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IN BRIEF

Kindergarten registration

WASHINGTON COUNTY — Kate M. Smith and Vernon elementary schools will begin kindergarten registration April 8 for the 2014-2015 school year. 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 complete for child to be registered. Children must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2014.

Orange and Blue Golf Classic

VERNON — Vernon Middle School will have the Orange and Blue Golf Classic to benefit girls and boys athletic programs on Saturday, April 5, at the Sunny Hills Golf Club. A fee of \$65 per person or \$260 per four-man/woman team includes green fees, cart rental, breakfast, lunch and prizes. Tournament format is a Captains' Choice Scramble. There will be an 8 a.m., shotgun start. Individual registrations are welcome; you will be assigned to a team. Hole sponsorships are \$50 per sign. For questions and registration, call Laurie Simmons at 258-4332 or VMS at 535-2808.

TDC to partner with VisaVue

From staff reports

The Washington County Tourist Development Council voted to partner with Visit Florida in a cooperative effort to gain tourist data through the VisaVue program.

Visa introduced its VisaVue Travel tourism reporting product to U.S. tourism organizations in 2008 and provides reports to the

industry on a variety of popular tourist destinations every year.

The product has caught the attention of TDC organizations across the nation.

The cost will be about \$2,000 annually, but the Council says they will sign up for the rest of the year and see if it's something they want to continue.

"This is a good product because it's trackable," said Heather Lopez

TDC administrative assistant.

"We need all the data we can get, and this will track where people are going, staying and what activities they're enjoying while in the area. It's only Visa users, but Visa is the largest credit card company in the United State."

Data gathered will include:

- Analysis of visitation trends and visitor volume for

Washington County.

- Visitor and visitor party demographics, length of stay and other pertinent characteristics.

- Market share on a national basis to allow for comparison to competitive destinations.

- Annual statewide visitor spending estimates.

- Data on new and emerging markets with visitor potential.

Voters' call



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Floridians could make final decision on slots

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EBRO — 57 percent of Washington County voters checked "yes" on a January 2012 referendum that would allow slot machines at Ebro Greyhound Park — and it could be voters statewide who decide what happens next.

The Gaming House

committee approved a gambling overhaul last week that would open the door for slots to be permitted at the Ebro parimutuel establishment, as well as others across the state. A bill, introduced by State Representative Matt Gaetz (R), would give voters the final say on future action taken by the state regarding gaming expansion.

"We are a gambling state

in Florida," said Gaetz, "but whether or not we expand that gambling footprint is so important that it's one ... question that should be sent to the people of Florida."

As previously projected, the committee also rubber-stamped the creation of the Gaming Control Board, a new agency to regulate all

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2 arrested in local church theft

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CHIPLEY — The Washington County Sheriff's Office reported two arrests have been made in connection with thefts that occurred at a local church.

The WCSO responded to Faith Journey Baptist Church in reference to a reported theft Wednesday, March 19. Investigators found several pieces of equipment had been stolen, including mowers, box blades and mower reels.

During the course of the investigation, two white male suspects were identified and subsequently arrested in connection with the thefts.

Arrested were Allen Paul Rhodes, 22, and David Robert Melanchuk, 27.

Both men are charged with two counts each of trespassing and theft, with more charges expected.

Sheriff Haddock asks that anyone with information on illegal activity contact the WCSO anonymously at 638-TIPS (8477) or by email at tips@wco.us.



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DAVID MELANCHUK

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Convicted drug dealer sentenced to 17.5 years

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CHIPLEY — A Chipley man has been sentenced to serve 17.5 years in prison for his role in illegal drug activity in Washington County. The sentence was handed down by a federal judge to 36-year-old Demond Levar Johnson, aka "Kilo," of Pecan Street in Chipley Wednesday, March 19. Johnson was sentenced to serve 211 months, followed by 36 months supervised release after pleading guilty in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida.

The sentence comes in the

wake of his September 2013 arrest for the sale of crack cocaine after an investigation that included undercover officers making several purchases of cocaine and crack cocaine from Johnson. The investigation ended with a foot chase, which led to investigators finding a "significant amount of crack cocaine and marijuana" in Johnson's possession.

Johnson was also in possession of a loaded firearm during those drug sales, according to a report by the Chipley Police Department. Johnson admitted he used the gun for protection during the narcotics transactions.



DEMOND LEVAR JOHNSON

Johnson's prison sentence in Federal court is a result of the fact that he, a convicted felon, was in possession of a .380 caliber bullet. Johnson is still awaiting sentencing on the charges of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and possession of cannabis.

This investigation was a joint effort by the Chipley Police Department, the Washington County Sheriff's Office and the Department of Justice's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms.

"We are happy to get another

drug dealer gone from our community," said Chipley Police Chief Kevin Crews. "We will continue to aggressively combat the sale of illegal street narcotics from within our community. It is my intent for the Chipley Police Department to partner with A.T.F. on future investigations in Chipley regarding armed drug dealers. I encourage everyone to continue to report illegal activity in your area."

Please continue to call with any information concerning illegal drug activity. You can call the Chipley Police Department at (850) 638-6310. If you want to remain anonymous you can call the Crime Stoppers of Washington County at (850) 638-TIPS.



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Gaetz adds 'Stand Your Ground' to bill

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State Rep. Matt Gaetz has introduced legislation to allow people found innocent of criminal charges using the Stand Your Ground defense the ability to request their records in those cases be expunged.

The amendment, introduced Wednesday and passed by the House on Thursday as an adjunct to a larger bill, generated controversy because some media outlets believe Gaetz's proposal would hinder public access to court records.

"One Florida lawmaker is seeking to impede the media's

ability to scrutinize the law," the Huffington Post Politics website reported.

Gaetz said that under his amendment, a vindicated Stand Your Ground defendant would have to seek certification from a state attorney "that says you stood your ground and charges would be improper."

Only then, Gaetz said, could the defendant petition a judge to expunge the official court record.

"If someone rightfully stands their ground and a state attorney and judge agree they rightfully stood their ground, I don't believe that a person should have a criminal record for the rest of their life," said Gaetz, R-

Fort Walton Beach.

The Tampa Bay Times investigated Stand Your Ground in 2012 by reviewing 200 cases in which the law had been used as defense in a criminal proceeding.

Times Editor and Vice President Neil Brown, quoted on the Huffington Post website, said his paper's investigation would have been more difficult with Gaetz's legislation in place.

"Closing records and putting controversial cases that involve violence into the dark is a bad idea," Brown was quoted as saying. "Our work was done based on court records as well as the stories of the incidents when they occurred."

Gaetz said the Times "misrepresented the issue."

"The amendment I passed gives no Floridian any automatic right to expunge an arrest," he said.

Neither would his amendment prevent media scrutiny of the Stand Your Ground law, Gaetz said.

"It is not the intent of this legislation to prohibit access to data," he said.

Arrest records would remain available, as would any request to a state attorney for a certification of eligibility to expunge. The court hearing where a request to expunge would be decided also would be open to the public, Gaetz said.

The amendment, which Gaetz said originated as a suggestion by Florida Department of Law Enforcement, was added to House Bill 89. It deals with a number of self-defense issues.

Gaetz said much of what was included in the House bill is meant to bolster it against a Senate bill he and other conservatives view as "a vehicle to weaken the Stand Your Ground law."

"I feel comfortable saying the House will not take up any bill that will weaken Stand Your Ground," he said.

If consensus can't be reached between the two chambers, existing Stand Your Ground legislation would remain in place.

Treatment for mom accused of driving kids in ocean

DAYTONA BEACH (AP) — A pregnant South Carolina woman charged with attempted murder after she drove her car into the ocean with her three children inside will be allowed to receive in-hospital psychiatric care until a doctor says she's fit to return to jail, according to an agreement announced Tuesday.

Ebony Wilkerson, 32, earlier this month drove her minivan into the surf off Daytona Beach, Fla., and bystanders and officers helped pull her and her children — ages 3, 9 and 10 — from inside as it was almost submerged. According to a charging affidavit, one of her children told detectives that "Mom tried to kill us."

Wilkerson's hospital treatment started about two weeks ago and includes group therapy sessions, said her public defender Jim Purdy said. She had been in isolation, but now will be

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allowed the recreational exercise time.

"Now she can at least have some contact with other people," Purdy said.

Both the state and defense announced the treatment agreement during a 10-minute bond hearing. It was a continuation of a hearing that began last week. Judge Leah Case wanted to hear more testimony before making a decision.

Part of the agreement includes a 24-hour notice from Wilkerson's doctor to prosecutors, defense and the jail, when she is medically-fit to return to jail. That return also can't take place on Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

Wilkerson's defense attorneys agreed to withdraw a request to reduce her

\$1.2 million bond on three for attempted murder and three child abuse charges, all felonies. They can refile it later.

Wilkerson also will receive prenatal care and be allowed supervised recreational time.

"Both the state and the defense have an interest in making sure that Miss Wilkerson receives the care that she is receiving right now," Purdy said afterward. "That is what our goal is, to basically make sure that while this case is pending that she is stabilized and she has the treatment she is currently receiving, and it continues until it is no longer necessary."

Wilkerson has denied trying to hurt her children,

telling investigators she was driving too close to the water, "and the waves pulled her in," according to the charging affidavit. The children also told authorities they went to Florida to try to escape their father and described a history of violence between their parents.

Dollie Wilkerson, who said she was Ebony Wilkerson's aunt, said after the hearing she was happy the attorneys came to the agreement.

"My niece needs help. She doesn't need to be in jail," she said. "She needs to be where she is. She knows it. Everybody knows it. And we hope she gets the treatment she needs."

A beach safety officer

who helped rescue the family reported Wilkerson looked fatigued and her speech was confusing when he interviewed her in the hospital where she had been taken.

He said he could not elaborate on her prognosis without violating doctor and patient confidentiality.

On the issue of her bond, Purdy said that because the motion was withdrawn without prejudice, it allows the defense the option to raise the issue again later. He said that will be a decision that will be made based on how the case progresses.

"The bond is irrelevant right now. It could be no bond, it could be \$1.2 million, it could be \$1,000," Purdy said. "The problem is right now she needs to be where she is. She knows it, everybody knows it, and we're just hoping she gets the treatment that she needs."

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gambling in the state, with the exception of the Florida Lottery. Similar bills are moving in the Senate but have not yet been voted on.

Meanwhile, officials at Ebro Greyhound Park are still hopeful they'll receive a green light on their proposed \$300 million expansion, which would include a contemporary resort and entertainment center, as well as create jobs in the area.

"The expansion is expected to create 1,500 or more direct and indirect jobs and generate millions of dollars in direct revenues to Washington County and its schools and municipalities through a revenue sharing agreement," said Ebro track president and general manager Stockton Hess.

Look for more on this issue as it develops in upcoming editions of the Washington County News.



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When my parents married, my father was a teacher in a small rural school and my mother was a hairdresser in a beauty shop. My mother went to college ten years after she graduated from high school. Although my mother had two young children, she worked two jobs to help support the family while attending college. She then became a teacher and is currently in her 30th year in the educational system working with children with disabilities. My father retired after 30 years in education. While my father taught, he also drove a school bus to help supplement the family's income. This meant that he worked twelve (12) hour days, five days a week.

I am very proud of my family. Both parents, by example, taught my brother and I the importance of hard work and respect for others.

I met my husband in law school and marrying him was the second best decision of my life. (The best decision was to become a Christian.) After we married, we returned to his home in Calhoun County, where he is a sixth generation Calhoun Countian. His family background, values, and beliefs are similar to mine.

We have been blessed with two wonderful sons. The oldest son is ten and the youngest is five. Both boys love baseball. One of our favorite family activities is to attend their baseball games.

I have practiced law for the past fifteen years. My experience is extensive and includes criminal law, family law, real estate law, labor law cases and numerous other types of civil litigation.

For the past thirteen years I have been the County Attorney for the Liberty County Board of County Commissioners. My law office, Shalene Grover, P.A., is located across the street from the Jackson County Courthouse in Marianna.

If I am elected, I will apply the values my parents taught me as a child. I will work hard and be fair. I will also strive to make the system efficient and user friendly. My decisions will be based on the law and on common sense.

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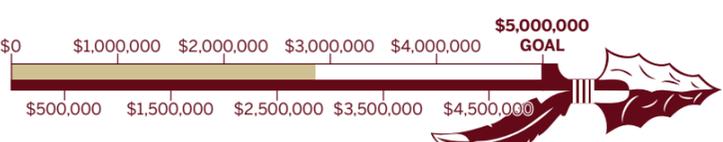
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Be aware of toxic household items

As caring pet owners, we are typically well aware of the various dangers that threaten our furry friends' safety. Keeping their vaccinations up to date, making sure they are properly groomed, and providing them with the most nutritious food to ensure good health are just a few things that we tend to with the utmost importance. However, numerous pet-poisonous items commonly found around our households are often overlooked and can be detrimental to our pets' lives.



PET TALK

household plants, foods and chemicals that are considered safe for human use are toxic to our pets. Some of the most dangerous plants to keep out of your pets reach include any flowers in the lily family, including sago palms, oleander, foxglove, castor bean and poinsettias. Though these are bad for both cats and dogs, the toxic dose often differs between species.

"Some of the most common foods that can be toxic to dogs are grapes and raisins, or any food items containing the artificial sweetener xylitol,

which can be contained in chewing gum as well as many low-calorie foods as a sugar substitute," said Dr. Medora Pashmakova, a clinical associate professor in emergency and critical care at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. "Chocolate is also a well-known toxin to pets; however, it's particularly the dark chocolate and baking chocolate varieties that pose the real threats due to their higher cocoa and theobromine content."

Although cats are more discerning when it comes to eating household items, grooming themselves after coming into contact with any toxic chemicals

can be very dangerous. "Owners of cats should be vigilant about any chemical spills or even the use of countertop cleaning products, which can be caustic when cats groom themselves after being in contact," Pashmakova said. "In addition, even small volumes of ingested antifreeze or coolant fluid can be lethal to cats and requires seeing a veterinarian right away, without waiting for clinical signs to appear."

A good rule of thumb is that if something is toxic to humans, it is likely toxic to our pets as well. "At the same time, medications considered safe in people (such as over the counter

pain medications or cold/flu medications) are NOT safe for dogs and cats," Pashmakova said.

