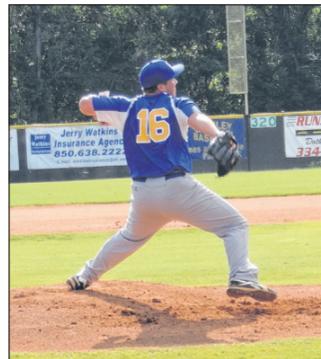


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## Courthouse Committee meeting

**CHIPLEY** — The Washington County Courthouse Committee will meet at noon on Monday, Aug. 4, in the annex board meeting room, 1331 South Blvd. The committee will accommodate handicapped and disabled persons who wish to attend this meeting. Call the Board of County Commissioners Administrative Office at 638-6200 at least 48 hours before the meeting date to make arrangements.

## An evening of southern gospel

**CHIPLEY** — The Spanish Trail Playhouse's annual artists series presentation, "An Evening of Southern Gospel," will take the stage at 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 9. The evening will feature Christian vocalists and musicians from the local area. The concert will take place at the Spanish Trail Playhouse, 680 Second St. in Chipley, and is directed by Jimmy Miller. Tickets are available now at the Washington County Public Library, and all remaining tickets will be available at the theater the day of the show. The doors will open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for general admission seating.

# WCSB eyes sales tax, budget

By **CAROL KENT**  
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**CHIPLEY** — The Washington County School board met in two special sessions recently to discuss the both the budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year and the proposed half-cent sales tax.

The sales tax, which

would be used for capital outlay and technology projects, would have to be approved by a majority vote of the county's voters. If approved, the levy would begin in January 2015 and last a period of ten years.

The Board of County Commissioners will first have to agree to place the tax on the November ballot

as a referendum. The tax is proposed solely at the discretion of the school board. Expected to generate approximately \$1,281,546 in revenue, the resulting funds will be used for the following projects:

- Construction and remodeling projects, such as construction for the new Kate M. Smith Elementary

School, Washington-Holmes Technical Center classroom remodeling, Chipley High School and Roulhac Middle School cafeteria expansion, improvements for the Vernon High School track, and the Vernon Middle School baseball field. The funds will also help offset the cost of leasing portable classrooms.

- Maintenance of various school and district plants and roof repairs, including classroom renovations at Vernon Elementary School (VES), Historic Chipley High School renovations, resurfacing of the commercial vehicle driving testing range, and updates

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# DIXIE PRE-MAJORS WORLD SERIES RUNNERS-UP!

## Chipley snags second highest ranking



**CAROL KENT** | The News

Washington County hosted 11 states in the 2014 Dixie Pre-Majors World Series last week, and Chipley's team won the title of runner-up. The team, comprised of players from Chipley, Vernon, Sneads, Graceville, and other local communities, played six games in the series. Chipley fell only twice, both times to Mississippi's team, which went on to cinch the Championship. From left, the 2014 Chipley Dixie Majors are (front row): Coach Andy Compton, Whit Pettis, Tripp Hodges, Trent Brock, Nathan Spencer, Denny Elligson, Codi Wood, Dominic Bouton. (back) Briar Morris, Andrew Howell, Andrew King, Coach Colby Cleveland, Micah McCaskill, Grant Rowell, Noah Gustason, Colby Williams, Daniel Floyd, Brian Williams, James Walsingham, Cole McCord, and Coach Jesse Carter. See the full story on **Pages A12-A13**.

# FDOT to host meetings on I-10, S.R. 79

By **CAROL KENT**  
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**WASHINGTON COUNTY** — The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will host a series of meetings relating to projects on State Road 79 and Interstate 10.

The public information meeting on S.R. 79 is scheduled from 5-6 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 5, at the Vernon Community Center, located at 2808 Yellow Jacket Drive, in Vernon.

The meeting will be an open house format with no formal presentation, but FDOT representatives will be present to explain proposed improvements, answer questions, and receive comments.

Maps, drawings, and other information will be on display for the project, which is scheduled to begin in the fall.

This is Phase D of the S.R. 79 design-build project and will cover a distance of about 6.4 miles from Reedy Branch Bridge to Court St. in Vernon.

Meetings are also planned for final recommendation on the I-10 Master Plan.

FDOT has scheduled two final recommendation meetings concerning the update to the I-10 Master Plan for Okaloosa,

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# Drake seeks Fla. House of Representatives District 5 seat

Special to The News



**BRAD DRAKE**

Republican Brad Drake has qualified to run for the Florida House of Representatives District 5 seat being vacated by term-limited Rep. Marti Coley of Marianna. An eighth generation Floridian, Brad currently resides in the Eucheanna community in Walton County. Brad comes from a family of public servants in Flor-

ida's panhandle area. His grandfather, J. Troy Peacock, represented Jackson County in the Florida House of Representatives in the 1930's, 40's and 50's, and father, David Earl Drake, served as Superintendent of Walton County Schools from 1976 to 1980. His mother, the late Anna Kay Peacock Drake, taught school in the Walton County School

District for 35 years.

After graduating from the University of Florida, Brad served as Legislative Aide to State Representative Don Brown for seven years before being elected to the House in 2008. While in office, he spearheaded the effort to repeal the burdensome mandate of unnecessary septic tank inspections in North Florida, co-sponsored a Florida Constitutional amendment to prohibit the enforcement of the individual man-

date of Obamacare and co-sponsored legislation to protect Floridians' 2nd Amendment rights from unnecessary local regulation. When redistricting placed Brad in the same district as Representative Marti Coley in 2012, he chose to step aside and support her re-election.

Drake maintains that because Florida's population is 19 million people and 17 million live south of Ocala, it is absolutely critical that Northwest Florida

have an experienced and proven leader in Tallahassee. "When south Florida legislators come to the table, they don't approach with benevolence. We better make darn sure that we have someone there that knows how to push back when warranted, appropriate adequate funding and shield our water."

Carrying with him a list of priorities, Drake says that he wants to increase

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to the district's public restrooms and athletic fields.

- Purchase of vehicles and equipment, including ten new school buses, school furniture and equipment for the new elementary school and new classrooms at VES, lease-purchase of new computers, and upgrading the district's technology infrastructure.
- Fund cost associated with environmental compliance, such as removal of hazardous waste and help fund property and casualty premiums to insure the

school board's educational and ancillary plants.

The school board's proposed operating expenditures are approximately 16.5 percent more than last year. The proposed budget includes \$95,527,725 in both total revenues and expenditures, with state funding generating the most revenue at \$31,755,217 and instruction cost being the largest expense at \$24,660,973.

A final budget hearing is set for 5:01 p.m. on Sept. 08, preceding the school board's regularly monthly meeting.

