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## IN BRIEF

### Glenn Miller Orchestra to be at Chipley High School

**CHIPLEY** — The Glenn Miller Orchestra will be making a concert stop in Chipley in January.

This famous band will present a special matinee concert at 4 p.m. Jan. 2 at the CHS Auditorium on Brickyard Road.

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### Congregational Gospel Sing

**HOLMES COUNTY** — The Fifth Sunday Congregation Sing will be at 5 p.m. Dec. 30 at Poplar Head United Methodist Church, north of Highway 2 on Highway 163. Refreshments will follow.

For more information, call Pastor Jimmy Mashburn at 334-684-0668.

### Fish Fry and Cake Auction

**GRACEVILLE** — East Mt. Zion Methodist Church will have a fish fry and cake auction at 4 p.m. Dec. 29. All proceeds will be utilized for a new roof. The church is at 1590 Highway 173. For more information, call 263-4610.

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# Hagan bids farewell to BOCC

## Director, administrator spent 36 years with county

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**CHIPLEY** — It had been a week of goodbyes for Roger Hagan, but the Dec. 18 farewell to the Washington

County Board of County Commissioners was obviously an emotional one.

“For 36 years, I have not had a job. I have had a privilege, an honor,” Hagan said. “I will try and answer any questions you might have for me, but will spend most of my time saying ‘thank you’ for the wonderful opportunity that has been afforded me to serve our great county these many years.

Hagan is retiring as the county’s Emergency Man-

agement director, but he has also served as county administrator and interim administrator during his more than three decades as a public servant. A native of Wausau, also retired last week as town council member and mayor, having served in town government for 24 years.

“On Feb. 2, 1977, I borrowed a suit and met the board for the first time for my interview,” Hagan said. “That morning, Sheriff Fred Peel stood on the stair

landing of the second floor of the Washington County Courthouse and cried out the notice, ‘Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye the Board of County Commissioners in and for Washington County is now in session.’ From that moment I was hooked.”

Hagan said even after all this time, the bailiff’s cry still excites him. “I only wish today we did it with the same decorum as we did in the past. For in that proclamation, we

hear the call to participate in our system of government where the authority of the governing is derived from the consent of the governed.” He added that if he were to ever write his memoirs, “I can’t think of a better title than, ‘Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye.’”

Hagan said he was born in a house that had neither electricity nor indoor plumbing until he was 4 years old.

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## Chamber holds open house



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**Above:** School board member Vann Brock visits with Chamber President Phillip Pippin at the annual Chamber of Commerce Open House. Starting on Jan. 17, the Chamber’s Third Thursday Breakfast will be held at the new Northwest Florida Community Hospital Specialty Center.

**Right:** Jeanie Betts and Gary Hartman welcome visitors to the Washington County Chamber of Commerce’s annual Open House on Thursday at the Chamber building in Chipley.



## Patronis to seek state Senate seat

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**PANAMA CITY** — The November election is barely in the rearview mirror, but one local politician already is looking to 2016.

On Dec. 3, state Rep. Jimmy Patronis, R-Panama City, filed for the Senate District 1 seat, according to the Florida Department of State’s website. Senate President Don Gaetz, R-Niceville, currently holds the seat, but can’t run for re-election due to term limits.

Patronis said filing this early in the game lends legitimacy when he starts meeting with constituents and pursuing the job. He said the district is newly redrawn and includes counties he has not represented.

“... my intentions were to file the paperwork and start to

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## Commissioners approve debris plan contracts

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**CHIPLEY** — In one of his last acts as public safety director, Roger Hagan presented the Washington County Board of County Commissioners on Dec. 18 with the details of the contract proposals for debris removal after a major catastrophe.

The county adopted the Washington County Debris Management Plan in March. When removing debris following a major storm

or other catastrophe, FEMA offers a 10 percent bonus refund if pre-approved contractors are used for debris removal, Hagan explained to the board.

In an attempt to get the county eligible to receive the extra FEMA funds, Hagan presented the board with a request to publish requests for proposals from contractors so the county can have the paperwork done ahead of time in case of a disaster.

“FEMA offers these financial incentives to establish the contracts pre-event,”

Chairman Alan Bush said. “If we can establish this up front it is better than trying to put contracts together in the time of crisis.”

Bush said the county officials want to make sure they use the correct units of measure in the contracts so there will be no problems with FEMA in the future.

The contractors have to be certified by FEMA, Hagan said, and he asked to board to approve advertising for contract proposals.

Hagan said the 10 percent extra FEMA funds

are not guaranteed, but to qualify for the extra reimbursement, the pre-contractors have to be established.

“The likelihood of us ever needing this is slim,” Hagan said, “but this is something you do in preparing for your Opal, your Katrina or your Sandy. This comes into play when things are so bad, your county employees can’t even get out to start clearing roads. This is for when your courthouse, your county offices are gone.”

Commissioner Charles

Brock asked, “Just because we declare an emergency, that doesn’t mean the contractor automatically gets it? In general, debris is your main concern following an event.”

Hagan said the contractors would not automatically be called out, it would be up to the county to call out the contractors. “The first priority for roads being cleared falls on the Department of Transportation,” Hagan said. “Then the county works on debris on dirt roads and in public areas.”

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After living in Panama City for two years, Hagan's father acquired Hagan's great-grandfather's old farmhouse, and the family moved back to Wausau. "Until I was in high school we had neither a telephone nor indoor plumbing, although REA had brought electricity to the rural countryside."

During his career, Hagan said he has worked for 18 configurations of the Board of County Commissioners, including 29 men and one woman. He has also

worked with four clerks of court, three county judges, three sheriffs, three property appraisers and two tax collectors.

"Beside the years I served as county manager, I have also served under three county managers. I have served under the administrations of six presidents and nine governors. Does it get any better than that?"

Hagan noted that while one of his first projects with the county was to work with Sheriff Peel to try and prove



ROGER HAGAN

there were about 12,000 residents in Washington County, the latest census estimates the population at just under 25,000. "I don't think it will take another 36 years before we double again," he said.

*"For 36 years, I have not had a job. I have had a privilege, an honor ... Could it get any better than that?"*

"When I see 25,000 people, I am consciously aware these are not our children and grandchildren being married, raising their families and staying here. It is people who have chosen to make our county their

home. I don't blame them for wanting to come here," Hagan said. "I have chosen many times not to leave."

Hagan said he did not want to retire, but felt it was time for him to retire. "My wife's health is fragile. She recently lost her mother to cancer and my mother needs more attention," he said. "Perhaps more than any of that, I realize my value to the county now is more historical than productive."

Hagan said he hoped to be missed more and longer than he thought he would

be. "I have heard you can only fish so much. I want to find out how much that is," he said. "Maybe some church will need a pastor that has a few years and a few sermons left."

He also said he might one day seek elected office.

"Then too, as everyone knows, I have long desired to be a county commissioner. Who knows? Perhaps I will be able to serve our county again — from your side of the table," Hagan said. "Could it get any better than that?"

## CORRECTION

A headline in the Dec. 22 edition of the Washington County News incorrectly attributed a statement. It should have read "Taylor: School threat unfounded."

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learn what Senate District 1 is all about," he said.

Speculation has swirled that Patronis would pursue U.S. Rep. Steve Southerland's seat, if the congressman retires after this term. But Patronis said he has no interest in the seat.

Asked if he would leave the door open on running for Congress if the job came available in two years, Patronis said, "No, I'm a Northwest Florida boy and my family's been here going on six generations. The desire to go to Washington D.C. is just

not in my blood."

Patronis said he likes serving in the Legislature and he's close enough to Tallahassee where he can sleep in his own bed every night.