Dr. Pashmakova said keeping your pets safe is similar to keeping babies safe. This sometimes includes pet-proofing your house and anticipating what cats, dogs, ferrets and other small animals can get into. "Keeping cupboards secured, bathrooms closed, bathroom garbage stowed away, medications locked up and any chemical spills cleaned up quickly and thoroughly are just some basics that all pet owners should keep in mind," Pashmakova said. "Having a good plan of action in the event of ingestion is also

key." This can be something as simple as calling your veterinarian during daytime hours or calling an emergency hospital after-hours.

If your pet ingests any of these items, it is best to play it safe and contact your veterinarian or the Animal Poison Control Center; they can help you determine if your pet needs to be seen by a doctor and if they consumed a toxic dose. The Animal Poison Control Hotline affiliated with the University of Illinois veterinary school is a 24/7 resource with board-certified toxicologists to advise owners or veterinarians on how to deal with toxicities.

Arrest REPORT

Xavier Baker, 35, Daleville, Ala., Walton County warrant for failure to appear on operate motor vehicle without license

Cody Braxton, 38, Crestview, failure to appear on driving under the influence, failure to appear on refuse to submit to driving under the influence test

Wendy Epley, 44, Chipley, Holmes County warrant for violation of state probation on driving while license suspended or revoked

Matthew Finch, 24,

Chipley, battery

Raymond Houston, 24, Panama City, disorderly intoxication

Greg Irwin, 39, Ellwood City, Pa., battery, possession of paraphernalia

Kecia Johnson, 28, Davidson, Ala., violation of state probation on burglary

Rosheda Lucas, 28, Bonifay, petit theft, fraud

Susan Meredith, 45, Bonifay, violation of state probation on possession of paraphernalia, violation of state probation on possession of meth

Kendell Myers, 20, St. Louis, Mo., possession of paraphernalia

Danielle Palmer, 22, Caryville, Holmes County warrant for violation of county probation on petit theft

Adam Patterson, 26, Wausau, felony battery, aggravated battery, obstruct by intimidation, failure to appear on resist officer with violence, violation of probation on battery

Cody Pettis, 28, Bonifay, petit theft, violation of county probation on petit

theft

Ahmad Raihan, 33, Panama City, sell synthetic narcotic, possession of synthetic narcotic, possession of marijuana less than 20 grams

Riccardo Shackelford, 30, Orlando, child support

Richard Simmons Jr., 30, Caryville, contempt of court violation of injunction

Randell Taylor, 51, Chipley, possession of controlled substance without a prescription, violation of state probation on possession of controlled substance without a prescription

Cedric Tigner, 19, Center Point, Ala., possession of opium

Dileun Vanderbilt, 20,

Jasper, violation of state probation on possession of cocaine

Zachary Varnes, 20, Chipley, violation of state probation on trespassing, burglary, dealing in stolen property, theft

Donald Williams, 25, Panama City, driving under the influence, disorderly intoxication

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THIRD WEEK: APRIL , 21 THRU 25	SCRAP METAL- (Old bicycles, lawn mowers, motors, wheel chairs, copper, aluminum, iron scraps)

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Thankful for Southern hospitality

My first month as editor of the Washington County News and Holmes County Times-Advertiser has been met with overwhelming community response, and I am grateful. This is no surprise, though, as that's the kind of treatment I remember our small communities giving when I was growing up here in the late '80s and early '90s.

There are few who have the pleasure of waking up and being able to unabashedly say, "Yippee! I get to go to work today!"

I am one of those lucky few.

My love for the written word developed at a young age, having a long history of pets and vehicles named after favorite authors, including a cat named Ernest Hemingway.

This affinity for writing seems a perfect marriage with the genuine love I have for this community. This new role will give me an even better opportunity to meet and serve more of you, my extended family.

Here in the infancy of my experience as an editor, there is a lot to learn, but I also have high hopes for The News and The Times-Advertiser this year. Our goal is to serve the community objectively and responsibly while giving our readers the best possible newspaper with each issue.

These are your communities' newspapers. They were here long before most of us and feature news about you and people you know. The paper serves as a forum for your opinions and chronicles the milestones of your family, from those who came before you, to your children and grandchildren today.

It is for this reason, I hope to be a part of those milestones and look forward to featuring them in your local paper.

I used to simplistically believe working for a newspaper comprised just two skills: reporting and writing. Over time, I have learned first, that I do not work for these newspapers; I am simply employed by them. I actually work for my community. Second, everything else will come as long as I remember that first lesson.

I once heard that to write was to become "conscious." When you're conscious and writing from a place of insight, simplicity and real caring about truth, you have the ability to throw the lights on for your reader.

I will certainly make accuracy a first priority and accept the risk of possibly being disliked on occasion for reporting with facts. Editors have a moral obligation to do nothing less.

Your help and advice in doing so will always be appreciated. The editor's door is always open.



CAROL KENT
Editor



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

This historic home at 904 Main St. in Chipley, now owned by John and Becky Dougherty, has native limestone columns, which give it a picturesque architectural feature.

Some clarity on the Nepper home

Last week, one picture was incorrectly identified in the caption underneath. My error was even more noticeable, but hopefully, today's article will fully redeem me. The mistake was listing the present office location of Jeff Goodman and Michelle Tagert, local attorneys, as being the original home of J.D. Nepper and wife, Pauline Williams Nepper.

Soon after the article appeared, a message from Becky Dougherty was left on my telephone stating, "Perry, I wanted to let you know that the John and Becky Dougherty's home is known in Chipley as the J.D. (Jim) Nepper and Pauline Williams Nepper home." She explained that the home was also later owned by the L.D. McRae family. They purchased the property in 1978 from descendants.

The next recorded message came from Griff Godfrey, who gave essentially the same information furnished by Becky Dougherty, including that the Nepper home was later owned by the McRae family. He then shared some of his storehouse of information of Chipley homes and the early settlers. Both Becky and Griff are aware that the picture book of Chipley Homes, prepared by Mrs. Mildred Campbell and Mrs. Ann Shuler, labels this house as the Nepper-McRae House on Main Street, built in 1918, with the original owner being J.D. (Jim) Nepper. The current owners are shown as Mr. and Mrs. John Dougherty.

Becky Dougherty has notes furnished by Becky D'Errico, daughter of the McRaes, at the time of the purchase of the property in 1978. These notes show that the lot was purchased by the Neppers from J. H. Faulk in 1916. The house was built in 1918 by Oscar Johnson. The home was then sold to the L.D. McRae Family in 1941. Obviously, the Neppers then constructed the house occupied by Mrs. Nepper at the time of her death in November 1971.

John and Becky Dougherty have now owned the landmark home for 36 years. It is still a beautiful, well maintained property and proudly reflects its heritage and history.

John Dougherty, a Pensacola native, was assigned to the Chipley office of Gulf Power Company in 1978. He had been with the company since 1957, working in Fort Walton Beach, Panama City and other locations, describing himself as a "trouble shooter" for Gulf Power.

Becky Williams Dougherty, daughter of Ralph and Pat Williams, was born in Panama City but finished high school at Chipley, after her parents moved here in 1948. She lists her grandfather as Joe W. Williams. She and John married in 1965. John's involvement in civic affairs in Washington County reads like a "Who's Who" of the area. He has served as president of the Chamber of Commerce, as well as president and lieutenant governor of the Kiwanis Club. He is a recipient of the Hixon Award and the Jefferson Award. John was founder and long time chairman of the Washington-Holmes Vocational School Foundation and also served on the advisory board of the school for many years.

Becky's sister, Jodie Williams Warren, is married to Gordon Warren Jr. They are long time residents of Chipley. Both families are ardent readers of the "Prattle." Gordon told me recently of especially enjoying my coverage of all the families who formerly lived and operated businesses on East Highway 90 where the new Dollar General was built last year.

Marriage records in Washington County reveals that L.D. McRae and Annie M. Cook were married Dec. 24, 1907. According to information available, Leroy Devilla McRae, was born in Wakulla County on March 20, 1873, to William McRae and Rebecca Allen McRae. He was orphaned at the age of 2 when both parents died. Relatives who reared him arranged for schooling at DeFuniak Springs Normal School, where he graduated in 1902. The school year of 1905-1906 found this young man principal of Chipley School. He had other teaching jobs in Westville and Marianna and serving as bank cashier before pursuing his law training and becoming an attorney. He was labeled as an able

defense lawyer in some of the more interesting court trials of the area. He was appointed as an assistant state attorney in 1935 under Paul Carter when Washington County was part of the 9th Judicial Circuit. During this time, he served one regular session and one special session of the Florida Legislature from Washington County. He was also mayor of Chipley for more than one term.

When the county came under the newly designated 14th Judicial Circuit, L.D. McRae ran for state attorney and was elected. He served for seven terms, or 28 years, before voluntarily stepping down from the job.

L.D. McRae died in Chipley on Sept. 28, 1951. The funeral was held two days later at Chipley First Methodist Church, conducted by Rev. R.P. Cochran and Rev. H.P. Childs. Blackburn Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements, and burial followed in Glenwood Cemetery. Active pallbearers were John Harrell, Eli Harrell, Russell Simmons, A.P. Drummond, Harvey Belser and Clyde R. Brown. Honorary pallbearers were James Nix Daniels, A. K. Shuler, Cecil A. Rountree, Judge E. C. Welch, Judge Amos Lewis, O. C. Speights, Judge Klien McDonald, Les Wells, Lee Wells, Jack Herndon, John Mears and members of the Orion Masonic Lodge 40, of which he was a member.

Survivors included his wife, Mrs. Annie Cook McRae; daughters, Paul T. Selle and Edmond D'Errico; and one son, Kelly B. McRae. Predeceased sons were Lt. (jg) William LeRoy McRae, who was killed in action July 8, 1944, during World War II and Anderson McRae, who died in 1950 from service-incurred illness. There were four grandchildren.

This column has been a challenge, as well as a personal satisfaction in setting the record straight after leaving out some "missing links" last week. It is always my pleasure to add some history of those who did not receive coverage in the Heritage of Washington County Book. Hopefully this writing will accomplish that for three families who justly deserve the recognition. See you all next week.



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From left: Gweneth Collins, Charlotte Sapp, Debbie Mitchell, Lyndal Pleas, Catherine Nelson, Glenda Wilson, Linda Pigott, Genie Commegys, Mary Carswell, Mary Nell Rustin and Gail Exum

Spring time with the Chipley Garden Club

Special to The News

In anticipation of their fifth annual English Tea and Garden Walks and the celebrate the first full day of spring, Chipley Garden Club members traveled to Clayhatchee, Ala., to "have tea" at The Playhouse Tea Room and Antiques. After browsing the shop for treasures, the group enjoyed an English Tea with a menu with a Southern twist - dumplings!

In Hartford, the group took time for a photo op in a field of broccoli that had gone to seed. Although not technically a wildflower, the large area of bright yellow flowers made

quite a beautiful show for travelers along the highway.

Chipley Garden Club's 2014 Tea Time Garden Walks, an annual English tea with garden tours, will be held Saturday, May 10, at the Washington County Agricultural Center and will feature one home garden tour and two demonstration gardens. John Foster, Master Gardener/club member, will be on hand to answer questions in the Palm Garden and Matthew Orwat, Washington County Horticulture Extension Agent, will be on hand to answer antique rose questions. Washington County Master Gardeners

will be sponsoring a plant sale the same day. Reserved tickets for tea service are available by contacting event coordinator Glenda Wilson at 638-9138.

The regular monthly meeting of Chipley Garden Club will be Wednesday, April 2, and the program will be "One Vase: 52 Different Designs." Club members will be showing their own designs featuring a tall clear glass cylindrical vase. If you would like to attend the meeting or would like more info about club projects, contact Club President Karen Roland at 638-9968 or email her at blueorchidoasis@yahoo.com.



Club members and guests enjoy the broccoli field. **LEFT:** At the Table, Charlotte Sapp, The Playhouse Owner Vickie, Gail Exum and Mary Carswell

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Hotel stay highlights Halifax All-Star Classic giveaways

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PANAMA CITY — What does a two-night hotel stay, gift cards to area retailers, Miracle Strip tickets and a skateboard have in common?

They're all up for grabs at the 10th annual Halifax All-Star Classic on April 5 at Gulf Coast State College.

This year's Panhandle senior basketball showcase features giveaways for the first time and the list already is impressive. A grand prize will be announced later this week.

Prizes tentatively are set to be given away during

halftime of the boys and girls games and between each tipoff. The girls game begins at 11 a.m. and the boys follow at 1 p.m.

Spectators will be entered into the drawing by paying the admission price of \$5. Additional tickets may be purchased to increase chances to win. Winners must be present to retrieve their prize.

This year's event again offers free admission to youth and prep basketball teams accompanied by a coach on a pre-approved list sent to sports@pcnh.com. Active duty and retired military also are admitted free. Only paid entrants will



PRIZES AHOY

Paid spectators will be entered into a drawing to win these prizes and more at the 10th annual Halifax All-Star Classic April 5:

- A two-night stay at LaQuinta Inn and Suites in PCB
- Gift cards to the Nike Factory Store, Walmart and Target
- Miracle Strip Pier Park ride tickets
- A new skateboard
- And a yet to be announced grand prize

be included in the drawing, however, and anyone gaining free admission can be included in the drawings by paying the admission fee.

The current list of prizes is highlighted by a two-night stay at LaQuinta Inn and Suites in Panama City Beach. The certificate is good until Feb. 28, 2015, for any day, excluding holidays and special events.

Gift cards range from local entertainment, sports apparel and area department stores. There will be four \$15 gift cards to the Nike Factory Store in Pier Park. The store also is

providing players with discount certificates for a grab bag, which also includes an event T-shirt, a full-sheet program page and more. A \$75 gift card to Wal-Mart and a \$50 gift card to Target also will be in the drawing. That is in addition to 10 sets of 12 ride tickets, valued at \$40, to Miracle Strip Pier Park and a new skateboard provided by Surfside Pawn in Panama City Beach.

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Anaconda Sports and Baden Sports are again supplying MVP game balls for the top performer chosen from each team. And Gulf Coast Regional Medical Center is the sports medicine provider for the event.

