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## IN BRIEF

### 'ArtKidDoo' held today

**CHIPLEY** — What do you get when you combine kids and creativity? Come and find out at ArtKidDoo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., today at Shivers Park in Chipley.

The Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida, along with business and other organizations in the community are sponsoring "ArtKidDoo — A Celebration of Children and the Arts."

"Families can bring their children to Shivers Park and spend time experiencing the creative process in a variety of mediums including drawing and painting, collage, music, dance, storytelling and drama," said Lynne Eldridge, executive director of the Early Learning Center. "Research shows that it is important for all children, beginning when they are very young, to have the opportunity to express themselves both through play and the arts. ArtKidDoo will give them that opportunity."

ArtKidDoo is a free event.

### Stakeholders committee meets Tuesday

**CHIPLEY** — The Washington County RESTORE Act Stakeholders Committee will meet from 1 to 3 p.m. on Tuesday at the Blue Lake Community Center, 1865 Highway 77 in Chipley.

The subject of the meeting is to review

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# McDonald's rebuild comes before council

## Development order up for approval

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**CHIPLEY** — Ronald McDonald will be homeless in Chipley for a couple of months.

The Chipley City Council discussed the plans to rebuild the McDonald's Restaurant

from the ground up during Thursday's council workshop at City Hall.

The project development order was recommended for approval by the city planning commission on March 28, and the council will vote whether or not to approve the request during Tuesday's city council

meeting, at 6 p.m.

The McDonald's is located at 1291 Main Street and the rebuild will also allow for a redesign of the parking lot, which has had traffic issues.

"If you pull out of the restaurant and try to turn left on Brickyard Avenue, you cause all kinds of problems," City

Administrator Dan Miner said. Getting in the drive-in lane from Main Street is also difficult due to traffic.

McDonald's USA LLC plans to demolish the existing fast food restaurant along with all parking facilities and

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# DEVELOPMENT PROJECT ANNOUNCED



PHOTO BY RANDAL SEYLER | The News

Washington County Economic Development Council Chairman Gary Clark discusses the Washington Crossings development with the Planning Commission on Tuesday.

## Clark discusses Water Management District appointment

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**CHIPLEY** — Economic Development Council Chairman Gary Clark announced plans for a large scale, mixed used development called Washington Crossings on Tuesday at the Washing-

ton County Planning Commission meeting.

The 600-plus acre development is being spearheaded by Tom Watson, and the developers are expected to come back before the planning commission in a few months with more detailed plans, Clark said.

"They want to begin develop-

ment of this property, and they want to do it right," Clark said. The development is located in the south western part of the county, and is expected to include residential, commercial and industrial zoning.

Clark said that the Economic

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# Pigotts awarded FFGC lifetime memberships

Special to the News

**CHIPLEY** — Chipley Garden Club held their monthly meeting on Wednesday at Oakie Ridge Baptist Church.

Members enjoyed a video voyage through the past while socializing. Improvements to the downtown pots, the Pressed Wildflower Project, and the 2014 Tea were discussed, as well as upcoming Spring and Summer activities, such as providing crafts for the Library's Summer Reading, "Dig Into Reading," participating in Flea Across Florida, attending FFGC District II Spring meeting, and a little Garden Therapy with residents at the convalescent center.

At our March meeting, club members voted to award Lifetime Memberships to Linda and Ray Pigott and, during Wednesday's meeting, Charlotte Sapp proudly presented Linda with Lifetime Membership Certificates and FFGC pins for the couple.

The Pigotts are both enthusiastic

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Officers for the 2013-14 year include, front row from left: Linda Pigott, 2nd Vice President; Glenda Wilson, 1st Vice President; Karen Roland, President. Back row, from left: Lyndal Pleas, Treasurer; Gweneth Collins, Recording Secretary/Communications; Charlotte Sapp, Chaplain, and Marlene Ray, Correspondence Secretary.

# Chipola Forestry Center has new manager

Special to the News

**PANAMA CITY** — For the first time in nearly 30 years, the Florida Forest Service's seven-county Chipola Forestry Center has a new manager.

Johnny Sabo officially took the reins of the Center on March 1st, following the retirement of Joe Anderson.

"I intend to build upon the hard work that Joe's already done and continue the tradition of excellence in this Field Unit. I also want to help the employees here at the Chipola Forestry Center and do what I can to improve upon the mission of the Florida Forest Service," Sabo said.

The Chipola Forestry Center is the largest geographically of all of the Florida Forest Service Field Units and includes Bay, Holmes, Washington, Gulf, Calhoun, Jackson, and Walton counties. It also includes two state forests — Pine Log State Forest in portions of Bay and Washington counties and Point Washington State Forest in south Walton County. In this position, Sabo will ultimately be responsible for the successful day-to-day operations of all Florida Forest Service activities in these areas.

After graduating with a degree in Forest Resource Management from Clemson University, Sabo began his career with the Florida Forest Service in 2004, as the Calhoun and Liberty county Forester. There he provided technical forestry assistance and advice to private landowners and residents in those two counties. He advanced to Senior Forester, and then to the Calhoun County Forest Area Supervisor, which oversees all wild land fire suppression crews and related activity. From there he was promoted in 2008 to Chipola Forestry Center Operations Administrator.

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# State celebrates 500th anniversary of the first European exploration of Florida

From Staff Reports

**TALLAHASSEE** — The 500th anniversary of Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon's arrival on the land he named "La Florida" in 1513 is being celebrated this week across the state.

"This week marks an historic anniversary for Florida and the entire United States of America. Ponce de León, during the week of April 2, 1513, became the first documented European to arrive anywhere in the current United States of America," said Gov. Rick Scott on Monday.

"This special anniversary is an opportunity to share Florida's unique story and reflect on the people, places and events that made Florida the dynamic state it is today," Scott said.

"In addition to our work in creating a more business friendly climate, Florida's rich history and culture have supported tourism, which is among the many reasons that we've created nearly 300,000 private-sector jobs and our unemployment rate has dropped to 7.7 percent," the governor said. "The policies we are implementing are working and we encourage more people to come to Florida to contribute to the overall economic vitality of our state."

Five centuries ago a band of Spanish explorers led by Juan Ponce de Leon explored much of the coast of Florida's peninsula.

That was the first of a wave of European exploration of what is now the United States. (Columbus's famous landing in 1492 was in the West Indies.)

This year, Florida is celebrating the anniversary with a yearlong series of events titled Viva Florida 500.

Spain controlled Florida for most of first 300 years of exploration and settlement — Florida became part of the United States in 1821 — and that Spanish influence has lasted long after the Spaniards withdrew.

At the top of the list would be the state's name.

de Leon first stepped foot in Florida, near modern-day Melbourne Beach or, maybe, it was near St. Augustine, in April when plenty of wildflowers were blooming. He dubbed the land Pascua Florida — Spanish for flowery Easter — later shortened to La Florida.

The name stuck.

Following years of expeditions by a succession of explorers, the Spanish finally put down roots in 1564 with the founding of St. Augustine, the oldest continuously occupied city in the United States — preceding English settlements in New England by decades.

Since then, a lot has happened in Florida that can be traced to its Spanish heritage.

The Spanish brought cattle, which

set up what later became a major Florida industry.

The Native American tribes that had lived here for thousands of years were wiped out by violence and by inadvertently introducing infections unknown in the Americas. The decimation of the population created an opening for a group of Creeks to escape intertribal conflicts in what is now present-day Alabama to form the basis of the Seminole tribe.

The Seminoles, who had taken refuge in Florida, fought early American settlers in a series of wars in the 19th century — and the tribe was never defeated.

When the Spanish left Florida, they didn't go far, remaining in the Spanish islands in the West Indies and in South and Central America.

That proximity set up Florida for being influenced in coming years in its culture, economics and environment, influences that extend into modern times.