"I think there's a certain amount of putting your family and affairs first," he said.

Patronis said he thinks Southerland will have a "long and prosperous" career in Washington and probably can hold the seat for as long as he wants.

"I can't see any interest in going to Washington D.C.," he said.

"I am very interested in continuing my last two years in the Florida House and hopefully earn the trust of the folks in Northwest Florida to represent them in the Florida Senate," he said.

Contacted Tuesday, Gaetz said it's way too early for 2016 campaign talk, but said Patronis is a "respected business person" and said he's enjoyed working with him in the Legislature.

"I think most people in Northwest Florida are focused on the holidays, not on politics," he said.

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# Woman arrested on grand theft charge

From Staff Reports

**CHIPLEY** —A Vernon woman was arrested by Chipley Police Department in connection with a Walmart Supercenter customer who had lost her money bag on Nov. 30.



**PATRICIA GLENN MILLER**

Patricia Glenn Miller, 42, of Azalea Lane in Vernon, was arrested in connection with charges of grand theft on Dec. 17. Miller was booked into the Washington County Jail.

When officers arrived at Walmart on Nov. 30, a woman told them that after

shopping, she had entered the parking lot in a hand-capped buggy. She went to her car and placed the items that she had purchased in her car but left her money bag in the buggy and then proceeded

home, according to police. The woman realized what she had done and sent her daughter back to the store to determine if someone had turned in her property to the store. Once she realized no one seen her property, she called the police.

The lady said she uses the money bag as her purse. The bag contained some bank cards, some personal checks and several hundred dollars. After a two-week investigation, Chipley police were able to identify a Miller as a suspect in the theft.

"We see cases like this all too often when people forget and leave their valuables in the buggy after placing their merchandise in their car," Chipley Police Chief Kevin Crews said. "I would like to remind the public to try and get in the habit of placing your purse in your car first."



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Eddie Carpenter, 52, Chipley, battery, aggravated assault  
Cody Carroll, 22, Chipley, Disorderly conduct, violation of state probation on battery  
Terry Davis, 31, Chipley, failure to appear on violation of state probation on sell of cocaine  
Edgar De La Torre, 32, Chipley, larceny, dealing in stolen property  
Warren Douglas, 33, Graceville, possession of paraphernalia, possession of weapon or ammo by convicted felon, possession of marijuana with intent  
Tiashon Everett, 21, Chipley, possession of cocaine, battery, possession of marijuana less than 20 grams, violation of state probation on possession of marijuana with intent, possession of controlled substance without a prescription, possession of marijuana more than 20 grams  
Frankisisco Guadiana, 33, Chipley, child support  
Trenidy Lee, 32, Bonifay, Holmes County violation of state probation on smuggle contraband

Calvin McGuire Jr., 22, DeFuniak Springs, sell of cocaine  
Cecil Miles, 51, Sneads, battery  
Tanner Monaghan, 20, Enterprise, Ala., violation of county probation on possession of marijuana less than 20 grams  
Ashley Dean Nalls, 29, Caryville, Holmes County violation of state probation on burglary, larceny, forgery, Bay County violation of state probation on fraud  
Nicholas Pittman, 20, Chipley, resist officer by obstruction without violence, Holmes County warrant for violation of county probation for battery and simple assault  
Ambrelle Savelle, 33, Panama City, violation of county probation on worthless check  
Donald Skipper, 44, Chipley, sell of meth, possession of paraphernalia, possession of controlled substance without prescription  
Jonah Taylor, 19, Graceville, resist officer without violence, Jackson County warrant for resist officer with violence  
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## 'Guns don't kill people; people do'

Dear Editor:

I am writing this to express my opinion on the current problem our country is having with many killings in schools and shopping malls.

I don't believe the problem is the guns. Guns don't kill people; people do.

When I was growing up we didn't have games that glorified killing people. These video games that make it fun for our youth to kill people have taught out younger generation this way of lifestyle. Also all the drugs out there now that are available, illegal and prescription drugs, can make a person not able to think rational or even make them delusional. That why I was glad to see law enforcement put a lid on stores selling bath salts.

One way to combat this problem would be to increase our law enforcement. Another thing would be to outlaw the sales of those violent videos that glorify the killing of people. The combination of drugs and the violent games just means disaster.

My heart goes out to those families who are affected by this recent outbreak of violence. I pray to God that a solution will come soon.

Ronald William Burnell  
Ponce de Leon

## Reader demands reason for Brown departure

Dear Editor,

Please make the public aware that Holmes County School Superintendent Eddie Dixon and other school board members (except for Debbie Kolmetz) have all the sudden decided

to transfer our principal out from under us without any kind of notice.

I called members of the school board personally this morning and some have attitudes, some aren't answering their phone and some were nice enough but no one had a reason why Zeb Brown was dismissed from his duties as principal at Bethlehem School. I heard from one that "he lied" to me and I heard "the older people didn't like him graduating from that school then coming back and being in charge and telling them what to do I think the latter is more true.

The jealous older employees that have done things their way for so many years and so long did not want anything to change for themselves, even if it meant an improvement for our children. Zeb was the best candidate for the job because he knew first hand what was going on and the changes that could make the school better because he participated in the curriculum.

I do not like the concept of what schools have become anymore with all the corrupt politics and huge buildings. If you do choose to go along with sending your child off every day to a local school so he/she can learn the most current ideas and trading concepts, you expect the best people will be hired for the job. If you think you should have a job you cannot lose even when you do a subpar job then join a union ... pay your dues!

I have never been more excited about a principal than I have since Zeb Brown had become in charge with his new ideas and changes. Think about the teachers and other staff that have been just getting by, having a bad attitude and showing favoritism or

turning their head when they know they shouldn't. Bottom line, do what is right and everything will turn out fine. This was done underhanded with no explanation and is wrong, plain and simple. The parents trump the school board. The PTO trumps the school board. The school board should be there for the parents of the children attending. If the superintendent is the ultimate decision maker of who is principal I for one want to know why this principal that has brought Bethlehem morale up and grades up has been relieved of his duties.

I want an explanation of why in the middle of a school year this Mr. Dixon would rank out a man that is working to improve Bethlehem and succeeding and did not as much as ask one parent their opinion. I want to know why school board members are so easily lead to go along with this strong-arm family, the Dixons.

I for one have been lied to and disappointed by daddy Dixon when he was principal in some of the worst ways of all my experiences of dealing with schools, and nothing was ever done. I can even give an instance... once a girl "said" my son was smoking a cigar on a field trip, and Mr. Dixon expelled him from ball from this girl's testimony. No matter, my son admitted they crossed the street and five boys had the cigar. This same girl ended up assaulting a teacher who got in the way of her attack on another classmate. This girl is sent to the GAP, this girl is allowed to continue to participate in all school activities, such as homecoming court and senior trip. Go figure. This is just one..... I have more on Dixon and Thompson from Bonifay. No one is perfect so, some just worse

than others so why go after Zeb?

Do you want one reason why Zeb Brown is no longer at Bethlehem School? I demand one.

Janie Penn Blevins  
Bonifay

## Reader questions Dixon's agenda

Dear Editor:

The new superintendent appears to have a personal agenda, and it's not in the best interest of the students!

Mr. Dixon reassigns the competent and effective principal at Bethlehem School without just cause or explanation.

Parents, teachers and students were surprised and disappointed to unexpectedly learn of a change in administrative assignments given to Mr. (Zeb) Brown, principal of Bethlehem School. This decision was made at the school board meeting on Dec. 11 with little or no discussion, when Mr. Dixon asked school board members to vote for the "lateral transfer" of Mr. Brown to another position in the district offices.