Apparel decorating specialist Shelley Harvey is this year's shirt supplier and has provided the more popular dri-fit moisture wicking material. T-shirts will be given to players and coaches and also will be on sale in the Billy Harrison Field House lobby during the games. Harvey will be on hand for screen printing for event shirts with a range of options and fees.

ChIPLEY High School announces 2014 Softball Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Location	Time
1/31	Fri	Preseason Classic	Arnold HS	5pm
2/1	Sat	Preseason Classic	Arnold HS	10am
2/4	Tue	Graceville	Home	4pm/6pm
2/6	Thu	Sneads	Away	4pm/6pm
2/11	Tue	Freeport	Away	4pm/6pm
2/13	Thu	Northview	Home	4:30/6pm
2/14	Fri	Arnold	Away	
2/20	Thu	Marianna	Home	5pm/7pm
2/21	Fri	FL-AL Softball Challenge	Frank Brown Park	5pm/9pm
2/22	Sat	FL-AL Softball Challenge	Frank Brown Park	11am/3pm
2/25	Tue	Graceville	Away	4pm/6pm
2/27	Thu	Marianna	Away	4pm/6pm
3/6	Thu	Holmes Co.	Away	4pm/6pm
3/7	Fri	Baker	Home	4pm/6pm
3/14	Fri	Northview	Away	4:30/6pm
3/17	Mon	Holmes Co.	Home	4pm/6pm
3/18	Tue	Jay	Away	5pm V only
3/20	Thu	Pope John Paul II (TN)	Home	5pm V only
3/21	Fri	Baker	Away	4pm/6pm
3/25	Tue	Jay	Home	4pm
4/1	Tue	Baker (makeup)	Home	4pm
4/2	Wed	Northview (makeup)	Home	4pm
4/3	Thu	Freeport	Home	5pm
4/7	Mon	Arnold	Home	6pm
4/8	Tue	Sneads	Home	6pm
4/14-18	M/T/R	Districts	Jay	TBA
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5/9-5/10	Fri/Sat	State	Vero Beach, FL	TBA

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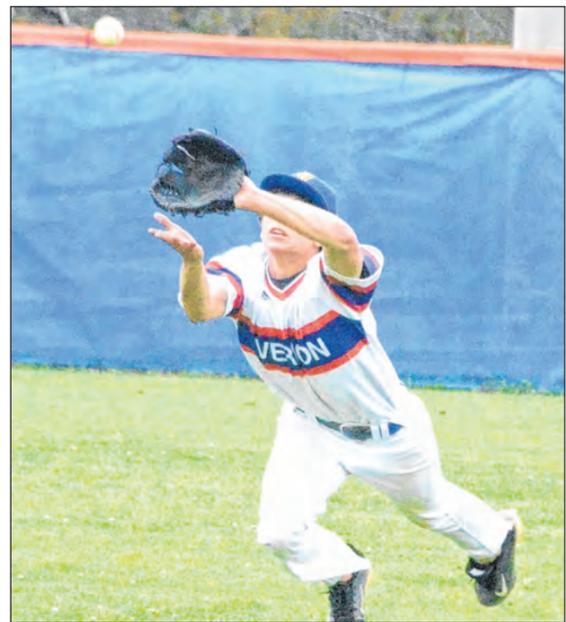
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JACKETS FALL TO TIGERS



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Hooked on Outdoors

I hope everyone is taking advantage of this cold weather instead of complaining about it. This is exactly what the doctor ordered for all you speckled trout fishermen.

Usually the Hot Water Canal is the place to go when winter comes, but this year they don't seem to be pulling hot water; at least not when I'm up there. The Lancing Smith Steam Plant pulls in cold bay water from the east side and after heating it up usually discharges hot (72 degree) water on the outflow side.

I'm told they use the hot steam to turn the turbines to make electricity, which in turn is how the Hot Water Canal gets its name. Usually when you see steam or smoke coming from the stacks at the plant you can depend on hot water coming out on the discharge side.

The last time I was up there I could see smoke coming from the stacks, but the water was not any warmer than the bay water. During our last freeze a few weeks ago mullet were seen stunned on the bottom due to the water temperature being so cold.

I have been up there in freezing weather and watched fly fishermen wading in the shallow parts of the canal just like it was the middle of June. Maybe when I got there they had stopped discharging warm water, but the trout didn't seem to notice they were packed in there from end to end.

It is possible at times to catch trout on just about anything you throw at them. When the water is clear it is possible to sight fish trout using grubs or live shrimp. The average depth is about three feet of water. But if you want to catch really big trout you just about have to have finger mullet and this is where the rub comes in.

I know of nowhere a fisherman can buy finger mullet because they are so hard to keep alive. That means you have to cast net your own. In the summer, finger mullet are a dime a dozen in shallow water. Not so in freezing weather.

If you can figure out where to catch finger mullet fish them with just a hook and no lead. You will catch the trout of a lifetime, but remember you can only take home a picture. The fish has to go back to the water unharmed.



FEELING SHEEPISH

Tips for landing a tasty sheephead

Sheepshead look like an oversized saltwater bluegill in a convict suit, and as such, they ought to be very easy to catch. To be sure, they are abundant panfish of the saltwater kind, but catching them can at times be a challenge. However, if you're interested in eating bottom fish — and who isn't — they are becoming one of the few games in town, so tightly are the feds limiting our take of grouper and most snappers. And they're one of the more active species in Panhandle waters from now through March.

The limit on sheepshead still allows you to take them home by the flock; the rule is 15 daily over 12 inches, which means if you have two or three anglers aboard and happen into a swarm of hungry 'heads, you can actually fill the cooler, a rarity with any species these days.

You won't be taking home any 20-pounders, as you might with gags or red snapper, to be sure, (the all-tackle sheepshead record is 21 pounds, 4 ounces, the Florida record 15-2) but a stack of 1- to 3-pounders is likely, and if you fish offshore rockpiles during the February/April spawn, you might add some fish of 5 to 8 pounds to the box. (There are no federal regulations on the species, but you must comply with state limits when you return to shore.)

Sheepshead are not wimps; they're remarkably powerful critters for their size. A five-pounder caught on the flats is a match for a redfish of similar size — though it's rare to catch 'em on the flats because they are so much more wary than redfish (see below). And when you hook up with a heavy one around a piling, he's just as quick to wrap up and cut you off as any snook.

First, a quick scoop of biology; *Archosargus probatocephalus* is a member of the porgie family, thus his shape. Sheepshead are named for their teeth, which do look somewhat sheeplike, and enable them to crunch up the shellfish and crabs which are their primary diet. Inside the mouth are hard, bony nodules which complete the crushing operation; they can grind up anything from oysters

to mussels to barnacles — if you've ever tried to scrape barnacles off a boat bottom, you have to truly admire the power in the sheepshead jaws, because they nip them off like carrots.

Catching sheepshead is a learned art. It looks as if it should be very simple; toss a piece of fresh-cut shrimp in front of them and they eat it, most of the time. But that parsimonious mouth is very stingy when it comes to ingesting hooks; often they nip off the bait and leave Mr. Mustad hanging naked.

First, it's essential to use a hook small enough to fit the relatively small mouth of the fish; size 1 or 1/0 is the ticket to admission. Actually smaller hooks work even better, but the teeth are so strong that the fish can occasionally bite right through the light wire of smaller hardware. (They also can bite through mono or fluoro leader and line, and there's not much you can do about that if the hook goes in far enough for them to chomp on either. Adding wire leader is not an option — they will rarely eat even the tastiest bait suspended on wire.)

You usually need a sinker of some sort because 'heads are most often found in holes, channels and cuts, usually around rocks, concrete or other hard structure where shellfish can fix and grow and where small crabs live. Boat docks and bridge pilings also attract them. One good way to rig is to put the hook on a dropper made of 20-pound test hard mono or fluoro (both have more resistance to teeth than standard mono) and then hang the sinker on the bitter end of the line about 18 inches below.

With this rig, you can immediately feel it when a fish starts nibbling on the bait; if the sinker is above the hook, as in a standard rig, the fish has to bite hard enough to move the sinker before you feel anything—and by that time the bait might be long gone. Using braided line helps a lot — the no-stretch fiber transmits the feel of the nibbles much better than mono.

Another good rig is a 1/8 to 1/4 ounce jig head with an oversized hook, size 1/0 or so, on which a piece of fresh cut shrimp, about thumbnail-sized, is impaled. With the jig, you feel the bite immediately, and it casts more easily than a separate sinker/dropper rig.

While fresh shrimp is by far the easiest bait to come by, sheepshead also readily take an assortment of other natural baits; oysters, fiddler crabs, sand fleas and tubeworms are all high on the list of sheepshead aficionados.

Whatever the bait, the trick is to hold light tension on the line when you feel that first bump. If you can sense weight there as you take up the slack, go ahead and set the hook; you miss some,



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Light spinning gear does the job on most sheepshead, and braided line makes it easier to feel the light bites and set the hook.

but you hook most once you develop the touch.

You often can visually locate sheepshead in clear water; they tend to hang near the surface, and you can spot them as they turn and flash. But even if you don't see them, you often can stir fish up by chumming around crusty pilings and riprap; use a hoe or spud to scrape the barnacles. As this stuff showers down, sheepshead will smell it and move in from considerable distance.

Larger 'heads congregate on rockpiles and ledges in 8 to 30 feet of water to spawn from February into early April; many nearshore reefs also hold them at this time. There also is a limited flats fishery for small sheepshead in Panhandle bays in early spring, anywhere you might see redfish tailing. On the lowest tides, it's not uncommon to see them up in the shallows waving that gray tail as they root out an oyster or a shrimp. However, a sheepshead seen in this way is not a sheepshead caught; they are paranoid on a level that makes bonefish seem like carp. If you land an artificial lure anywhere in the same zip code, they will instantly vaporize. The only tactic that has ever worked for me is to cast a whole shrimp, unweighted, on a light spinning rig uptide from the fish and let it sit there. Sometimes the fish smells it, swims up and eats it — when that happens, you have achieved one of the

pinnacles of flats angling. They put up a nice battle in the shallows, too, with some fast, powerful runs.

Oddly, these same fish might travel to nearby potholes when the spirit moves them, and then they become dumb as catfish; most of the large winter catches are made by finding these backcountry holes. They also settle into rocky holes in many coastal rivers during cold weather.

Sheepshead are in the same gang as the pinfish, which explains something about their physiology — they are armed with some of the sharpest, longest spines in fishdom — sort of the uberpinfish, if you will — and the armament sprouts in all directions, from the back, the chest and the nether regions; there is hardly a safe way to pick up a sheepshead except with tongs.

But pick up a sheepshead you must, because that's what it takes to extract those wonderful white fillets. As you might expect of a creature that eats only shellfish, the taste of sheepshead completely belies the barnyardian name; it is among the finest of all fishes, right up there with hog snapper — another critter with a nasty taste and a wonderful name, come to think of it.

After years of being wounded by 'heads, I finally came to the conclusion that the only reasonable way to deal with them was to disarm

them. These days, when I catch one it goes on ice immediately to "put it to sleep," as we like to tell the grandkids, and then out come the poultry shears. I systematically nip off every pointed spine on every fish — if you leave even one, I can assure you it will find a way to bury itself in your finger.

Once the spines are gone, sheepshead fillet pretty much like other fish, but they do have a thicker hide and tougher scales — run the point of a sharp fillet knife up each side of the backbone to make a channel before you start the filleting cut and it will go more smoothly. You have to cut around the base of the dorsal spines, too; they extend well into the meat. Now strip off the skin and you're ready to cook. On small fish, trim off the rib cage because it doesn't have much meat; on larger ones, you might find it better to leave the rib meat in place and deal with the bones once the fish is cooked.

Sheepshead are delicious any way you care to cook them. One of my fishing friends likes to cube the meat, boil it briefly in crab boil spices like Zataran's, and then dip in melted butter and lemon juice — tasty as lobster, and more tender. Of course, you can't beat braiding and deep frying, and simply putting them in a fish basket, adding a little nonstick oil and plopping them on a hot grill is also a great way to go.



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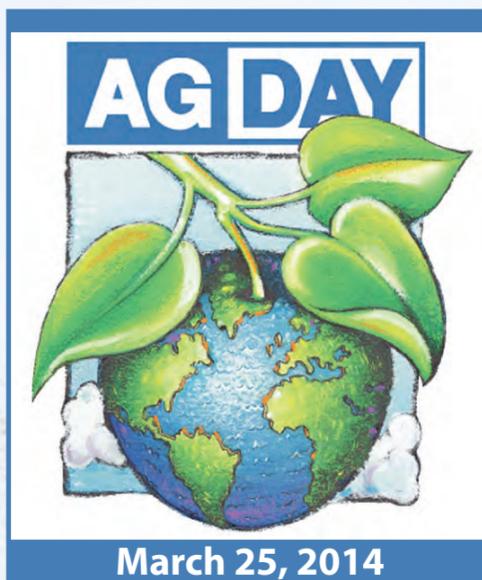
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1) From a "Seinfeld" episode, on what TV show did Jerry agree to wear the "puffy shirt"?
Oprah, Tonight, Today, 60 Minutes

2) What's all of these: a chess piece, a card game, and a member of the crow family?
Pawn, Rook, Bishop, Knight

3) A typical bed usually houses over how many dust mites?
Hundred thousand, Half million, 3 million, 6 billion

4) When was the peace symbol created as a nuclear disarmament symbol?
1945, 1950, 1958, 1968

5) Of these, which does not border the state of California?
Nevada, Arizona, Oregon, Washington

6) What's the largest city in Scotland?
Glasgow, Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Dundee

7) When did the Daytona 500 become the season opener for NASCAR?
1962, 1972, 1982, 1992

8) Which state's license plates include it's "The Natural State"?
Arkansas, Delaware, New Hampshire, Arizona

9) What city is the European headquarters of the United Nations?
London, Rome, Geneva, Madrid

10) What was the last name of Arnold, the pig on older TV's "Green Acres"?
Douglas, Ziffel, Haney, Kimball

11) Where in Russia is the world's largest art gallery?
Moscow, St. Petersburg, Kazan, Perm

12) Which margarine has utilized the slogan, "It's not nice to fool Mother Nature"?
Chiffon, Parkay, Country Crock, Imperial

13) Though shot and killed in 1928, what was the notoriety of Arnold Rothstein?
Politician, Gambler, Writer, Pilot

14) What was the highest single reward ever offered for the capture of Billy the Kid?
\$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$8,500

ANSWERS

1) Today. 2) Rook. 3) 6 billion. 4) 1958. 5) Washington. 6) Glasgow. 7) 1982. 8) Arkansas. 9) Geneva. 10) Ziffel. 11) St. Petersburg. 12) Chiffon. 13) Gambler. 14) \$500.