Those influences included:

The rise in the Florida cigar industry in the 19th century in Tampa and other cities, including Bartow.

The late 20th century expansion of sugar cane farming in the Everglades after the U.S. embargoed trade with communist Cuba. The existence of those farms have created an environmental and political obstacle to restoring the famed "River of Grass."

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storm water management facilities, then reconstruct a new restaurant as well as parking facilities and storm water management facilities.

"There will be a retention pond where the play area is now," said Jason Toole, an engineer with CPH Engineers Inc. of Panama City. "There will not be a play area at the new restaurant."

Miner said the retention pond might help with flooding that occurs at the intersection.

Toole said the entrance from Main Street will be relocated south toward the Goodwill Industries parking lot. Construction on the project is expected to begin in June, Toole said, and should take 90 to 120 days to complete.

"Where will I get my sweet tea while McDonald's is closed?" joked council member Karen Rustin.

Rustin also gave council member Kevin Russell some artists' renderings of a possible veterans memorial, which could be incorporated into the planned city park that will be located where the city water tower is currently located.

The mayor created a committee in March for the design of the park. Once the old tower is demolished, the committee will be charged with developing a historical site.

Russell is chairman of the committee, will include Darin Wall, Valerie Parks, Dorothy Odom and Jim Morris.

The council voted on March 7 to pursue taking down the old water tower after discovering it would cost almost \$200,000 to bring the structure back up to code, and learning the roof of the tower has rusted loose and is just sitting atop the structure.

Demolition of the tower is expected to cost \$24,000.

Miner told the council on Thursday that the demolition project was running into some obstacles. The Department of Transportation is requesting that the water tower be torn down in the evenings for traffic safety, and the city will also have to hire a traffic management engineering firm.

The company the city planned on hiring to do the demolition is not wanting to do a night time demolition, Miner said.

"If this winds up costing a lot more, we will probably want to go back and get some bids on the job," Miner said.

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Development Council would like to see 100 to 200 acres of the development set aside for industrial zoning.

"Mr. Watson wanted you to know about the project," Clark told the commissioners. "We've been working with them. This is a long term development process, not something that is going to spring up overnight."

Commissioner Roger

Hagan asked if all of the property was located within Washington County.

"As far as I know, it is," Clark said.

Clark also told the commissioners the county's Economic Development Council is working to refocus its efforts toward bringing businesses into Washington County based on the resources and strengths of the county.

"We have developed a three-year strategic plan," Clark said. "We want to focus on communication between our various organizations, and have more collaboration between the EDC, the county and the cities."

Clark said the council is laying out a new set of targeted industries for the EDC to seek for locating in Washington County. The

development of the Future Land Use Map, which the commissioners have been working on, can be an important tool in the recruiting of future industries to our area, he said.

Besides being chairman of the EDC, Clark was appointed to the governing board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District in March by Gov. Rick Scott.

Clark said he agreed to serve after the district's executive director, Jon Steverson, contacted him. Clark said he realized having a representative in the district from Washington County would be a benefit to the region.

He also said the idea of working with Steverson was appealing.

"You can't find a more honest, hard-working man

than Jon Steverson," Clark said. "I've learned more about hydrology in the last few weeks than I ever thought I would."

"It's a privilege to serve on the Northwest Florida Water Management District board, and don't hesitate to contact me," Clark said. "I want to help make sure Washington County and the other rural counties are represented."

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In that capacity, he oversaw management on Pine Log and Point Washington State Forests as well as all wild land fire suppression crews for Bay and Walton counties.

Over the course of his career, Sabo has had extensive training based around the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) curriculum, including wild land fire suppression training, and forest resources management training. He is also a Certified Public Manager, a title that comes with a two-year practical course

conducted by Florida State University. But the one training course that stands out as most instrumental in his career was an NWCG leadership course entitled "L-580—Leadership in Action."

"It took place in southwestern Tennessee on a Civil War battlefield site known as Shiloh. We basically went through the entire battle. It really helped put into perspective the process of making decisions under adverse conditions," Sabo said.

"I'm thankful to live and work in the Panama City area, be a part of this

community, and interact with all other local agencies. It's a challenging and rewarding job and I'm looking forward to it."

Sabo's office is at the Chipola Forestry Center's district headquarters located at 715 West 15th Street in Panama City. He can be reached at 872-7686.

For Florida Forest Service media interviews and photo and video opportunities, contact Brian Goddin—Wildfire Mitigation Specialist/ Public Information Officer: Florida Forest Service (Chipola Forestry Center) at 625-6621. To report a suspicious

fire, call 547-7083. For more information about the Florida Forest Service, including wildfire information, or recreational opportunities, visit the Florida Forest Service website at [www.floridaforestservice.com](http://www.floridaforestservice.com).

The Chipola Forestry Center of the Florida Forest Service consists of 7 counties including Bay, Walton, Gulf, Holmes, Calhoun, Washington, and Jackson counties. (Special Note: Effective July 1st, 2011, the Florida Division of Forestry returned to its 'original' name—the Florida Forest.

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and supportive of garden club activities, especially projects with the children at Kate Smith Elementary School. Over the years their combined efforts have planted many "seeds" and helped

provide educational opportunities in horticulture and floral designs to hundreds of young children.

Election of 2013-14 Officers was also held Wednesday. Officers for the upcoming year are as fol-

lows: President – Karen Roland; 1st Vice President – Glenda Wilson; 2nd Vice President – Linda Pigott; Treasurer – Lyndal Pleas; Correspondence Secretary – Marlene Ray; Recording Secretary/

Communications – Gweneth Collins, Chaplain – Charlotte Sapp.

The next meeting of Chipley Garden Club will be held at 10:30 a.m. on May 1. If you would like more information about Chipley

Garden Club or would like to attend a meeting, please contact Karen Roland at 638-9968. Our meetings are open to the public and new members are welcomed at any time.

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opportunities that Washington County has for preparing plans and submitting projects for the RESTORE Act grant applications program.

The Stakeholders Committee will accommodate handicapped and disabled persons who wish to attend this meeting. Contact the Planning

Department at 415-5093, at least 48 hours before the meeting date to make arrangements.

### 'Oz' tickets available

**CHIPLEY** — Tickets are on sale for The Chipley High School production of "The Wizard of Oz" at the CHS main office.

Tickets are \$10 each and reserved seats are available. The show opens on April 11 and runs through April 13 with curtain at 7 p.m. You will be completely entertained by the stage musical version of the timeless 1939 movie as the beloved characters come to life before your very eyes and you are

completely surrounded by enchantment while being treated to a live orchestra. Don't miss out.

### Fire Hydrant testing

**CHIPLEY** — Starting April 6, a contractor will be testing public fire hydrants within the city limits of Chipley. Because

the testing involves the increased flow of water from fire hydrants, some customers may notice discolored water during the testing or lower pressure. Testing and inspections will begin April 6, and continue each Saturday through the end of April.

If you have any questions or need any additional information contact the Chipley Fire Department at 638-6301.

### 'Flea Market Days' set for April 12-13

**CHIPLEY** — Chipley will be home to the second annual "Flea Market Days" on April 12 and 13, in conjunction with the Flea Across Florida

event being hosted by communities along a 272-mile-long stretch of I-10 extending from Lake City to Pensacola.

Clubs, organization, church groups and the general public have been invited to participate. Sales sites will range from large multi-organization sites to individual sites along Hwy 90 all across Washington County.

The sale will feature vendors selling everything from antiques, collectibles, furniture, odds and ends, as well as hand-crafted items and traditional yard sale fare.

Mark your calendar for April 12 and 13 and enjoy the 2013 Flea Across Florida.

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# Bay County Vet Center offers variety of services

## Kiwanis Club hears from Air Force veteran

Special to the News

**CHIPLEY** – The Chipley Kiwanis Club heard a program presented by retired United States Air Force 1st Sgt. Matt Standish.