In an unannounced and spontaneous meeting held Wednesday morning at Bethlehem School, Mr. Dixon's only response to his decision was simply that he could not say. When asked for any further explanation, there was none he could give. No listed improvements were given and no investigative measures are being taken. This decision appears to be made solely based on self-interest measures of Mr. Dixon.

Through an uphill battle, and despite personal attacks from a small group of individuals, Mr. Brown has consistently held teachers, staff members and himself at Bethlehem

School more accountable to their jobs — expecting higher performance levels in what they are being paid to do. For approximately 95 percent of the staff, this new standard has been welcomed, supported and appreciated. Evidence and statistics of improvement in student performance and academic effectiveness is already being seen.

Mr. Brown has consistently shown a genuine interest in the success of the students at Bethlehem School and has gone to great lengths to help provide the best academic opportunities possible for our students. In addition, he has opened the door to parents and interested community members who have skills and talents — helping to provide additional learning and educational opportunities in a friendly environment for our students.

Mr. Brown has taken an individual interest in student's lives — including those coming from less supportive and challenging home environments — holding them accountable to a higher standard and personally encouraging them to step up to their full potential. His personal interest in their lives is beginning to help them make better choices and is making a difference in their lives. Mr. Brown holds an individual interest in each student's life and success in part because of his own personal experience and past. His commitment has not waived and runs deep.

Mr. Brown responded to some of those who stood at his side through this ordeal. A portion of this response shows his continued commitment to the students:

"While the change in career paths is difficult, I am open to the challenge that has been set before me ... I will never waiver in my hopes for Bethlehem

and all schools in our district. The hope that one day students will have all the opportunities they deserve and for those students whose everyday is a struggle — to realize the power to change their situation is already a power they own ... I believe in this God divine power because I am a product of it — it was only through education and the witness of good teachers and mentors that I am who I am today ... I know the heart of Bethlehem; we once dug deep and found it. We are on the edge of doing that once again ... Look at what has transpired already. Be joyous in those triumphs. . . You are people of great gifts, gifts that are meant to be shared. God brought us all together for a reason and maybe for just this time. I believe the table is ready and He is waiting for it to be set. Now is the time not to walk away from the table but to invite all those who would come."

In conclusion, I want to publicly let it be known that in all of my dealings with Mr. Brown, I have seen him to be an honorable and upstanding man, one with integrity in both word and deed. I have a personal appreciation for the God-fearing man that he is and I am aware of his consistent prayers for guidance for the welfare of our students and school. I feel it would be a great loss, not only to our students but to our entire community to no longer have Mr. Brown as the principal at Bethlehem School. It seems that a superintendent who truly cares about the students in their school district would not only recognize, but appreciate and support a principal who is working hard to bring about good and bless the lives of so many students.

Tamra Kriser  
Bethlehem

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## 'Christmas was all that we expected'

In order to meet the early deadline for the WCN, this column must be written before Christmas Day. I am going to be the "eternal optimist," a label Dick Kneiss, chairman of Chipley's 1982 Railroad Centennial Celebration bestowed upon me, and predict a wonderful Christmas. I have a beautiful plaque presented to me by Dick and Polly Kneiss declaring the "eternal optimist" title for the work done as entertainment chairman during that historic event.

Most all the required preliminaries reported along the way in "Perry's Prattle" as requirements for "getting ready for Christmas" have been performed. They include the writings on grinding the cane, butchering the hogs and making the usual trek into Bonifay, the Christmas shopping center for the Welles. So here, five days before the glorious event, your writer is ready to declare that Christmas for the Wells Clan was all that we expected, and we are thankful for all the blessing which came our way throughout the entire Christmas Season.

Thanks to the staff at the newspaper, "Perry's Prattle" is now often included in the Holmes County Times-Advertiser and "Happy Corner," written by my sister, Hazel Wells Tison, for the above publication, now appears in the Washington County News. I hope she has received as many comments about her extended coverage as her brother has from his column being in the



PERRY'S PRATTLE  
Perry Wells

Bonifay paper. My Noma friend, Bill Tom Gavin, sent an email last week after reading the article on syrup making and hog killing and made comments on his memory of each that occurred in his early life.

Mrs. Sadie Dixon, mother of Jerry Dixon and grandmother of Holmes County's recently elected superintendent of schools, Eddie Dixon, introduced herself to me at the recent drama production at Poplar Springs School. She expressly stated her enjoyment in reading my column in her paper.

Cousin Lillian Peters Pittman, now living in Calabash, N.C., along with husband, Bob, is a subscriber to the Holmes County paper. She is thrilled that she is now able to read Cousin Perry's writings along with that of Cousin Hazel's.

Lillian has recently sent a picture of her grandmother, my great aunt, Elizabeth (Betty) Wells Peters, which appeared in the Holmes County Advertiser and has something to do with the old family Bible. I hope to retrieve the full story and include it in some future writing.

The exchange of Christmas cards each year allows Hester and me to hear from family members on both sides, as well as many friends and associates of the past, now scattered to far away places.

One special lady, Mary Alice Hiley Koru Remington, a Washington County native with an interesting career in the field of education, is now living in Flat Rock,

N.C. Her lovely Christmas greeting card to Hester and me expressed the uplifting thoughts of peace, hope and love, plus this verbatim personal note: "Hope you keep up prattling for a long, long time! That's why I take the WC News!" Dozens of other meaningful cards, with many warm, personal notes, have been enjoyed this year.

Mrs. Remington submitted a three-part family history of her travels in life for the Heritage of Washington Book, originally printed in 2006. She has treasured copy of this book and has frequently made reference it in telephone calls and correspondence where she has furnished additional items of valuable Washington County History. These will ultimately find their way in the Historical Museum of the county.

Now that Santa has officially come and gone, the Prattler can reveal some of the purchasers of the recently received fourth printing of the Heritage of Washington County Book.

Some that I suspect were given as Christmas presents were bought by Jane Griffin Ford of Vero Beach and Debra Brock Robertson of Fernandina Beach. Others that probably became gifts include those sold to Sandra Moore, Buddy Squires, Peggy Clohan, Shelia Tracy, James Guy, John Robbins, Paul Davidson, Jr., Bob and Faye Bush, Billy and June Miles, Ocie and James Howell, Odell Ward, Linda Smothers, Ernest Armstrong, Hilton Kelly, Jim Harris, Myrtice Clark, Jimmy and Lois Yarbor, Karen Rustin, Carlton Padgett, Roger and Kathy Jackson and Brenda Clark.

My special thanks to

the 108 individuals who have purchased their books through the efforts of the writer. My abiding statement concerning this historic chronicle is that, with all its imperfections, it is still one of the best accounts of Washington County History written to date. The books are available in the Historic Museums in both Chipley and Vernon. Also, the libraries in both towns have them. A few are still available from me, and I still offer the shipping plan for those who desire the service. Contact me at 638-1016.

After complimenting the contents of the publication, I still must acknowledge some errors. I have told my close kin, the offspring of my Uncle Lee Joshua (Josh) Wells, that we apparently picked on Uncle Josh for some unknown reason. I have thought of the love song, written by Michael Buble and popularized many years ago by the Mills Brothers, when I think of the mistakes made in my special uncle's stories.

The song's lyrics: "You always hurt the one you love, The one you shouldn't hurt at all. You always take the sweetest rose and crush it 'til the petals fall. You always break the kindest heart with a hasty word you can't recall." There are many more beautiful lyrics, but maybe this will suffice as somewhat of an apology and explanation for the injustice done with the unintended errors to my dear uncle who left us with a litany of funny and true stories. I hope all of you had a wonderful, safe, healthy and enjoyable Christmas experience.

