems to be talking about the runaway spending which created that record-breaking debt. In other words, the big spenders get political benefits from handing out goodies, while those who resist giving them more money to spend will be blamed for sending the country off the "fiscal cliff."

When Barack Obama refused to agree to a requested meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu -- the leader of a country publicly and repeatedly threatened with annihilation by Iran's leaders, as the Iranians move toward creating nuclear bombs -- I thought of a line from the old movie classic "Citizen Kane": "Charlie wasn't cruel. He just did cruel things."

There must be something liberating about ignorance. Back when most members of Congress had served in the military, there was a reluctance of politicians to try to tell military leaders how to run the military services. But, now that few members of Congress have ever served in the military, they are ready to impose all sorts of fashionable notions on the military.

After watching a documentary about the tragic story of Jonestown, I was struck by the utterly unthinking way that so many people put themselves completely at the mercy of a glib and warped man, who led them to degradation and destruction. And I could not help thinking of the parallel with the way we put a glib and warped man in the White House.

There are people calling for the banning of assault weapons who could not define an "assault weapon" if their life depended on it. Yet the ignorant expect others to take them seriously.

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Uncle Hickory's New Year's Resolution

Uncle Hickory made a New Year's resolution. He swore he would quit drinking. He had been driving while he was drunk and had one of the biggest scares of his life. He claimed the angel of death had come for him. He was trembling as he told us about it.

He had been to a New Years Eve party, and the celebration was quite lively. There were many kinds of alcohol, and Uncle Hickory was hard pressed to find one he didn't like. He sampled all of them, from the lightest beer to the hardest vodka. Of course, he claimed he only had a little of each.

Once the old year had rolled away, and everyone had toasted the new one, it was time to head for home. Uncle Hickory wobbled his way to his car, feeling happy and light, hardly noticing the cold at all.

It had snowed heavily the previous two days, and, while they had been celebrating, the wind had kicked up, causing huge drifts. Uncle Hickory's old car plowed through the drifts, sliding back and forth as he went.

"Suddenly the road smoothed out," Uncle Hickory said, "and the car quit bucking and sliding. That was when it happened. I was traveling carefully along at about 30 miles per hour when I saw him approaching in my rear view mirror. He was floating toward me, all draped in black, closing the distance between us quickly."

Uncle Hickory shook visibly as he continued. "I knew who he was, and I knew he was coming for me. Even though it was slick and dangerous, I gunned the engine. I reached 50 miles per hour, then looked in my rear view mirror. The gap between us was still getting smaller."

Uncle Hickory took some deep breaths, trying to calm himself. "As he was almost on my bumper I put the pedal to the floor, rather to die from a wreck than to have that ghostly demon take me away. The speedometer climbed to 80 then to 90. I looked straight ahead, afraid to take my eyes off of the road. Finally, I glanced in my rear view mirror and no longer saw

him. I felt a surge of relief flood over me when..."

Uncle Hickory paused, the blood draining from his face as the memory came back. We all leaned forward anxious for the rest of the story.

"Just at the moment I thought I'd lost him," he continued, "there was a knock on my window. I turned, and there he was right by my door. I looked at my speedometer, and it said I was going over 100 miles per hour, and still he stayed right there. I knew at that point I only had one chance."

"What?" we asked.

"What?" he responded. "I'll tell you what. I slammed on the brakes and then tore my way across the car and out the passenger side. I plowed through the snow and across the field, running for the light of a house I could see in the distance. I never looked back until I made it safely there. Once inside I looked over my shoulder, and he was gone."

A few days later, Bart, a friend of mine, stopped to visit with me. "By the way, how is your Uncle Hickory?"

"He's okay," I answered. "Why do you ask?"

"Well, I was driving home New Year's day after working the night shift, and I saw his car off the road, stuck deep in a field. I got out to check on him, and the closer I got the harder he gunned his engine. When I got right up beside his car, I knocked on his window. When I did, he screamed and tore out the other side of his car and took off running across the field."

Bart paused, the concern showing in his face. "I tried to catch up to him, but I've never seen anyone run that fast, and I finally gave up. I just wanted to make sure he made it home safely."

"He did," I replied. "But if we keep this just between you and me, he just might remain sober."

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Seven Things Parents Can Do Post-Newtown without Government

Michelle Malkin
Creators Syndicate

These simple common-sense steps are adapted from a post I published on my blog after the horrific Newtown, Conn., massacre. Our hearts ache, but we are not completely helpless or hopeless in the face of evil and the unknown. And we are not alone. This Christmas, cherish life, keep faith and practice self-empowerment.

7. Teach our kids about the acts of heroes in times of crisis. Tell them about Newtown teacher Vicki Soto's self-sacrifice and bravery. Tell them about Clackamas mall shopper Nick Meli, a concealed-carry permit-holder whose quick action may have prevented additional deaths. Tell them about Family Research Council security guard Leo Johnson, who protected workers from a crazed gunman. Tell them about the heroic men in the Aurora movie theater who gave their lives taking bullets for their loved ones. Tell them about armed Holocaust Museum security guard Stephen Tyrone Johns, who died fighting back against the museum's nutball attacker. Tell them about armed private citizen Jeanne Assam, who gunned down the New Life Church attacker in Colorado Springs and saved untold lives.
6. Train our kids. When they see something troublesome or wrong, say something. Students, teachers and parents, if a young classmate exhibits bizarre or violent behavior toward himself or herself, report it right away. If it gets ignored, say it louder. Don't give up. Don't just shrug off the "weirdo" saying or doing dangerous things, and don't just hope someone else will act.
5. Limit our kids' time online, and control their exposure to desensitizing cultural influences. Turn off the TV. Get them off the bloody video games. Protect them from age-inappropriate Hollywood violence. Make sure they are active and engaged with us and the world, and not pent up in a room online every waking moment.
4. If you see a parent struggling with an out-of-control child, don't look the other way. If you are able to offer any kind of help (your time, resources, wisdom), do it. Don't wait.
3. We still don't know the medical condition of the Newtown shooter. But we do know that social stigmas are strong. We don't need government to take immediate, individual action to break those stigmas. There are millions of children, teens and young adults suffering from very real mental illnesses. Be silent no more about your family's experiences, your struggles, your pains and your fears. Speak up.
2. Prepare and protect your community. Joe Cascarelli of Westcliffe, Colo., wrote

me about how he and other citizens took their children's safety into their own hands. "It was 10 years ago that our sheriff



put an ad in the local paper to initiate the formation of the Sheriff's Posse. About 40 of us volunteered; today we have about 20 active Posse members. Eight years ago, the Posse command staff offered to provide the local school district with daily security patrols when the school was in session, at school athletic events and during school dances including the annual prom." Law enforcement conducted emergency drills, training to prepare for mass shootings and joint sessions with first responders.

"The Posse has continued its patrols at school events and during the school day. Posse patrols have become a visible, accepted part of our community," Cascarelli told me. "Anyone intent on harm would see armed uniformed personnel at the school daily. The Posse even has an Amber Alert at the local rodeo. When an atrocity like Columbine, Virginia Tech and most recently in Newtown, Conn., happens, all we hear is carefully crafted words of grief, heartrending interviews with parents, and TV's talking heads with knee-jerk 'solutions.' Well, our little community has implemented a local solution. Trained, armed volunteers daily protect our children. What is the matter with the rest of the country? Where are concerned parents and citizens willing to carve out some time to provide similar security?"

1. Teach our kids to value and respect life by valuing and respecting them always. And in loving and valuing life, teach them also not to fear death. The hymn "Be Not Afraid" offers time-tested solace and sage advice:
If you pass through raging waters, in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amidst the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you, through it all.
Be not afraid, I go before you always.
Come follow Me and I shall give you rest.
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The Battle of Athens *continued from page 1*

years, however, those who questioned the election would see their suspicions vindicated. The laws of Tennessee provided an opportunity for the unscrupulous to prosper. The sheriff and his deputies received a fee for every person they booked, incarcerated, and released; the more human transactions, the more money they got. A voucher signed by the sheriff was all that was needed to collect the money from the courthouse. Deputies routinely boarded buses passing through and dragged sleepy-eyed passengers to the jail to pay their \$16.50 fine for drunkenness, whether they were guilty or not. Arrests ran as high as 115 per weekend. The fee system was profitable, but record-keeping was required, and the money could be traced. It was less troublesome to collect kickbacks for allowing roadhouses to operate openly. Cooperative owners would point out influential patrons. They were not bothered, but the rest were subject to shakedown. Prostitution, liquor, and gambling grew so prevalent that it became common knowledge in Tennessee that Athens was "wide open."

Encouraged by his initial success, Cantrell began what would become a ten-year reign as the king of McMinn politics. In subsequent elections, ballot boxes were collected from the precincts and the results tabulated in secret at McMinn County Jail in Athens. Opposition poll watchers were labeled as troublemakers and ejected from precinct houses.

The 1940 election sent George Woods, a plump and affable Etowah crony of Cantrell, to the state legislature. Woods promptly introduced "An Act to Redistrict McMinn County." It reduced the number of voting precincts from twenty-three to twelve and cut down the number of justices of the peace from fourteen to seven. Of these seven, four were openly Cantrell men. When Gov. Prentice Cooper signed Woods's bill into law on February 15, 1941, effective Republican opposition died in McMinn County.