Mr. Standish served in the USAF for 26 years before retiring approximately seven years ago. Mr. Standish spent the first 21 years of his service working with ordnance and munitions on fighter aircraft. He spent the last five years as a 1st Sergeant.

A 1st Sergeant is the senior enlisted man in a military command and is responsible for the health, morale, welfare, and discipline of all of his (or her) airmen or soldiers. Currently Mr. Standish works with the Bay County Vet Center located in Panama City.

The Vet Center Program was established by Congress in 1979 out of the recognition that a significant number of Vietnam era vets we still experiencing readjustment problems when re-enter civilian life after discharge for the military. Vet Centers are community based and part of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. In April 1991, in response to the Persian Gulf War, Congress extended the eligibility to veterans who served during other periods of armed hostilities after the Vietnam era.

Those other periods are identified as Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf, Somalia and Kosovo/Bosnia. In October 1996, Congress extended the eligibility to include WWII and Korean Combat Veterans.

The goal of the Vet Center program is to provide a broad range of counseling, outreach, and referral services to eligible veterans in order to help them make a satisfying post-war readjustment to civilian life.

On April 1, 2003 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs extended eligibility for Vet Center services to veterans of Operation Enduring Freedom; and in June 2003, Vet Center eligibility was extended to veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and subsequent Operation within the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT). The family members of all veterans listed above are eligible for Vet Center services as well. In August 2003, VA Secretary Anthony J. Principi authorized Vet Centers to furnish bereavement counseling services to surviving parents, spouses, children, and siblings of services members who die of any cause while on active duty, to include federally activated Reserve and National Guard personnel.

Readjustment counseling is a wide range of psychological and social services offered to eligible Veterans and their families in the effort to make a successful transition form military to civilian life. They include: Individual and group counseling for Veterans and their families; Family



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Matt Standish discusses the Bay County Vet Center with the Kiwanis Club on April 2.

counseling for military related issues; Bereavement counseling for families who experience an active duty death; Military sexual trauma counseling and referral; Outreach and education including Post Deployment Health Reassessment Program and community events; Substance abuse assessment and referral; Employment assessment and referral; Veteran benefits explanation and referral; Screening and referral for medical issues

including Traumatic Brain Injury, depression and other psychological issues.

The services provided are all strictly confidential. The Vet Center keeps all information, including who visits the Vet Center, confidential. All records are strictly confidential. They are kept at the Vet Center and are not shared with anyone or any other organization, including other units of the Veterans Administration.

The Bay County Vet Center

provides services for Veterans in Bay, Gulf, Calhoun, Jackson, Washington and Holmes counties.

The Kiwanis Club meets Tuesday's at Pattillo's restaurant in the middle of the WHTC campus at noon. For an invitation contact any Kiwanian or David Solger, Member Chairperson at 638-1276.

For more information about the Kiwanis Club of Chipley, visit [www.ChipleyKiwanis.com](http://www.ChipleyKiwanis.com).

## Relay EVENTS

### Miss. Washington County Relay

**WASHINGTON COUNTY** — Come be apart of the Miss. Washington County Relay Beauty Pageant. The pageant will be at 6 p.m. on Friday night April 12, for ages 11 to 18 and at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 13 for age's birth to 10 years old. Entry fee is \$50. You can pick up entry forms at C & C Bookkeeping, Washington County News or by contacting Naomi Carter at [ncrelayforlife@gmail.com](mailto:ncrelayforlife@gmail.com).

### 2013 Relay For Life Race For a Cure Car Show

**WASHINGTON COUNTY** — On behalf of the Washington County Relay for Life, we would like to invite you to bring your favorite Hot Rod and show it off in our first ever Race For a Cure Car Show. The show will be held at 9 a.m. on April 13, at Pal's Park in Chipley. Trophies will be awarded on the Relay stage at noon. Trophies will be awarded to the fans favorite car, first, second and third place and a Grand Champion trophy will be awarded to the Car or Club who turns in the most donations from your entry. There is no charge to enter your car. The club that enters the most cars will receive a plaque from the American Cancer Society in recognition of your club's contribution to a world with more birthdays. There is no year, make, or model limit to this show. There will be food, drinks, and entertainment available to all who enter or attend.

For more information contact Jimmy to register at 786-447-7440 or [jim@bigjimssmokinbutts.com](mailto:jim@bigjimssmokinbutts.com)

### Relay looking for survivors to be honored at Washington County Relay for Life 2013

**WASHINGTON COUNTY** — The Washington County Relay for Life is looking for survivors to honor at this year's Relay for Life 2013 event. If you are a cancer survivor your name, address and shirt size to the following locations for Relay updates, reservation at the Survivors Banquet and free survivor t-shirt: to the Washington County News (ask for Cathrine), or call Connie Wheeler at 260-4073. Or you can mail it to the Washington County News, C/O Cathrine Lamb, 1364 North Railroad Ave., Chipley, FL 32428. You can also send them by email to [clamb@chipleypaper.com](mailto:clamb@chipleypaper.com).

With all respect as employees of Washington County Commission we would like to voice our appreciation to our current County Administrator, Mr. Steve Joyner.

Since April 2011 we have had the pleasure of working with and for Mr. Joyner. He is an outstanding Administrator and a tremendous asset to this county. We would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You".

With the economy today, we have had some tough cutbacks at work. Being team players we have had to step up and help each other with work duties other than our own.

Mr. Joyner's impeccable dedication, professionalism, and leadership have been a stronghold in our everyday duties of assisting residents of Washington County. He successfully demonstrates his leadership abilities while maintaining an encouraging attitude. These efforts and enthusiasm have created a happier and more productive team, therefore; trying to make our work environment more pleasant.

Steve, we truly appreciate all you do for Washington County and want you to know it is a pleasure to have you for our County Administrator and we certainly appreciate "YOU" for being our leader!

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## VHS Theatre Department announces cast for 'Charlotte's Web'

Special to the News

**VERNON** — The Vernon High School Theatre Department is currently in full rehearsals for their children's production, "Charlotte's Web."

Directed by Kevin Russell the cast includes: Kate Burke as the Narrator, Michaela Weeks as the grandchild, Amber Burt as Fern Arable, Aaron Fugate as John Arable, Kori Maynor as Martha Arable, Taylor Young as Avery Arable, Nick Porter as Homer Zuckerman, Heidi Edwards as Edith Zuckerman, Dakota Ball as Lurvey, Dylan Rudd as Wilbur, Kevin Russell as Templeton, Jaclyn Coatney as Charlotte, Morgan McKenzie as the Goose, Austin Selden as the Gander, Ja'kevia Works as the Sheep, Kaylee Walsingham as the Lamb, Whitney Mullins as the Reporter, Sarah Boullard as the Photographer, Jacquell Watson as the Announcer, Sarah Coatney as Uncle, Audrey, Cray, Hill Holley as Baby Spiders, Angeleigh Donaldson, Tiffany Williamson, Nina Peterson as the Fair Judges, and Morgann Wells, Avanti Davis, Matthew Spittler, and Taylor Lilly as Fair Goers.

Destiny Clayton will serve as Stage Manager for this production.