Teen Driver Challenge



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO EXTRA

WCSO teams up with 'Teen Driver Challenge'

By CAROL KENT
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The Washington County Sheriff's Office is putting safety in the driver's seat with a course meant to focus on helping reduce the chance of accidents for young drivers here.

The program is funded in part through the WCSO, the Teen Driving Challenge through the Florida Sheriff's Association, the Florida Department of Transportation and several insurance agencies. While offered at no cost to young drivers up to the age of 21, those participating must hold a valid state issued license or learning permit.

"Basically, what we're doing is enhancing what some may have learned in driver's education or by driving with their parents," instructor Deputy Daryl White said.

"We really capitalize on crash statistics and talk to new drivers about distracted driving, whether those distraction be texting, talking to others in the car, or adjusting the radio."

Distracted driving isn't the only danger to young drivers, however. Other topics covered in the four-hour classroom part of the course include effects of drugs and alcohol, night driving, aggressive driving, responsibility and liability, and vehicle dynamics, such as basic care.

"We teach them to know their vehicle," White said. "We talk about the importance of checking the oil, other fluids and tire pressure – anything that can cause or contribute to a crash. We cover other commonsense things, too, like the importance of wearing a seat belt and how that can save lives."

Because of safety concerns on the driving course, classroom size is limited to 15 – a limit the WCSO's first class reached quickly as parents learned of the



As parents, we want to keep our kids safe. That's our number one priority. When I first started out in law enforcement, my lieutenant asked me, 'What's the most dangerous thing you'll come in contact with (in the line of duty)?' I'm thinking maybe an armed robber or other violent situation. But then he handed me the keys to my patrol car and said, 'It's that vehicle.' Our young drivers are the same way. We hand them the keys to a car, and that's the most dangerous thing they come in contact with. If a dog runs out in the road and they panic and snatch the wheel, they can lose control, and they're hurt."

Justin Jenkins
WCSO investigator

opportunity.

Students will learn vehicle recovery and how to avoid overcorrecting, skid patterns and more during the six to eight hours offered on the actual driving course, a controlled environment that will feature "easy drift" tires.

"Many of these are the same techniques we teach at the (law enforcement) academy," White said. "We just want to teach these young people how to minimize their chance of being in an accident."

Investigator Justin Jenkins will also be on hand for instruction as well.

Have a valid driver's permit issued by the state, up to the age of 21

"As parents we want to keep our kids safe," Jenkins said. "That's our number one priority. When I first started out in law enforcement, my Lieutenant asked me, 'What's the most dangerous thing you'll come in contact with (in the line of duty)?' I'm thinking maybe an armed robber or other violent situation. But then he handed me the keys to my patrol car and said, 'It's that vehicle.' Our young drivers are the same way. We hand them the keys to a car, and that's the most dangerous thing they come in contact with. If a dog runs out in the road, and they panic and snatch the wheel, they can lose control, and they're hurt."

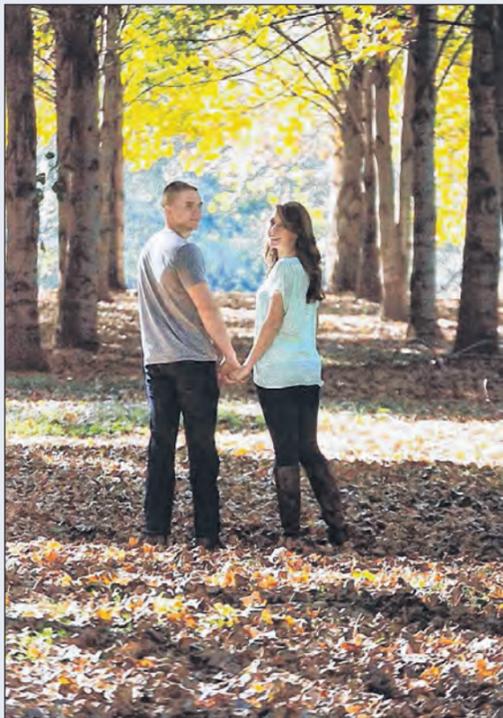
"This is a good program," he added. "And it will make

them more aware of their surroundings as they're driving and help them reduce distractions. We have to go through it ourselves, answering the radio, talking on the radio – those are distractions in our vehicles. We have to be trained also."

The WCSO has offered a similar program for the high school criminal justice class as a test program, but this is the first time it's been offered to the general public.

Though the first class, set for this Friday, March 28, is full, the WCSO hopes to offer the Teen Driving Challenge every two months. For more information on this program, contact Deputy White at 638-6111.

Wedding



Gainer and Betts wed

The families of Phillip Wayne Gainer Jr. and Elizabeth Marie Betts announce their recent wedding, held Saturday, March 22, in Cleveland, Tenn. They would like to invite all family and friends to a reception celebrating their union, to be announced at a later date. The reception will be at Orange Hill Baptist Church, 3485 Gainer Road in Chipley. For more information, email wayneandelizabeth322@gmail.com.



Congratulations



Laurie graduates Basic Training

Tiffany Laurie graduated from Air Force Basic Training on Feb. 14. AMN Laurie was an honor graduate, being in the top 10 percent.

Laurie is a 2013 High Honors Graduate of Chipley High School. Laurie is currently attending Tech School at Keesler Air Force Base.

Laurie's grandparents are Mike and Betty Laurie of Chipley.

PDL fundraiser

WESTVILLE — Ponce de Leon High School's FCCLA Chapter will have a fundraiser from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 5 at the Pine Log Community Volunteer Fire and Rescue. There will be a yard sale and hamburger and hot dog plates for \$5. The FCCLA is raising money for travel expenses to their national convention in San Antonio.

Kindergarten registration

WASHINGTON COUNTY — Kate M. Smith and Vernon elementary schools will begin kindergarten registration April 8 for the 2014-2015 school year. 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 complete for child to be registered. Children must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2014.

Friday Fish Fries during Lent

BONIFAY — The Knights of Columbus, Child of Prague Council 10513, will have a fish fry from 4-7 p.m. Friday during Lent (through April 11) at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church. Plates are \$10 and include "all the fish you can eat," as well as sides, sweet tea and a dessert. Carry-outs are available. The church is at 2331 Highway 177A.

Golden Dragon Acrobats at Chipola

MARIANNA — The Chipola College Artist Series will host the Golden Dragon Acrobats at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, in the Center for the Arts. The Golden Dragons are recognized throughout the U.S. and abroad as the premiere Chinese acrobatic touring group representing a time-honored tradition that began more than 25 centuries ago. These artists will amaze with their breathtaking skill and spellbinding beauty.

Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$10 for children under 18, with special pricing for Chipola students and employees. Online tickets are available at www.chipola.edu. Tickets may be printed at home, or with an order confirmation, will-call tickets will be available at the box office the night of the show. Tickets also are available at the Center for the Arts Box Office from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to noon Friday. The box office is also open one hour before the event.

For information, call 718-2277 or visit www.chipola.edu/fine-and-performing-arts.

Retherford Reunion

The annual Retherford Reunion will be April 5 at Curry Boat Landing and Baseball Field. All family and friends are invited to celebrate with fun, fellowship and a covered dish lunch. For more information, call Sharon Johnson at 956-2772.

Orange and Blue Golf Classic

VERNON — Vernon Middle School will have the Orange and Blue Golf Classic to benefit girls and boys athletic programs on Saturday, April 5, at the Sunny Hills Golf Club. A fee of \$65 per person or \$260 per four-man/woman team includes green fees, cart rental, breakfast, lunch and prizes. Tournament format is a Captains' Choice Scramble. There will be an 8 a.m., shotgun start. Individual registrations are welcome; you will be assigned to a

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team. Hole sponsorships are \$50 per sign. For questions and registration, call Laurie Simmons at 258-4332 or VMS at 535-2808.

Breakfast 'Cooked to Order'

DEFUNIAK SPRINGS — Breakfast "Cooked to Order" will be available April 5 and May 3 in the Parish Hall at St. Agatha's Episcopal Church, 150 Circle Drive. Menu selections include pancakes, eggs, grits or home fries, sausage or bacon, sausage gravy on toast or biscuit, juice, milk and coffee. Breakfast will be offered from 7-11 a.m., along with service with a smile. Healthy choice selections will also be offered. Cost for the breakfast is \$5.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 10. Take-outs are available. Proceeds benefit the church, which has a "Hospitality and Food Ministry" as a part of its outreach efforts. The historic church will also be open for tours.

Byrd benefit

WESTVILLE — Westville City Hall will serve fish, smoked pork and chicken plates with two sides starting at 10 a.m. April 5. Plates will cost \$6, and all proceeds will go to Zan Braxton Byrd to help pay medical expenses.

HCHS luncheon

CHIPLEY — Holmes County High School will have a luncheon at 11 a.m. April 8 at Baileys Surf and Turf. For more information, call 547-3526.

Jazz Concert and Spaghetti Dinner

BONIFAY — The Blue Pride Band Jazz Concert and Spaghetti Dinner will be at 6 p.m. April 11 at Holmes County High School. Tickets are \$6 in advance, \$8 at the door. For more information, call Connie at 209-0531.

Benefit dinner

BONIFAY — Campground Cemetery will have a benefit dinner at 11 a.m. April 12. There will be fish and chicken plates with all the trimmings for \$6. There will also be a cake auction. All candidates are welcome.

Ribs for Relay

CHIPLEY — Community South Credit Union will have Rib Sale on April 17. One rack will cost \$20. Ribs can be picked up from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Community South Credit Union in Chipley. Delivery is available for several orders. To order, email rebecca.harris@communitysouth.net.

BMS selling Vidalia onions

BONIFAY — Bonifay Middle School is selling Vidalia onions through April 11. Each 10-pound bag costs \$10 and must be paid for on or before April 11. A portion of the money raised will go directly to each grade level for the purchasing of new equipment/supplies and to help with some of the costs of student field trips. To make a purchase, see a Bonifay Middle School student or call JaLisa Brannon at 547-2678.

CHS students to perform 'Grease'

CHIPLEY — Chipley High School music theater students will perform their spring musical, "Grease," at 7 p.m. April 10-12. For more

information, call 638-6100.

Two Toed Tom Festival

ESTO — The Two Toed Tom Festival will be 8-11 a.m. April 12 at John W. Clark Park. To be a vendor, call Darlene Madden at 263-3201.

Flea Across Florida

Flea Across Florida, a 383-mile yard sale, will be April 11-12 along U.S. 90 from Jacksonville to Pensacola.

Community Easter Egg Hunt

CHIPLEY — The annual Community Easter Egg Hunt will be 5:30-7 p.m. April 16 at Shivers Park. Call Anne Chenault at 638-1830 or Sherri Biddle at 638-7348 if you would like to participate.

Earth Day

MARIANNA — Bring the family and enjoy the annual Earth Day Event from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 22 at Florida Caverns State Park. There will be many displays, exhibits, walks and programs highlighting the unique plants and animals of the park.

VMS 5K Run/Walk

VERNON — Vernon Middle School will host the Put a Little Spring in Your Step 5K Run/Walk, on April 26 at VMS. Registration is \$20 per person if you pre-register and \$25 per person on the day of the race. To be guaranteed a shirt, you must be registered by April 16. Registration will be 7-7:45 a.m. with the race starting at 8 a.m. For more information, call VMS at 535-2807.

Miss Holmes County

BONIFAY — Little Miss and Miss Holmes County will be April 26 at the National Guard Armory. This pageant is a Peanut Festival preliminary. Registration is 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, March 28, and Friday, April 4, at Pho Noodle and Kaboodle. Please use the side door.

Age divisions for the pageant will be Baby Miss, 0-11 months; Toddler Miss, 12-23 months; Tiny Miss, 2-3 years; Future Little Miss, 4-6 years, not in the first grade; Little Miss, first grade only; Petite Miss, second-, third- and fourth-graders; Young Miss, fifth- and sixth-graders; Teen Miss, seventh- and eighth-graders; Junior Miss, ninth-, 10th- and 11th-graders not yet 17 years of age; Miss, 17 to 20 years; and Ms., single, married and not wanting to compete in the National Peanut Festival Pageant.

Future Little, Little, Junior and Miss contestants must reside in or attend a school in Holmes County. Little and Miss categories must have three contestants in the age division to attend the National Peanut Festival Pageant. Attire for Future and Little Miss is heirloom dresses only.

Optional awards include, prettiest hair, prettiest eyes, best dressed and photogenic. All contestants will receive a crown; no one goes home empty-handed.

Entry forms will be available at registration. For more information, call Amanda at 547-5435.

Chipola retirement reception

MARIANNA — The public is invited to celebrate the retirement of Chipola College President Dr. Gene See **EVENTS B3**

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MU ALPHA THETA INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS



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The Chipola College chapter of Mu Alpha Theta, a national honorary mathematics club, recently had an initiation for new members. Pictured are officers, new members and sponsors. Front row from left are new members Christina Watson, Christina Fulford, Emily Fuqua, Christen Howell, Amy Christmas. Back row from left are Hayley Johns, Allen Campbell, Dr. Lou Cleveland, Wesley Chevillot, Jae Jung Hyun, Annie Braxton, sponsor Joy Ree Ashmore, Ashley Rogers and Dr. David Hilton.

New health plans bring hefty fees for certain drugs

MIAMI (AP) — Breast cancer survivor Ginny Mason was thrilled to get health coverage under the Affordable Care Act despite her pre-existing condition. But when she realized her arthritis medication fell under a particularly costly tier of her plan, she was forced to switch to another brand.

Under the plan, her Celebrex would have cost \$648 a month until she met her \$1,500 prescription deductible, followed by an \$85 monthly co-pay.

Mason is one of the many Americans with serious illnesses — including cancer, multiple sclerosis and rheumatoid arthritis — who are indeed finding relatively low monthly premiums under President Barack Obama's law. But some have been shocked at how much their prescriptions are costing as insurers are sorting drug prices into a complex tier system and in some cases charging co-insurance rates as high as 50 percent. That can leave patients on the hook for thousands.