McMinn County Court, which was still dominated by Republicans, directed the county to purchase voting machines. The Cantrell Democrats countered by having Woods get a bill passed in Nashville abolishing the court and then selling the machines to "save the county money." Department of Justice records show investigations of electoral fraud in McMinn County in 1940, 1942, and 1944—all without resolution.

During the Civil War, deep from within secessionist territory, McMinn County had sided with the Union; in 1898 she had declared war on Spain two weeks before Washington got around to it. How could Cantrell have

such undisputed control over a county noted for its independent and cantankerous spirit? One answer lies in the Second World War: 3,526 young men, or about 10 percent of McMinn's population, went off to fight. Most of those left behind—older and perhaps more timid—contributed to the Cantrell machine's growth by remaining silent. Still, as the war dragged on, people began to tell each other, "Wait until the GIs get back—things will be different."

In the summer of 1945 veterans began returning home; by 1946 the streets of Athens overflowed with uniforms. The Cantrell forces were not worried. The more GIs they arrested," one vet recalled, "the more they beat up, the madder we got."

Bill White recalled coming home from overseas with mustering-out pay in his pocket: "There were several beer joints and honky-tonks around Athens; we were pretty wild; we started having trouble with the law enforcement at that time because they started making a habit of picking up GIs and fining them heavily for most anything—they were kind of making a racket out of it."

"After long hard years of service—most of us were hard-core veterans of World War II—we were used to drinking our liquor and our beer without being molested. When these things happened, the GIs got madder—the more GIs they arrested, the more they beat up, the madder we got..."

At last the veterans chose to use the most basic right of the democracy for which they had gone to war: the right to vote. In the early months of 1946 they decided in secret meetings to field a slate of their own candidates for the August elections. In May they formed a nonpartisan political party.

As the election approached, there were few overt signs of impending trouble, although to the citizens of McMinn County it was apparent that something had to happen: there was too much at stake on both sides. The Daily Post-Athenian was characteristically silent. The most significant news item appeared on election eve, July 31, 1946, at the bottom of page one: VFW members in neighboring Blount County said that four hundred and fifty veterans were ready to respond to any need in McMinn County. Above this was a report that Tony Pierce had killed a muskrat in his front yard.



interest centered on the race for sheriff between Knox Henry, who had served in the North African campaign, and Paul Cantrell. Since the 1936 election Cantrell had gone on to the legislature as state senator and installed Pat Mansfield as sheriff of McMinn County. A big, jovial sometime engineer for the Louisville & Nashville, Mansfield had done very nicely for himself during his term of office: his four years as sheriff had netted him an estimated \$104,000. But now, in 1946, Cantrell was running for sheriff and Mansfield for state senator.

In the final week a flurry of advertisements appeared in the Post-Athenian; Cantrell enumerated the accomplishments of the Democratic party; Mansfield denied that two men arrested on July 30 with a shipment of liquor were deputies, even though they admitted they were and had been delivering "election whiskey"; downtown merchants announced that all stores would be closed on Election Day to give employees a chance to vote, although this had not been necessary in previous elections (the merchants were perhaps following the example of the mayor of Athens, Paul Walker, who would be vacationing on Election Day); Cantrell warned that the veterans had printed sample ballots with the intention of stuffing ballot boxes; the veterans offered a one-thousand-dollar reward for verifiable information about election fraud and repeated a slogan that for weeks had sounded again and again from their carmounted loudspeakers: YOUR VOTE WILL BE COUNTED AS CAST.

Two days before the election the GIs ran an advertisement in the Post-Athenian: "These young men fought and won a war for good government. They know what it takes and what it means to have a clean government—and they are energetic enough, honest enough and intelligent enough to give us good, clean government." A couple of pages farther on, the Democrats had their say: "Look at the facts—and you will vote for the Democratic ticket. The campaign fight is as old as the hills—it is the story of the outs wanting back in."

The next day, the paper reported that veterans from Blount County had offered to come help watch the polls. Mansfield began building an army of his own. "It has come to my attention," he announced, "that certain elements intend to

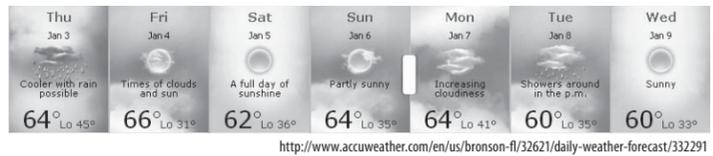
The veterans fielded candidates for five offices, but

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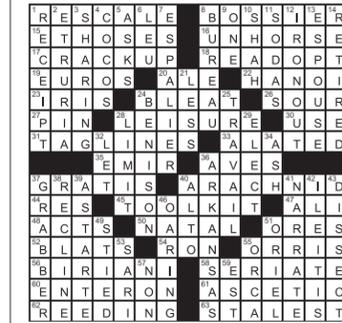
Levy County Saltwater and Freshwater Tides

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	4 Low	12:08 PM	0.5			
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	5 High	7:18 PM	3.4			
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	6 High	8:20 PM	3.5			
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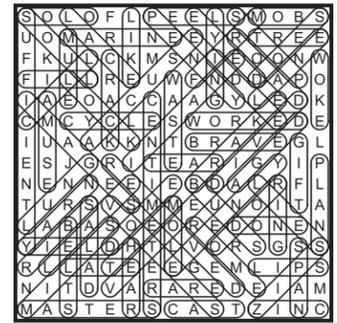
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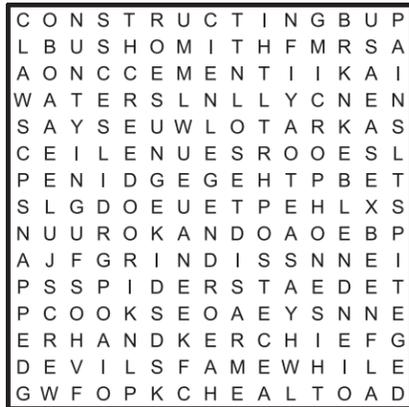
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Last Week's Word Search



Word Search



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4H & HCE Opportunities in Levy County for 2013

The good folks at the Levy County Extension office are looking for people and children in the community to participate in the Home & Community Education (HCE) program and 4H.

Home and Community Educators is a club-based volunteer group of friends and neighbors who are a direct support service organization of the UF IFAS Florida Cooperative Extension Service, United States Department of Agriculture and Levy County Commission.

- To strengthen families through programs of community leadership and continuing education.
- To empower citizens to actively participate in public decision-making regarding issues that concern children and families; and
- To promote the effectiveness of volunteer action and support.

Clubs meet monthly during the months of September through May with an educational program presented by club leaders or guest speakers. They also perform community service projects and assist with Extension educational programs. Sharing skills, performing community service and learning from each other are highlights of the organization.

There are two HCE Clubs in Levy County:

In Bronson – meeting every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 9:30 AM at the Levy County Extension Office in Bronson; and

In Chiefland – meeting every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10 AM at Woodmen of the World in Trenton.

Club members have an opportunity:

- To meet others in educational and social settings;
- To keep up-to-date on trends and research;
- To grow personally and develop self-confidence;
- To share experiences and information;
- To continue learning about a variety of topics;
- To become a leader;
- To develop skills;
- And much more.

The Council (a combination of all

local clubs) meets four times during the year for additional educational and community service opportunities.

All clubs and the council are open for membership for any adult in Levy County or surrounding areas regardless of race, color, sex or national origin. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) is an Equal Opportunity Institution authorized to provide research, educational information, and other services only to individuals and institutions that function with non-discrimination with respect to race, creed, color, religion, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, political opinions, or affiliations.

For the 4H clubs the Extension Office is looking for children ages 5 to 18 years (must be 5 before Sept. 1) and adult volunteers for the 4H program. You can join for \$1/year for the insurance. There are multiple clubs in Bronson, Williston and Chiefland.

If the child has any interest, the 4H club can help them explore it. Would they like to learn about: Sewing, baking, canoeing, photography, small engines, woodworking, aerospace, computers, electricity, gardening, small and large animals, marine life, wildlife, archery, butterflies, robotics, BBQ/poultry contest, learning to give a speech or illustrated talk, or participating Community Service Projects?

Then, 4H is the program for them – or for the adult who would like to teach these valuable skills to a child.

If you would be interested in joining in with others in the community to make Levy County a more informed and community-minded place helping the children in 4H or others call Brenda or Lacy at 352/486-5131 for 4H or Muriel Turner at 352/486-5131 for the HCE Clubs.



PBS Event 'Money Well Spent'

Donations for NICU, Children's Hospital at Shands demonstrate students' charity, kindness

by Lisa Statham Posteraro
(photos by Charlie Watson and Lisa Posteraro)

Williston Elementary School students started the winter holidays on their last day of school for 2012 by being rewarded with food, fun and frolicking. Guidance counselor Celeste Greenlee's hard work paid off as the hundreds of 3rd through 5th graders enjoyed an inflatable obstacle course, made ornaments, played board games and, of course, ate and danced. "It was money well spent," said Juliette Beville, a safety patroller in Nancy Bowman's 5th grade class.