The Children's Literature Association named this "the best American children's book of the past two hundred years." All the enchanting characters are here: Wilbur, the irresistible young pig who desperately wants to avoid the butcher; Fern, a girl who understands what animals say to each other; Templeton, the gluttonous rat who can occasionally be talked into a good deed; the Zuckerman family; the Arables; and most of all, the extraor-

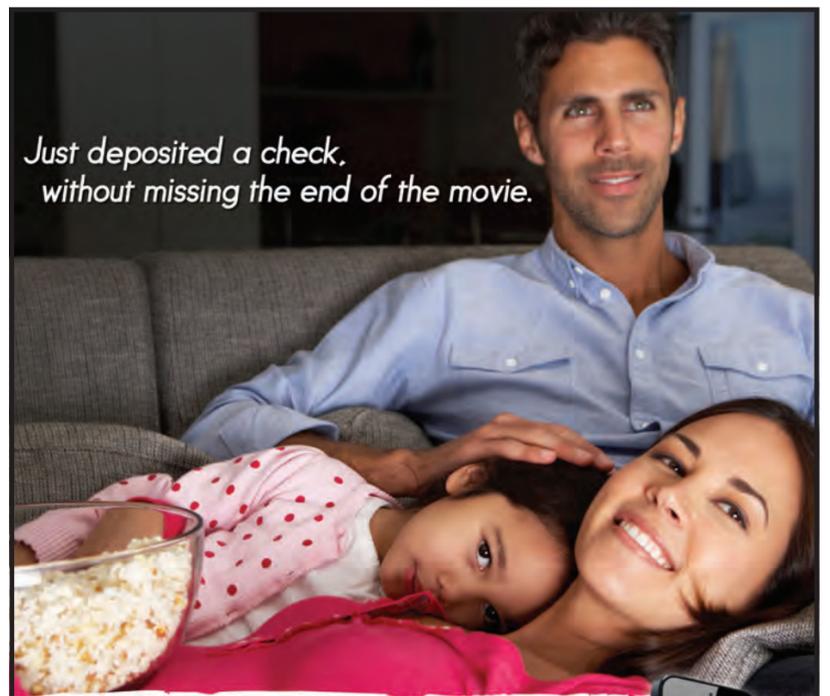
inary spider, Charlotte, who proves to be "a true friend and a good writer." Determined to save Wilbur, Charlotte begins her campaign with the "miracle" of her web in which she writes, "Some Pig." It's the beginning of a victorious campaign, which ultimately ends with the now-safe Wilbur doing what is most important to Charlotte. This is a beautiful, knowing play about friendship that will give the audience an evening of enchantment.

"Charlotte's Web," written by Joseph Robinette, based on the book by E.B.

White, and presented through special arrangement with The Dramatic Publishing Company, will take the stage May 16 17 at 7 p.m. nightly.

General admission tickets will go on sale to the public starting May 1, 2013 in the Vernon High School Main Office. Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$5 for student. Vernon High School is located at 3232 Moss Hill Road.

For further information, you can contact Director Kevin Russell at [vhs theatre@gmail.com](mailto:vhs theatre@gmail.com), or call 535-2046.



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## Faith EVENTS



### Christian Haven Church Jam Session

**CHIPLEY** — Christian Haven Church will be holding their monthly Jam Session at 6 p.m. on April 6. There will be refreshments with singing immediately afterward. For more information call 638-0836 or 773-2602.

### New Home Baptist presents 'The Gospel by Way of Chalk'

**GRACEVILLE** — Pastor Johnny Jones and the congregation of New Home Baptist Church invite you to a day of fun, food, and a unique gospel presentation on April 6.

Activities will begin around 4 p.m., with hamburgers, hotdogs and all the trimmings. This will be followed with Brother Al Leach sharing the gospel message by way of a chalk sermon. Brother Al is a commercial artist and a gospel preacher who has ministered for 30 years. In this unique presentation, you will see and hear the gospel as it is presented. The whole family young and old will be blessed and encouraged by this special presentation.

New Home Baptist Church is located just off Piano Road in Graceville. For more information call 326-4712 or 276-9891.

### Tent Revival of America

**BONIFAY** — The Florida Springs RV Resort and Campground will be hosting Todd Allen Herendeen's Tent Revival of America on April 6. The church and Veterans organization yard sale will begin at 4 p.m., with a gospel and patriotic music program at 7 p.m. food and soft drinks will be available.

The yard sale and tent program are free to everyone. For more information or to reserve camping spots call 258-3110.

### Jazz Chorus to perform

**MARIANNA** — St. Luke's Episcopal Church will be hosting the Troy University Vocal Jazz Chorus at 4 p.m. on April 14. There will be a meet the artist's reception following the recital. Donations will be accepted for the Fine Arts Series. For more information call 482-2431.

# Setting an example

Last week, Pope Francis set an example worthy of worldwide attention.

In some Christian denominations, Maundy Thursday (the Thursday before Easter) is observed with foot washing rites. This is in imitation of Jesus, who washed his disciples' feet. The new pontiff knelt to wash and kiss the feet of several prisoners. He stated, "Help one another. This is what Jesus teaches us. This is what I do. And I do it with my heart. I do this with my heart because it is my duty; as a priest and bishop I must be at your service." What a magnificent gesture.

And then I read that some traditionalists found it offensive. When I saw that, I was stunned. How could anyone oppose such an act of caring and humility? But apparently, some people found it beneath the Pope's dignity. Others were angry that he included female and non-Christian inmates. Some people cited canon law, stating that only males can participate in the foot-washing rite. Even if he did sidestep the rules in this case, maybe it's about time somebody did. Rules that exclude women are no less wrong when backed by organized religion. There are Biblical examples of Jesus ignoring certain aspects of religious law in order to serve others.

It remains to be seen what Pope Francis will do in the future, but he's off to a promising start. I've seen the phrase "a breath of fresh air" used



**SHANNON SEYLER**  
Faithfully Yours

**CHARITY OF THE WEEK:  
DIGNITY U WEAR**

Dignity U Wear is a Florida-based group that gives away brand new clothes. Far too often, children in need wear ragged, ill-fitting, second-hand clothes to school, and fear being bullied. This organization not only clothes children, but also homeless veterans, in addition to women and children in domestic abuse shelters. Many impoverished Americans have never owned a new coat, clothes, or even underwear (in fact, underwear is their most requested item). This isn't about handouts of ratty, stained, used clothing. It's about new clothes that recipients can be proud to wear to school or work. Dignity U Wear has given away over \$125 million worth of brand new clothes since the year 2000.

Dignity U Wear  
http://www.dignityuwear.org/  
136 North Myrtle Avenue  
Jacksonville, FL 32204  
904-636-9455

many times in regard to his papacy thus far. One online commentator said it all: "I'm an atheist, and I like this guy's style." Another person wrote, "I am a Muslim and I respect this Pope." Believers and non-believers alike are paying attention.

For those who think treating prisoners like human beings is beneath their dignity, Jesus and most of his apostles were prisoners at one time or another. They faced arrest, trials and incarceration. Jesus made a note about the importance of visiting prisoners (Matthew 25:36.) Christians who are too proud to deal with prisoners are ignoring the New Testament.

It's not just Christianity that teaches compassion toward the

imprisoned. There's a form of Buddhist meditation taking prison populations by storm. If you haven't heard of the Vipassana movement, it's being taught in prisons around the world, including the U.S. Even individuals who've breached the laws of society have a right to spiritual solace. Prisoners are not beneath anyone's dignity. We can't simply lock people up and forget about them.

The Pope has shown us, through a symbolic act, how to deal with marginalized members of society. Will we follow his lead and reach out to others, or just shrug it off and return to our safe little lives? Whether you're religious or not, there's something to be learned here. We can all serve others.