"I was grateful for the Affordable Care Act because it didn't turn me down but ... it's like where's the affordable on this one?" said Mason, a 61-year-old from West Lafayette, Ind., who currently pays an \$800 monthly premium.

Before the federal health law took effect, Mason paid slightly more for her monthly premium on a plan that didn't cover her arthritis or pain medications and some routine doctor's visits.

Avalere Health, a market research and consulting firm, estimates some consumers will pay half the cost of their specialty drugs under health overhaul-related plans, while customers in the private market typically pay no more than a third. Patient advocates worry that insurers may be trying to discourage chronically ill patients from enrolling by putting high

cost drugs onto specialty tiers.

Brian Rosen, senior vice president for public policy for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, said the group studied premiums and benefits for patients with blood cancer in seven states, including Florida, California, Texas and New York. They found 50 percent co-insurance rates for specialty drugs on several plans in Florida and Texas, while the highest co-insurance rates on California plans were 30 percent. New York co-pays were typically \$70.

Under the law, insurers can't charge an individual more than \$6,350 in out-of-pocket costs a year and no more than \$12,700 for a family policy. But patient advocates warn those with serious illnesses could pay their entire out-of-pocket cap before their insurance kicks in any money.

"The challenge is for the sickest patients, the ones that need access to these specialty drugs, the costs are going to come in most cases from that out-of-pocket cap ... they are likely to hit that \$6,350 ceiling and in some cases quickly," Rosen said.

Specialty drugs

Only 1 percent of prescriptions written in 2012 were for specialty drugs, but they accounted for 25 percent of the total cost of prescription drugs, according to a study by America's Health Insurance Plans.

Insurers generally can choose to put whichever drugs they want into the specialty tier of a plan. Generic drugs for blood pressure or cholesterol typically fall into categories that require patients to pay less than \$20 out of pocket. But patients can end up spending significantly more when they pay for a percentage of a specialty drug's cost. Two of the most frequently prescribed specialty drugs in recent years include the cancer

drug Avastin, with an \$11,000 average annual price per patient, and the hypertension drug Letairis, which costs \$32,000 per year, according to health insurers.

Even before the Affordable Care Act took effect, insurers had increasingly begun requiring patients to pay a percentage of the drug costs instead of a flat co-pay, but experts say patients often spend more for their prescriptions in plans offered under the health law because of the co-insurance.

"There's a significant percentage of plans who are using co-insurance of 50 percent or higher," said Caroline Pearson, who tracks the health care overhaul for Avalere Health, which studied plans in 19 states. "It is generally a lot higher than what we see in private insurance."

Once they pay more than several hundred dollars, Pearson says patients start to abandon their medications.

William Hurd signed up for a Cigna plan with a \$616 monthly premium that covered him and his wife in December. The government kicks in about \$900 a month in tax credits. Hurd, a 61-year-old diabetic who works a construction job in Orlando, was eager to fill his insulin prescription along with two other medications. But he was shocked when the pharmacy said he would have to pay \$1,400 out of pocket for a 90-day supply. He was under the impression that prescriptions were part of the plan and thought he only had a \$10 co-pay for prescriptions.

"I already had the plan. I was in, and I was ready to cancel it. If I've got to pay 1,000 more dollars for drugs ... then it's not worth it," he said.

Fortunately, Hurd called his doctor and was able to switch to a cheaper brand of insulin and ended up paying only \$112.

"This was an extremely expensive misunderstanding," said his insurance broker Leslie Glogau.

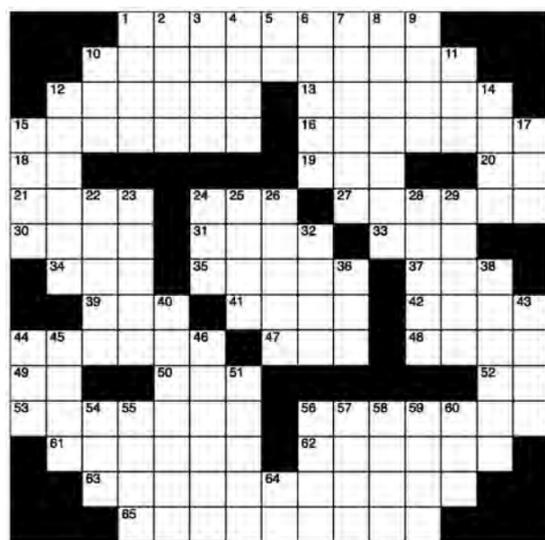
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



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Annie O'Pry, center, is Chipola College's Career Employee for March. O'Pry serves as senior office assistant in the financial aid department and has worked at the college since 1981. Above, O'Pry is congratulated by Director of Financial Aid Sybil Cloud, left, and Chipola President Dr. Gene Prough.

Crossword PUZZLE



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Recapture the past
- 10. "Tosh.0" and "South Park" are two
- 12. Military greeting
- 13. Passenger ships
- 15. Can't move
- 16. Any omission of a part
- 18. 43rd state
- 19. Compassionate nursing care
- 20. Pa's partner
- 21. Dutch cheese
- 24. London radio station
- 27. Perfumed powder bag
- 30. Liquid body substances
- 31. Expresses pleasure
- 33. Escape from prison
- 34. Long-wave hue
- 35. Bleated
- 37. Male swan
- 39. Head cover
- 41. Fewer calories
- 42. Teal duck genus
- 44. Inspire with love
- 47. Grab
- 48. Cruel inhuman person
- 49. 6th musical tone
- 50. Indigenous tribe of Indonesia
- 52. Megabyte
- 53. Headpin in bowling
- 56. Light, fitful naps
- 61. Precede
- 62. Greek and Turkish Sea
- 63. Pot 'o gold location
- 65. Was in disagreement

CLUES DOWN

- 1. A player's part
- 2. Ratites
- 3. Distribute
- 4. 15th day of March
- 5. Empire State
- 6. Small island
- 7. Con or swindle accomplices
- 8. Oasts kiln shape
- 9. Female sheep
- 10. Motor vehicle
- 11. ___ Lanka
- 12. More melancholy
- 14. Not all
- 15. Apple, pumpkin or a la mode
- 17. ___ King Cole, musician
- 22. Palms with egg shaped nuts
- 23. Mistress of a household
- 24. Founder of Babism
- 25. Semitic fertility god
- 26. Connected links
- 28. Chocolate tree
- 29. Miao-Yao is their language
- 32. Moss capsule stalk
- 36. Young society woman
- 38. Bartenders
- 40. Buried port city
- 43. One point S of SE
- 44. Cervid
- 45. Inexperienced (var.)
- 46. Exercises authority over
- 51. Handles
- 54. Neither
- 55. Alumnus
- 56. Sunrise
- 57. Cease exertion
- 58. Double curve
- 59. Maneuver
- 60. Not happy
- 64. Old English

SOLUTION ON PAGE B5

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Prough and Joyce Traynom, his administrative assistant, at a drop-in reception from 3-5 p.m. Monday, March 31, in the lobby of the Chipola Center for the Arts. No gifts, please.

HCHS spring musical planned

BONIFAY — The Holmes County High School Drama Department will present the musical "Cats" at 7 p.m. May 8-10, 12 and 15 in the HCHS Auditorium.

A Very Disney Variety

BONIFAY — The Bonifay Middle School Theatre Department's spring

show, "A Very Disney Variety," will be at 6 p.m. May 22-23 in the HCHS auditorium. Tickets will be available at BMS two weeks before to the show and are \$5 for adults, \$3 for school-aged students and free for kids 4 and under. Admission at the door also will be available.

Reminiscent of such variety shows as "Carol Burnett and Friends," "Saturday Night Live!" and "So Random," the performance will feature original scenes based on memorable Disney characters. In addition, the BMS Treble Makers will be on hand to provide musical entertainment for the evening with favorite Disney tunes. With the Mad

Hatter (Bryce Etheridge) hosting the show and the White Rabbit (Sydney Shugars) keeping things in order backstage, the evening is sure to be full of mayhem, magic and memories.

For more information, contact Jill Cook at 547-2754 or cookj@hdsb.org.

Relay For Life Wrap-Up Party

CHIPLEY — Relay For Life of Holmes/Washington County will have its 2014 Wrap-Up Party at 6 p.m. June 2 at Pattillo's restaurant, on the campus of the Washington-Holmes Technical Center. For more information, call Connie Smelcer at 703-9977.

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Faith EVENTS

Red Hill UMC Mission Supper

BONIFAY — Red Hill United Methodist Church Fourth Friday Mission Supper, Friday, March 28, at Red Hill United Methodist Church. The Menu will be Catfish Fillets, Smoked Chicken, Cheese Grits, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Hushpuppies and Dessert. We begin serving at 5 p.m. Dine In or Carry Out. Donations are accepted. We are a small church having a great time in the Lord. Come and enjoy a good meal and great fellowship.

Gospel Sing

First Free Will Baptist Church of Bonifay will hold a Gospel Sing at 6 p.m., Saturday, March 29. The sing will feature the Four Seasons. Refreshments will follow the sing. The church is located at the corner of Oklahoma and Kansas.

Fifth Saturday Sing

GRACEVILLE — East Mt. Zion United Methodist Church will host Fifth Saturday Sing at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, March 29. The church is located at 1590 County Highway 173, Graceville. For more information call 263-4610.

The Tipton Singers

CARYVILLE — The Caryville Evangelistic Center Church will host The Tipton Singers, at 6 p.m., Sunday, March 30. The church is located on Wrights Creek Road. For more information call 547-3069.

Union Hill Baptist Church Homecoming

BETHLEHEM — The Union Hill Baptist Church will celebrate their 110th Homecoming, Sunday, April 6. "FOUR CALVARY," a local Southern Gospel quartet, will be in concert at 10 a.m., and then again during the 11 a.m., worship service. Immediately following the morning worship service, there will be a fellowship meal.

The 11 a.m., Homecoming speaker will be the Rev. Robb Goodman. Robb has been the Senior Pastor of the Summerville Baptist Church in Phoenix City, Ala., since 2005.

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. - 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
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 at 6 p.m. 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, Blessed Trinity Catholic Church on County Road 177A

FRIDAY
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. Must make reservation at 638-6216 or 638-6217.
3:30: Bead Class every second Friday at Laurden-Davis Art Gallery call 703-0347
5 p.m.: Red Hill Methodist Church Mission Supper 4th Friday of every month January - September.
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 Methodist Youth Center in Marianna. Come join the fun for games, prizes and snacks. For more information, call 526-4561.
8 p.m.: Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting at Chipley Presbyterian Church.

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This chipmunk seems to be oblivious of the danger in front of him and interested only in the food. This cute illustration holds an important message for Christians. At times we may become blinded to the danger that surrounds our situation in our efforts to reach a prize. We can assume that we are all more intelligent than this cute little chipmunk and although temptations may occasionally be overwhelming, God has given us the strength to endure. Looking past the immediate and seeing the long term effects will help us make the healthy and moral decision. God has a wonderful journey for our lives, but to receive His blessings we must hold tightly to His hand and follow His path.

Weekly Bible Trivia

How did Boaz meet Ruth?
 (answer found in this week's scripture reading)

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3-3415 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case Number: 13-147 TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK, successor by merger to Bay Bank & Trust Co., Plaintiff, vs. DONALD J. DENNIS, the unknown spouse of DONALD J. DENNIS, if married, and if deceased, the unknown heirs, devisees, creditors, grantees and all persons claiming by, through, under or against him, LINDA J. DENNIS, and if deceased, the unknown heirs, devisees, creditors, grantees and all persons claiming by, through, under or against her, UNKNOWN TENANT NUMBER ONE and UNKNOWN TENANT NUMBER TWO, Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment in Foreclosure dated the 3rd day of March, 2014 in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash in/on, County, Florida at on the 7th day of May, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure: LOT B-154, FIRST ADDITION TO LEISURE LAKES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 179, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A 3464 QUAIL RIDGE DR., CHIPLEY, FL 32428-5678
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Albertelli Law Attorney for Plaintiff P.O. Box 23028 Tampa, FL 33623 (813) 221-9171 facsimile
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator by mail at

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P. O. Box 1089, Panama City, FL 32402 or by phone at (850) 747-5338 at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days. If you are hearing impaired, please call 711. March 19 and 26, 2014

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NOTICE OF SALE
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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: K. McDaniel
Deputy Clerk
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COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 67-2012-CA-000329 REVERSE MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, INC., Plaintiff, vs. CONNIE RENE FRANKLIN, STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY - INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 1, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 2, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF BETTY BARBER BRUNER A/K/A BETTY MAJORIE BRUNER, DECEASED, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BETTY BARBER BRUNER A/K/A BETTY MAJORIE BRUNER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CONNIE RENE FRANKLIN, Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure filed on or about February 5, 2014, entered in Civil Case No. 67-2012-CA-000329 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for Washington County, Chipley, Florida, the Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Washington County Courthouse, 1293 Jackson Avenue, Building 100, Chipley, FL 32428 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 9 day of April, 2014 at 11:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: The W 1/2 of the N 1/2 and W 1/2 of S 1/2 of Lot 14, Block B, HAGERMAN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, in Section 33, Township 5 North, Range 13 West, as per plat on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, in Washington County, Florida. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 11 day of February, 2014.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: K. McDaniel
Deputy Clerk
March 19 and 26, 2014

3-3412 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2014-CP-23 IN RE: ESTATE OF ROSARIO MAZZARA, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of ROSARIO MAZZARA, deceased, whose date of death was August 20, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Washington County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Washington County Courthouse, 1331 South Blvd., P.O. Box 647, Chipley, FL 32428. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of the first publication of this notice is March 19, 2014.
Attorney or Personal Representative: Pamela Dru Sutton, Esq. Florida Bar No: 0274356 Stone & Sutton, P.A. P.O. Box 532 Panama City, FL 32402 (850) 785-7272
Witnesses: Pauline A. Manzi c/o Stone & Sutton, P.A. March 19 and 26, 2014