See you all next week.

# HONORING HEROES



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

Emelyn Elumir, left, was named Clinical Hero of the Year on Friday at Northwest Florida Community Hospital by President/CEO Pat Schlenker. Jennifer Wilcox (not pictured), unit secretary for med-surg, was chosen Non-Clinical Hero of the Year. They were chosen from the eight Heroes of the Quarter and each received \$500. **At top right**, Tracey Long, left, was named Non-Clinical Hero of the third quarter. Long works in Health Information Management at the hospital. **At middle right**, Kelly Harris, left, was named Clinical Hero of the third quarter. Harris is an LPN in the Skilled Nursing Unit at NFCH. **At bottom right**, Monique Jones, a CNA with Community Home Health, was named Clinical Hero of the fourth quarter. Carol Isler (not pictured), of patient registration, was named Non-Clinical Hero of the fourth quarter.



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## State titles for PDL, Chipley

*Editor's note: The following is one of the top area stories from 2012 to recap the year in sports.*

By PAT McCANN

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It didn't take long for two area high schools to take advantage of the new Rural Classification for smaller public schools.

Long dominated by private school powerhouses from large metropolitan areas, Ponce de Leon and Chipley each took home a 1A state title in basketball, the PDL girls edging Newberry 55-52 and Chipley's boys overpowering Hawthorne 71-48.

Their combined effort was good enough for No. 8 on The News Herald sports department's list of Top 10 stories of 2012.

Ponce de Leon, 28-2, built a 23-point lead early in the second half against



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Left, The Chipley boys and Ponce de Leon girls. Above, basketball teams won the state 1A titles.

Newberry on Feb. 23 in Lakeland, but had to hang on to survive. Pirates coach Tim Alford lauded the new playoff system put in place by the Florida High School Athletics Association.

"For me as a coach, I honestly feel like my kids work hard, too, as do Newberry's kids," Alford said of the new 1A class. "All the games here were competitive, it (Rural

classification) was a great opportunity for kids.

"I noticed in one of the other classifications the region final score was like 73-6. We didn't have that down here."

Ponce de Leon didn't secure the championship until 2 seconds remaining when Lasharrah Nattiel, who led Newberry with 19 points, missed two free throws. One second later,

JoJo Carlson made the first of two free throws to clinch the crown for the Pirates.

Slightly more than a minute into the third quarter PDL led 32-9, and still was in control at 41-21 about 4 minutes later. That's when Newberry, 27-3, regrouped for a final charge.

Chipley didn't have a similar scare as the Tigers,

put everything on the line, both offensively and defensively."

In doing so, the Tigers overcame a 2-3 start to their season, the early schedule dotted with larger classification schools.

"When you play against good teams and you're fortunate to win, it builds confidence," Orlando said. "When you have confidence in young men it makes them play beyond their potential."

26-3, romped to their 24th straight triumph of the season a week later in Lakeland.

Cameron Dozier led the way with 23 points and six assists as Chipley won its first state title after having finished as runner-up three times, the last in 1989.

"You realize you're in a state championship game when you see the level of intensity these guys played at," Chipley coach Joel Orlando said. "They

### BONIFAY BLUE DEVILS



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Local peewee football team, the Bonifay Blue Devils, came away with the victory at the PeeWee Superbowl on Dec. 8 after an undefeated season.

### Sports SHORTS

#### From Staff Reports Girls soccer

**Bay 8, Bozeman 0**  
**PANAMA CITY** — Sarah Judah, Jessica Harris, Emily Brueckner and Laura Valcourt all scored two goals for the Lady Tornadoes, now 13-2-1 and 7-1-1 in the district.

Judah added three assists, Brooke Adams two and Harris, Marley Peters and Mary Judith Vernon each had one. Keepers Genevieve Smith and Christine Newton each made one save.

#### Boys basketball

**Gulf Breeze 39, Rutherford 38**

**GULF BREEZE** — Rutherford lost its first game of the season as Gulf Breeze made key free throws in the final minute and the Rams misfired on a last-second shot.

Khaliel Spearman had 11 points and Gabe Steele eight for Rutherford, 10-1.

"They did a good job of dictating tempo," Rutherford coach Rhondie Ross said. "We had a lot of missed layups and blown defensive assignments."

**West Gadsden 44, Bozeman 39**

**SAND HILLS** — Herbie Harrell scored 17 points but Bozeman (5-6, 3-4) couldn't hold off West Gadsden in a District 4-1A contest.

Ryan Peltonen scored nine points for the Bucks.

Bozeman faces Bethlehem at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 27, in the Vernon Christmas Shootout.

**Marianna 71, Mosley 43**

**MARIANNA** — Nat Dixon had 19 points for Mosley in

a losing cause, the Dolphins trailing 17-3 after one quarter. The Bulldogs had 11 players score in a balanced attack.

Marianna won the JV game 55-43 with a second-half rally. Quentin Fogle had 16 points for Mosley.

#### Girls basketball

**Mosley 63, Marianna 46**

**MARIANNA** — Alexis Ware buried five 3-pointers en route to a career-high 33 points in Mosley's road win. Ware also had eight rebounds, Kiana Yangson contributed with 14 points and four 3-pointers, and Hennessey Smith added 10 points, six rebounds and four blocks for the Dolphins (11-3). Mosley next plays in the Pace Holiday Classic on Dec. 27-29 in Pensacola. Marianna defeated Mosley 43-20 in the junior varsity game. Courtney Hyman scored eight points for the Dolphins (0-9).

**West Gadsden 48, Bozeman 8**

**SAND HILLS** — Shelby Suggs had five points to lead Bozeman, which is off until Jan. 7 when it hosts Blountstown. Miah Rosa had two points for the Bucks.

#### Girls basketball

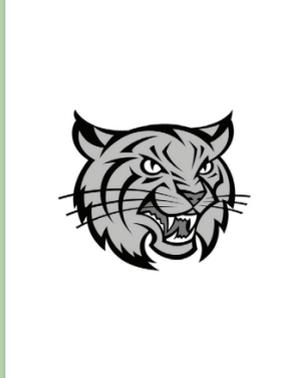
**PDL 39, Baker 26**

**PONCE DE LEON** — Ponce de Leon's Hannah Howell scored 21 points and grabbed eight rebounds as the Pirates defeated Baker. Ashley Harper added seven points for PDL (13-0).

Ponce de Leon will play in the Freeport tournament beginning Friday, Dec. 28.

## DECEMBER STUDENT ATHLETES

Congratulations to these top athletes!



**Austin Boyd**  
Bethlehem H.S.  
Basketball  
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**Shelby Samillano**  
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and Soccer  
12th Grade



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11th Grade



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Graceville H.S.  
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12th Grade



**Josephine Carlson**  
Ponce de Leon H.S.  
Basketball  
Softball  
12th Grade



# Washington County Relay for Life receives \$500 donation

Special to the News

**LAKE CITY** — First Federal Bank of Florida, Chipley branch, is proud to announce that Washington County Relay for Life received the most votes in the recent 50th Anniversary Donation Giveaway.

In this contest, three local organizations were candidates to receive \$500 from First Federal and the community voted on which organization will receive the donation.

“In honor of our 50th Anniversary, we wanted to reiterate our commitment to our community by asking the community to choose an organization that could benefit from additional funds this year,” says Keith Leibfried, President and CEO. “We also hope that our contribution can be an encouragement to other local businesses to donate money to any of these organizations.”