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Walton, Holmes, Washington and Jackson counties. The first meeting was held Thursday, July 31 at the Crestview Community Center in Crestview. The second meeting will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 7, in the First Baptist Church Youth Building, located at 1300 South Boulevard, Chipley. There will be brief presentation at 5:45 p.m.

"The purpose of the Interstate Master Plan is to develop an integrated transportation system that is economically efficient, environmentally sound, and moves people and goods in an energy-

efficient manner," said FDOT rep Tanya Branton. "The plan will identify and recommend mobility enhancement alternatives that serve high speed, high volume travel, including long trips and regional commerce as well as outline a process of protecting the right-of-way necessary to accommodate future needs. Your involvement in the master planning effort will help to shape I-10 in this part of the state for decades to come."

Additional project information can be found at [www.I-10masterplannw-florida.com](http://www.I-10masterplannw-florida.com).

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road and water utility infrastructure in Northwest Florida, wield policy reflective of the Florida and United States Constitutions and continue a process that he worked on previously in peeling back discovered regulatory barriers that are archaic or unnecessary.

In his last two years, 2010-2012, Drake sat on the House Subcommittee on Rules & Regulation. The Speaker of the House established this committee to allow all Floridians a public access point to make recommendations to the legislature where they could report unnecessary and burdensome red-tape obstacles. The committee would review the suggestions from the general public and vote to remove or repeal unnecessary statutes. Through

lengthy discussions and deliberations on the regulatory climate, the legislators worked with the Governor to remove over 2,500 different rules that were on the books.

In addition to his prior legislative service, Brad Drake currently serves on the Board of Trustees at Northwest Florida State College. Drake is also supported and endorsed by the National Rifle Association, Florida Right to Life, Florida Police (PBA) and the Florida Professional Firefighters.

Florida House District 5 is made up of nearly 160,000 northwest Floridians and spans across the panhandle covering all of Walton, Holmes, Washington and Jackson counties and a portion of north Bay County.

### CORRECTION:

The Washington County News published incorrect hours for Vernon's Sam Mitchell Public Library in the July 25 edition.

Hours are: Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



## Public Notice Courthouse Committee Meeting

The Washington County Courthouse Committee will be having a Meeting Monday August 4, 2014 and 12:00 P.M. in the Board Meeting Room located at 1331 South Blvd., Chipley, Florida.

The Washington County Courthouse Committee will accommodate handicapped and disabled persons who wish to attend this meeting. Contact the Board of County Commission Administrative Office at 850-638-6200, at least 48 hours before the meeting date to make arrangements.

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# Tax-free weekend going on now

### Special to The News

Gov. Scott reminds families of the 2014 sales tax-free holiday that began yesterday, Aug. 1. With the new school year approaching, parents and students can save money on their back to school shopping with the sales tax-free holiday through Sunday, Aug. 3.

"During this sales-tax holiday families will be able

to save money on school supplies and other back-to-school items that will set students up for success in the upcoming school year. We are proud to offer this sales-tax holiday as it will result in direct savings for Florida families as they prepare for the school year," Scott said.

Scott signed legislation to approve a three-day back to school sales tax-free holiday to support Florida

parents purchasing school supplies and clothing. The holiday exempts families from paying sales taxes on numerous back to school items including clothing and footwear of \$100 or less per item and on certain school supplies of less than \$15 per item.

"The sales tax-free holiday is an excellent opportunity for families to stock up on the supplies their children need for the com-

ing school year," Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart said. "I appreciate Gov. Scott's dedication to ensuring families have this much-deserved break."

Another tax break for families took effect Tuesday, July 1. Youth bicycle helmets, child restraint systems and booster seats are now tax-exempt and will provide additional relief for families purchasing these child safety items.

# Panhandle congressional race tightens

### By MARGIE MENZEL

The News Service of Florida

**TALLAHASSEE** — The race between Republican incumbent Steve Southerland and Democratic challenger Gwen Graham in a North Florida congressional district continues to tighten. With money pouring in, the race is one of a handful nationally that Democrats are targeting.

Steve Israel, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, told Politico on Tuesday the district was one of three his party could pick up in 2014, a year in which Republicans are expected to gain several seats in the U.S. House. The nonpartisan Rothenberg Political Report switched its ranking of the race from "Leans Republican" to "Toss Up/Tilt Republican" in mid-July.

Now Graham, D-Tallahassee, is deploying her family — including her father, former Florida governor and U.S. Sen. Bob Graham — in a series of ads and events aimed at countering Southerland's advantage in conservative parts of the Panhandle.

Southerland, R-Panama City, is fighting back, challenging Graham to identify the issues on which she disagrees with the embattled Obama administration.

"She's been given invitation after invitation after invitation to go on the record and make public statements of where she differs in the policy positions of Barack Obama and Nancy Pelosi," Southerland told reporters this month at the opening of his Tallahassee campaign office. "There's only so much you can do on the air, on TV and through commercials and through third-party groups. At some point in



**GWEN GRAHAM** **STEVE SOUTHERLAND**

time, I think the people want to see you and they want to hear you make a definitive statement on what you believe regarding policy."

Graham, for her part, has been using her father's strategy of "workdays," in which the candidate helps perform the jobs of ordinary Floridians. As Southerland was opening his Tallahassee headquarters, Graham, an attorney, was heading for Fades, a barbershop across town, to sweep the floor and answer the phone.

"We are most definitely in a position to win this," she said. "We're getting not only Democratic support but Republican support. This is a bipartisan campaign. It's not about being a Democrat or a Republican; it's about having someone in Washington that's going to be looking out for everyone in this district."

The sprawling Congressional District 2 includes Bay, Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson Leon, Liberty, Taylor, Wakulla, Washington, and parts of Madison and Holmes counties. Tallahassee and Gadsden County, in the eastern part of the district, are heavily Democratic, while the Panama City area to the west is heavily Republican.

Southerland, who runs his family's funeral home, was first elected in the tea party wave of 2010, vowing to oppose the Affordable Care Act. He swept out sev-

en-term incumbent Allen Boyd, a Blue Dog Democrat from Monticello who had voted for the controversial health care law.

In 2012, Southerland defeated former state Sen. Al Lawson, D-Tallahassee. Lawson racked up votes in Leon and Gadsden counties, but Southerland swept the small, rural counties to the west.

"I'm running a 14-county strategy," Graham said. "From the very beginning, we have been."

On Wednesday, she kicked off eight "Grilling with the Grahams" cook-outs across the district, along with appearances in Apalachicola on Friday, at the Possum Festival in Wausau this weekend and the opening of her third campaign office in Marianna on Monday.