To be eligible, students had to have at least 20 Wildcat Cash to purchase the ticket to attend the festivities. (Students earn Wildcat Cash by demonstrating "P.A.W.S.": Positive attitude, Always respectful, Willing to learn and Shows responsibility. The WES mascot is the Wildcat.) The event is part of the Positive Behavior Support program instituted at WES and most of the other public schools in Levy County.

In addition to all the fun activities and door prizes for the students, donations were collected for infants at Shands Children's Hospital and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). Every student who attended was asked to bring a new, unwrapped item to donate. "We wanted to tie this annual event to our character education words for November and December, 'charity' and 'kindness,'" said Greenlee. "Our hope is that our students will learn how good it feels to demonstrate these qualities by helping out the babies and their families who will be spending time at the hospital this holiday season." The donation was optional.

Greenlee was pleased to introduce Brianna Swales, the communications coordinator at Shands, and photographer Jesse Jones, who attended to receive the donations and thank the



Williston Elementary School guidance counselor and organizer of the PBS holiday event, Celeste Greenlee takes the microphone to introduce Brianna Swales, communication coordinator at Shands, who thanked the students for the plethora of gifts for Shands Children's Hospital and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Greenlee was excited by how "charitable" and "kind" the students had been.

students for their "charity and kindness."

As always, parent and staff volunteers helped with supervision and the concession stand with the hot cocoa and cookies. Lt. Shawn Hunt with the Levy County Sheriff's Office was also in attendance. "We're grateful for the ongoing support of Sheriff McCallum and all our school resource officers," said principal Marla Hiers.

School resumes for students on Tuesday, January 8, 2013. Happy Holidays from WES!



Holding up the heavy stocking over half-full of gifts for Shands Children's Hospital and their Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Williston Elementary School 5th graders Cali Brettel and Faith Younger take a break from the fun activities at the annual holiday PBS event in the Wildcat Café. After the third and final PBS party, guidance counselor Celeste Greenlee went through the packed stocking before sending the gifts to Shands, amazed by the generosity of the Wildcats!

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Church Calendar

Bronson UMC Hosts Financial Peace University with Dave Ramsey on Jan. 17

The Bronson United Methodist Church will be hosting Dave Ramsey's "Financial Peace University" beginning Thurs., Jan. 17, 2013 from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. This is a practical, entertaining and fun class to help you take control of your money, invest for the future and give like never before. This biblically-based course teaches people how to handle money God's way. Each class will help you with money management whether you are struggling to make ends meet or you are a millionaire! Financial Peace University is based on more than 800 verses of Scripture and is a proven plan that will work for you.

The fee for the course is \$89 per person, couple, or family. The course will last for 9 weeks meeting each Thursday evening. Please come on Jan. 17 and see if this is for you! We will meet at 235 S Court Street, Bronson. If you need more information please call the church office at 352/486-2281 and leave a message.

Worship Directory



Ellzey United Methodist Church

Corner of 336 & Hwy 24
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.

Pastor Doug Fleming

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)

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

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10:15 a.m. Worship
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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 of Bronson
"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
Pastor Troy A. Turner
451 S. Court Street - Bronson, FL 32621 - 352.486.2282

Pine Grove Baptist Church
16655 N. W. CR-339
Trenton, Florida 32693
352-463-2151
www.pgbcfl.net
Dr. Greg Douglas, Senior Pastor
Pastor Rickey Whitley, Assoc. Pastor/Youth
Pastor Emanuel Harris, Education/Children
Pastor Jared Douglas, Collegiate/Missions
Pastor Josh Ryals, Music
Blended Worship 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Contemporary Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Services:
AWANA 6:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Youth, College & Career 7:00 p.m.
~ Nursery provided for all services ~

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11 a.m. Worship Period
5 p.m. Worship Period
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Obituaries

SUSAN LEE MAURO

July 1, 1951 – December 11, 2012

Susan Lee Mauro of Morriston, Florida passed away at the age of 61 on December 11, 2012.

She was born on July 1, 1951 in Meriden, Connecticut to Robert and Janet (Bailey) Sandersen. She moved to Morriston 4 1/2 years ago from Connecticut. She was of the Christian faith. She enjoyed sewing, crafts, cooking, bingo, she was an animal lover, but most of all she enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband Michael J. Mauro; son, Robert Sandersen; brother, Randy Sandersen; sisters, Melissa Sandersen and Lori Johnson; and a host of nieces and nephews.

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

DORIS YVONNE PADILLA SEALS

January 19, 1938 – December 20, 2012

Doris Yvonne Padilla Seals went home to the Lord with family by her side at 3:56 p.m. December 20, 2012 in Fort White, Florida. She was born January 19, 1938 in Everglades City, Florida to Walter A. and Amelia (Gomes) Padilla.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Amelia; and three brothers: Walter "Buddy" Padilla Jr., Curtis Ray Padilla Sr. and Robert Joseph Padilla.

Doris is survived by three brothers: Frank Padilla, Sr., John William Padilla, and Jack S. Padilla; two sisters, Marjorie L. Shankle and Rosa Lee Peiffer; two sons, Wyley G. (Deborah) Seals IV and Jock A. (Erlita) Seals; three daughters: Cheryl A. Seals, Tina M. (Gilberto Lebron) Bloom and Casha D. (Kevin Shaffer) Seals; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Doris attended college without receiving a degree, and held a variety of jobs outside the home but always considered herself a homemaker. Doris made her home in Chiefland having settled there in the late seventies. She was an avid reader and a sharp wit. She enjoyed her family and loved to crochet and sew for them. She busied herself with all manner of craft projects – sewing a quilt top, crocheting a blanket or creating one-of-a-kind doll houses for her grandchildren.

Visitation will be held at the Knauff Funeral Home in Chiefland at 10:00 a.m. on Friday December 28. The funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. also at the Knauff Funeral Home in Chiefland. Interment will be at the Sunshine Memorial Garden in Bell.

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

ETHEL MARIE CALTON FREE

October 5, 1924 – December 20, 2012

Mrs. Ethel Marie Calton Free of Cross City Florida passed away at the age of 88 on Thursday, December 20, 2012.

Mrs. Free moved to Cross City 77 years ago, from Chiefland where she was born on October 5, 1924 to Joseph and Della Calton. She was a homemaker and a mother, who worked in the Anderson Elementary School lunchroom for a short time. She loved to fish, knit and attend church at the Faith in the Word Assembly.

Mrs Free was preceded in death by husband, Leon L. Free; son, Larry L. Free; sister, Ruby Mae Knight; and parents, Joseph and Della Carlton.

She is survived by grandsons, Kevin Free and Derek Free; 4 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild and sister, Susie McDaris.

A visitation was held Saturday evening, December 22, 2012 between the hours of 5 and 7 p.m. Funeral services were held Sunday, December 23, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Rocky Bray and Dewayne Bowdoin officiating. Interment followed at New Prospect Baptist Church Cemetery.

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

MARIE YEARTY JOHNSON

October 10, 1919 – December 21, 2012

Marie Yerty Johnson of Cedar Key passed away at the age of 93 on December 21, 2012 at Haven Hospice of the Tri Counties in Chiefland. Born in Otter Creek on October 10, 1919 to Eugene H. and Pearl E. (Walden) Yerty, she has spent her life in Levy County. She graduated from Bronson High School and Massey Business College in Jacksonville. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Cedar Key for over 60 years, serving as Sunday School teacher, worker for Vacation Bible School and member of the WMU. She was an active member of Operation Christmas Child, a charter member of the Woman's Club of Cedar



Key, and a volunteer for Haven Hospice of the Tri Counties and at the Pregnancy Center. Mrs. Johnson was past president of Cedar Key Arts Festival. During WWII she was secretary for Army Corp of Engineers and was librarian with the Levy County Library System for 13 years. She and her late husband, Webster Johnson owned and operated Johnson's Restaurant on the dock of Cedar Key. She received so much enjoyment from her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mrs. Johnson was preceded in death by her husband Webster L. Johnson and a son Ludwig Johnson.

She is survived by her daughters, Eugenia Johnson (Ed Wise) of Chiefland and Beth (Mike) Davis of Cedar Key; daughter-in-law Aida Johnson of Gainesville; grandchildren: David May of Live Oak, Stephanie May of Cedar Key, Heath Davis of Cedar Key, Ida Marie Johnston of Tampa, Mary Beth Tyson of Tallahassee, Jarret Johnson of Niceville; and 8 great grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held Monday December 24, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Cedar Key with Pastor Todd Pope and Rev. Jerry Nash officiating. Interment followed at Cedar Key Cemetery. Visitation was Sunday from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mrs. Johnson's memory to the Harmony Pregnancy Center or to the Building Fund at First Baptist Church of Cedar Key.

Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services, 1301 N. Young Blvd., Chiefland, FL 32626, 352-493-0050 is honored to serve the Johnson family. Condolences may be offered by visiting our website at www.hiers-baxley.com

CLAIRE E. FISHER

Mrs. Claire E. Fisher, of Chiefland and formerly of Lake City, died late Friday evening, December 21, 2012 at the age of 93 in Shands at the University of Florida following an extended illness. A native of Nashua, New Hampshire, Mrs. Fisher had been a resident of Lake City since moving here in 1965 from Massachusetts. Mrs. Fisher worked for many years as a child care provider. She retired after several years of service as a "Nanny" for Robert and Emmie Chasteen. She was very proud to have assisted in the care-giving for Mary Ann and Abbie. In her spare time Mrs. Fisher enjoyed playing Bingo, card games, cooking and crocheting. Mrs. Fisher was a member of the D.A.R.; First United Methodist Church of Lake City and most recently the First United Methodist Church in Trenton.