Voting began Oct. 1 and ended on Oct. 13. During that time, the community voted once a day for their favorite organization. Advisory councils in each county identified three organizations in their county that they felt could benefit the most from the donation. Each county in First Federal’s market area participated in the contest and the winners were announced on Oct. 15 on First Federal’s website.

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From left, Relay for Life community representative Shannon Rodriguez, survivor chairwoman Connie Wheeler, missions chairman Roger Whitaker, Danielle Gay, Wendy White and Jamie Sims, all of First Federal, and relay event chairman Jimmy Schweinsberg.

## BES receives donations from toy drive

By Laura Sims  
Special to The News

**BONIFAY** — Due to the poor economy and other unfortunate circumstances, many students at Bonifay Elementary School were in need this year of help with Christmas.

In an effort to help, BES held a Christmas Toy Drive Dec. 3 through Dec. 7. We would like to thank all who contributed to this year’s Christmas Toy Drive. There were many generous donations made, including a \$1,500 check from the Fire Department of Bonifay. Sims Insurance and BES students and their families also made contributions. Through these generous donations, we were able to help about



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Shay McCormick of the Bonifay Fire Department presents a check for \$1,500 to Laura Sims and Phillip Byrd of Bonifay Elementary to help out the Christmas Toy Drive.

60 families.

It is inspiring and uplifting to see the compassionate and generous spirit of these

individuals, families and organizations. Thank you from the many families who will be blessed by this Christmas season.

## Sawyer graduates from Navy’s Nuclear Power School

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Christopher A. Sawyer has graduated from the U.S. Navy’s Nuclear Power School at Naval Nuclear Power Training Command in Goose Creek, S.C. Nuclear Power School is a rigorous six-month course that trains officer and enlisted students in the science and engineering fundamental to the design, operation, and maintenance of naval nuclear

propulsion plants. Graduates next undergo additional instruction at a prototype-training unit before serving as a Surface Warfare Officer aboard a nuclear-powered surface ship or as an Electronics Technician aboard a nuclear-powered submarine.

Sawyer is the son of Tammy and Mike Pinnella of Bonifay. He is a 2009 graduate of Marianna High School.



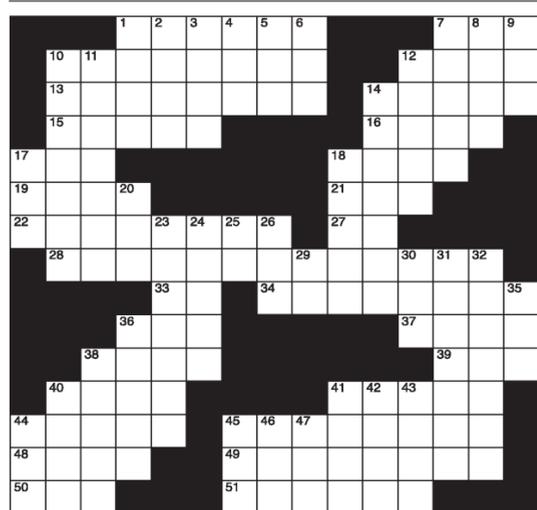
## Leuenberger and McCray to wed

Kelly Leuenberger of Graceville and Kyle McCray of Graceville would like to announce their engagement and upcoming wedding. Kelly is the daughter of Tommy and Stephanie Leuenberger and

Stephanie Ross all of Graceville. She is a graduate of Graceville High School. Kyle is the son of Ron and Debbie McCrary of Graceville. He is a graduate of Chipley High School.

The couple will exchange vows at Salem United Methodist Church in Graceville, at 5:30 p.m., on Jan. 26, 2013. No local invites will be sent. The bride and groom would like to invite all family and friends.

## Crossword PUZZLE



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Twos under par
- 7. Expresses surprise
- 10. Shows exceedingly great size
- 12. At this place
- 13. One who prints from a plate
- 14. '95 U.S. Open golf champ Corey
- 15. Stupefy with alcohol
- 16. Breezed through
- 17. A major division of geological time
- 18. Humble request for help
- 19. Part of a deck
- 21. Albanian monetary unit
- 22. Atomic #22
- 27. Atomic #18
- 28. Catholic holiday service
- 33. Canadian province
- 34. Capital of Alberta
- 36. Large African antelope
- 37. Mexican tortilla sandwich
- 38. Pigmented eye membrane
- 39. Baby's food protector
- 40. Winglike structures
- 41. Sun-dried brick
- 44. Those dull in appearance
- 45. Basketlike baby's bed
- 48. Purpose or intent
- 49. Difficult to carry
- 50. Cry made by sheep
- 51. More than one spouse

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Incredible edibles
- 2. About aviation
- 3. Small biting flies
- 4. Bulgarian monetary unit
- 5. Point midway between E and SE
- 6. Old CCCP or U
- 7. Rubber tree genus
- 8. Waterless
- 9. Female chicken
- 10. Relating to the Hebrews
- 11. Dig up
- 12. Diacritic caron
- 14. Capital of Sicily
- 17. Shock therapy
- 18. Cyto\_\_\_\_: surrounds the nucleus
- 20. Daughters of the Am. Revolution
- 23. Nincompoops
- 24. Great battle of 333 BC
- 25. Salt Lake state
- 26. Woman (French)
- 29. A public promotion
- 30. Social insect
- 31. Knifed
- 32. Formal association of people
- 35. Toff
- 36. Snaps up
- 38. Annona diversifolia
- 40. Opera vocal solo
- 41. Largest continent
- 42. Day (Latin)
- 43. Sole
- 44. Hit lightly
- 45. Guy (slang)
- 46. Black tropical Am. cuckoo
- 47. Screen Writers Guild

SOLUTION ON PAGE A9

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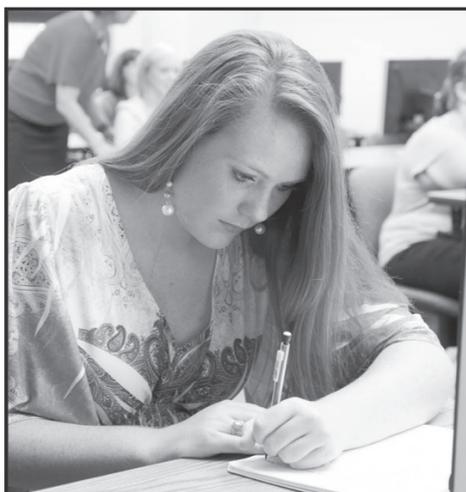
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SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Youngsters at Reedy Church in Westville performed their annual Christmas Play on Sunday.

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It seems that we are always waiting for some special future event in our lives. Perhaps we are looking forward to a long-deserved vacation, or maybe an upcoming sporting event, or some other special occasion that is important to us. However, the joy and pleasure that are received from most of these events are all so short-lived, that we might afterwards find ourselves wondering why we were so involved with them. Surely, there is nothing wrong with looking forward to special occasions, since it is important to have events in our lives that give us a break from our daily routine. And, God wants us to be a joyful people, but we should keep in mind that God's love is the only thing in this world that is constant. The Bible tells us that God's love is everlasting, and with loving kindness He has drawn us (Jeremiah 31.3). So many of the things that seem so important to us today will probably appear relatively insignificant and mean little to us later; however, our returning God's love will assure us of a friendship with Him that will last forever.

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## 'Tis the season to be broke

Dr. James L. Snyder

For the last several hours, I have been slouching in my easy chair basking in the soothing aura of the season. I have not moved in several hours, and it probably will be several more hours before I even think of moving.

Just a few days ago, we were in the middle of our Christmas holiday celebration with family and friends. The only thing I enjoy more is the peace and quiet that follows all that festivity. Do not get me wrong, I love my family and friends but boy do I love peace and quiet.