## Community CALENDAR

<p><b>MONDAY</b> 10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides bingo, exercise, games, activities, hot meals and socialization. 11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (ChIPLEY) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted. 6-7:30 p.m.: Salvation Army Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Program (SADVP) hosts a domestic violence support group at the SADVP Rural Outreach office, 1461 S. Railroad Ave., Apartment 1, in ChIPLEY. Call Emma or Jess at 415-5999.</p>	<p>Peg Russ at 638-451 6 p.m.: Holmes County Commission meets second Tuesdays. 7 p.m.: Narcotics Anonymous meeting, Blessed Trinity Catholic Church on County Road 177A</p>	<p>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.: Caregivers Meeting at Washington County Council on Aging in ChIPLEY for more information call 638-6216 2 p.m.: Writers Group meets the first 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. The public is invited to attend. 6 p.m.: Washington County Council on Aging Line Dancing Class for more information call 638-6216 6:30 p.m.: T.O.P.S. Mt. Olive Baptist Church on State Road 79 North. 7 p.m.: Narcotics Anonymous meeting,</p>	<p>Blessed Trinity Catholic Church on County Road 177A</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> 6 a.m.: Men's Breakfast and Bible Study at Hickory Hill Baptist Church in Westville. 10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides bingo, exercise, games, activities, hot meals and socialization. 11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (ChIPLEY) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: On third Fridays, Washington County Council on Aging (ChIPLEY) will have a plate lunch available to anyone as a fundraiser for our local senior citizens. Plates are \$6. Reservations at 638-6216 or 638-6217. 3:30: Bead Class every second Friday at Laurden-Davis Art Gallery call 703-0347 6-8 p.m.: Washington County Council on Aging 50+ dance club for more information call 638-6216 6-8 p.m.: Marianna's Gathering Place Foundation has a get-together for 50+ senior singles, widowed or divorced on last Fridays at Winn Dixie in Marianna. Come join the fun for games, prizes and snacks while you get your shopping done. Call 526-4561. 8 p.m.: Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at ChIPLEY Presbyterian Church.</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY</b> 8 to 9 a.m.: Tai Chi Class at the Washington County Public Library, ChIPLEY Branch 8 to 10 a.m.: Church Fellowship Breakfasts at Around the Corner Grill. Breakfast provided. All denominations welcome. 10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides hot meals and socialization. 11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (ChIPLEY) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted. Noon: ChIPLEY Kiwanis Club meeting. Noon: Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, New Life Assembly Fellowship Hall, ChIPLEY. 5 p.m.: BINGO at St. Joseph Catholic Church games start at 6:25 p.m. Call</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> 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.</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b> 7:30 a.m.: Washington County Chamber of Commerce breakfast every third Thursday 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.: Amazing Grace Church USDA Food Distribution every third Thursday (Holmes County Residents Only) 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.: Money Sense at Goodwill Career Training Center; call 638-0093; every third Thursday</p>	

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# Community EVENTS

## Washington County Kindergarten Registration

**CHIPLEY** — Kate M. Smith and Vernon Elementary School will begin Kindergarten Registration will be held on Monday, April 8, for the 2013-14 school year.

You may stop by the school office to pick up a registration packet. All requirements for registration will be attached to the packet. All forms and proper documentation must be completed for child to be registered. Children must be five years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2013. You must provide: Certified Birth Certificate (not hospital copy), Social Security card, Florida immunization record (can be obtained at location shots were received), Florida physical (must be dated within one year of first day of school) and proof of residency in Washington County.

## Senior Expo planned

**CHIPLEY** — Washington County Council on Aging will be holding their annual Senior Exp from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, at the Washington County Agricultural Center.

There will be food, and a grand prize drawing. Information will be handed out by hospitals, home health agencies, hospice agencies, state SHINE program, nursing home, funeral home pre-need, Florida telecommunication, the Washing Holmes Vo-Tech and many more.

## Spring Plant Sale

**DOTHAN, Ala.** — The Wiregrass Master Gardener Association will be holding its annual Spring Plant Sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, April 12, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 13.

The sale will be held in the master gardener nursery at the Dothan Area Botanical Gardens located on Headland Avenue in Dothan, Ala. Plants to be included are: annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs, ground covers, vines and ornamental grasses, trees shrubs, bulbs, house and tropical plants and succulents. The Association will provide soil pH testing, kits for soil analysis,

and fire ant control information.

Admission to the sale and the gardens is free and we encourage you to tour the beautiful gardens while at the sale.

Our plants are lovingly grown by master gardeners and reasonable priced. Purchase you plants from the gardens of the masters and receive knowledgeable planting information.

For more information call Cheryl Hatcher at 334-798-1034.

## Owens Cousins Reunion

**VERNON** — The Owens Cousins Reunion will be held on April 13 in the fellowship hall of Bonnet Pond Community Church.

Family and Friends are invited to come at 11 a.m. to visit and share memories and photographs. Stay to eat at noon. A slideshow of old and new photographs will be presented, and copies of photos and documents will be available. The church is located on Bonnet Pond Road between Vernon and Wausau.

For more information please call Susan Steverson at 547-5786.

## Second Annual Two-Toe Tom Festival

**ESTO** — The Second Annual Two-Toe Tom festival will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 13 at John W. Clark Park in Esto. There will be a Car and Truck Show on the day of the event with a 50/50 drawing and door prizes at 2 p.m. Registration for the Car and Truck Show will be from 8 to 10:30 a.m. the cost to enter the show is \$15 per vehicle. A Horseshoe Tournament will begin at 10 a.m. with a 60/40 split. The cost to enter the tournament will be \$20 per team.

There will be concerts through out the day by The Springs, Ron French (All Heart Music), Southern Chain Gang and Big and Loud. There will also be a dunking booth, a fire truck exhibit, cakewalk, face painting and vendors selling wood art, children's cloths, hand painted items, candles, arts and crafts, food and much more. For more information call Darlene Madden at 263-3201 or the Town of Esto at 263-6521.

## Shiver Reunion planned

**PENSACOLA** — Shiver Reunion will be held beginning at 10 a.m., and last all day on Saturday, April 13, at Blue Angel Recreation Area 2100 Bronson Road Pensacola. Bring covered dish of your choice and dress comfortably.

All Grand Children of Jacob, William, Sarah, Abraham, John, Elizabeth, Daniel, and James Shiver, please come and bring your family. Learn about your ancestors from 1734. Fun for everyone, children's play ground. For more information call Eustice or Judy Shiver 791-1175 in Pensacola.

## Bethlehem Springtime Heritage Day

**BONIFAY** — The 1st Annual Bethlehem Springtime Heritage day will be held from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 13. Breakfast will be cooked on an old wood stove and be served from 7 to 10 a.m. Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is entertainment scheduled all day, with a petting zoo, wagon rides, horse rides, plant sale and games and activities. Exhibitions of old time crafts and trades will also be set up.

## Kindle Class slated

**CHIPLEY** — Washington County Public Library will be holding a tablet class at 5 p.m. on April 16. The class will be held at the Chipley Branch. For more information call 638-1314.

## Legends and Lore set for April 19-20

**CHIPLEY** — The Friends of Falling Waters State Park will be having a good time at the 10th Annual Legends and Lore Festival on April 19 and 20. There will be living history demonstrators, animal exhibits, Civil War battle re-enactments, local artisans, crafts and great food.

You can also stop at the Library's table and chat with your Washington County Public Library staff. Have you always had a question you wanted to know about the staff or Library?

Now is you opportunity to ask and learn more about the services that the library provides.

## Poker Run planned

**GRITNEY** — Gritney Volunteer Fire Department will be putting on their 3rd Annual Poker Run Event April 20.

We will start off with a Pancake Breakfast, which we will start serving at 7 a.m. Registration for the run will began at 10 a.m. For more information please contact Mrs. Jessica at 547-2200.

## Celebrate National Library Week

**CHIPLEY** — This year National Library Week will be held on April 14 to 20, and highlights the theme "Communities Matter."

To show their appreciation, the Washington County Library staff will have daily drawings all week for individuals to win fun library prizes. Check out any library material to receive a free ticket.

You must be a library patron to enter. Remember to show you appreciation of you Library by thanking you County Commissioners, the Friends of Washington County Public Library and other government leaders for their funding support.

## Groce Reunion planned

**PANAMA CITY** — Plans for the Groce Reunion have been finalized. The Annual Groce Reunion will be held at noon on April 20, at Under the Oaks Park on Tyndall Parkway. All friends and relatives are more than welcome. For more information or directions call 773-3456.