Mrs. Fisher was preceded in death by her husband, Clifton Fisher and a daughter, Jerilyn Niemela.

She is survived by three daughters: Michelle Barron of Chiefland, Joyce Mitchell of Harvey, Louisiana and Donna Thomas of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and a brother, Bradford Howlett of Worcester, Massachusetts; 13 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Fisher were conducted at noon on Saturday, December 29, 2012 in the First United Methodist Church in Trenton with Pastor Dale Elzie officiating. Private family interment services will be held in the Huntsville United Methodist Church Cemetery. The family received friends for one hour prior to the funeral service at the church on Saturday. Arrangements were placed under the direction of the Dees-Parrish Family Funeral Home, Lake City, FL 32025; 386/752-1234 Please share your thoughts and wishes for the family at our on-line family guestbook at parrishfamilyfuneralhome.com

SENSEI MARTIN VINCENT GABRIEL

September 21, 1952 – December 21, 2012

Sensei Martin Vincent "Gabe" Gabriel departed this earth at the age of 60 on Friday, December 21, 2012 at his residence in Bell. Martin was born on September 21, 1952 in New Jersey. He moved to Bell 21 years ago from Ft. Lauderdale. He worked for the Suwannee River Water District.

He left behind his devoted Antoinette; his daughter, Laura Gabriel (Kevin) of Boynton Beach, Florida; a sister, Martha Gabriel of Hollywood, Florida; his precious granddaughter, Lilianna Clark; as well as a community of friends and dedicated Martial Arts students.

The family is planning to hold a small memorial gathering at the Bell School of Karate Dojo for students and friends. Details will be determined at a later date.

The family would like to express their gratitude to everyone for all your love and support at this time.

Arrangements under the care of Watson Funeral Home, 426 W. Wade Street, Trenton, FL. 32693 (352) 463-8888.

Online condolences or to sign the guest book at www.watsonfhrenton.com



BETTY ANNE CARTER

April 4, 1943 – December 22, 2012

Betty Anne Carter passed away on Saturday, December 22, 2012 at North Florida Regional Medical Center at the age of 69. Betty was born on April 4, 1943 in High Springs, Florida to Barry Mathis and Mildred Rogers Mathis. She was a lifelong resident of the tri-county area. Betty worked for the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture as an Administrative Assistant. She was a member of Priscilla Baptist Church in Bell.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Barry Mathis and Mildred Rogers Mathis and her 2 brothers: Tommy Mathis and Bud Mathis.

She is survived by her husband, Thomas Paul Carter, Sr., of Chiefland; a daughter, Candace London of Bell; a son, Thomas Paul Carter, Jr., of Bell; 2 sisters, Gail Roberts of Bell and Linda Perryman of Trenton; and a grandson, Gaven Carter.

Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, December 27, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. at Priscilla Baptist Church with Pastor Ron Black and Pastor Ray Scott officiating.

Arrangements under the care of Watson Funeral Home, 426 W. Wade Street, Trenton, FL. 32693 (352) 463-8888.

Online condolences or to sign the guest book at www.watsonfhrenton.com

DOROTHY B. HALVORSEN

December 9, 1929 – December 24, 2012

Dorothy B. (Dot) Halvorsen of Old Town died at the age of 83 on Monday, December 24, 2012, at Select Specialty Hospital in Gainesville, after a long illness. She was born Dorothy Jean Bicking on December 9, 1929, in Chicago, Illinois.

Mrs. Halvorsen was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker who was active in the United Methodist Women. With her late husband, who was a Navy veteran, she co-founded the WWII Veterans and Proud of It club in the tri-county area in 1991. She continued to lead the group after he passed away in 2007. Before retiring to Old Town, she was a sales associate at Belk's in Gainesville. In the 1960s, when the family lived in Coral Gables she was active in Girl Scouting.

Mrs. Halvorsen was preceded in death by her loving husband of 58 years, Richard Douglas Halvorsen.

She is survived by her children Susan Martindale of Tallahassee, Richard Alan Halvorsen (Kathy) of Crawfordville, Florida, Charles Halvorsen of Gainesville and Cathy Reeves (Jet) of Gainesville; sisters, Joan Richards of Wittmann, Arizona and Lois Kramer of Schaumburg, Illinois; 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Family visitation and viewing was held on Friday, December 28, 2012, between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home in Cross City. Memorial services followed at 1:00 p.m. Friday, December 28, at the Old Town United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Carl Rainear officiating. Burial will be at a later date at the National Military Cemetery in Bushnell, where she will be interred next to her husband.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Old Town United Methodist Church or to your favorite charity. Arrangements were placed under the care of the Rick Gooding Funeral Home, Cross City, Florida; 352/498-5400.

WAUNA B. RITCH

July 11, 1921 – December 26, 2012

Wauna B. Ritch of Williston, Florida passed away at the age of 91 on December 26, 2012.

She was born July 11, 1921 in Morriston to Olen Q. and Bessie L. (Blich) Barber. She was of the Baptist faith and a long time member of Morriston Baptist Church. She enjoyed crocheting, shelling peas, watching game shows, traveling, especially to Alaska. She was a cat lover but most of all she enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Ms. Ritch is survived by her daughter Linda Williams (Jimbo); grandsons: Don Standridge (Brenda), Craig Standridge (Jennifer) and Angus Williams; great-grandchildren: Justin, Jackie, Angus, Dakota, Savanna, Flynt, and Seth.

Visitation for Ms. Ritch will be held on Saturday, December 29, 2012 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the Morriston Baptist Church. Funeral service is to follow at 11:00 a.m. with Reverend Keith Stewart officiating. Interment will take place at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

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

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create a disturbance at and around the polls. ... In order to see that law and order is maintained ... I will have several hundred deputies patrolling the county." He hired all of them from outside the county, some from out of state. They would crowd inside every voting precinct. And they would be armed.

August 1, 1946: Election Day found voters lined up early in the largest turnout in local history. Joining them were some three hundred of Sheriff Mansfield's special deputies. Trouble began early. At 9:30 A.M. Walter Ellis, a legally appointed GI representative at the first precinct in the courthouse, was arrested and jailed for protesting irregularities.

Sirens wailed throughout the morning, and police cruisers were seen speeding toward the jail. GIs began gathering on Washington Street outside L. L. Shafer's jewelry store, which served as an office for their campaign manager, Jim Buttram, who had seen action in Africa, Sicily, Italy, and Normandy. Above the door a sign read: "Phone 787, Jim Buttram," the number to which voters were to report election fraud. Only after prolonged pounding did a harried Buttram cautiously open the door to his comrades. As more than two hundred GIs filled the small store, the somber mood of their leader told them they were in trouble. He showed them copies of two telegrams dated July 22: one he had addressed to Gov. Jim McCord, Nashville, Tennessee; the other to Att. Gen. Tom Clark, Washington, D.C. They requested assistance to ensure a fair election. Neither had been answered.

Otto Kennedy, not an ex-GI himself but a political adviser to the veterans, entered the office and announced that Cantrell had posted armed guards at each precinct. They all knew that this move was in preparation for the 4:00 P.M. poll closings when the ballot boxes would be moved to the jail for counting. A small group of the veterans demanded an armed mobilization and called for a leader. Buttram declined. So did Kennedy, but he offered the rear of his Essankay Garage and Tire Shop across the street as a meeting hall.

The group crossed the street, held a meeting, and agreed that those who did not have weapons should get them and return as quickly as possible.

By 3:00 P.M. most were back at the Essankay and most were armed. At about this time, Tom Gillespie, an elderly black farmer from Union Road, stepped inside the eleventh-precinct polling place in the Athens Water Works on Jackson Street. Windy Wise, a Cantrell guard, told Gillespie, "Nigger, you can't vote here." When Tom protested, Wise struck him with brass knuckles. Gillespie dropped his ballot and ran for the door. Wise pulled a pistol and shot him in the back as he reached the sidewalk. The crowd began to demand the lives of the captives; some veterans agreed.

The first shot of the day brought crowds streaming up Jackson from the courthouse. Sheriff Mansfield's cruiser turned off College Street and screeched to a halt in front of the Water Works, and deputies loaded the bleeding Gillespie into the car. Mansfield ordered the precinct closed, posted four deputies outside to guard the Water Works, and then took Gillespie to jail. A dozen veterans from the Essankay started up Jackson toward the Water Works. They were unarmed.

During the confusion following the shooting, the two GI poll watchers, Ed Vestal and Charles Scott, had been seized and held hostage inside the Water Works by Wise

and another Cantrell deputy, Karl Neil. When the veterans reached the Water Works, the crowd began taunting the armed guards. As Wise and Neil stood at a window watching the angry throng outside, Vestal and Scott plunged through the plate-glass windows and ran bleeding for the protection of the crowd. Wise stepped through the broken glass, waving his pistol; several veterans rushed forward but were quickly pulled back to safety. One of them shouted, "Let's go get our guns!" and they left for the Essankay.