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67-10-CA-417 THE DELTONA CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation, Plaintiff, vs. UTE LANG, Defendant.
AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, TO: Ute Lang, Werderstr. 4, 8615G Augseutg, Germany, and the unknown husband or wife, as the case may be, of any or either of the natural persons who are parties defendant to this cause, if alive, and if dead, then to all unknown persons claiming interest by, through or against any or either of said named Defendants as heirs, devisees, legatees, grantees, successors, legal representatives, assignees, trustees, lienors, creditors or otherwise claimants; and all unknown parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the following property situate in Washington County, Florida, to-wit: Lot 6, Block 776, of SUNNY HILLS, Unit 11, a subdivision according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 120 through 128, of the Public Records of Washington County, Florida.
YOU ARE REQUIRED to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the quiet title action on the Plaintiff's attorney, CHARLES E. BERK, ESQUIRE, whose address is Post Office Box 5056, Ocala, Florida 34478, (352) 629-1155, on or before the 10th day of May, 2014 and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed herein.
In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending the notice to Patricia Lee Farrington and Daniel Lee Farrington are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL, 32428, at 11:00 a.m., Central Time, (12:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on the 7 day of May, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: Commence at the Southwest corner of Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 14 West, and Run East 1111.29 Feet; thence North 1253.75 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 225.0 feet; Thence S 75 Degrees 55 Minutes 18 Seconds E 208.0 feet; thence run South 300.0 feet more or

3-3412 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2014-CP-23 IN RE: ESTATE OF ROSARIO MAZZARA, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of ROSARIO MAZZARA, deceased, whose date of death was August 20, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Washington County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Washington County Courthouse, 1331 South Blvd., P.O. Box 647, Chipley, FL 32428. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
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Attorney or Personal Representative: Pamela Dru Sutton, Esq. Florida Bar No: 0274356 Stone & Sutton, P.A. P.O. Box 532 Panama City, FL 32402 (850) 785-7272
Witnesses: Pauline A. Manzi c/o Stone & Sutton, P.A. March 19 and 26, 2014

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Post Office Box 5056 Ocala, Florida 34478 Attorney for Plaintiff (352) 629-1155 cceberk@aol.com March 26, April 2, 9, and 16, 2014

4-3429 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 67-10-CA-413 THE DELTONA CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation, Plaintiff, vs. PARADISE GARDEN CHURCH, INC., a Dissolved Florida corporation, et al, Defendants.
THIRD AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, TO: The Estate and Unknown Heirs of Jimmie Helton, Deceased, a/k/a Reverend James Helton, 2913 W. Xanthus Street, Tampa, Florida 34614 Mary Helton, 2913 W. Xanthus Street, Tampa, Florida 34614, and the unknown husband or wife, as the case may be, of any or either of the natural persons who are parties defendant to this cause, if alive, and if dead, then to all unknown persons claiming interest by, through or against any or either of said named Defendants as heirs, devisees, legatees, grantees, successors, legal representatives, assignees, trustees, lienors, creditors or otherwise claimants; and all unknown parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the following property situate in Washington County, Florida, to-wit: Lot 2, Block 554, of SUNNY HILLS, Unit 9, a subdivision according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 103 through 107, of the Public Records of Washington County, Florida.
YOU ARE REQUIRED to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the quiet title action on the Plaintiff's attorney, CHARLES E. BERK, ESQUIRE, whose address is Post Office Box 5056, Ocala, Florida 34478, (352) 629-1155, on or before the 10th day of May, 2014, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed herein.
In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending the notice to Patricia Lee Farrington and Daniel Lee Farrington are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL, 32428, at 11:00 a.m., Central Time, (12:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on the 7 day of May, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: Commence at the Southwest corner of Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 14 West, and Run East 1111.29 Feet; thence North 1253.75 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 225.0 feet; Thence S 75 Degrees 55 Minutes 18 Seconds E 208.0 feet; thence run South 300.0 feet more or

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ing the notice to Charles E. Berk, Esquire, Post Office Box 5056, Ocala, Florida 34478, (352) 629-1155, not later than seven days prior to the proceedings. If hearing impaired (TDD) 1-800-955-8771 or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 6 day of March, 2014.
LINDA HAYES COOK Clerk of the Circuit Court Washington County, Florida
By K. McDaniel As Deputy Clerk Charles E. Berk, Esquire Florida Bar No. 141171 Post Office Box 5056 Ocala, Florida 34478 Attorney for Plaintiff (352) 629-1155 cceberk@aol.com March 26, April 2, 9, and 16, 2014

4-3433 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2012-CA-000364 HSBC BANK, USA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF RENAISSANCE HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2006-1, PLAINTIFF, vs. Carolyn Patricia Farrington and Daniel Lee Farrington, DEFENDANTS.
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 15, 2014, and entered in Case No. 2012-CA-000364 of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for Washington County, Florida, wherein HSBC BANK, USA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF RENAISSANCE HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2006-1, is Plaintiff and Carolyn Patricia Farrington and Daniel Lee Farrington are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL, 32428, at 11:00 a.m., Central Time, (12:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on the 7 day of May, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: Commence at the Southwest corner of Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 14 West, and Run East 1111.29 Feet; thence North 1253.75 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 225.0 feet; Thence S 75 Degrees 55 Minutes 18 Seconds E 208.0 feet; thence run South 300.0 feet more or

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less to the waters edge of Chain Lake; thence run Northwesterly along said waters edge 205.58 feet more or less to a point South of the point of beginning; thence run North 75 feet more or less to the point of beginning; being Lot 26 on unrecorded plat of Chain Lake Subdivision; being in Washington County, Florida.
Street Address: 3302 Lodge Dr, Chipley, FL 32428
and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in Plaintiff's mortgage.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated at Chipley, Washington County, Florida, this 18 day of March, 2014.
Harold Bazzel Clerk of said Circuit Court
By: K. McDaniel As Deputy Clerk Clarfield, Okon, Salomone, & Pincus, P.L. 500 S. Australian Avenue, Suite 730 West Palm Beach, FL 33401 March 26 and April 2, 2014

4-3438 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2006-1, PLAINTIFF, vs. Carolyn Patricia Farrington and Daniel Lee Farrington, DEFENDANTS.
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 15, 2014, and entered in Case No. 2012-CA-000364 of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for Washington County, Florida, wherein HSBC BANK, USA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF RENAISSANCE HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2006-1, is Plaintiff and Carolyn Patricia Farrington and Daniel Lee Farrington are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL, 32428, at 11:00 a.m., Central Time, (12:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on the 7 day of May, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: Commence at the Southwest corner of Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 14 West, and Run East 1111.29 Feet; thence North 1253.75 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 225.0 feet; Thence S 75 Degrees 55 Minutes 18 Seconds E 208.0 feet; thence run South 300.0 feet more or

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Dated: January 28, 2014.
By: K. McDaniel Washington County Clerk of Court CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT March 26 and April 2, 2014

4-3246 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 67-2010-CA-000632 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, Plaintiff, vs. PHILIP F. CARROLL, et al, Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated March 6, 2014 and entered in Case NO. 67-2010-CA-000632 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for WASHINGTON County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP1, is the Plaintiff and PHILIP F. CARROLL; LINDA K. CARROLL; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 1331 South Blvd., Chipley FL 32428 at 11:00AM, on the 23 day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment: LOT 7, BLOCK 180, OF SUNNY HILLS UNIT NO. 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 42, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA.
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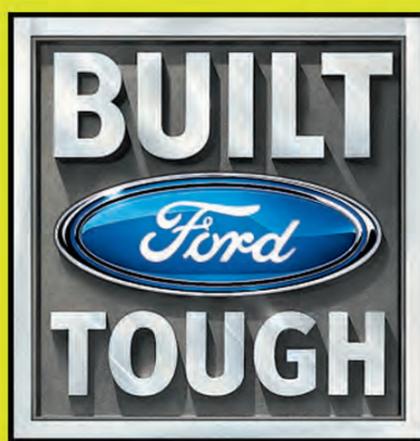
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GEARING FOR GROWTH

Holmes, Washington counties showing signs of expansion

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Holmes and Washington counties are gearing for growth in 2014, with both counties showing signs of progress in the areas of the economy, health care and technology. Key indicators show both counties are also projected to experience growth from 2013 through increased median household incomes, lower unemployment rates, and larger populations.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

The Washington County Chamber of Commerce is focusing on economic growth by hosting a series of Economic Development Symposiums in Chipley. Such symposiums have provided insight into how economic development works, while identifying Washington County's needs, strengths and weaknesses. Members of both the business community and private sectors came together to brainstorm ways to jumpstart the local economy.

Assets identified included the county's proximity to transportation corridors such as I-10 and State Road 77 and U.S. 90, availability of large tracts of quality land, quality hospital and education systems, natural resources and existing infrastructure.

Ideas to enhance those existing assets included creating and keeping a current inventory of available land tracts and their available resources, such as water and sewer access. Also discussed was the importance of pre-developing the areas most desirable to develop by initiating new infrastructure.

Expanding that infrastructure got a hand up from a recent grant from the Northwest Florida Water Management District. The city of Chipley has begun preliminary plans to use those funds to expand existing infrastructure south of Interstate 10.

State Road 77 will also see expansion, with a widening project underway from one mile north of Wausau to just south of Clayton Road (County Road 276).

Two new schools are on the horizon for Washington County as well, with construction plans underway for a new Kate M. Smith Elementary campus in Chipley and a new Vernon Elementary School in Vernon.

Meanwhile, plans by the Ebro Dog Track to seek adding slot machines as added revenue are stalled while proposed Legislation is batted back and forth by the House with the idea of setting up a new gambling commission to provide more oversight and regulation of all aspects of gambling in the state. The legislation as it stands would exempt the state lottery and mandate a constitutional amendment requiring a statewide referendum be held on any expansion of gambling.



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State Road 79 is among roads that will soon be expanded under a \$10 million FDOT project.



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Patrons gather around multiple tables in the poker room at Ebro Greyhound Park on Feb. 28.

HOLMES COUNTY

Holmes County is hoping to see economic growth, along with new industry under the leadership of newly hired Holmes County Development Commission Executive Director Raymon Thomas. Officials are eyeing the possibility of a new industrial park in the county and report that at least one manufacturing industry may be interested in the area.

Holmes County is continuing with their Strategic Plan for Economic Development and hope to build upon its strengths, such as natural resources, a lower tax base and abundance of available property. The Holmes County Development Commission spearheads the effort to pursue the growth of an Enterprise Zone which ensures that local businesses and residents are zone certified. The 20 square mile zone is divided into three non-contiguous areas covering Bonifay, Ponce de Leon and Esto. The Development Commission acts as the official representative of Enterprise Zone activity to ensure that businesses and residents located in the zone will be able to receive numerous incentives.

The TDC also encourages local entrepreneurship for local business

start-ups and works with the Small Business Development Center of UWF to offer its "Steps to Starting a New Business" seminars on-site in Holmes County as part of its strategic plan.

Holmes County will also experience infrastructure expansion to help encourage other new industry, with recent grant monies also helping lay the ground work for widening of State Road 79 and NFWFD grants to help the City of Bonifay, Town of Esto and Town of Noma improve water and sewer systems.

Both counties continue to participate in the RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee project, a multi-county consortium which seeks to bring tourism into the rural counties of Florida.

The project is a public/private partnership that encourages sustainable economic development through the preservation and promotion of the natural, cultural and historical resources of the Apalachicola and Choctawhatchee River basins.

Holmes Creek provides one of the most diverse habitats and richest variety of fish and mollusks in the Choctawhatchee River basin, according to the Northwest Florida Water Management District's website.

Washington, Holmes counties to aid Riverway South Project

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BONIFAY — The Washington County Tourism Development Council, Holmes County Development Commission and the Holmes County Tourism Development Council continue to support the Riverway South Project here.

The RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee project is a multi-county consortium to bring tourism into the rural counties of Florida, said Jim Brook, director of the Holmes County Economic Development Commission and a board member of the Riverway South project.

In addition to spending \$10,000 collectively in support of the rural tourism project as a part of a matching grant program to raise funds for tourism efforts, local tourism councils said they support the project's ultimate goal of promoting eco-tourism, specifically.

According to the RiverWay South website, the project is a public/private partnership that encourages sustainable economic development through the preservation and promotion of the natural, cultural and historical resources of the Apalachicola and Choctawhatchee River basins.

"Much of rural tourism is what I would call 'eco-tourism,'" Brook said. "Eco-tourism has a lot to offer Holmes and Washington counties by the way of protecting our rivers and streams."

The project also includes Jackson County and was based on a similar program in Alabama, designed to bring visitors to the rural areas of the state to enjoy natural beauty and wildlife.

Agri-tourism is also part of the draw for rural areas, Brook said, with visitors coming to visit farms from the cities to experience what agriculture is like firsthand. "I would also consider farmers' markets to be part of agri-tourism," he said. Agri-tourism has not been as successful as eco-tourism in bringing in visitors, Brook noted.

"Situated between the emerald green waters and white sandy beaches of the Gulf of Mexico and the upland forest bluffs of Florida's highest vistas, RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee is the



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A snorkeler explores Cypress Springs along Holmes Creek.

"Situated between the emerald green waters and white sandy beaches of the Gulf of Mexico and the upland forest bluffs of Florida's highest vistas, RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee is the center of Northwest Florida's rich cultural, historical, maritime and nature-based region."

Riverway South Project brochure

center of Northwest Florida's rich cultural, historical, maritime and nature-based region," a brochure for the program reads.

"Holmes Creek is one of the most pristine bodies of water in the state," Brook said, citing the creek as just one example of what makes this region a prime location for eco-tourism. "I have been told that 55 streams feed into that creek. It is a local and state treasure."

Holmes Creek provides one of the most diverse habitats and richest variety of fish and mollusks in the Choctawhatchee River basin, according to the Northwest Florida Water Management District's website. And according to the website, dozens of springs do indeed feed into Holmes Creek, including Burn-out Spring, Cypress Springs and Becton Spring.



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The proposed Rhythm development is a 1,883-acre, active-adult retirement community in Washington County, about three miles west of U.S. 231.

'Rhythm' stalled by more permitting

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CHIPLEY — Progress on the proposed Rhythm development, centered between U.S. 231 and State 77, seems to have lost a beat.