## Tablet Class set

**CHIPLEY** — Washington County Public Library will be holding a tablet class at 5 p.m., April 23. The class will be held at the Chipley Branch. For more information call 638-1314.

## Miss Holmes County Beauty Pageant

**BONIFAY** — The Miss Holmes County Beauty Pageant Peanut

Preliminary will be held on May 4, at the Holmes County Ag Center. Registration will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., on April 17.

Little Miss and Miss Holmes County will be eligible to compete in the National Peanut Festival Pageant in October.

There are certain requirements that Little Miss and Miss Holmes County must meet to be eligible for the National Peanut Festival pageant. All age groups are open except the Little Miss and Miss divisions.

Age divisions are as follows: Baby Miss Holmes County zero – 11 months, Toddler Miss Holmes Count 12 to 23 months, Tiny Miss Holmes County 2 to 3 years, Future Little Miss Holmes County 4 to 6 years old not yet in the first grade, Little Miss Holmes County first grade, Petit Miss Holmes County grade second through fourth, Young Miss Holmes County fifth and sixth grade, Teen Miss Holmes County seventh and eighth grade, Junior Miss Holmes County ninth to 11th grade not over 16 by Oct. 1, 2013, Miss Holmes County 17 years of age by Oct. 1, 2013, and Ms. Holmes County Single, Married or Divorced.

This is a non-profit organization. For more information call Amanda at 547-5435 or Christi at 547-5668.

## Nook Class set

**CHIPLEY** — Washington County Public Library will be holding a tablet class at 5 p.m., Tuesday, April 9. The class will be held at the Chipley Branch. For more information call 638-1314.

## 'Flea Across Florida' Book Sale

**CHIPLEY** — From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, April 12, and Saturday, April 13, there will be a book sale on the lawn at the Washington County Public Library Chipley Branch, as part of "Flea Across Florida."

Flea Across Florida is a 292-mile long flea market and yard sale that stretches from Live Oak to Pensacola. Remember purchases go to the acquisition of new materials.



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IN THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO. 13-13 CP IN RE: Estate of Susan E. Kendrick, deceased

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of Susan E. Kendrick, deceased, whose date of death was March 22, 2012, and whose social security number is xxx-xx-8731, is pending in the Circuit Court for Washington County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 1293 Jackson Avenue, Post Office Box 647, Chipley, Florida 32428. The names and addresses of the Petitioner and the Petitioner's attorney are set forth below.

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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 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 April 6, 2013.

April Patterson 1052 Hwy 277 Chipley, FL 32428  
Personal Representative  
MICHELLE B. TAGERT,

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(850) 526-3633  
Florida Bar #70836  
Counsel for Personal Representative  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA**

CASE NO.: 12-000301-CA  
2010-3 SFR VENTURE, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
SUMMER LEASING, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT; Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION To the following Defendant(s):  
Summer Leasing, Inc., 1284 Jackson Avenue Chipley, FL 32428  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an amended action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:  
LOTS 4 THROUGH 11, BOTH INCLUSIVE, BLOCK FD. OF J.H.

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JOHNSON SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND BEING IN SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS.  
2002 DOUBLE WIDE FLEETWOOD MOBILE HOME S/N GAFL154A86771ET21 & GAFL154B86771ET21  
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As Clerk of the Court BY: K. McDaniel Deputy Clerk  
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Attorneys for Plaintiff

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, JUVENILE DIVISION FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 67-2008-DP-08  
IN THE INTEREST OF: S.D. MINOR CHILDREN DOB: 02/23/2008  
NOTICE OF ACTION (SEC. 39.801 (b) FS) The State of Florida to RONALD ANDERSON, natural mother whose residence and address is unknown. You are hereby notified that a Petition under oath has been filed in the above styled Court for the Termination of Parental Rights in the case of S.D., minor child, to licensed child placement agency for subsequent adoption. You are hereby notified that an Advisory Hearing will be held before the Honorable Christopher N. Patterson, Judge of the Circuit Court, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, at the Holmes County Courthouse 201 N Oklahoma Street, Bonifay, Florida 32425, on the 14th day of May, 2013, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., CENTRAL TIME. You have the right to appear with counsel at this hearing. If you can not afford legal representation, the Court will appoint counsel for you at this

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hearing upon the determination of insolvency. You must either appear on the date and at the time specified or send a written response to the Court prior to that time. YOUR FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF THESE CHILDREN. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED, YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE CHILD OR CHILDREN.

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Notice of Application for Tax Deed  
Notice is hereby given that, TC 10L LLC, c/o Pender Newkirk & Co, LLC the holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
Certificate Number 1310 Year of Issuance 2010 Parcel Number: 00-4151-0141  
Description of Property Lot B-141, First Addition to Leisure Lakes

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Name in which Assessed: Alicia Alarcon Chabanne  
Said property being in Washington Co., Florida. Unless such certificate shall be re-deemed according to the law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on April 24, 2013 at 10:00 AM.  
Dated this 19th, day of March, 2013.  
Linda Hayes Cook, Clerk of Court, Washington Co. FL.  
By: Kayla Everett, Deputy Clerk  
WARNING: There are unpaid taxes on property which you own or you have legal interest. The property will be sold at public auction on April 24, 2013 unless the back taxes are paid in full. To make arrangements for payment or to receive further information, contact the Clerk of Court immediately at PO Box 647, 1293 Jackson Ave, Chipley, FL 32428 or phone 850-636-6008 ext 244.  
Amount to Redeem for March \$7,993.21  
Amount to Redeem for April \$8,108.59  
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Description of Property: Commence at a one-half inch metal rebar (#2456) marking the Southwest corner of Section 20, Township 4 North, Range 12 West, Washington County, Florida; thence North 00 degrees 47 minutes 03 seconds West along the West line of said Section 20 for a distance of 30.40 feet to the intersection with the North Right of way line of County Road No. 280; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 07 seconds East along said North Right of way line for a distance of 1507.30 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 31 seconds East 457.58 feet to the Point of Be-

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gining; thence de- par- tinent said Right of way line, North 00 degrees 22 minutes 53 seconds East 571.15 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 09 seconds East, 458.26 feet; thence South 00 degrees 22 minutes 53 seconds West, 519.17 feet aforesaid North Right of way line and a point on a curve being concave Northwesterly, having a radius of 1115.84 feet, a central angle of 17 degrees 33 minutes 46 seconds and a chord bearing and distance of South 81 degrees 36 minutes 29 seconds West, 340.70 feet; thence along the arc of said curve and said Right of way line 342.04 feet; thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds West, 131.04 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 6.00 acres, more or less. Name in which Assessed: Guy a Gangi and Allen Sytt Said property being in Washington Co., Florida. Unless such certificate shall be re- deemed according to the law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on April 24, 2013 at 10:00 AM. Dated this 19th, day of March, 2013. Linda Hayes Cook, Clerk of Court, Washington Co. FL. By: Kayla Everett, Deputy Clerk

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## Downtown living option is a plus for building owners, city growth

As you may be aware from the local news, the City of Chipley is in the process of revising its ordinance that deals with individuals living in the core downtown of Chipley. At one point people did live in downtown Chipley, but that was a long time ago.

The Chipley Redevelopment Agency has long been an advocate for this change and realizes a vibrant downtown requires residents to not only live downtown, but also to shop, eat and recreate. The position of the CRA is simple and actually offers the owners of the downtown buildings who have a second floor more options.

It is not well-known, but there are several apartments that exist in the core downtown area. Under current law, however, only the owners of the building can live in their own building.

In trying to do its mission and help in the redevelopment of downtown Chipley, the CRA believes that giving the building owners more options to do things with their buildings is a good thing. If the city allows a living component to happen, this may be the first step to encourage building owners to



**Ted Everett**  
Executive  
Director



renovate their properties and develop apartment units in their buildings.