In the meantime Chief Deputy Boe Dunn had his men form a cordon from the building to his cruiser, and the ballot box was carried out to the car. Wise told Dunn about the GIs' threat; the chief deputy ordered two of his men to GI headquarters to arrest those whom Wise could identify. The rest of the deputies piled into the cruiser, which sped back toward the jail.

When the two deputies reached the GI headquarters, they were disarmed and taken prisoner; so were two others sent later as reinforcements. A crowd began to gather outside; three more deputies came with pistols drawn, only to be pummeled and dragged inside. The crowd began to demand the lives of the captives; some of the veterans agreed. This talk alarmed Otto Kennedy, and he left, vowing to have no part in murder. The crowd began to disperse, and most of the GIs left; soon a small nucleus of veterans was alone with seven hostages. The veterans took the hostages to the woods, ten miles out of town, beat them, and shackled them to trees.

A polling place for the twelfth precinct had been set up in the back of the Dixie Cafe, across Hornsby Alley from the jail, and it was commanded by Minus Wilburn for Cantrell. Bob Hairrell and Leslie Dooley, who had lost an arm in North Africa, were assigned as the GI poll watchers. Throughout the day they had observed Wilburn letting minors vote and handing cash to adult voters. At 3:45 P.M., when Wilburn attempted to allow a young woman to vote despite the fact that she had no poll-tax receipt and that her name did not appear on the registration list, Hairrell's patience gave out. As Wilburn reached to deposit the ballot, Hairrell grabbed his wrist. Wilburn slapped him across the head with a blackjack and kicked him in the face as he fell to the floor. Then he closed the precinct, ordered Hornsby Alley blocked at both ends, and, with a procession of guards, crossed the lawn to the jail with the ballot box and the GIs as captives.

The Cantrell forces had calculated that if they could control the first, eleventh and twelfth precincts in Athens and the one in Etowah, the election was theirs. The ballot boxes from the Water Works (the eleventh) and the Dixie Cafe (the twelfth) were safely in the jail. The voting place for the first precinct, the courthouse, was barricaded by deputies who held four GIs hostage, and Paul Cantrell himself had Etowah under control.

By 6:00 P.M. it seemed to be over. GI headquarters was deserted, and unhappy crowds moved quietly along the streets. Another election had been stolen, and nothing could be done about it.

At the Strand Movie Theater across from the courthouse, the marquee read: "Coming Soon: Gunning for Vengeance."

Bill White, who had fought in the Pacific while still in his teens and come home an ex-sergeant, had gotten angrier as the day wore on. At two in the afternoon he had harangued the group of veterans in the Essankay, saying: "You call yourselves GIs—you go over there and fight for three and

still barricaded in the courthouse, but along the streets none were to be seen. If the Cantrell forces had been a bit more wary, they might have spotted some shadows slipping up the embankment directly across the street from the jail.

Opinion differs on exactly how the challenge was issued. White says he was the one to call it out: "Would you damn bastards bring those damn ballot boxes out here or we are going to set siege against the jail and blow it down!" Moments later the night exploded in automatic weapons fire punctuated by shotgun blasts. "I fired the first shot," White claimed, "then everybody started shooting from our side." A deputy ran for the jail. "I shot him; he wheeled and fell inside of the jail." Bullets ricocheted up and down White Street. "I shot a second man; his leg flew out from under him, and he crawled under a car." The veterans bombarded the jail for hours, but Cantrell and his accomplices, secure behind the red-brick walls, refused to surrender. As the uncertain battle dragged past midnight, the GIs began to have some uneasy second thoughts. They knew that they had violated local, state, and federal laws that night, and if Cantrell was not routed before his rescuers arrived, they might spend the rest of their lives in prison. Rumors compounded their fears: "The National Guard is on the way!" "The state troopers are here!" "Birch Biggs and his gang are coming!" (Biggs ran Polk County more ruthlessly than Cantrell ran McMinn.)

If the veterans had known the truth, they would have been less apprehensive. George Woods had telephoned Biggs earlier that night for help. Biggs was not there, but his son, Broughton, took the call. His answer: "Do you think I'm crazy?" Woods then slipped out of town.

The veterans were eager to end the battle. Some of them made Molotov cocktails, others went to the county supply house for dynamite. The gasoline bombs proved ineffective, but at 2:30 A.M. the dynamite arrived. At about this time an ambulance pulled around to the north side of the jail. Assuming it was for the evacuation of the wounded, the veterans let it pass. Two men jumped in, but then, instead of returning to the hospital, the ambulance sped north out of town. The men were Paul Cantrell and Pat Mansfield.

At 2:48 A.M. the first dynamite was tossed toward the jail; it landed under Boe Dunn's cruiser, and the explosion flipped the vehicle over on its top, leaving its wheels spinning. Three more bundles of dynamite were thrown almost simultaneously; one landed on the jail porch roof, another under Mansfield's car, and the third struck the jail wall. The explosions rattled windows throughout the town; leaves fell from the trees, debris scattered for blocks, and the jailhouse porch jumped off its foundation. The deputies barricaded in the courthouse a block away rushed onto the balcony, eager to surrender. The jail's defenders staggered from their ruined stronghold and handed the ballot boxes over to the veterans.

With the Cantrell forces conquered, ten years of suppressed rage exploded. The townspeople set upon the captured deputies and, but for the GIs, probably would have killed them all. Minus Wilburn, a particularly unpopular deputy, had his throat slashed; Biscuit Farris, Cantrell's prison superintendent, had his jaw shattered by a bullet; and Windy Wise was kicked and beaten senseless. Joined by a number of their fellows, the GIs cleared the jail of the rioters and locked up their prisoners for the night.

At dawn the veterans slipped from the jail, made their way through the detritus of the battle, and dispersed into what they hoped would be anonymity. Miraculously there had been no deaths. But on August 2 a page-one headline in The New York Times wrongly trumpeted the news: TENNESSEE SHERIFF IS SLAIN IN PRIMARY DAY VIOLENCE. All day long reporters with cameras and notebooks poured into town to photograph, question, analyze, and write. And every newcomer passed the sign on Highway 11:

WELCOME TO ATHENS "The Friendly City"

The "victory" of the veterans that night in August 1946 appeared, at first, to have settled nothing. The national press was almost unanimous in condemning the action of the GIs. In an editorial perhaps best reflecting the ambivalence of a startled nation, The New York Times concluded: "Corruption, when and where it exists, demands reform, and even in the most corrupt and boss-ridden communities, there are peaceful means by which reform can be achieved. But there is no substitute, in a democracy, for orderly process." The syndicated columnist Robert C. Ruark commented: "There is very little difference, essentially, between a vigilante and a member of a lynch mob, and if we are seeking an answer to crooked politics, the one that the Athens boys just propounded sure ain't it." Commonwealth cautiously compared the battle to the American Revolution, then went on to say that "nothing could be more dangerous both for our liberties and our welfare than the making of the McMinn County Revolution into a habit."

In the early days of August 1946 a power vacuum existed in McMinn County that easily could have spawned anarchy. Armed GIs patrolled streets that were still tense with rumors of a Mansfield army poised to reclaim Athens. Hundreds of men were issued permits to carry weapons, and machine guns on rooftops guarded the approaches to town. Several times groups of veterans rushed to barricade roads and occasionally they terrorized innocent travelers in their attempt to thwart an invasion that never came.

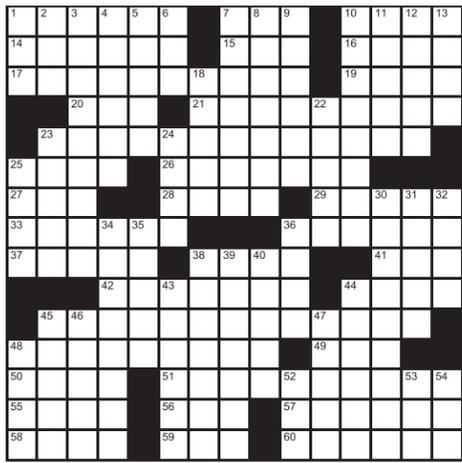
On August 4 Pat Mansfield telegraphed his resignation as sheriff of McMinn County to Governor McCord and requested that Knox Henry fill his unexpired term, which would end on September 1. Henry was appointed immediately, and the next day State Rep. George Woods returned to the county under GI protection to convene the election commission and certify the election. A cheer rang out in the courthouse when Woods rose as the canvass ended and announced that Knox Henry was elected sheriff by a vote

of 2,175 to 1,270. After their victory, GIs with machine guns waited for a Cantrell counterattack.

On August 11, 1946, the five GIs elected to office in McMinn announced that they would return to the county all fees in excess of five thousand dollars. Elsewhere in Tennessee, E.