Isn't one of the sayings of the season, "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men?" I am not sure of all the ramifications of that phrase, but I do enjoy the peace that comes following an exuberant time of celebration with family and friends.

About this time, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage came in and saw me in the same position she saw me several hours previous. "Are you," she said after staring at me for a few moments, "going to stay in that chair all day?"

All I could do was smile graciously in her direction.

Then she became concerned, and prodded me a little, "Are you all right?" She said it with a deep sense of genuine concern. I knew I owed her an explanation for

the collapse of my bodily activities.

"Nothing wrong with me," I explained, "I'm just broke." With that, I smiled a rather infectious smile.

She broke out laughing and said, "What did you say?"

I think at the time she thought I was just exercising the spirit of merriment. "I said, I'm broke."

Then she had a look of concern on her face. "What do you mean you're broke?"

I knew she was concerned at that point and I had to explain to her what I meant by being broke. By being broke, I do not mean like the government broke into my bank account and confiscated my money. For all Americans that is quite a taxing situation.

Also, by being broke I do not mean I dropped my wife's favorite porcelain teapot and broke it all over the floor. Once something is broke, there just is no way of fixing it.

"I'm broke," I repeated to my wife with a whimsical smile, "and it's a real good feeling this time of the year."

She looked at me, shook her head and then went back to her business.

I thought some more on that subject and reaffirmed my idea that being broke this time of the year was a marvelous feeling. If it were April, tax time, being broke would not feel so good. Or, if it were before Christmas,

being broke would not be a very good idea.

Being broke after Christmas means several things.

First, it means that I did my best to bless my family and friends around me with tokens of appreciation. That is all a gift really is. I am not a very good gift buyer; just ask my wife. I am the kind of person who thinks it is the thought that counts. I also know, behind every thought must be some emblem of tangibility. I have done my best this year to select gifts that would be appreciated, at least for a moment.

It would be a terrible thing at the end of the Christmas season to have a ton of money left over realizing that maybe you did not do your best this year at Christmas time.

Do not get me wrong. I am a Pennsylvania Dutchman through and through and we do not believe in wasting money. We do believe in investing our resources in family and friends. I am not extravagant in my giving. I do not have it to be extravagant. What I do have, I want to use to bless and encourage the people that have meant so much to me during the year.

Yes, being broke is a good feeling.

Being broke also means I have no room for regrets. Would I have liked to give more gifts? Sure, but when you run out of money, you

cannot go any further. By being broke at the end of Christmas means, I have done everything I possibly could within my resources to thank the people I love for being a part of my life.

You cannot buy friendship. Unless of course you are in Washington DC or Hollywood California. Among normal folk, friendship is not for sale. It is not even for rent. At this time of the year, it sure is a wonderful feeling to tell your friends and family you are glad they are a part of your life.

Being broke is a lot more than having no money. I have given all I had to give and there is a good warm fuzzy feeling about that.

God is the one who set the standard along this line. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23 KJV).

God looked at the world, it broke His heart and therefore He sent His Son to remedy our situation. Thank God for that broken heart. He gave His all for those He loved.

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### Faith BRIEFS

#### Holmes County Council on Aging Fish Fry

BONIFAY — The Holmes County Council on Aging is in need of a gas stove in order to continue serving our seniors. We have decided to have a fish fry to raise money for this cause on Jan. 18. The plates will include fish, coleslaw, baked beans, hushpuppies and cake. If there is anyway that you can help is, please call Rachel Locke at 547-9289 or Carol Ricks at 526-3577. We will also accept donations of food or money. If you would like to send a

monetary donation, mail it to Emerald Coast Hospice, Attn: Carol Ricks, 4374 Lafayette St., Marianna, FL 32446.

#### Watch Night Service

VERNON — Unity Baptist Church, located at 3274 River Road in Vernon, will celebrate the New Year with a "watch night service" at 7 p.m. on Dec. 31. The guest speakers will be the Revs. Jonathan Taylor and Allen English.

# Obituaries

## Hazel L. Williams

Hazel Leavins Williams, 87, of Bonifay, died on Dec. 15, 2012, at Doctors Memorial Hospital in Bonifay. Born Wednesday, June 24, 1925, she was the daughter of the late James Leavins and the late Florence Willis Leavins. She was the wife of the late Buford Williams.

She was preceded in death by son, Ventice Moss; sisters, Evelyn Johnson, Thelma Dunn and Marie Whitley.

She is survived by a grandson, Lee Moss, and

wife, Dusty, of Bonifay; one great-granddaughter, Morgan Moss of Bonifay, and a nephew, Winston Dunn of Pascagoula, Miss.

A funeral service was held at 10 a.m. on Dec. 17, 2012, at Sims Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Gary Armstrong officiating. Interment followed in Bethlehem Methodist Church Cemetery, Bonifay, with Sims Funeral Home directing. The family received friends from 9-10 a.m., on Dec. 17, 2012, at Sims Funeral Home Chapel.

## Jimmie R. Lamb

Jimmie Ruth Champion Lamb of Esto went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, Dec. 16, 2012, after a brief battle with cancer. She was 84 years old. She was preceded in death by her husband of almost 50 years, Fernie Lamb; her daughter, Sarah Wagner; her son-in-law, Robert Patrick; six sisters and one brother.

She is survived by two sons, William (Linda) Lamb of Mobile, Ala., and David (Barbara) Lamb of Samson, Ala.; three daughters, Barbara Patrick of Hartford, Ala., Janice (Tom) Sullivan of Hartford, Ala., and Joyce (Dannelly) Martin of Byron, Ga.; one son-in-law, Doug Wagner of Dothan, Ala.; two stepsons, Wes (Heather) Quattlebaum and Will Quattlebaum;

20 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Watson, and Rachael Pullum; one brother, Nelson Champion; a devoted family friend, Mr. Emmitt Burch, and numerous nieces and nephews who were like her own.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2012, at New Canaan Ministries. Burial followed in Esto Community Cemetery under the direction of Bottoms Garden Chapel Funeral Home of Hartford. The family received friends from 1 p.m. until service time at the church.

At all other times the family will be at her home. Her grandsons served as pallbearers and the employees of Wiregrass Electric served as honorary pallbearers.

## Carol P. Herrington

Mrs. Carol Pippin Brown Herrington, age 94, of Bonifay, passed away Dec. 13, 2012, at her home. She was born July 17, 1918, in Chipley to the late Daniel and Effie Jones Pippin.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Herrington was preceded in death by her two husbands, Severree 'Archie' Archibald Brown and Elisha Vincent Herrington; one son, Severree Archibald Brown, Jr.; four sisters, Cordie Duncan, Stella Wiggins, Ethel McLendon and Josie Mann; three brothers, Eugene Pippin, Arthur Pippin and Marvin Pippin; and two grandchildren, Bobby Milton and Cheryl Serigny.

Mrs. Herrington is survived by four children, Henry L. Brown of Bonifay, Betty Milton of Robert, La., Charles E. Brown and wife, Eileen, of North Haven, Conn., and Joyce Chance and husband, John, of Bonifay; one brother,

Roy B. Pippin of Winter Haven; one sister, Myrtle Mask of Phenix City, Ala.; 22 grandchildren, Rolf Brown, Raymond Brown, Dagmare Brown, Stewart Brown, Lynn Brown, Dana Riley, Glenda Parks, Rhonda Schucks, Leroy Brown, Dennis Brown, Kenneth Milton, George Milton Jr., Gerald Milton, Nancy Clement, Rick Hatcher, Tim Hatcher, Chuck Hatcher, Daniel Brown, Rachel Kuczma, Terry Chance, Tammy Griffin and Mickey Chance; 48 great-grandchildren; 43 great-great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 16, 2012 at Peel Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor John Chance and Pastor Michael Burks officiating. Interment followed in the St. Johns Church Cemetery with Peel Funeral Home directing. Family will receive friends one hour prior to service at Peel Funeral Home.