### FUNDRAISING

Graham has outraised Southerland. As of June 30, she'd collected \$2,353,864 in contributions and had \$1,574,520 on hand, while the incumbent had raised \$1,916,651 and had \$1,394,748 on hand.

But it's hard to track all the dollars flowing into the race, given the outside groups involved. Graham's allies include the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and Emily's List, which funds pro-choice Democratic women. Southerland's include the National Republican Congressional Committee and the Koch brothers-backed group Americans for Prosperity, which paid for TV ads praising the congressman's policy positions in October and February.

The deep-pocketed Koch brothers, whose Wichita, Kan.-based empire includes petroleum, natural gas, fer-

tilizer and plastics, have become controversial figures in national politics because of the large amounts of money they spend to help conservative candidates and causes. Southerland said at least they have a relationship to the district because one of their companies, Georgia-Pacific, owns the Buckeye paper mill in Taylor County.

"There's money flying into that (Graham) campaign from all over the country, from people that have never even been to Florida," Southerland said. "At least the Koch brothers have plants and are creating jobs in Florida."

Graham has blasted Southerland for his role in last year's government shutdown and, as the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee put it in a fund-raising email, "everything North Floridians hate about Congress."

"Right now Congress is taking home big paychecks and perks without accomplishing anything," Graham said earlier this month. "That's not fair to the middle-class families that are footing the bills."

Southerland said his campaign would need to raise \$2.5 million and predicted the total cost of the race would be \$10 million to \$12 million.

He said the two candidates are "only about \$150,000 apart" in cash on hand.

"I would hope if my dad was a 38-year legislator and two-term governor and three-term United States senator — I would have thought they'd have raised a lot more money than they've raised," he said. "My dad is a funeral director, running a small family business, so I like where we are."

# Florida preserve brings wolves, people together

By MELISSA NELSON-GABRIEL  
The Associated Press

**CHIPLEY** (AP) — At Seacrest Wolf Preserve in northern Florida, billed as the largest such facility in the Southeast, owners Cynthia and Wayne Watkins say they raise their wolves to become accustomed to humans — and for a \$25 fee, they even let visitors mingle with a wolf pack.

It lets wolves become ambassadors for their species, they say, and helps people become advocates for wolves.

"We offer one of the rarest opportunities in the world for humans to see wolves up close and personal," Cynthia Watkins says. The Watkinses estimate that Seacrest, near the small town of Chipley, gets 10,000 visitors a year.

But some wolf experts worry that Seacrest may be allowing wolves and humans to get too close.

Dave Mech, a senior research assistant with the U.S. Geological Survey who has spent decades studying wolves, says allowing visitors to enter a wolf pack enclosure isn't safe.

"They are still unpredictable because they are wild animals," he said. "Wolves

are not like dogs. Dogs have been domesticated for thousands of years and that unpredictability and wildness is taken out of them because of the breeding."

A worker was attacked and killed by a pack of wolves in 2012 at a wildlife park in Sweden. A Canadian biologist was killed by wolves at the Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Preserve in 1996.

Seacrest requires visitors to watch an educational video before they interact with the wolves, has trained wolf handlers on hand during every tour and doesn't allow children under 6 to take the tour, Watkins said. "We are not some little roadside zoo," she added.

The Seacrest preserve grew out of her passion for raising huskies, the sled dogs with a wolf-like appearance. That evolved into providing a home for wolves in need of relocation and later into a captive breeding program.

The 30 gray, Arctic and British Columbian wolves, with names including Utah, Rio, Liberty and Spirit Prince, are separated into packs. Each pack has several acres to roam. On a recent afternoon, Cynthia Watkins sat on a log bench

surrounded by seven howling gray wolves. Watkins joined in their howling and pet and kissed each of them.

"Little Red Riding Hood was wrong and the wolf is not the bad guy but indeed a very important keystone species," she said.

Seacrest also provides wolves to education programs around the country.

Pat Goodman, curator of Wolf Park in Battle Ground, Indiana, has worked with wolves for more than 40 years, and said Seacrest has a good reputation for raising healthy wolves that serve as ambassadors for their species in places around the country.

In Florida, thousands of miles from many of the wolves' native habitat, Seacrest uses spray misters, large ponds and lots of shade inside the wolves' densely wooded enclosures to help the animals deal with the heat and humidity.

The preserve is still recovering from a major flood in late April when heavy rains burst a dam on the property, washing out the wolf enclosures. The flood led to the death of one British Columbian wolf that escaped from its enclosure. It was shot and killed by a

sheriff's deputy after an extensive search for the animal led by Florida's Fish and Wild Conservation Commission.

Stan Kirkland, a spokesman for Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, said the deputy shot the wolf out of concern for public safety after officers spent days tracking the animal and trying to trap it without killing it. He said officers couldn't get close enough to use a tranquilizer dart.

"You are talking about a 90- to 100-pound wolf escaping and we really were out of options," Kirkland said.

The Watkins are petitioning Gov. Rick Scott to start an investigation into the death of the wolf.

The preserve has finished the most-crucial repairs needed to ensure the safety of the wolves, but more work needs to be done, she said. Seacrest has received donations and messages of support from around the world for the \$100,000 rebuilding effort.

"All I could do was cry when I looked at how beautiful each enclosure was and how well thought out it was," Watkins said. "The flood was extremely devastating."

## 'A VISIONARY'

### Everitt earns Lifetime Achievement Award as he retires from PAEC

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**CHIPLEY** — Those who know Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (PAEC) Director of Technology Rick Everitt would likely say he has made an impact on education in both his community and state - but would prefer the focus be on what remains to be done, rather than his own achievements.

However, as Everitt prepares to retire after 31 years of service, the Florida Association of Partners in Education (FAPE) presented him with the Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his decades-long effort to improve education statewide.

FAPE President Liz Stark and Past President Linda Morris presented the award in Panama City recently.

"So many people don't realize just what (Everitt) has done for education over the years on both state and local levels," said Morris. "He was a behind the scenes kind of guy, but he got things done. He's been a man who has been in the profession for the sole purpose of helping people and helping kids. That's what drove his actions, and that is so indicative of how he worked. He didn't want any accolades for himself."

"He's never been boastful, nor sought credit or honor for himself," she continued. "His personal demeanor has always represented his inner values. He's honest, genuine, and a man of his word. On behalf of all who have crossed his path and for those who will reap the influence of his footprint, it was my distinct honor to have presented him with the Lifetime Achievement Award."

Pam Lastowski, also of FAPE, agrees.

"He's worked diligently over the years on major issues, such as improving education for our children, even though that's not his primary responsibility at PAEC," said Lastowski. "He's stayed involved in that mission and has also been very involved in getting money and grants from the legislation for school volunteer programs statewide business and citizen partnerships to improve teaching and learning. He's been so involved in these efforts and has made such an impact on a statewide level."