Some property-owners already have apartment units in place, and now they may take advantage of the new ruling and develop an additional source of rental income. An attractive, active downtown is a draw for young single professionals as well as young couples just starting out in life.

I have heard many arguments both pro and con on this issue, but truly the offering of a living component by the City of Chipley creates only opportunities for the property-owners.

It will be the owners' choice to either build or not build the units. During difficult economic times providing creative opportunities to



our businesses is a welcomed option. Before the City took this action, the owners did not have this option.

Revitalizing downtown, any downtown, is not an easy task. The CRA applauds the City and the

progressive steps that it is taking. As in all things in life we are all connected to one another and only together can we work and effect positive change. Everyone's participation and support is needed.

## A Message from the President

Within our county, state and nation, it seems we are in a mode of suspended animation. With all the doom and gloom from downturns, fiscal cliffs, sequestrations, regulations, etc., we are living in a bunker mentality, hunkered down and afraid to make a move.

When you've been that way for awhile, you forget that you can move and remain focused on the problems that keep you from taking any steps. You don't even lift your head to recognize that, despite all predictions, the sky hasn't fallen, and you're still around.

So I'm suggesting it's time to take stock of where you are in business, and your



**Nicole Barefield**

personal lives, and evaluate what moves you can make to keep your business and life headed in the right direction. Like it or not, nothing in this world is static. Change will happen and now is the time to make sure you have some say in what those changes will be.

From a business perspective, it's good to know you don't have to go it alone. The Chamber is there to help you navigate through difficult choices and see the way going forward.

The Chamber can help with resources that might let your business expand. The Chamber has sponsored seminars to make you a better employee, manager and even understand how to manage your credit.

The Chamber is an advocate for businesses and business development with local, state and national legislators, ensuring issues affecting individual and

county businesses are addressed. You'll see in this issue of the *Advocate* the strategic initiatives already underway for economic development in this county.

Sometimes the best service the Chamber provides is to bring its members together for some fun and fellowship. Spending time with colleagues can give you insight on best practices and common issues, and educate you about opportunities to grow your business. At the March Third Thursday, members learned some businesses in Washington County might qualify for BP settlement money – who would have believed it?

As part of its mission to improve the quality of life in Washington County, the Chamber is even working on ways to reduce serious health issues – such as diabetes and obesity – in our community  
See **RESOURCE** page 7

## A Message from the Executive Director

Greetings readers! It is great to see that Spring has arrived.

Speaking of Spring activity, the Chamber has just wrapped up its annual banquet. This year the program was an evening of Bluegrass music featuring the Big River Bluegrass Band. As many in the area can attest, Bluegrass music is very popular within our region and the program was enjoyed by all.

Special Kudos to Cindy Johnson Brown as the Jean Hollingsworth Ambassador of the Year. Cindy is our Ambassador chair and has done an excellent job with our Ambassador program. Once again, our Ambassadors have made difference in our communities and we thank Cindy and all



**Ted Everett**

the Ambassadors for their efforts and support of the Chamber.

Congratulations also to Dr. Mark Taylor and Taylor Chiropractic as the Washington County Business of the Year! We received some great nominations for businesses who were truly worthy of recognition, but a tip of the hat to Taylor Chiropractic for its business development and community involvement in Washington County.

The Chamber also welcomes new board member Joy Davis, manager of the Chipley Walmart Supercenter. Joy brings an incredible amount of business experience to the board and we all look forward to having the benefit of her expertise and experience for the betterment of our business community.

The Chamber hosted its first Sporting Clay Tournament in March at Hard Labor Creek Shooting Sports complex. The par-

ticipants say they had a great time. Special thanks to board members Gary Clark and Garrett Martin for all their hard work in organizing this event.

In May, the Chamber will launch a Membership Drive. It will run about two weeks and during that time, please remember to follow us on Facebook and also on our website for updates.

If you are not a member, please feel free to call me and/or attend our new Member Luncheon where we will discuss all the activities conducted by the Chamber for the benefit of our businesses and our communities. More details to come.

On a personal note, many thanks to the board of the Chamber of Commerce and staff as well as the many members that lent their support through the last six weeks after my surgery. All is good and again, thanks to all for your support.

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## There will not be a Third Thursday in April

### May 16 Third Thursday

**Program: Florida Rep. District 5 Marti Coley gives us an update on legislative issues in the current session.**



Marti Coley is the Speaker pro tempore for 2012-2014. She currently serves on the state Appropriations, Judiciary and Rules and Calendar committees, as well as the subcommittee for Energy & Utilities.

Coley was elected to the Florida House of Representatives in 2005, and has subsequently been re-elected. Her legislative service also includes chairing the Bay County Legislative Delegation since 2006; Deputy Majority Whip from 2006-2008; K12 Education Committee vice-chair, and Postsecondary Education committee chair.

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## Davis joins Chamber board

Joy Davis, store manager of Walmart #2114 in Chipley, has joined the Washington County Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

Davis is originally from Dothan, Ala., where she graduated from Dothan High School.

She started in the retail industry in 1986 with Food



World grocery stores as an assistant manager. Davis joined Walmart in 1997 and has served the company in various capacities throughout the Florida Panhandle and Wiregrass area in Alabama.

Davis is an avid sports fan, especially of the Alabama Crimson Tide. She plans to remain in the Panhandle and serve the community for many years to come.

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# EDC creates road map for economic growth

## Gary Clark, EDC Chair

"The Washington County Economic Development Council's Mission is to create an economic climate for business expansion and prosperity by promoting positive solutions for growth through planning, marketing and collaboration among the Council, business, community and government."

At first glance the statement may look like just another catch phrase, but business leaders across this county have poured heart and soul into shaping and defining what would become the new mission statement for the Washington County Economic Development Council (EDC). Over the course of many long strategic planning sessions your EDC has been working to lay out the road map to our future through planned growth and the creation of new jobs and opportunities for the citizens of this county.

The council set out to not only define our vision but to narrow our mission as well. As the primary funding mechanism for economic development the council has committed to focusing our efforts on raising the necessary funds to promote Washington County and to assist businesses with potential growth opportunities.

This effort will focus on private sector funding but will also take a commitment from community and government leaders as well.

The plan that was developed includes areas of key initiatives, two of which are listed below.

Business Retention and Expansion- the Council agrees that the most important step that could be taken to grow the economy of Washington County and to create new jobs is to focus on existing business. Council leaders recognize that few programs

exist on the county, state or federal level that assists existing businesses. Efforts are being made to expand current enterprise zones to enhance business incentives for every business throughout the county. In addition, all efforts will be focused on developing strategies and regulatory relief that will give expanding business the same advantage that new businesses moving into a community receive. From funding, incentives, regulation and permitting, all areas of concern will be addressed.

Create and maintain a business friendly environment. There is an old saying in economic development, "Business goes where it is invited and it stays where it feels welcome". The EDC recognizes the need to make certain that business, government, tourism and the environment work together for the common good of the citizens. Communication and collaboration on

issues is key to this success and can only be enhanced by the development of a stronger network of leadership.

The EDC will soon propose the creation of a "super-council" to address this need. The idea of the super-council is simply a regularly scheduled meeting of the representatives of all the major political sub groups within the county. This would include city, county, school, law enforcement, DOT and other governmental entities with any jurisdiction within the county. The goal would be simply to communicate the common needs, ideas and objectives that we all share.

These are just a few of the many new and exciting initiatives that will be undertaken this year by your EDC. Stay tuned for more details and more in depth information on our mission to build a better Washington County!

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## Taylor Chiropractic is Business of the Year

Taylor Chiropractic was recognized as the 2012 Chamber Business of the Year at the annual banquet April 4. Taylor Chiropractic has been in business since 2008, taking over the practice of Steiger Chiropractic Center in Chipley.