## Lottie M. O'Berry

Lottie Mae O'Berry, 85, of Bonifay, died on Sunday, Dec. 16, 2012, at Bonifay Nursing and Rehab Center in Bonifay. Born Wednesday, Nov. 30, 1927, she was the daughter of the late Wesley Shirley and the late Flossie Powell Shirley. She was the wife of Edmund O'Berry.

Surviving are son, James Michael O'Berry of Jacksonville; daughter,

Martha Ann Stone of Istachatta, and five grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at 10 a.m., Friday, Dec. 21, 2012, at Sims Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Eber Overly officiating. Interment followed in Camp Ground Cemetery, Westville, with Sims Funeral Home directing.

sister, Edith Kirchman; son, Ralph F. Mead III (wife: Patricia); daughter, Mary Mead Stewart (husband: Scott, children: Gardner, Emaleigh and Jaqueline); son, Thom Knox Mead (wife: Doreen, children: Lacey and Carley), and son, Jack Hutchins Mead.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to either the children's ministry at First Baptist Church of Chipley (638-1830) or Covenant Hospice Marianna (482-8520). A memorial service was held at First Baptist Church of Chipley on Friday, Dec. 21, 2012, at 6 p.m. with the Rev. Mike Orr officiating. A reception for family and friends will be held in the fellowship hall immediately following the service. Obert Funeral Home of Chipley is in charge of arrangements.

## Ed Free



ED FREE

Ed Free, age 79, of Ponce de Leon, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2012, at his residence. He was born June 18, 1933, in Enterprise, Ala. In his spare time he enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and spending time with his family.

Ed is preceded in death by his father, Albert Free; mother, Cora Lee Conner; son, Danny Free; sister, Sybil Free; brother, Authur Free and stepfather, J.P. Conner.

He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Louise Free; son, Johnny Free and wife, Tammy; daughter, Carol Alford and husband, Tony; grandchildren, Jake and Ty Alford and Jeremy Free and wife, Terra; great-grandchildren, Tyler, Drew and Brystol; brothers, Jimmy Conner and wife, Sandi, Richard Conner and wife, Charlotte, Z.Y. Conner, Frank Conner and wife, Wanda, and Wayne Conner and wife, Ann;

sisters, Barbara Jordan and husband, Justin, Janie Carter and husband, Jerry, Carolyn Harris and husband, Harlon, and Shirley Free Mitchell and numerous nieces and nephews.

A time of visitation was held Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012, at Davis-Watkins Funeral Home, 1474 State Road 83 North, DeFuniak Springs, Florida 32433, from 6-8 p.m. Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 30, 2012, at Northside Baptist Church in Ponce de Leon beginning at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Wilbur Williams and the Rev. Stacy Stafford officiating.

Committal services followed at New Ponce de Leon Cemetery. Flowers are being accepted. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.daviswatkins.com](http://www.daviswatkins.com).

Arrangements and services are under the direction of Davis-Watkins Funeral Home.

## Katie M. Amerson

Mrs. Katie Marie Amerson, age 92, of Bonifay, passed away Dec. 16, 2012, at Bonifay Nursing and Rehab Center. She was born June 21, 1920, in Holmes County to the late William Eddie and Della Paul Dickerson. Mrs. Amerson was a member of Gully Springs Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Amerson was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, John Junior Amerson; five sisters, Maude Dyson, Nettie Baker, Evie Harcus, Arkie Spear and Linsey Dickerson; one brother, Coley Dickerson; son-in-law, Melvin Harcus, and granddaughter, Debi Harcus Herring.

Mrs. Amerson is survived by her five children, Jeanette Harcus of Bonifay, George and Marietta Webster of Geneva, Ala., Linda and Larry Jernigan of Bonifay, Pat and Fran

Amerson of Bonifay, Hurtis Amerson and Nick Nickerson of Tallahassee; five grandchildren, Kim Drummond, Coby Webster, Shannon Dowling, Kevin Amerson and Jeffrey Amerson; seven great-grandchildren, Jeremy Harcus, Tiffany Johnson, Hannah Leavins, Taylor Dowling, Peyton Dowling, Kason Amerson and Kolton Amerson, and four great-great-grandchildren, Graften Harcus, Jevin Johnson, Bradlee Johnson and Ean Adams.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2012, at Gully Springs Baptist Church with the Rev. Tim Hall officiating. Interment followed in the Gully Springs Church Cemetery with Peel Funeral Home directing.

Family received friends from 12:30-2 p.m., at Gully Springs Baptist Church.

## Ralph F. Mead Jr.

Ralph Francis Mead Jr., 84, formally of Orlando, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Dec. 13, 2012. "Doc" as many called him was born in Pensacola, on July 17, 1928, to the parents of Dr. Ralph F. Mead Sr. and Mildred Hutchins Mead of Orlando (deceased.) Ralph attended the University of Northern Illinois at Chicago, receiving his doctorate in Optometry and following in his father's footsteps opening a practice in Orlando. When he retired after 55 years, it marked the end of a legacy of The Drs. Mead serving the community in optometric care for 96 years. He specialized in the visual training for children. He was quoted as saying "I was going to do all that I could to make their lives as rich as possible. That was my reward." He

proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1951 to 1952 during the Korean War. He was stationed at Belfar, Va., in the medical hospital and received an honorable discharge as a captain. He enjoyed traveling between Orlando, Chipley and Swainsboro, Ga., with the love of his life, his wife, Mavis Mead. The couple was always visiting loved ones, spending time in the outdoors and enjoying time with his friends and family. He was an active member of First Baptist Church of Chipley, The American Optometric Association, Florida Optometric Association, professor at University of Central Florida, NRA, past member of Kiwanis Club of Orlando, First Presbyterian Church of Orlando and numerous civic organizations.

He is survived by his wife, Mavis;

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### WEDNESDAY

10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides hot meals and socialization.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: The Vernon Historical Society Museum is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meetings are fourth Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (Chipley) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted.

1 p.m.: Line dancing, Washington Council on Aging in Chipley.

7 p.m.: Depression and Bipolar Support Group meets at First Baptist Church educational annex building in Bonifay. Call 547-4397.

### THURSDAY

7:30 a.m.: Washington

County Chamber of Commerce breakfast every third Thursday

9 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Amazing Grace Church USDA Food Distribution every third Thursday. (Holmes County Residents Only)

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Money Sense at Goodwill Career Training Center; call 638-0093; every third Thursday

10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides hot meals and socialization.

10:30 a.m.: Chipley Library preschool story time.

11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (Chipley) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted.

11 a.m.: Care Givers Support group meets

third Thursdays at the First Presbyterian Church at 4437 Clinton St. in Marianna.

Noon: Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting at New Life Assembly Fellowship Hall, Chipley

1 p.m.: Writers Group meets the second Thursday of each month

(unless a holiday) at the Chipley Library

4 p.m.: Holmes County Historical Society 2nd Thursday of each month.

6 p.m.: TOPS meets at 7 p.m. with weigh in at 6 p.m. at Mt. Olive Baptist Church

6 p.m.: The Holmes County Historical Society

meets first Thursdays at 6 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

6:30 p.m.: T.O.P.S. Mt. Olive Baptist Church on State Road 79 North.