Everitt joined the Florida school volunteer effort in 1983 as Washington County District School Volunteer and Senior Mentors for Creative Students Coordinator. He has the longest tenure on record ever on the Florida Commissioner of Education's Community Involvement Council, appointed by Commissioners of Education Ralph Turlington, Betty Castor, Frank Brogan, Tom Gallagher and Charlie Crist.

Everitt has long advocated legislative funding for Florida's district school volunteer programs. In 1990, he was working as a volunteer advocate for the statewide school volunteer program. When word

came from Tallahassee to a FAPE Conference that money was no longer in the legislative budget for the program, he organized a postcard campaign, addressed to the head of the education appropriations committee, within just hours. That legislator appeared at conference two days later to announce continued funding.

In 2007, Everitt was a leader in the successful advocacy for appropriations to provide training resources for district school volunteer programs. He is one of the original pioneers who developed the Neighbors Involved in Kids Education (NIKE) Program, a precursor to after school programs. He was also an innovator of the Migrant Education Senior Mentors Program. Additionally, he volunteered time and resources to develop on-line training for new school volunteer coordinators and Five Star Award Train-

ing accessible through the Florida Education Channel. Everitt will retire from his current position as PAEC Coordinator of Technology Aug. 31.

PAEC's Lisa Schofield will take over much of his responsibilities.

Patrick L. McDaniel is the Executive Director at PAEC, which is Florida's oldest regional education service organization. McDaniel says Everitt's absence will not go unnoticed.

"Rick is a visionary," said McDaniel. "He has the unique ability to see and understand what the next big thing is going to be. An example is the Florida Education Channel, which he envisioned, created, and then implemented as a way to deliver professional learning to teachers, not only in the school districts we represent, but across the state of Florida, first on Dish Network, and now over the internet. His level of energy, enthusiasm, insight, perseverance, and dedication will be sorely missed."



RICK EVERITT

### MITCHELL SIGHT AND SOUND HOLDS RIBBON-CUTTING



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

The Washington County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Mitchell Sight and Sound, a new corporation at 1515 U.S. 90 in Chipley. Mitchell Sight and Sound specializes in installing and selling car, marine and home electronics. They also do full custom work including fiberglass, building enclosures, home pre wiring, structure wiring, home auto motion, and Dish Network sales and service. Owner Kris Mitchell has been in business for almost 20 years and says he strives for "one-on-one personal service" and guarantees all his work. Kris also said he and his staff pride themselves on service after the sale and getting customers the most value for their money.

#### PROFILE YOUR BUSINESS

The Washington County News wants to highlight our hometown businesses! "Business Profile" is a new weekly feature designed to inform readers about the local business community. To participate,

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## FDOT FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### State Road 79 • Phase D from Reedy Branch Bridge to Court Street

### Design-Build Project • Washington and Holmes Counties

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

##### MEETING INFORMATION

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) invites you to attend a public information meeting concerning Phase D of the State Road 79 Design-Build project from Reedy Branch Bridge to Court Street in Vernon, a distance of approximately 6.4 miles.

- Tuesday, August 5, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Vernon Community Center  
2808 Yellow Jacket Drive, Vernon

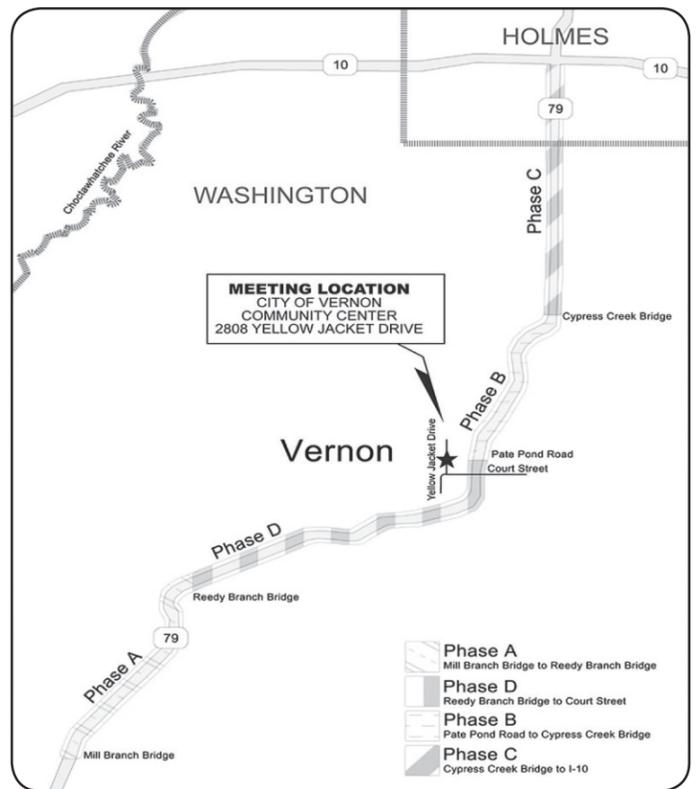
Construction is scheduled to begin in fall 2014. Maps, drawings, and other information will be on display. The meeting will be an open house format. There will be no formal presentation. Representatives from FDOT will be available to explain proposed improvements, answer questions, and receive comments.

Those wishing to submit written comments/questions may do so at the meeting, via email at [billy.robinson@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:billy.robinson@dot.state.fl.us), or by mailing them to Billy Robinson, FDOT Project Manager, Ponce de Leon Operations Center, 1723 Sunrise Circle, Ponce de Leon, Florida 32455. All comments must be postmarked on or before Friday, August 15, 2014.

##### PROJECT INFORMATION

A rural typical section with grassed median will be built from Reedy Branch Bridge to south of Vernon at the intersection of Cook Circle. An urban typical section will be designed with pedestrian facilities from Cook Circle to Court Street. A new traffic signal will be installed at Sapp Street.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Billy Robinson, FDOT Project Manager, at (850) 836-5713 at least seven days prior to the meeting.



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# Community EVENTS

## Bethlehem alumni reunion

**BETHLEHEM** — The Bethlehem Alumni Reunion is scheduled for today, Aug. 2, in the cafeteria at Bethlehem School. A time of meeting and greeting will begin at 5:15 p.m., with dinner scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15.00 each. The dinner menu will consist of ribeye steak, baked potato, green salad, roll and dessert. Please make plans to attend. Tickets can be purchased at Miller's Grocery or by contacting Cheryl Daughtery at 334-360-0308 or Peggy Moore at 415-2438.