Rhythm, a proposed age-restricted community of 55 and older, is expected to have 3,200 dwelling units and promises a small amount of commercial, office and retail for the community's immediate needs. The 1,883-acre parcel — purchased in 2006 for about \$3,700 an acre and currently on the tax rolls at \$1,000 an acre — is in the southeastern corner of the county where Jackson, Bay and Washington counties join along County Line Road.

Backers of the project hope the project falls back into step, but Rhythm is at an apparent standstill as developers await answers regarding when development can begin.

"There are numerous preconditions to commencing development throughout the Development Order," said Linda Loomis Shelley of Attorneys Fowler White Boggs' office in a March 2014 letter regarding the property.

Shelley went on to list several environmental requirements such as:

- All pre-development base line conditions must be documented
- Fish sampling must be implemented prior to submittal of the Master Stormwater Management Permit
- A Master Stormwater Permit from the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NWFWM) must be obtained
- The Habitat Management Plan must be updated
- Conservation easements must be conveyed for Buckhorn Creek, Goshum Creek, and Long Brand Creek Wildlife Corridor
- A gopher tortoise relocation permit must be obtained from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC)

Though the property owners have indicated work on many of these activates is under way, none of the listed preconditions have been completed.

"(Based on this information) it is not possible for development to commence for a minimum of 18-24 months," Shelley said. "Even then, it is anticipated that required road work will need to be completed or substantially underway before actual work on the site can begin — and needless to say, prep work for roadway construction is substantial and time consuming."

Chief among the issues stalling out the project are the FFWCC's guidelines for gopher tortoise permitting. Though commissioners were of the understanding

no permitting was required because of preconstruction activity falling under the category of silviculture, the logging company tasked with clearing the land reports it was told otherwise.

"Gopher Tortoise Guidelines provide that silviculture activities do not require a gopher tortoise permit ... Because a contrary position has been represented to the loggers that a gopher tortoise permit is require at this time, the logger has pulled its equipment off the site and will not return to complete work until the (FFWCC) verifies in writing that a permit is not required," Shelley said.

This is not the first struggle the development has experienced, however.

Since Feb. 29, 2008, Rhythm has worked for approval of its DRI, or Development of Regional Impact, which includes requirements for specific and detailed plans on everything from how infrastructure will be supported to the impact on the environment. It gained that approval in February 2012.

The DRI goes hand-in-hand with the needed development order and Planned Urban Development, with all three needing approval for the project to move forward.

And there were three impediments to those plans: concerns whether Rhythm's wells will draw down nearby private wells, neighborhood opposition and a less-than-willing neighbor in Bay County, which has the road with the most direct access to the property.

WATER

The water issues, Henderson said, should be settled given the reviews by the West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC), the Florida Department of Transportation, the affected Water Management District, the local School District and a number of other agencies.

The Rhythm DRI was submitted to the WFRPC in Pensacola on Feb. 29, 2008, and received WFRPC approval on Oct. 27, 2011, after all agency comments had been satisfied with three review cycles at each level.

Washington County Senior Planner Michael DeRuntz said there was also a change that had to be made to the county's comprehensive plan to identify Rhythm as a Planned Unit Development (PUD).

A PUD is essentially another method of defining how a piece of property might be used and includes specific criteria. In Rhythm's case, DeRuntz said, the PUD was refined to include a 100-foot buffering zone to adjoining land and protected land, except for when joined to agriculture/silviculture, which then would be 50 feet. And it includes language that concerns water sheds, identifying spring

sheds, both primary and secondary.

"Since water is such a precious resource, this includes the protection of water sheds," DeRuntz said. "We've got to protect our water. There are some areas with more sensitive recharge areas, and we've got to be especially careful in this area because most of the county is on wells."

ROADS

Henderson said he believes Bay County was reluctant to grant access via County Line Road, which runs directly to the project from U.S. 231, because of ongoing friction between Bay and Washington counties over test wells Bay has drilled to the west. He said Rhythm offered to pave County Line Road up to and beyond county and state standards but was refused.

Bay County officials said the reluctance had more to do with feasibility than anything: there is not enough right-of-way to pave County Line Road to county and state standards, and the county would have to go to court to take that needed right-of-way from private property owners, which wasn't a viable alternative.

So with the clock ticking, Rhythm turned back to Washington County with a plan to spend millions of dollars paving roads between the development and Chipley, mostly with federal grant money and at no cost to the county.

The project supporters said the worst case scenario is the county gets millions of dollar in road improvements, even if Rhythm doesn't sell the first unit.

"You never know when something's going to help or hurt you, but in this case it could do nothing but help us," said Washington County Engineer Cliff Knauer during a previous BOCC meeting. "Before, this project didn't address Washington County roads, and it wouldn't have been a benefit to us, but now it is. We first addressed needing to do something about Buckhorn Boulevard in 1999, as well as that huge section in Quail Hallow."

Knauer said it wouldn't be just for the project that paving those roads would benefit.

"It's unbelievable how many people live down in that area and could benefit from these roads being paved, not to mention those are school bus routes, and it'd save the district on maintenance needing to be done to those buses that have to go down those roads every day," Knauer said. "With almost every aspect of this project, they've gone above and beyond what is required."

NEIGHBORS

With water and roads addressed, J. Scott Henderson, of Scott Henderson Planning Group LLC, representing Rhythm said, "We feel that we have answered all the questions, done everything we've been asked to do and then some." Henderson conceded

there is little left to do to appease those who live near the project.

"Trying to get the neighborhood comfortable has been a challenge," he said. "That's probably the biggest issue we have right now, and the neighborhood isn't going to be satisfied."

But DeRuntz said he knew the concerns of the residents and in many of the aspects shared them, given the history of the area.

"Everyone is concerned with the economy, and everyone is living with the memory of Sunny Hills," DeRuntz said. "That project was done before the land use requirements. It would have never flown with the new standards."

And key to this development, DeRuntz said, is all the conditions set forth in the agreements stay with the land and the development, not the property owner. Whatever is approved now has to be honored no matter who ends up developing the property.

"If something happens and the property changes hands, the new owner would have to follow the same guidelines to the letter or else they will have to start all over again, which is exactly where the developers were in 2008," DeRuntz said.

DEVELOPMENT ORDER

The most pressing matter at the moment is the Development Order. Without it, nothing happens. It represents an agreement "between the developer and the county about how things are going to be developed," said DeRuntz. "That's why there are phases the development must work within so that they have to meet the requirements on their part in order to continue their development."

DeRuntz said this is the biggest development to come to Washington County.

"With something this big we've got to make sure they fit into our comprehensive plan," DeRuntz said. "The developer has met all the conditions."

And one of the big conditions is the road paving will be completed before units are built for Phase I, preparing the area for heavier traffic.

This includes creating a new road called New Buckhorn Boulevard, and paving Buckhorn Boulevard to Quail Hallow Boulevard, Quail Hallow Boulevard to Orange Hill Road and Orange Hill Road until it meets the latest in Florida Department of Transportation standards.

Those parts of the road already paved will be repaved so the entire stretch meets the latest in FDOT standards.

Funding for this project is through an already approved Tiger III grant from the Department of Transportation. The developers have agreed to make up any shortfalls between that money and the actual cost of paving.

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Washington County Chamber's members 'No. 1 resource'

By TED EVERETT,
Executive Director
Special to Horizons

The Washington County Chamber of Commerce's No. 1 resource is its members.

With that said, our goal is to help our business community in any way possible. If you have questions on permitting, licensing or need to find resources for your business, call us. If we do not have the answer, we can usually

find it.

There are some specific areas the Chamber is focusing on in 2014.

The Chamber is in the process of revamping our Economic Development Council. One priority will be to try and give more assistance to our local businesses and see if there is an opportunity to help them grow and expand their current operations.

The Chamber capitalizes on our legislative relationships at all levels

— state, federal and local — to assist local businesses with issues affecting their business growth. We've also sent legislative delegations to the state as well as hosted forums for local businesses to share concerns with their governmental representatives.

The Chamber spends a good deal of time to bring relevant seminars and courses to our business and consumer community. Last summer, the

Chamber partnered with the Washington County Emergency Operations Center, local utilities and others to host the Disaster Preparedness Expo.

We also hosted a Business Credit Seminar in conjunction with eight area banks. This seminar discussed the core components of a credit score and offered many tips for improving a credit score. We plan on doing so again this year. We will also sponsored a principles of

management seminar with Bay Solutions and co-hosted a small business assistance seminar that helped businesses find financial resources and learn how to create a business plan.

The Chamber continues to partner with Northwest Florida Community Hospital, the Health Department and other local businesses to combat childhood obesity in Washington County through the We Can program.

If you have a particular

need which might be addressed in a seminar or workshop or other efforts, please let us know. The mission of the Chamber is to develop a strong and balanced economy while improving quality of life for all citizens. We invite our business and community to join us so that in Washington County might benefit.

For more information about the Chamber of Commerce, call 638-4157, or visit www.washcomall.com.

Ryan Helms of the Medical Gallery takes a moment to explain his vision for the Medical Gallery to the Holmes County Chamber of Commerce.



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'The Medical Gallery' focuses on physical and spiritual well-being

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BONIFAY — Business owner and pastor Ryan Helms said his new medical supply store is about more than taking care of business. It's about taking care of the customer as well.

Helms has helped set physicians up with needed equipment and has been involved with various pharmacy chains and business owners in Jacksonville, helping them start durable equipment companies of their own.

"We set up several of them, but I was really tired of traveling, and my kids were getting to where they needed me home more, so I thought many times that Bonifay doesn't really have a full comprehensive (medical

supply) company," Helms said.

Soon, the idea of the Medical Gallery was born. The store at 217 N. Waukesha St. in Bonifay, where the Movie Gallery once was, brings a higher standard of personal care.

"One thing we do differently at the Medical Gallery is replace (the standard mattress that comes with the bed) with a nice pressure mattresses so the patient gets the best quality mattress," Helms said.

It costs them a little more to do it that way, he said, but in the long run, the patients won't get diabetic sores or cumulous ulcers.

There are also special accommodations for women who have recently undergone a mastectomy.

"We have a shelf private mastectomy fitting room

where ladies can come in, and our staff is trained for mastectomy fitting," Helms said. "It's top shelf stuff with Victoria Secret-quality bras and fittings.

When a lady comes in who has had a mastectomy, we're going to treat her like royalty. We're going to give her a free manicure and pedicure from Vo's, and we're going to give her a book that's just meant so much to friends of ours by Jerry Bridges called 'What to Do When Life Hurts.'" The store also offers a line of high quality wigs.

"I just really try to love on these ladies, encourage them and develop a friendship with them in the ministry," Helms said.

Helms been married to his wife for 21 years, and they have three children. He's served as pastor of New Zion Baptist Church for 13 years.

Holmes County devises strategic plan for economic development

Special to Horizons

The Holmes County Development Commission's Strategic Plan for Economic Development is still on track.

With the leadership of strategic planning consultant Dr. David L. Goetsch, the plan was devised specifically for Holmes County last year and continues to move forward.

Workshops to facilitate the effort were led by Goetsch. Attending the workshops were local elected officials, city and county management, board members, school board members, local business owners, clergy, non-profit organizational leaders and members of the public.

"The mission of the Holmes County Development Commission is to mobilize the human, physical, natural, and financial resources of the County and focus them on retaining and creating jobs, improving the local economy, and enhancing the quality of life throughout the community," the mission statement devised for the county reads.

Goetsch assisted the work groups with recognizing what economic development would be desired for the county, what the county has to offer and values the county wishes to sustain during the development.

Ten strategies were then formed for implementation. The Holmes County Development Commission chose

three of those goals with the hope of implementing the strategies within the next one to two years:

1. Continually enhance the quality of the labor force, and provide speakers from businesses for high school classes. Also to sponsor, in conjunction with local businesses, corporate training seminars for improving skills and attitudes of existing employees.

2. Institute a comprehensive marketing program aimed at attracting new business and engage in "piggy-back" marketing with larger regional economic development.

3. Encourage local entrepreneurship for local business start-ups and work with Small Business Development Center of UWF to offer its "Steps to Starting a New Business" seminars on-site in Holmes County.

The Development Commission has asked that the Holmes County Chamber of Commerce partner with them in the implementation of the Strategic Plan.

Strategic Plan implementation discussions have taken place with board member Tim Wells as chairman. Wells has identified as his first goal a need to gain community interest and involvement.

Look for kick-off receptions and regular reports from the Development Commission on how you can become involved.



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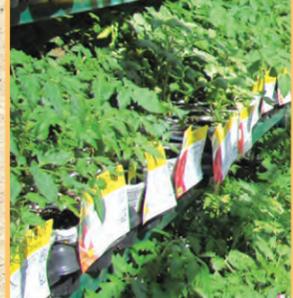
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Florida rural broadband 'middle-mile' nears completion

Additional broadband capacity is fast becoming available in the nine-county area of northwest Florida served by Opportunity Florida. As the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance (FRBA) becomes operational and commercial over the first half of 2014, attention now turns to delivering service to the Opportunity Florida region.



JIM BROOK
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More than 90 percent of the construction work is completed on the northern middle-mile system which includes 56 towers for wireless, microwave broadband backhaul. At the end of January, five sites were ready

for last mile distribution, and two fiber interconnection points were "hot," making GigaE service possible for the region. This broadband capacity is made possible through a National

Telecommunications and Information Administration grant, which was awarded to the Florida Rural Broadband

Alliance in August 2010. The \$23.6 million grant is intended to provide additional capacity to un-served and underserved areas within the region served by FRBA.

Owned jointly by Opportunity Florida in the north and Florida's

Rural Heartland Economic Development Initiative in south-central Florida, FRBA is an "open-access" provider. That means the network is open to negotiate with any and all last mile providers seeking wholesale service through the FRBA network.

So, what does this mean for the Opportunity Florida community and service area? First, the FRBA system provides lower cost, high capacity broadband to Community Anchor Institutions, commonly referred to as "CAIs." CAIs include local government and public agencies including schools, libraries and hospitals. The NTIA grant was initiated with these un-served or underserved CAIs as the

intended target. Most government and public services are in the process of moving to paperless transactions and record-keeping and need the additional broadband and Internet-based capabilities. Another benefit of the FRBA system will be capacity to schools and libraries, as both those institutions face online and digital mandates. Finally, more capacity to the area will bring a greater prospect of jobs and economic development.