7 p.m.: Narcotics Anonymous meeting, Blessed Trinity Catholic Church on County Road 177A

### Library hours

#### Wausau Library

Monday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday: 1-6 p.m.  
Wednesday: Closed  
Thursday: 1-6 p.m.  
Friday: Closed  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

#### Holmes County Library (Bonifay)

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Thursday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday: 8 a.m. to noon  
Sunday: Closed

#### Washington County Library (Chipley)

Monday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Thursday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Friday: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

#### Vernon Library

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday: 1-6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 1-6 p.m.  
Thursday: Closed  
Friday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

#### Sunny Hills Library

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Wednesday: 1-6 p.m.  
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# Newtown school shooting prompts action from HCSD

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**BONIFAY** — Holmes County School Board Chairman Jason Motley strongly suggested at the regularly scheduled meeting on Dec. 18 the schools district's principals should be reviewed on emergency

procedures, in light of the recent school shooting in Newtown, Conn. "I understand that there's evil in this world and if people want to do evil things they will, but we should at least try to make efforts to slow them down," Motley said. Superintendent Eddie Dixon reminded the board

that they recently held a practice drill with all of the school staff and surrounding emergency and law enforcement agencies. "It was held at Holmes County High School, and we found there are a total of 72 sets of doors that lead to the outside," Dixon said. "When the school was built, it just wasn't built with that

sort of thing in mind." Dixon said they were thinking about doing something similar again, only on a smaller scale and at a different school. "We can't put a price on our students' safety," board member Rusty Williams said. "Our thoughts are that this isn't the first time

something like this has happened, and we pray and hope that it'll be the last time, but at this time we're hoping for the best while preparing for the worst." Christopher Lauen, with the Holmes County Health Department's Tobacco Prevention, was present to present the

school board with more Tobacco Free zone signs for the schools. Lauen said two per school were provided, however more can be provided to those schools that request them. For more on the Holmes County School District meeting, visit [chipleypaper.com](http://chipleypaper.com).

## Community EVENTS

### Literacy Volunteers Needed

**WASHINGTON COUNTY** — If you have one hour a week and would be willing to help someone to read, write, learn math, speak English, study for a GED, to get their driver's license or to get their citizenship, call 638-6317 and leave a phone number, we will return you call. Literacy Volunteers of Washington County Inc. is an all-volunteer program. We have learning sites in Caryville, Chipley, Country Oaks, Greenhead and in Vernon, so no matter where in the county you live we will try to serve you.

### Writer's Group seeking members

**CHIPLEY** — The Writers Group welcomes anybody that writes stories, poems, whatever or would like to start writing. We read our work to the group and get feedback and enjoy each others stories. Please come see what we are all about, we would love to have you.

We meet at the Chipley library at 1 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month (unless a holiday).

For more information, contact Audrey Payne, 676-4359, [jpayne1@panhandle.rr.com](mailto:jpayne1@panhandle.rr.com).

### Fine Forgiveness

**CHIPLEY** — Do you have library fines? This December, bring non-perishable food items to any Washington County Public

Library location to get your fines waived. All items collected will be donated to our local food pantries. How does it work? For each item donated, \$1 will be deleted from a patron's record. This excludes replacement fees for lost and/or damaged materials or library cards. All materials must be returned in their checked-out condition. Library fines only are forgiven on Washington County Public Library items. Donations from others without fines also are welcome. For more information, contact Renae at 638-1314 or email [requests@wcpplf.com](mailto:requests@wcpplf.com).

### Tai Chi Class to resume

**CHIPLEY** — The Tai Chi Class will meet at 8 a.m. on Jan. 8 at the Chipley branch of the Washington County Public Library. The public is welcome to attend this free class, where we practice the Tai Chi for Arthritis form. Tai Chi is a gentle exercise which is suitable for all fitness levels and all ages.

### E-reader Classes to resume in January

**CHIPLEY** — The Washington County Library would like everyone to know that the monthly E-reader classes will resume in January after the holiday season.

### Library Holiday Hours

**WASHINGTON COUNTY** — All branches of the Washington

County Library will be closed from Dec. 22 through Jan. 1, 2013. The library will resume their normal hours on Jan. 2, 2013.

### Weight Loss Challenge planned

**CHIPLEY** — If losing weight is your New Year's resolution, Talk of the Town Nutrition is sponsoring a Weight Loss Challenge beginning Jan. 3.

The public is invited to join in the eight-week weight loss course, which will include a personal coach, a free meal plan, group support and helpful tips and information on nutrition and long-term health.

Cost to participate is \$35, with the fees being divided among the top four contestants who lose the most weight. First place will be 50 percent of the money raised, second place will be 25 percent, third place will be 15 percent and the person who loses the most inches will get 10 percent of the fees raised.

Competition size is limited to 50 contestants.

For more information, call 638-8943 or 832-4953.

### Prepare now for spring classes at Chipola

**MARIANNA** — New students planning to enroll in Chipola College during the Spring 2013 semester are encouraged to make application before the college closes for the holidays.

There are several steps to completing the application process: (1) complete the college Admission Application, call 718-2311 for assistance; (2) Request a final high school transcript be sent to Chipola Admission and Records Office; and (3) Take the College Placement Test, call 718-2284 for assistance.

New student testing begins Jan. 2. Returning student registration is Jan. 3. New and returning student registration is Jan. 4. Classes begin Jan. 7.

Chipola offers the Associate in Arts Degree, the Associate in Science Degree and Workforce Development programs.

Bachelor's Degrees include, education majors in middle and high school math or science, English education, exceptional student education and elementary education, business administration degree with concentrations in management or accounting and a Bachelor of Science in nursing (BSN). Additionally, the college offers the Educator Preparation Institute, a teacher certification program for those with a B.S. in a non-teaching field.

The Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree is designed for students who plan to complete their first two years of college work and then transfer to a four-year program at Chipola or another college or university. Credits earned are transferable and are applicable toward a bachelor's degree. Academic advising guides that outline requirements for specific majors are available

from Student Affairs and are on the college website at [www.chipola.edu](http://www.chipola.edu).

Several Associate in Science (AS) and Workforce programs are offered which provide training for high wage jobs. Workforce programs include automotive service technology, firefighter, law enforcement officer, correctional officer, cosmetology, cross-over corrections to law enforcement, cross-over law enforcement to corrections and patient care assistant.

Associate in Science (AS) programs include business administration, early childhood education, computer information technology, fire science technology, criminal justice technology (crime scene track), networking services technology, culinary management, nursing (RN and LPN) and recreation technology.

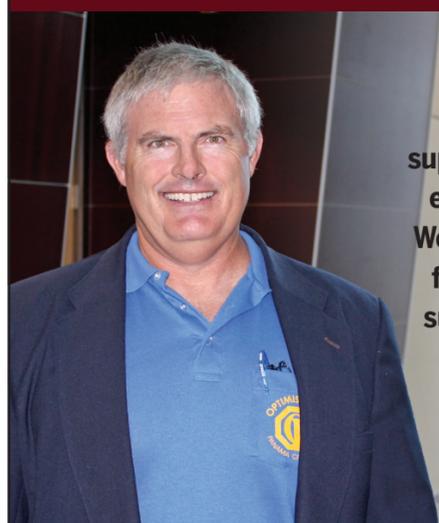
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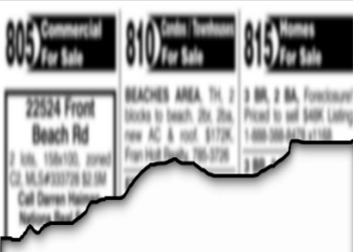
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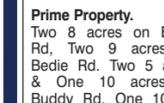
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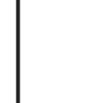
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