## Acrylic painting

**MARIANNA** — The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida will offer an acrylic painting workshop at 9:30 a.m., Saturday Aug. 9, at the Jackson County Public Library. This is an adult only workshop and will cover painting landscapes. The fee for this class is \$8 for the public and \$5 for guild members. The fee will cover an 11x14 canvas, paints and brushes. For more information or to RSVP call 557-0655

## An evening of southern gospel

**CHIPLEY** — The Spanish Trail Playhouse's annual artists series presentation, "An Evening of Southern Gospel" will take the stage at 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 9. The evening will feature Christian vocalists and musicians from the local area. Scheduled performers include: The Thompsons, Trish Brannon, Sheriff Bobby Haddock, Sonny and Linda Morris, Ellis Wimberley and Seth Cook. The live stage band consists of A. D. Davis, drums; Tim Thompson, lead guitar; Kirk Thompson, bass guitar and MC; Doug Salter, piano and Jimmy Miller, pedal steel guitar. This concert will take place at the Spanish Trail Playhouse, located at 680 2nd Street in Chipley, and is directed by Jimmy Miller. Tickets are available now at the Washington County Public Library, and all remaining tickets will be available at the theatre the day of the show. The doors will open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for general admission seating.

## Chipola to offer basic corrections

**MARIANNA** — The Chipola College Public Service Department will offer a Basic Corrections course beginning Monday, Aug. 11. The 420-hour program will meet weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. through Tuesday, Nov. 11. Completion of the program prepares candidates to take the State Board Examination for entry into the Corrections field. Candidates for all programs must be at least 19 years of age and earn a passing score on the Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT) offered at the Public Service Building every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. Cost of the test is \$45. Applicants must have a standard high school diploma or its equivalent and must undergo a medical physical examination, background check and drug screening. For information regarding the application process, contact Jamie McAllister, Corrections Coordinator, at 573-0437.

## Holmes County 4-H will hold open meeting for new livestock club

The Holmes County 4-H program through the University of Florida and IFAS Extension will hold an open meeting for youth interested in raising 4-H animal projects and showing their animals in upcoming local fairs. Interested youth, parents, and individuals interested in volunteering are encouraged to attend this meeting at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 12, at the Holmes County Ag Center. Youth ages 5-18 and their parents will have the opportunity to explore the different animal focuses such as beef cattle, horses, poultry and rabbits being offered within the 4-H Livestock Club and meet with the 4-H Agent and volunteers. Youth will also be able to enroll in the new 4-H year which begins, Monday, Sept. 1. Volunteer information will be available for those adults interested in getting involved in this new 4-H livestock program. For more information regarding this event or for additional 4-H information, contact Niki Crawson at 547-1108, ncrawson@

ufl.edu or check out our website at holmes.ifas.ufl.edu.

## Back to school fair

**CHIPLEY** — Northwest Florida Community Hospital will host the annual The Back to School Fair from 9 a.m. to noon, Thursday, Aug. 14, on the front lawn. This is a free event to help school-age children prepare to return to school, looking spiffy and equipped with the necessary school supplies. There will be a back pack drawing as well. For more information call Joanie Beard at 415-8104.

## Oneblood blood mobile

**CHIPLEY/BONIFAY** — The Oneblood blood mobile will be at the following locations doing blood drives:

- Thursday, Aug. 7, at Chipley Wal-Mart from noon to 5 p.m.
- Friday, Aug. 8, at the Bonifay Nursing and Rehab Center 10 a.m. to noon
- Friday, Aug. 8, at Doctors Memorial Hospital 1-4:30p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 2, at the Northwest Florida Reception Center 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Friday, Aug. 15, at Chipley Wal-Mart, 11a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Braves vs. New York Mets

**WASHINGTON/HOLMES COUNTY** — The Krafty Katz Relay for Life team is holding fundraiser to see the Atlanta vs. New York Mets, Saturday, Sept. 20. Tickets are \$100 and include the bus ride to and from Atlanta and seats to the game. The bus will leave Chipley at 12:30 p.m. and return at about 1 a.m. To ensure seat on the bus, please call Vicki Lamb at 326-3319 or 638-1483.

## Political Rally

**BONIFAY** — A political Rally will be held at Bethlehem United Methodist Church at 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 16. Dinner plates will be available for \$7 and will include country-style ribs or chicken leg quarters, cole slaw, baked beans, roll, drink and dessert. The plates ate a fundraiser for local missions. The church is at 1622 Bethlehem Church Road in Bonifay. For more information, call

547-3780.

Bethlehem Peewee football to hold fundraisers  
The players of the Bethlehem peewee football will host a community yard sale Saturday, Aug. 2, at the Esto Park starting at 7 a.m. For more information, call Shane Coleman at 703-0841, April Seluga at 326-7666 or Rachel at 849-7076. They can also be contacted on Facebook their face book page "Bethlehem peewee fundraising.

## HCSO community meeting

**ESTO** — Esto City Hall will host a Holmes County Sheriff's Office Community Meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5. Members of the HOSO will be on hand to discuss current events, latest crime trends, and active scams. The staff members will also hold a question and answer session. For more information, call 547-4421.

## HCSO community meeting

**PITTMAN** — The Pittman Volunteer Fire Department will host a Holmes County Sheriff's Office Community Meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7. Members of the HOSO will be on hand to discuss current events, latest crime trends, and active scams. The staff members will also hold a question and answer session. For more information, call 547-4421.

## 2014 peanut field day

**MARIANNA** — The annual UF/IFAS peanut field day will be held at the Marianna North Florida Research and Education Center, Thursday Aug. 14. The event will begin at 8 a.m. and ending with a sponsored lunch. Field tours will begin at 8:30 a.m. Topics will include disease control, new varieties, crop management, and weed control. CEU's, including core, will be available at registration. For more information call 394-9124.

## Two weeks of free movies at Sam Mitchell Public Library

**VERNON** — The Sam Mitchell Public Library will show free movies for two weeks this month. Tuesday and Wednesday movies will start at 3:30

p.m., and on Friday, movies will start at 10:30 a.m.

The movie schedule is as follows: Tuesday, Aug. 5, "Despicable Me;" Wednesday, Aug. 6, "Despicable Me 2;" Friday, Aug. 8, "Monsters Inc.;" Tuesday, Aug. 12, "Monsters University;" Wednesday, Aug. 13, "Rio;" and Friday, Aug. 15, "Rio 2." The Sam Mitchell Public Library is open from 1-6 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays. For more information, contact Manager Dorothy Stichardo at 535-1208.