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Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1. Tree with light, soft wood
- 7. "Spy vs. Spy" magazine
- 10. Back talk
- 14. Dawn goddess
- 15. "___ to Billie Joe"
- 16. 12th month in the Jewish calendar
- 17. Person skilled in preparing stone for building
- 19. Catch, in a way
- 20. Ballpoint, e.g.
- 21. Made humorous or satirical drawing
- 23. Manage inefficiently
- 25. Mossback
- 26. A time immediately before
- the present
- 27. "___ Ng" (They Might Be Giants song)
- 28. "Back in the ___," 1968 Beatles song
- 29. In pieces
- 33. Popularity of TV program based on audience poll
- 36. Place of darkness between earth and Hades
- 37. Swelling
- 38. Fitness centers
- 41. Marienbad, for one
- 42. Informal meals eaten outside
- 44. Attendee
- 45. Event with reduced prices in order to reduce inventory (2 wds)
- 48. One who attacks the reputation of another by libel
- 49. Virus that causes AIDS
- 50. Duck's home
- 51. Remove salt from
- 55. "___ bitten, twice shy"
- 56. Bank offering, for short
- 57. Plane, e.g.
- 58. Angry, with "off"
- 59. Cooking meas.
- 60. One who carries the official rod during ceremonies

Down

- 1. ___ de deux
- 2. Away
- 3. Multiply
- 4. Deserted
- 5. "Gladiator" setting
- 6. Battering device
- 7. Designs made up of small pieces of colored glass, stone, etc.
- 8. That used to decorate
- 9. Calcified tooth part beneath the enamel
- 10. Group of closely related microorganisms with a similar set of antigens
- 11. "Home ___," 1990 film
- 12. ___ Tuesday, voting day
- 13. Coaster
- 18. High points
- 22. Academy Award
- 23. Any simple, single-cell organism
- 24. Dope
- 25. Charge
- 30. Pronouncing not guilty
- 31. Indian coin
- 32. Boris Godunov, for one
- 34. Threatened to happen
- 35. Satellite closest to Neptune
- 36. "___ quam videri" (North Carolina's motto)
- 38. Trappers using noose
- 39. Fleishy, tawny or reddish saprophytic herb
- 40. African capital
- 43. Charging need
- 44. Type of springboard dive
- 45. Copy
- 46. Pop
- 47. Flat cork for wide-mouthed bottles
- 48. Advance, slangily
- 52. "My Name Is Asher ___" (Chaim Potok novel)
- 53. #26 of 26
- 54. "To ___ is human ..."

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

four years—you come back and you let a bunch of draft dodgers who stayed here where it was safe, and you were making it safe for them, push you around. ... If you people don't stop this, and now is the time and place, you people wouldn't make a pimple on a fighting GI's ass. Get guns..."

In the early evening White went to get the guns himself. He sent two GIs to get a truck and, with a few other veterans, perhaps a dozen, he headed for the National Guard armory. There, he said in a 1969 interview, he "broke down the armory doors and took all the rifles, two Thompson sub-machine guns, and all the ammunition we could carry, loaded it up in the two-ton truck and went back to GI headquarters and passed out seventy high-powered rifles and two bandoleers of ammunition with each one." By 9:00 P.M. Paul Cantrell, Pat Mansfield, State Rep. George Woods, who was also a member of the election commission, and about fifty deputies were locked inside the jail and going through the ballot boxes. The presence of Mansfield and Woods meant that a majority of the election commission was on hand, so the tallies could be certified and validated on the spot. More deputies were

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2012-CA-000096 FLORIDA CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

vs. MARILYN J. PLETCHER, GREGORY A. PLETCHER AND STEARNS LENDING, INC., Defendants. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Clerk of Circuit Court, Levy County, Florida will on February 11, 2013, at 11:00 A.M. at the Front Entrance of the Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court Street, Bronson, Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry, one by one, to the highest bidder for cash, the property located in Levy County, Florida, as follows:

THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on December 11, 2012, in the above-styled cause, pending in said Court.

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

Danny Shipp, Clerk of Circuit Court By: Gwen McElroy /s/ Deputy Clerk Pub.: Dec. 27, 2012 and Jan. 3, 2013.

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

CASE NO. 38-2012-CA-165 CAPITAL CITY BANK, Plaintiff,

vs. KNA ENTERPRISES, INC. d/b/a DIXIE PILINGS & FOUNDATIONS, KELLEY FULLER a/k/a KELLY J. FULLER, ANDY L. GREEN and CASON INGLIS ACRES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of foreclosure dated December 17, 2012 and entered in Case No. 38-2012-CA-165 of the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, in and for Levy County, Florida, wherein CAPITAL CITY BANK is the Plaintiff and KNA Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Dixie Pilings & Foundations, Kelly Fuller a/k/a Kelly J. Fuller, and Andy L. Green are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Lobby of the Board of County Commission Meeting Room, Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court Street, Bronson, Florida 32621 at 11:00 a.m. on the 5th day of March, 2013 the following described properties as set forth in said Final Judgment:

Lots 30 and 31, Block B of Cason's Inglis Acres Unit 6, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page(s), of the Public Records of Levy County, Florida.

Together with that certain 1985 SUNV Mobile Home, ID#GD0CFL038511057 and that certain 1987 LIBE Mobile Home, ID# 10L19115.

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on December 17, 2012. (COURT SEAL)

DANNY J. SHIPP LEVY COUNTY CLERK OF COURT By: Gwen McElroy /s/ Deputy Clerk Pub.: Jan. 3, 10, 2013.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 38-2012-CA-000726 SEC.:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. ROBERTO L. CEDENO ; ILEANA HERNANDEZ ; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 17, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 38-2012-CA-000726 of the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Levy County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on the 5th day of March, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the Main Lobby of the Levy County Courthouse, 355 South Court Street, Bronson, Florida 32621, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit

LOT 27, BLOCK 22, WILLISTON HIGHLANDS GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE(S) 67 THROUGH 67 A-M, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

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

ATTENTION: PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Ms. Jan Phillips, ADA Coordinator Alachua County Courthouse, 201 University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601; Phone: (352) 337-6237.

DATED AT BRONSON, FLORIDA THIS 17th DAY OF December, 2012.

By: Gwen McElroy /s/ Deputy Clerk for DANNY J. SHIPP CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA Pub.: Dec. 27, 2012 and Jan. 3, 2013.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 38-2012-CA-553 COMMUNITY BANK & TRUST OF FLORIDA, Plaintiff,

vs. BERNADETTE CLOUSTON and BURLEY CLOUSTON, III, Defendants.

CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE UNDER F.S. CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 17, 2012, in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room in the Levy County Courthouse at 355 S. Court Street, Bronson, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on January 28, 2013, the following described property:

Parcel No. 1: The South 864 feet of the North 2147 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 13 South, Range 19 East, Levy County, Florida, lying West of US Hwy 41, also known

as S.R. 45 (distance measured at 90° to the North line of said SW 1/4).

AND Parcel No. 2:

The SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 13 South, Range 19 East, Levy County, Florida, lying West of U.S. Highway No. 41 (State Road No. 45).

LESS: The North 2147 feet of the SW 1/4 of said Section 31, lying West of U.S. Highway #41, (S.R. 45). (Distances measured at 90 degrees to the North line of said SW 1.4)

ALSO LESS:

For a point of beginning commence at the intersection of the Westerly right-of-way line of U.S. 41 (State Road No. 45) and the South line of Section 31-13-19; thence West, along the Section line, 420.00 feet; thence Northwesterly, parallel with said Westerly right-of-way line of U.S. 41, 315.00 feet; thence East, parallel with above section line, 420.00 feet to the Westerly right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 41 (State Road No. 45); thence Southeasterly, along said right-of-way line, 315.00 feet to close on the Point of Beginning. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601 at (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before the scheduled sale, or immediately upon receiving this notice if the time of the scheduled sale is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact the Court Interpreter Program at interpreter@circuit8.org.

Dated: December 20, 2012. (SEAL)

DANNY J. SHIPP CLERK OF THE COURT By: Gwen McElroy /s/ As Deputy Clerk Pub.: Dec. 27, 2012 and Jan. 3, 2013.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY CASE NO.: 38-2011-CA-001143

BMO HARRIS BANK N.A., as successor by merger to M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank, a Wisconsin state bank, Plaintiff,

vs. MOSHE MAZINE and JAACOV E. BOUSKILA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is given that pursuant to a Stipulated Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 12, 2012, in Case No. 38-2011-CA-001143 of the Circuit Court for Levy County, Florida in which BMO HARRIS BANK N.A., as successor by merger to M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank, a Wisconsin state bank is the Plaintiff and MOSHE MAZINE and JAACOV E. BOUSKILA are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Levy County Courthouse, 355 S. Court Street, BOCC Meeting Room, Bronson, Levy County, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on February 5, 2013, the following-described property set forth in the Order of Final Judgment:

For a Point of Reference, commence at the South-

west corner of Section 7, Township 13 South, Range 19 East, Levy County, Florida, thence along the West boundary of said Section 7, N 00°13'00" E, 1475.34 feet; thence departing from said West boundary S 88°31'58" E, 50.01 feet to a point on the East right of way of U.S. Highway 41 (100' R/W) and the Point of Beginning; thence continue S 88°31'58" E, 1785.81 feet; thence S 00°13'00" W, 1443.03 feet; thence N 89°31'55" W, 1085.40 feet; thence N 11°17'27" E, 437.93 feet; thence N 00°13'00" E, 796.00 feet; thence N 88°31'58" W, 784.30 feet to a point on the East right of way of U.S. Highway 41; thence along said right of way N 00°13'00" E, 234.35 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

NOTIFICATION

In accordance with THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, if you are a person who needs accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court, 355 S. Court Street, Bronson, FL 32621-6520, Telephone (352) 486-5229, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this Notice of Non-Party Production. If hearing impaired or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771.