Broadband can be the great equalizer for business and industry as the world becomes completely "digital" and businesses are less dependent upon higher cost, traditional, metro

areas in which to conduct commerce. Expanded broadband becomes the invisible highway infrastructure on which business now travels. The wireless FRBA system is seeking relationships with CAIs and last mile providers to deliver this additional capacity to the Opportunity Florida service area. Through June 2014, FRBA construction will be completed, and last-mile distribution points will be made ready to provide services to the community. Opportunity Florida is hopeful this new asset and the expanded capabilities it brings will provide a higher quality of life and economic benefits to the nine-county area of Opportunity Florida.

For more information about the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance, wireless, middle-mile, broadband system, visit "weconnectflorida.com" or contact Opportunity Florida at 633-4118.

Jim Brook is executive director of Opportunity Florida, the Northwest Florida Business Development Council and Co-managing partner of the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance. Opportunity Florida serves the northwest Florida Rural Area of Opportunity (RACEC), of Holmes, Washington, Jackson, Calhoun, Gulf, Franklin, Liberty, Gadsden and Wakulla counties.



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ChIPLEY Wal-Mart offers lawn, garden care for less

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CHIPLEY — Beautiful things are blooming at the Garden Center in ChIPLEY's Wal-Mart store.

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It's always a great day in Holmes County schools

The 2014-2015 school year in Holmes County will provide students exciting opportunities to excel academically, athletically, and artistically. Holmes County schools continue



EDDIE DIXON
Holmes County School Board Superintendent

to support our teachers by providing professional development and current resources to enhance instruction in the classroom. Data analysis will be used to review student

learning gains and to drive instruction to support individual student success. Holmes County also provides a variety of instructional models to help all students achieve.

Holmes County Schools encourage parents to be actively involved in their child's education. Our goal is to improve the lives of students by fostering good relationships between students, parents, and educators. Working together, we can make a difference in the lives of Holmes County children. As superintendent, I am always aware that the choices I make every day affect a child's life forever. I look forward to next year because, it's always a great day in Holmes County Schools.

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Area hospitals now offer telemedicine

STAFF REPORT

Advances are made in medical technology every day, but Washington and Holmes counties have managed to stay on top of the latest trends, with local hospitals offering modern technology with a personalized touch.

Both Doctor's Memorial Hospital in Bonifay and ChIPLEY's Northwest Florida Community Hospital have launched clinical affiliation agreements with Gulf Coast Medical Center's telemedicine network.

With its use of telemedicine — technology that provides medical services and the exchange of medical information to remote areas — Gulf Coast Medical Center is positioning itself as a regional hub for telemedicine — specifically, telestroke.

Stroke, caused when a blood vessel that carries oxygen and nutrients to the



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Neurologists Hoda Elawahry and Achra Makki communicate through the new RP-Lite robot as ER paramedic Teresa McArdle demonstrates a remote patient examination, and telehealth director Andy Long stands by, at Gulf Coast Medical Center.

brain ruptures or is blocked, is the number four cause of death and the leading cause of disability, according to the American Stroke Association.

"With Tele-Stroke technology, a neurologist interacts directly with the

patient in order to assess their condition," NFCH CEO Janet Kinney said.

"Telemedicine allows the specialist to diagnose a stroke from a remotely from an Emergency Room with the patient and the clinical ER team at bedside.

Bringing that technology home to ChIPLEY will allow the patient to receive a diagnosis within minutes, determining treatment that can be life-changing or even life-saving, if provided within that magic window of time."

For instance, a neurosurgeon at Gulf Coast Medical Center could immediately evaluate a potential stroke patient no matter the neurosurgeon's location. The doctors are wheeled in on a robot that features two-way communication capabilities.

"This is where we're headed, I believe," said JoAnn Baker, administrator at Doctors Memorial Hospital. "Because it's so difficult to get specialists to rural areas, we want to be sure our patients receive the same quality of care (as they would in a larger city). We're very excited to offer telemedicine to our patients and continue to stay on top of new technologies."

Growth on the horizon for tri-county area

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Key economic indicators suggest Holmes, Jackson and Washington counties will enjoy continued growth.

Leading statistics compiled by analytics company Alteryx showed overall growth in 2013, with more growth projected over the next five years.

Washington County, which currently has 24,979 residents, is expected to lead population growth in the tri-county area, expanding to 25,837 — about 3.4 percent — by 2019. Holmes County is expected to see growth of about 1.9 percent, rising from 19,889 to 20,272, while Jackson County is expected to gain a modest .8 percent over the next five years, rising from 48,799 to 49,234.

Conversely, the number of households is expected to increase in the area: Washington County households will increase about 4.5 percent from 8,879 to 9,285; Holmes, about 2.8 percent from 7,334 to 7,542; and Jackson, about 2 percent, from 16,987 to 17,340.

The median age of persons in those households is also expected to rise slightly. Jackson County is projected to see the largest average age increase, from 40.7 years old to 41.3 (1.5 percent); Holmes County's median age will increase from 41.5 to 42.1 (1.4 percent), and Washington's will rise from about 40.8 to 41.3 (1.2 percent).

Residents are expected to spend more over the next five years, as well, likely as a result of an

Key Economic Indicators	Holmes	Washington	Jackson
Population	19,889	24,979	48,799
5 year projection	20,272	25,837	49,234
Growth	1.9 percent	3.4 percent	.8 percent
Households	7,334	8,879	16,987
5 year projection	7,542	9,285	17,340
Growth	2.8 percent	4.5 percent	2 percent
Total Consumer Expenditures	\$291.7 million	\$373.6 million	\$697.5 million
5 year projection	\$365 million	\$470.2 million	\$866.80
Growth	25 percent	25.8 percent	24 percent
Median Household Income	\$36,064	\$38,769	\$40,097
5 year projection	\$41,480	\$46,084	\$46,584
Growth	15 percent	18.8 percent	16 percent
Median Age	41.5	40.8	40.7
5 year projection	42.1	41.3	41.3
Growth	1.4 percent	1.2 percent	1.5 percent

estimated growth in median household income.

The average annual income of Washington County residents is projected to see an 18.8 percent jump, rising from \$38,769 to \$46,084. Jackson County is expected to see a 16 percent growth in this area, from \$40,097 to \$46,584, while Holmes County is close behind, rising 15 percent from \$36,064 to \$41,480.

Increased income is expected to generate increased area revenues, with total consumer expenditures projected to rise by an average of 25 percent.

Expenditures in Washington County will experience the highest

jump, from about \$373.6 million to \$470.2 million; Holmes County will rise from about \$291.7 million to \$365 million; and Jackson County will see a slightly smaller jump, from about \$697.5 million to about \$866.8 million.

Though Washington County remains among Northwest Florida's highest unemployment rate at 7.6 percent as of February, however, that number is considerably down from this time last year, according to Richard Williams of CareerSource Chipola.

"The latest unemployment numbers from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity show

Washington County's unemployment rate has decreased about 1.4 percent over the last year," Williams said.

Holmes County's unemployment is currently 5.6 percent, down from 6.6 percent at this time last year, and Jackson County's unemployment rate is also down slightly, from 6.6 percent to 6.3 percent.

Williams expects that trend to continue, slowly, but steadily.

"Despite some continued clouds, the overall forecast for (Washington, Holmes, Jackson) and surrounding counties appears to be much brighter than what we've experienced in the last few years."

WHTC announces new digital technologies

Special to Horizons

The Washington-Holmes Technical Center campus is buzzing with new digital technologies. The Digital Audio Program and Digital Media/Multimedia Design programs made their debuts this year.

With so many shows like American Idol, America's Got Talent, the Voice, X-Factor, Nashville Stars, promising young talents have big dreams and new gateways to enter the performing arts business. However, not everyone who work in this industry sings or plays music, but there are a great many opportunities behind

the scenes in these booming businesses. There's a growing need for people to operate mixing or lighting boards, write script, set-up and tear-down for live shows and edit post production. An education in digital audio production will prepare students for career as a recording studio technician, film sound engineer, sound design artist, theater sound designer, multimedia developer or game audio designer. Jobs in audio production are also found in film studios, TV studios and other similar settings.

Students who enroll in the tech center's Digital Audio Production Program are provided hands-on

training on the state-of-the-art equipment, similar to that found in Nashville recording studios. Students will learn about software platforms used in sound mixing, how to set up sound boards, connect wires and cables, write scripts, interview community leaders and celebrities, broadcast events, and produce audio recordings.

The Digital Media/Multimedia Technologies Program provides the opportunity to use technical and design skills to create complete digital experiences that drive so many industries. Digital media is revolutionizing communications. This leading-

edge communications tool is demonstrating a remarkable capacity to convey information – no matter how intricate – effectively and powerfully.

Multimedia is the art form of the digital age. Multimedia melds electronic source material-graphics, audio, text and more into valid communications for websites, video or other media. Multimedia is also an important part of the business world, because of applications such as web-based e-commerce. Using software, individuals who know multimedia are at work behind-the-scenes designing and creating graphical, audio and text

communications for web pages, marketing collateral, advertising, instructional material and video projects.

Digital media and multimedia are areas in constant flux as new technologies and techniques are developed and added to the palette of virtual tools. If you're detail-oriented, creative and like to see the results of your work come to life, multimedia is an IT area you might like to pursue.

For more information about these amazing, new digital technology programs, contact Students Services at Washington-Holmes Technical Center at 638-1180 ext. 317.

Road expansions, infrastructure improvement on the horizon

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Washington and Holmes counties are expected to see a lot of pre-planning action in the transportation and infrastructure departments within the next several months, primarily in the areas of State Road 79, State Road 77, south of Interstate 10.

SR 79 will be widened from I-10 in Holmes County to the Alabama state line, and SR 77 will be widened from one mile north of Wausau to just south of Clayton Road (County Road 276).

The project is part of a five-year work program outlining about \$300 million in new infrastructure projects in the Panhandle that is intended to increase capacity on state roadways that connect to I-10.

Holmes County will also soon see bridge replacements on Hicks Road over West Pittman Creek and Valee Road over Blue Creek.

In addition to the road expansions, Holmes and Washington counties are looking to improve and expand existing infrastructure in preparation for new industry though grants from the Northwest Florida Water Management District.

That funding – part of about \$10 million recently approved by the NWFWD – will be used mainly for the planning and engineering of utility expansion south of Interstate 10.

The city of Chipley received \$440,000 in grants, which officials say will help develop a strategic plan to improve Washington County's appeal to new industry.

"Our goal is to provide

water, sewer and gas south of the interstate to help promote job growth out there," Dan Miner, Chipley city administrator, said.

"When the economy was rolling pretty good a few years ago, we had a lot of interest in that area (from potential industry), but (lack of infrastructure) was one of the snags, and we just didn't have the funding to make that happen.

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Three Holmes County communities were also awarded NWFWD grants at the beginning of 2014.

The town of Esto was awarded \$149,690 to replace 4,850 feet of aging water line and reduce water loss.

The town of Noma received \$415,292 to replace 28,100 feet of their water distribution system and 25 fire hydrants, as well as to provide additional valve and meter installation to identify deficiencies in their water system.

The city of Bonifay was awarded \$268,900 to replace 4,590 feet of asbestos cement and a lead joint water main to reduce water loss and help protect the public and environment.

"This is very important to the future growth of our city," Mayor Lawrence Cloud said. "We've got to have our infrastructure in order in order to accommodate any future growth. If you don't have infrastructure you can't have growth."



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO HORIZONS

Pho Noodle and Kaboodle is at 2005 S. Waukesha St. in Bonifay, in the old Simbo's building.

FRESH EQUALS SUCCESS

Pho Noodle and Kaboodle couples exotic taste with down home hospitality

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BONIFAY — The Pho Noodle and Kaboodle restaurant brings a variety of Vietnamese flavors to Holmes County.

"We believe fresh, made to order food is the key to success," said owner Son Vo.

Vo and his family are originally from California but moved to Florida, opening Pho Noodle in

2012 to provide authentic Vietnamese food to the area. Pho Noodle and Kaboodle offers menu favorites such as: Beef Pho and spring rolls, Pork and Shrimp Fried Rice, Vermicelli w. Pork, Shrimp, & Eggroll, Sizzling Cube Steak, Thai Tea and more.

As a testament to the restaurant's commitment to freshness, each egg roll is freshly made and rolled carefully by hand, a house favorite that helped earn the popular eatery last year's "Business of the



Each egg roll is hand rolled.

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 - Washington County Council on Aging
 - Washington County News
 - WestPoint Home

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ARC of Washington/Holmes	\$11,880
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Boy Scouts – Gulf Coast Council	\$1,365
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Covenant Hospice.....	\$4,422
Early Learning Coalition	\$1,600
Family Service Agency.....	\$1,772
Gulf Coast Children’s Advocacy Ctr	\$2,026
Habilitative Services of NFL	\$1,190
Life Management Center	\$1,175
Tri-County Community Council	\$6,277
Washington Cty Council on Aging	\$13,263

The above figures reflect funds distributed through the grant applicaiton process as well as those designated to agencies serving Holmes and Washington Counties.

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United Way of Northwest Florida is excited to share the 2013 Community Campaign and report on the funds distributed throughout the year in Holmes and Washington Counties. After all, these results belong to the communities we serve. The strength of United Way lies in connecting people and resources across our region to improve the very foundation of our community. We are very fortunate to have a broad range of partners, individuals and organizations who have willingly joined with us to advance our work in **EDUCATION, INCOME** and **HEALTH** throughout Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson and Washington counties. Working together as volunteers, contributors, non-profit partners, corporate partners, government, and faith groups help us change lives and build stronger communities. We are especially proud of our partner agencies and the incredible services they deliver each and every day.



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Minimum Training and Experience:
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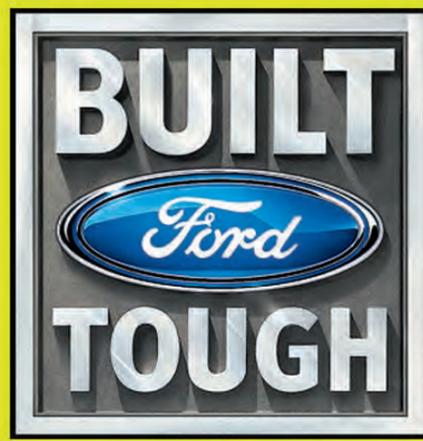
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