## Childbirth Education Class

**BONIFAY** — The Florida Department of Health in Holmes County will be offering free Childbirth Education Classes, Aug. 5, Aug. 12, Aug. 19 and Aug. 26. Classes will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Healthy Start Annex, 402 N. Oklahoma Street, Bonifay. Brianne Harrison from Group B Strep International will be speaking at the class held on the 12th concerning awareness and prevention of Group B Strep disease in babies before birth through early infancy. For more information or to register for classes, please contact 547-8684 ext. 16 or 18. No person shall, on the grounds of age, color, disability, national origin, race, religion or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving or benefiting from federal financial assistance. Sensory impaired or Limited-English Proficiency patients will be provided with necessary aids and interpreters at no cost by calling Fran Amerson at 547-8500 ext. 234

## 2014 Northwest Florida Championship Rodeo pageant

**BONIFAY** — Sponsored by the Holmes County High School Blue Pride Band Boosters will be held Saturday, Sept. 20 in the HCHS Auditorium. Boys and girls ages four to eight will be held at 4 p.m., girls age eight to 20 will be held at 6 p.m. It is an open pageant for girls age four to 20, boys age four to eight. Registration will be held at HCHS

Auditorium, from 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 9, and from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Sept. 13. Late registration will be held from 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16. A \$10 late fee will be added after Sept. 13. Rehearsals will take place during the registrations, instructions on where to walk will be provided, lessons on how to pose or pageant skills not provided. Admission for pageant will be \$5 for ages 10 and up and \$2 for ages nine and under. If you have questions, contact Anda Justice by email anda@hchsbluepride.com or by phone at 766-7569.

## Miss Florida Woodlands

**CHIPLEY** — The 2014 Miss Florida Woodlands and Miss Florida Timberlands Scholarship Pageant is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Washington County Agriculture Center in Chipley. For more information please e-mail us at ftwoodlands@yahoo.com. Website: http://missflwoodlands.tripod.com, or call 334-389-3927 or (256) 306-4401.

## Healthy cooking demonstration classes

**BONIFAY** — Join us for healthy cooking demonstration classes sponsored by the Florida Department of Health in Holmes County and University of Florida/IFAS Extension. All classes are free. The classes will be held at 12 p.m., at the Holmes County Agriculture Center, 1173 E. Highway 90, Bonifay, on the following dates: Wednesday, Aug. 20, Wednesday, Sept. 17, Wednesday, Oct. 22, Wednesday, Nov. 19 and Wednesday, Dec. 17. The classes will offer healthy cooking tips and alternatives for everyday meals. Food samples will be served. No registration is required. Extension programs are open to everyone. For persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations, please contact the Holmes County Extension Office, 547-1108, (TDD, via Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771) at least five working days prior to the class so that proper consideration may be given to the request. For more information, contact Leann Jones at 547-8500 ext. 240.

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## SATURDAY

8 a.m.: North Bay Clan of The Lower Muskogee Creek Yard Sale first Saturday of the month until 2 p.m. 1560 Lonnie Road.

10 a.m. to noon: Children's education day fourth Saturday of every month North Bay Clan Tribal Grounds, 1560 Lonnie Road.

## SUNDAY

11 a.m.: New Hope United Methodist Church Worship Service  
5 p.m.: New Hope United Methodist Church Worship Service  
8 p.m.: Alcoholics Anonymous meeting in the board room at Graceville-Campbellton Hospital in Graceville.

## MONDAY

10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides bingo, exercise, games, activities, hot meals and socialization.

11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (Chipley) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted.  
6-7:30 p.m.: Salvation

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Army Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Program (SADVP) hosts a domestic violence support group at the SADVP Rural Outreach office, 1461 S. Railroad Ave., Apartment 1, in Chipley. Call Emma or Jess at 415-5999.

## TUESDAY

8-9 a.m.: Tai Chi Class at the Washington County Public Library, Chipley Branch  
8-10 a.m.: Church Fellowship Breakfasts at Around the Corner Grill. Breakfast provided. All denominations welcome.  
10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides hot meals and socialization.  
11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (Chipley) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted.  
Noon: Chipley Kiwanis Club meeting.  
Noon: Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, New Life Assembly Fellowship Hall, Chipley.  
6-10 p.m.: BINGO at St. Joseph Catholic Church games start at speedball 6:10 p.m., Early bird 6:20, session 6:50 p.m. Call

Peg Russ at 638-7654 or 638-7654

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

## 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.  
5 p.m.: New Hope United Methodist Church Bible Study  
7 p.m.: Depression and Bipolar Support Group meets at First Baptist Church educational annex building in Bonifay. Call 547-4397.

## 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.

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

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

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

## Faith EVENTS

If you would like your church's faith events included in this list, please email the information to [news@chipleypaper.com](mailto:news@chipleypaper.com)

### West Pittman Baptist VBS

**WESTVILLE** — West Pittman Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School through today, Aug. 2. Bible school will be held Wednesday through Friday from 5-8 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sign up online at [www.westpittman.org](http://www.westpittman.org) and click on VBS registration. For more information or for transportation call the church office Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 956-4100.

### Red Hill UMC back to school bash

**BONIFAY** — Red Hill United Methodist Church, will host a back to school bash from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., today, Aug. 2. Highway 2, Bonifay. There will be water slides, food and games and music through out the day. School supplies and gift cards will also be given away. For more information, call Linda Yarbrough at 334-360-0811.

### Bluegrass and southern gospel sing

**HARTFORD, ALA.** — Victory Tabernacle will hold a bluegrass and southern gospel sing at 6 p.m., today, Aug. 2. Special guests will be the Mt. Zion Singers and Straight and Narrow. The tabernacle is located at 10005 East State Highway 52 in Hartford, Ala. For more information, call 334-588-2838.

### Back to school clothes give away

**CHIPLEY** — Oakie Ridge Baptist Church will be giving away back to school clothes for all ages from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. today, Aug. 2 at the church. The church is 11 miles south of Chipley on the Orange Hill Highway. For more information, call Lori at 638-2340.

### Truckload giveaway

**ALFORD** — Cypress Creek Community Church and Share Ministries will host a truckload giveaway consisting of free food and clothes for everyone from

8 a.m. to noon, today, Aug. 2. The food will consist of meats, can goods, produce, breads and etc. Clothes consist of all sizes. The church is two miles west of Alford just off Highway 276 at 1772 Macedonia Road.

### B-Shoc live

**COTTONDALE** — B-Shoc, a contemporary Christian artist, will be performing a back to school concert, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5, at Southern Community Fellowship Church in Cottondale. This is an all ages show and will be free to the public. The church is at 43300 US 231 seven miles north of Cottondale. For more information, visit [www.B-Shoc.com](http://www.B-Shoc.com)

### Wilderness Escape VBS

**CHIPLEY** — Orange Hill Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School, from 5:30-8:30 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 3, through Friday, Aug. 8. This year's theme will be Wilderness Escape, children will escape with the Israelites as they leave Egypt. They will hang out with Moses as God leads the adventure. The church is at 3485 Gainer Road. For more information call 638-7103.