DATED December 26, 2012.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Gwen McElroy /s/ As Deputy Clerk Pub.: Jan. 3, 10, 2013.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 38-2012 CA 000574

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. Plaintiff,

vs. JOSE L. ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE LUIS ALVAREZ; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE L. ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE LUIS ALVAREZ; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To the following Defendant(s): JOSE L. ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE LUIS ALVAREZ 5450 SE 122 AVENUE MORRISTON, FLORIDA 32668 (LAST KNOWN ADDRESS) UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE L. ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE ALVAREZ A/K/A JOSE LUIS ALVAREZ 5450 SE 122 AVENUE MORRISTON, FLORIDA 32668 (LAST KNOWN ADDRESS)

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

LOT 18, BLOCK A, MORGAN FARMS SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE(S) 58, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH THAT PERMANENTLY AFFIXED 1996 REGENCY DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME WITH VIN #s N15971A AND N15971B. a/k/a 5450 SE 22ND AVE, MORRISTON, FLORIDA 32668-

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Kahane & Associates, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 8201 Peters

Road, Ste. 3000, Plantation, FLORIDA 33324 on or before February 8, 2013, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the LEVY COUNTY JOURNAL and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 355 Court Street, Bronson, FL 32621, Phone No. (352) 374-3639 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 27th day of December, 2012. DANNY J. SHIPP Clerk of the Court By: Gwen McElroy /s/ As Deputy Clerk Pub.: Jan. 3, 10, 2013.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 38-2012-DR-001029 Division:

Johnny C. Thomas, Petitioner and Malinda Thomas, Respondent. NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

TO: MALINDA THOMAS Last Known Address: Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Johnny C. Thomas, whose address is 7210 NE 106 Terrace, Bronson, FL 32621 on or before January 25, 2013, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 355 S. Court Street, Bronson, FL 32621 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: December 18, 2012. (COURT SEAL)

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Lindsey Polk /s/ Deputy Clerk Pub.: Dec. 27, 2012 and Jan. 3, 10, 17, 2013.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2012 CP 000177 Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF BERNICE D. BAKER, a/k/a DORIS BERNICE BAKER Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Bernice D. Baker, deceased, whose date of death was September 19, 2012, file number 2012 CP 000177, 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.

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is January 3, 2013.

Personal Representative: Gerald H. Gray 8857 CR 417 Live Oak, Florida 32060

Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Ellen R. Gershow Ellen R. Gershow Florida Bar No. 0233927 Dell Graham, P.A. 203 N. E. First Street Gainesville, FL 32601 Telephone: (352) 372-4381 Pub.: Nov. 15, 22, 2012.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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

SWFWMD Governing Board Flying Eagle Evaluation Committee Meeting:

Review, evaluation and ranking of proposals for the management and operation of the Flying Eagle Nature Center. All or part of this meeting may be conducted by means of communications media technology in order to permit maximum participation of Committee members.

DATE/TIME: Friday, January 18, 2013; 9 a.m. PLACE: SWFWMD Tampa Service Office, 7601 US Highway 301 North, Tampa FL 33637

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least days before the workshop/meeting by contacting SWFWMD Human Resources Bureau Chief at (800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211, x4702; 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).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/

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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.

For more information, you may contact: Ellen Cuarta@watermatters.org; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211, x4132 (Ad Order EXE0239) Pub.: Jan. 3, 2013.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

The Southwest Florida Water Management District is proposing to amend the following rule(s): 40D-8.624, F.A.C.

The purpose of this rule-making is to amend Rule 40D-8.624, F.A.C., to add guidance and minimum levels for Tooke Lake and Whitehurst Pond in Hernando County.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking appeared in the Florida Administrative Register, Vol. 38, No. 98, on December 27, 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 SWFWMD Human Resources Director, (352) 796-7211, ext. 4702; 1-800-423-1476 (FL only), ext. 4702; or 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 TO OBTAIN A COPY IS: Sonya White, 7601 Highway 301 North, Tampa, FL 33637-6759, (813) 985-7481 (4660), e-mail: sonya.white@swfwmd.state.fl.us. (Ref OGC # 2012028) Pub.: Jan. 3, 2013.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSIDER VACATING PUBLIC ROAD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, will consider at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 22, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commission Room in the Levy County Courthouse, Bronson, Florida, the vacation, abandonment and closing a portion of a dedicated right-of-way described as N.W. 50th Avenue, Levy County, Florida and more particularly described in records available at the County Road Department at 620 North Hathaway Avenue, Bronson, FL, and the office of the Board of County Commissioners at 355 South Court Street, Bronson, FL.

Any persons interested in being heard concerning the vacation, abandonment and closing of the above-described roadway are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Danny Stevens, Chairman Board of County Commissioners Pub.: Jan. 3, 2013.

The Battle of Athens continued from page 8

H. Crump and his machine were finally on the way out, with the election of Gov. Gordon Browning and a young United States senator, Estes Kefauver.

For a full year afterward the national press seized upon the most insignificant news from Athens as evidence of the veterans' "lawlessness." There was, indeed, remarkably little criminal prosecution in the wake of that violent night. Only one man had charges brought against him: Windy Wise, the deputy who shot the old black farmer, Tom Gillespie, drew a sentence of one to three years.

As for the larger results of the Athens rebellion, the GIs universally hailed the return of the "independent vote" to the community and the election of "fine people" to lead it. The national press continued to show interest in what had happened (the best, if incomplete, account of it at the time was a Harper's article by Theodore White).

Finally, on the first anniversary of the violent election, the Times reported, "Today it appears that this political coalition of World War II veterans for direct action in community affairs, which many at the time regarded as a factor likely to develop nationally in the postwar period, was purely [a] local phenomenon in which veteran participation was incidental." With this epilogue the press turned away from tiny Athens.

Knox Henry served two terms as sheriff of McMinn County and was succeeded by Otto Kennedy. Paul Cantrell, after seeking temporary asylum in Chattanooga, returned to Etowah and continued to operate the bank there with his brothers. They are all dead now, as is Jim Buttram. Otto Kennedy still lives in Athens. Pat Mansfield returned secretly to Athens on August 8, 1946, to resign his membership on the election commission. He met with Otto Kennedy for two hours, apparently with no ill feeling on either side, and then announced: "I'm through with politics for good. It'll sure mess you up sometimes. I'm going back to railroading."

Athens has not changed that much in forty years. There is a new courthouse, an imposing structure that is too large for its site. The old one burned down during renovations in 1964. Farmers no longer gather on the square; there is no place for them. An effort at downtown renovation can only be described as timid, a cautious imitation of similar projects in the larger cities. They have a new jail, an austere building that seems to embody the adage that crime does not pay. The Daily Post-Athenian is alive and well and still comfortably middle-of-the-road.

In the mid-fifties Athens was isolated by a new highway that intercepts Highway 11 south of Niota and rejoins it at Riceville. Along it, a new Athens grew, a town of McDonald's, Kawasaki, and Pizza Hut. If you ask people along the street about the election of August 1946, they will point up White Street and mumble something vague about a



Knox Henry becomes sheriff as GIs lick politicians. Photo credit - Associated Press

shoot-out. There are no signs or monuments to commemorate the event; people have forgotten or do not wish to remember. But the graying manager of a local store, a friendly sort and so gentle with his grandchildren, squeezed off round after round at the jail that night. And the driver snoozing behind the wheel of his cab, not really caring whether he catches a fare or not, helped wrap and toss the deadly bundles of dynamite that sailed through the night air. You can bet they remember.

A native Tennessean, author Lones Seiber was seven at the time of the events he describes here. He watched the battle from the corner of White and Washington streets.

Thanks to Thomas J. Baker, Jr., whose study of the McMinn County political machine provided valuable additional information.

Posted by marktwin to the FreeRepublic.com

Watch the short video version on YouTube: The Battle of Athens :Restoring the Rule of Law

(For more information and background see the major report in JPFO's Firearms Sentinel (January 1995). To learn how the gutsy people of Athens, Tennessee did the Framers of the Constitution proud, send \$3 to JPFO, 2872 South Wentworth Avenue; Milwaukee, WI 53207; and request the January 1995 Firearms Sentinel. This document is from: chiliast@ideesign.com (A.K. Pritchard)

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TRACYANN HORSMAN

Tracy Ann Horsman of Chiefland passed away at the age of 68 on December 27, 2012 at Haven Hospice of the Tri Counties. She was born in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida to the late Virginia and Joseph Wilson. She proudly served her country in the US Marine Corp during the Vietnam War. She retired from State of Florida Dept of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicle in Tallahassee. Tracy loved to read.

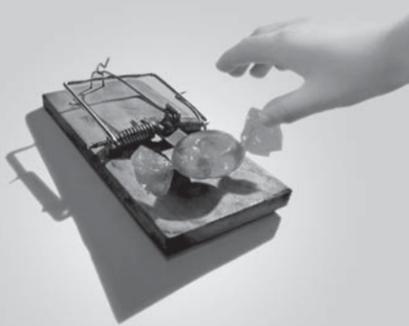
Tracy was preceded in death by her husband, Harry Horsman and 2 great nephews, Mikey Nolin, Jr and Jeffrey Reppy, Jr.