In the past five years Dr. Mark Taylor and his staff have treated hundreds of patients with an effort to bring a "unique combination of quality healthcare in a warm and relaxed environment," according to Taylor. Two years ago, the business upgraded to a larger facility in downtown Chipley and now has seven employees, including three massage therapists.

In the nomination letter, Taylor was characterized as an alternative medicine health care professional concerned with the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of disorders of the neuromusculoskeletal system and the effects of these

disorders on general health. Taylor takes a holistic approach to healing the body, and he encourages a healthy lifestyle, including the cessation of smoking.

In the nomination Taylor was recognized for leadership in "policy-making regarding economic development and organization". Taylor is a member of the Kiwanis and Chamber of Commerce. He supports local little league teams and Project Graduation, and volunteers his time at local health fairs providing free screenings and free massages.

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# THIRD THURSDAY HIGHLIGHTS



## February-March Third Thursday Highlights...

Clockwise from left, Ron Bell of NWF Consulting presents the program on history of BP Oil Spill and claims eligibility of Washington County businesses; George Burkley, Chief Strategy Office of Signature HealthCARE, outlined Signature's philosophy. Signature HealthCARE recently purchased Northwest Florida Community Hospital in Chipley; a cold morning crowd welcomes Executive Director Ted Everett back after knee surgery; Chipley Garden Club Rep. Beth Watford presented Yard of the Month to Lanell Weiss, 682 3rd St.; Ted Everett presents Chipley Garden Club Yard of the Month to John and Becky Dougherty of 904 Main St.; Dr. Bruce Christmas of the Washington County Farm Bureau.



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## Kudos to...

- **Gary Clark**, vice-president of Member Services for West Florida Electric Cooperative, on his appointment to the Water Management District Board by Gov. Rick Scott.
- **Sheila Barbee**, broker associate for ERA Chipola Realty, for her recognition as Realtor of the year by the Chipola Board of Realtors.
- WC Chamber Executive Director **Ted Everett** who was elected as vice-chair of the State Off Highway Vehicle Committee.
- Resident Beekeeper **Laurence Cutts**, recent recipient of Florida's Folk Heritage Award in recognition of his achievements perpetuating the traditional art of beekeeping and honey production.
- **4-H Sureshots** shooting team for winning several first and second place awards at state competition and individual qualifications for nationals.

### RESOURCE from page 2

through programs such as We Can. It was disheartening to learn how poorly Washington County ranks in health-related issues within Florida, and we all have a responsibility to address these issues personally, as well as our within

our workforce.

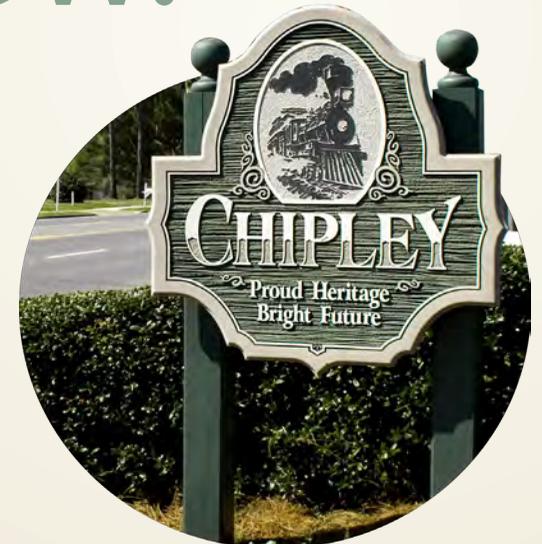
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## Chamber Ambassador of the Year

Cindy Johnson Brown was awarded the Jean Hollingsworth Ambassador of the Year award at the annual Chamber banquet in April.

“Cindy has been a great chairperson of the Ambassadors,” said Executive Director Ted Everett. “Her dedication and efforts given are greatly appreciated, and she’s obviously very deserving of the Jean Hollingsworth Volunteer of the Year award.”

“I feel being an Ambassador is a privilege and an honor,” said Johnson Brown recently in an Advocate article. “As an Ambassador I represent the Chamber at many civic and social functions, assist in new member solicitation, member retention programs and serve on the marketing committee,” said Johnson Brown, who recently joined the national association of Chamber Ambassadors.



Johnson Brown is a Speech Language Pathologist who treats children and adults with a wide variety of disorders in speech sound production, voice, fluency, language, cognition, and feeding/swallowing. She has enjoyed

extensive healthcare experience with public and private schools, hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, and individuals’ homes.

In 2013, Johnson Brown started her own private practice, TherapyWorld of Northwest Florida, LLC., which promotes “healing for a better life.” The office

will be located at 930 Main Street. She believes in advocating for individuals and families through community awareness, health literacy, education, and training programs to promote and facilitate access to full participation in

See **AMBASSADOR** page 10

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## Chamber Annual Hunt



Rainy weather didn't hamper the fun or fellowship at the annual Chamber Hunt in February. Proceeds from this activity are split with the Washington County Chamber of Commerce and the Washington County 4-H Club. Pictured at the check presentation are, from left: WC Chamber Past President Philip Pippin, District 5 State Rep. Marti Coley, former State Rep. Brad Drake, District 6 State Rep. Jimmy Patronis and EDC Chair Gary Clark.

**AMBASSADOR** from page 8 communication.

In addition to chairing the WCCC Ambassadors, Johnson Brown is a member of ASHA, FLASHA, Kiwanis, Washington County Arts Council board of directors and Take Stock in Children.

After graduating from Chipley High School in 1992, Johnson Brown pursued her Speech Language Pathol-

ogy bachelor's degree at the University of Central Florida in Orlando. She obtained her master's degree in Speech Language Pathology at Nova Southeastern University, where she is currently completing her doctorate in the same specialty.

Johnson Brown is married to Gary Brown and has one child, Olivia Grace Brown. They enjoy horseback riding, kayaking, and traveling.



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- 8 5:30 pm - WC School Board Meeting  
7 pm - Vernon Council Meeting
- 9 5 pm - WC Planning & Zoning @ Annex  
6 pm - Chipley City Council Meeting  
6 pm - Caryville Town Council Meeting  
6 pm - Ebro Town Council Meeting
- 10 9 am-1 pm-WC Council on Aging-Senior Expo@Ag Ctr  
Noon - Chipley Woman's Club Mtg @ Clubhouse
- 11 6 pm - Wausau Town Council Meeting
- 12 WC Relay for Life @ Pal's Park - Chipley
- 13 7 pm - Big River Bluegrass Band Concert @ STP
- 15 Noon - Ambassadors Meeting  
6 pm. - Vernon Town Council Workshop
- 17 10:30 am - Wausau Garden Club
- 18 NO THIRD THURSDAY IN APRIL
- 19-20 10th Annual Legends & Lore Festival - FWSPark
- 22 4 pm - WC TDC Workshop/Boad Meeting  
7 pm - Vernon Council Meeting
- 24 Administrative Professionals Day
- 25 9 am - Wash. Co. Commission Mtg @ Annex
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- 3 National Teacher's Day
- 5 Cinco de Mayo
- 6 6:00pm -Vernon Town Council Workshop
- 7 6:00pm -Chipley City Council Meeting
- 8 Noon - Chipley Woman's Club Mtg @ Clubhouse
- 12 Mother's Day
- 14 6:00pm -Ebro Town Council  
6:00pm -Caryville Town Council
- 13 5:30pm -Washington County School Board Meeting  
7:00pm -Vernon City Council Meeting
- 20 6:00pm -Vernon Town Council Workshop  
Noon- Chamber Ambassador Mtg.
- 16 7:30am -Chamber 3rd Thurs. Mtg @ NFCH Sp Ctr
- 23 9 am - Wash. Co. Commission Mtg @ Annex
- 24 Full Flower Moon
- 27 4pm -WC TDC Workshop/Meeting @ Chamber  
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