### Bethlehem UMC VBS

**BETHLEHEM** — Bethlehem United Methodist Church will hold Vacation Bible School from 6-8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 6, through Saturday, Aug. 9. This year's theme is "Learning to follow God under the stars". The church is at 1622 Bethlehem Church Road. For more information, call Matthew and Dana Rich at 547-3780.

### Pine Hill Church Homecoming

**BONIFAY** — Pine Hill Church is inviting the community to come celebrate their homecoming celebration starting at 10 a.m. on



Aug. 7 at Pine Hill Church at 1675 Robbins Bridge Road. There will be singing, preaching and dinner on the grounds.

### Pastor Celebration

**GRACEVILLE** — Mt. Calvary Church of Christ Written in Heaven will hold a 31st anniversary celebration for pastor and first lady Bigham at 11 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 10. The church is at 1320 Highway 2 in Graceville. For more information call 263-2810.

### Otter Creek revival

**PONCE DE LEON** — Otter Creek Methodist Church will hold revival at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11, to Friday, Aug. 15. Special guests will be Gary and Debbie Gibbens. The church is four miles north of Ponce de Leon off Highway 81.

### Ladies fellowship

**HARTFORD, ALA.** — Victory Tabernacle will hold ladies fellowship at 7 p.m., Aug. 15. Ladies fellowship is a time of prayer, worship and the Word of God. The special guest speaker will be Sister Dottie Carroll. A time of Fellowship will follow the service. The church is at 10005 east State Highway 52 in Hartford, Ala. For more information, call 334-588-2838.

### East Mount Zion fish fry and cake auction

**GRACEVILLE** — East Mount Zion United Methodist Church will hold a fish fry and cake auction beginning at 5 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 16. Fish plates and backed goods will be for donations. The cakes will be auctioned off beginning at 6 p.m. Proceeds will go toward enlarging the altar stage. Recent fifth Saturday Sings have found the stage at capacity. The next fifth Saturday sing will be held at 6:30 p.m., Aug. 30. The church is at 1590 County Highway 173, Graceville. For more information, call 263-4610.

### Otter Creek Homecoming

**PONCE DE LEON** — Otter Creek Methodist Church will hold homecoming services Sunday, Aug. 17. The church is located four miles north of Ponce de Leon off Highway 81.



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Kurt Sagovac, vice president for University Research & Review, presents BCF President Thomas A. Kinchen with the crystal Best Value School trophy.

# BCF named Best Value School

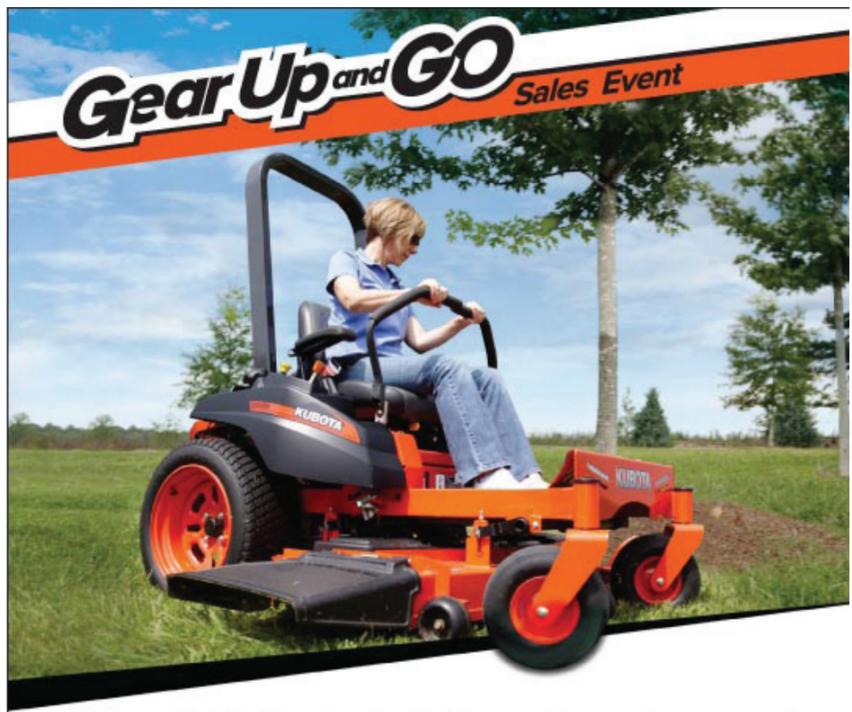
### Special to The News

The Baptist College of Florida (BCF) in Graceville was recently named a Best Value School by University Research and Review and their Best Value School Selection Committee, <http://tinyurl.com/pq9fsdu>. Out of thousands of eligible schools, less than 100 are nominated each quarter, and an even smaller percentage of schools actually meet the assessment criteria to qualify them as a Best Value School.

Kurt Sagovac, Vice President for University Research & Review,

arrived on the BCF campus to deliver the prestigious crystal trophy award to BCF President Thomas A. Kinchen, Tuesday, July 15. BCF was nominated and then went through the selection process conducted by a committee of former college presidents, university CEOs, provosts, and professors. The selection was based on the school's reputation among students and alumni, programs offered, accreditation, and cost to attend. BCF will retain the designation for 12 months, at which time they will have an opportunity to re-qualify

as a Best Value School. University Research and Review and their Best Value School Selection Committee aim to make the process of choosing a quality postsecondary school easier for students. For more information on the newly designated Best Value School that is "Changing the World Through the Unchanging Word®" call 263-3261 ext. 460 or visit the website at [www.baptistcollege.edu](http://www.baptistcollege.edu). It is not too late to register for the fall semester and see what a difference a BCF education can make in your life and the lives of those around you.



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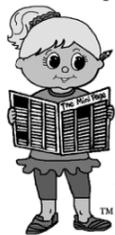
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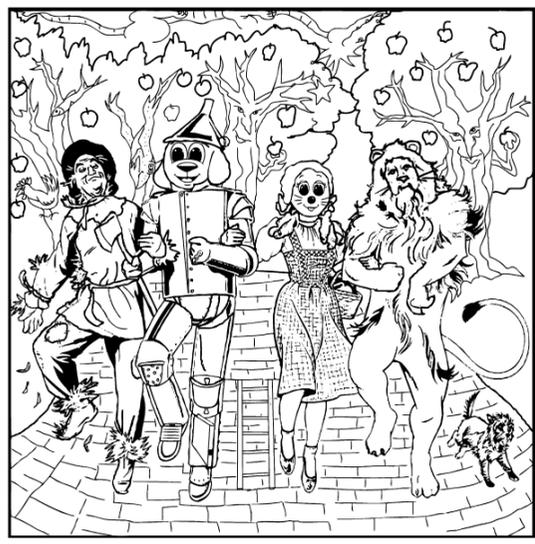
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## Mini Spy

Mini Spy and Basset Brown are acting in "The Wizard of Oz"! See if you can find:

- bell
- lock
- dragon
- chicken
- thimble
- number 7
- frog
- book
- ladder
- fish
- star
- needle



## A 75-Year Enchantment

# 'The Wizard of Oz'

Can you finish these famous movie lines?