She is survived by her sister Mary (Gerald) Ward of Chiefland; 11 beautiful grandchildren; a son, Jonathan (Leah) Horsman; daughter, Stacy V. Keith of Tallahassee; step-daughter Susan Saporito of Mayfield Heights, Ohio; step-son Thomas Horsman of Naples, Florida; 4 nieces and 1 nephew.

Graveside services were held Monday, December 31, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at Meadow Wood Memorial Park at 700 Timberlane Road in Tallahassee. Visitation was Sunday, December 30 from 4 to 5 PM at the funeral home in Chiefland.

Arrangements were placed under the care of Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services, Chiefland, FL 32626; 352/493-0050. On line condolences may be sent through our website at www.hiers-baxley.com

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Windows 8 Metro Shortcuts

Setting up your Metro Start menu is very important for getting the most out of your new Windows 8 operating system. When you first start using your Windows 8 computer, you are offered a multitude of apps to access or to download them. However, to do that you are prompted to enter your Microsoft email information. In most cases you will need to create an account in order to use most of your applications. No need to worry, just use an existing email and password for your Microsoft account to make it easier to remember. You can choose not to set up a Microsoft Account. However, you will not be able to utilize the new Windows 8 App store until you have one.

Once you have created your Microsoft Email account, you will now be able to log into your applications. A few applications will require a bit more set up, such as the email app, the people app, and any social networking applications. All you would have to do is log into your email or social networking and it will input all of your data into that application. This way the application will let you know if you have any new notifications, instead of manually checking it yourself each time.

Now that your Metro is set up it is time to learn basic navigation skills with Windows 8 keyboard shortcuts! For the most part, the majority of keyboard shortcut combinations include the "Windows" key, which is located at the bottom left of your keyboard and looks like "⊞". This key is your best friend with the Windows 8 Operating System. Below are some of the most widely used Windows 8 Shortcut Keys and their uses. Try them out!

- WINDOWS Open Start Menu, or toggle between Start Menu and Desktop
- WINDOWS + C Open the Charms menu (the navigation bar that pops out on the right side of your screen)
- WINDOWS + F Open Search in the Charms menu on the Files category
- WINDOWS + Q Open Search in the Charms menu on the Apps category
- WINDOWS + W Open Search in the Charms menu on the Settings category
- WINDOWS + H Open Share in the Charms menu
- WINDOWS + K Open Devices in the Charms menu
- WINDOWS + I Open Settings in the Charms menu
- WINDOWS + Z Show the App Bar
- WINDOWS + TAB Switch between open Metro apps
- WINDOWS + . From inside an app - Open App Snap, and cycle through snap positions
- WINDOWS + J Switch between main app and snapped app
- WINDOWS + P Shows options for connecting you to another monitor or projector
- WINDOWS + X Opens a drop down menu of basic useful admin tools normally in the desktop
- Start Menu CTRL + SHIFT + ESC Opens the new & improved task manager with more options than the previous version.

Hopefully, the above shortcut information will help you to feel surer of yourself using your new computer. Please feel free to give us a call if you are still unsure, or need a little more instruction. Our technicians are more than happy to sit down with you to provide Windows 8 training and answer any additional questions you may have.

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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

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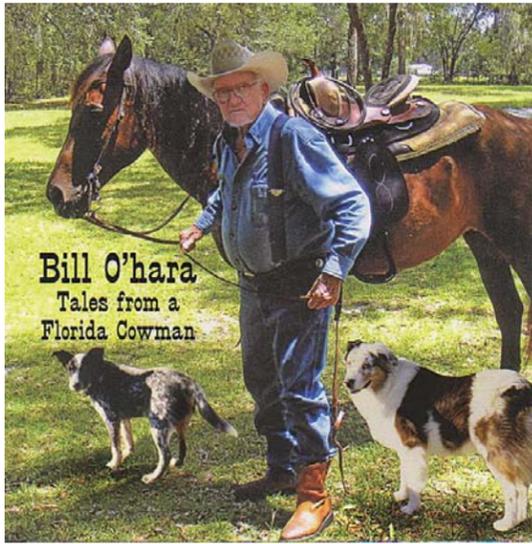
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The answers for this week's sudoku puzzle will appear in next weeks issue.

The Bulldog and the Horse



I quit at Circle C ranch and went to work on a ranch owned by McCall Fruit Company in Orlando. The ranch was located three miles north of Fort Christmas which is on Hwy 50, forty-five miles east of Orlando on the west bank of the St. Johns River.

Bob Arnold was the ranch manager. Bob was an old cracker cowhunter and had worked for McCall's forever.

Bob met two guys in Orlando and in talkin' to them found out they knew nothin' about workin' cows on horseback so he invited them out to the ranch.

When they arrived that morning one of the guys had a pitbull dog with him. Bob told the guy to leave the dog in a horse stall so there'd be no trouble of him fighting our cow dogs. The guy begged to let the bulldog go; that he'd take care of him. So, Bob agreed for him to go.

We was riding down this lane going back to pick up this bunch of cows. The bulldog was runnin' ahead of us chasing butterflies and waterin' the fence posts. Our cow dogs was behind our horses where they should be. The bulldog came down the lane and when he got to Bob's horse he leaped up and caught the horse by the nose. The horse started buckin' and went through the fence. Bob was bucked off, the dog was drug off by the wire. The horse was cut up and we had to go back and doctor him.

Bob told the bulldog's owner to get off the ranch and take his @*#!* dog with him and don't come back.

Moral of the story: Just another day on the ranch!!

The end.

Florida Leaders Organized For Water (FLOW) *continued from page 1*

Barnett offers five common goals that are fluid, because water is a local issue. "Each community will build its own ethic for water based on unique water resources and cultures," she says, "and it will look different in each place, in the same way our farmers' markets look different depending on local climate and crops."

The five guiding principles adopted by FLOW are as follows.

- Floridians value water, from appreciating local streams to being willing to pay an appropriate price for water.
- We work together to use less and less – rather than fight each other to grab more and more.
- We try to keep water local in order to avoid the financial, environmental and energy costs of long-distance transfers.
- We avoid the two big mistakes of our history: over-tapping our natural supplies and over-relying on the costliest fixes that bring unintended consequences to future generations.
- We leave as much as prudently possible in nature – aquifers, wetlands and rivers – so that our children and grandchildren, with benefit of time and evolving knowledge, can make their own decisions about water.

Barnett listed similar principles for an American water ethic in Blue Revolution, named one of the top 10 science books of 2011 by The Boston Globe.

"The important thing is that communities and citizens take back their water future," Barnett stresses. "Our water fortunes shouldn't be determined by Tallahassee, or by the large metropolitan region with more political and financial pull to tap what should be a shared resource."

The directors of FLOW are elected officials who represent the towns of Branford and White Springs; the cities of Keystone Heights, Macclenny and High Springs; and the counties of Alachua, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Suwannee, and Taylor.

For more information about FLOW, see www.fflow.com or call Sue Weller at 352-514-7058 or Lu Merritt at 386-454-0415.

Elizabeth's KITCHEN



This marinade recipe has no overly strong flavor - just makes the chicken extremely moist. It's a great way to prepare the chicken for the grill also.

BAKED CHICKEN IN SAUCE

- 4 Chicken Leg/Thigh Combos
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 to 1/2 cup cider vinegar
- 2 TBLs oil
- 1 small bay leaf
- 1 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- 2 TBLs Worcestershire Sauce
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 1/4 tsp. celery salt

In a small saucepan combine the sauce ingredients and bring to a boil over high heat. Remove immediately. Place the chicken in an 8x13 glass baking dish. Pour the sauce over the chicken. Cover and marinate overnight.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Remove the marinade and bake the chicken until it is a beautiful golden brown and the temperature of the thickest part of the thigh is at least 185 degrees.

CAULIFLOWER GRATIN

- 1 (3-pound) head cauliflower, cut into large florets
- Salt
- 4 TBLs butter, cut into half
- 3 TBLs all-purpose flour
- 2 cups hot milk
- 1/2 tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 tsp grated nutmeg
- 3/4 cup freshly grated Swiss Cheese, divided
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan
- 1/4 cup fresh bread crumbs

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Cook the cauliflower florets in a large pot of boiling salted water for 5 to 6 minutes, until tender but still firm. Drain.

Melt 2 tablespoons of the butter in a medium saucepan over low heat. Add the flour, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon or whisk for 2 minutes. Pour the hot milk into the butter-flour mixture and stir until it comes to a boil. Boil, whisking constantly, for 1 minute, or until thickened. Remove from the heat, add 1 teaspoon of salt, pepper, nutmeg, 1/2 cup of the Swiss cheese, and the Parmesan.

Pour 1/3 of the sauce on the bottom of an 8x11x2 baking dish. Place the drained cauliflower on top and then spread the rest of the sauce evenly on top. Combine the bread crumbs with the remaining 1/4 cup of Swiss cheese and sprinkle on top. Melt the remaining 2 tablespoons of butter and drizzle over the gratin. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes, until the top is browned.

SOUR CREAM MUFFINS

- 1 1/3 cup flour
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 egg
- 2 TBLs sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1 TBL melted shortening

Grease 12 muffin tins. Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

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