- "Toto, I've a feeling we're not in \_\_\_\_\_ anymore!"
- "There's no place like \_\_\_\_\_."
- "I'll get you, my pretty, and your little \_\_\_\_\_, too!"
- "Follow the \_\_\_\_\_ Road."

"The Wizard of Oz" movie first lit up movie screens in August 1939. Seventy-five years later, it is still one of the most beloved movies of all time. Say one of the movie lines above, and people know exactly what you mean.

The Mini Page talked with an Oz historian to celebrate the lasting power of "The Wizard of Oz."

### Magical story

The magic of "The Wizard of Oz" starts with the great story. The movie is based on "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz," written by L. Frank Baum in 1900. He had written three other books for kids before that, but the Oz books made him famous.



L. Frank Baum wrote 14 Oz books in all.



The Scarecrow (Ray Bolger), the Cowardly Lion (Bert Lahr), Dorothy (Judy Garland) and the Tin Man (Jack Haley) eagerly approach the Wizard.

Actor Buddy Ebsen was cast as the first Tin Man. He inhaled the silver aluminum crystals dusted on his face and suffered a severe reaction. He had to be in an iron lung, a machine to help him breathe, for two weeks. The role of the Tin Man was taken over by Jack Haley. The aluminum crystals were mixed with Haley's makeup to form a paste. That way, he would not inhale the crystals.

### American adventure

"The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" was America's first fairy tale, experts say. Until that book, most kids' books were by European authors, and lessons were more important than the story.

Oz characters are independent and work to reach their dreams. Readers can understand what the characters are going through. They know about caring for a pet and how scary it would be to be lost far from home.

In the early 1900s, American girls were not usually the heroes of books. But Baum believed girls could be just as strong as boys. Girls are often the heroes of his stories.

### Changing the story

The movie directors thought kids in 1939 would not like magical worlds, so they turned Dorothy's adventures into a dream. In the books, Oz wasn't a dream. It was real, and Dorothy returns to Oz in later adventures.



In the book, Dorothy's magical slippers are silver. But the movie's producers changed them to ruby so they would shine out in color.

## Rookie Cookie's Recipe Pineapple Cloud Pie

- You'll need:**
- 1 (20-ounce) can crushed pineapple with juice
  - 1 (1-ounce) package instant lemon pudding (powder only)
  - 1 (8-ounce) carton light whipped topping
  - 1 (11-ounce) can mandarin oranges, drained
  - 9-inch prepared graham cracker pie crust
- What to do:**
1. Combine crushed pineapple with lemon pudding powder by beating by hand until well mixed.
  2. Gently stir in whipped topping and drained oranges. Reserve 8 orange slices.
  3. Pour mixture in prepared graham cracker pie crust.
  4. Arrange orange slices on top as a garnish. ("Garnish" is a decoration.)
  5. Chill for 8 hours. Makes 6 to 8 slices.
- You will need an adult's help with this recipe.

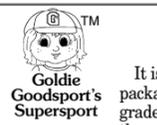
## Meet Judy Garland



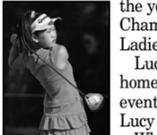
Although Judy Garland was a star of many movies, she is best known for her role as Dorothy in "The Wizard of Oz." She was 16 years old when she made the film, and by then, she had already been acting and singing for 14 years.

Judy Garland was born as Frances Ethel Gumm in 1922. Her parents were both vaudeville performers. (Vaudeville (VAHD-vil) was a type of live variety show that appeared throughout the U.S. in the early 1900s.)

Judy and her two older sisters sang and danced in vaudeville. When she was 13, Judy was hired by the MGM movie studio. She starred in many movies, including "Meet Me in St. Louis," "Easter Parade" and "In the Good Old Summertime." She died in 1969.



## Lucy Li



It is often said that "good things come in small packages." Amateur golfer Lucy Li, an 11-year-old sixth-grader, proved to be a "good thing" when she became the youngest-ever qualifier for the U.S. Women's Open Championship — one of the five major tournaments on the Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour.

Lucy was able to play in the Open after qualifying in her home state of California. She's been participating in golf events since she began training at age 7. When she was 9, Lucy won the California Women's Amateur Championship.

When she's not smashing 230-yard drives or ending her playing round with some ice cream, Lucy does her best to enjoy the moment on the golf course. "I just want to go out there and have fun and play the best I can, and I really don't care about the outcome," she said in an interview. "I can learn a lot from these great players."

# The Rainbow Dream

### Colors of the rainbow

The bright, deep colors of "The Wizard of Oz" dazzled audiences in 1939. The movie was filmed with an advanced type of Technicolor, a process that made richer colors than ever before.

Walt Disney was one of the first to use the new Technicolor process, in the cartoon movie "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." It helped make that movie super successful.

But filming live actors with the new Technicolor was still in the testing process. At that time, only about seven other full-length, live-action movies had been made with the new process. When "The Wizard of Oz" was made, only nine Technicolor cameras existed in the world.

Technicolor needed a lot of light, which made the set very hot. The costumes, especially the Cowardly Lion's, made the actors even hotter. Filming often had to stop until the sets had cooled down.



For the scenes where Emerald City shines in the distance, the city was drawn onto a large piece of cardboard and filmed separately. That film was then combined with the film of the actors. Lights shining through holes in the art made the city sparkle. For other scenes, sets of Emerald City were built. All of Munchkin Land and parts of the witch's castle were built.

In the Horse of a Different Color scene, horses were coated with different flavors of Jell-O mix. Horses kept trying to lick off the sweet powder.

### Technicolor

The first Technicolor process was invented in 1916. This early system had a limited range of colors. It basically worked by mixing negative strips of green and red.

In 1932, a new Technicolor process was developed that used three colors. These three colors could be used to produce every color of the rainbow. They were: cyan (SIGH-an), a greenish-blue; magenta (muh-JEN-tuh), a purplish-red; and yellow.

### Over the rainbow

About the first 18 minutes of the movie were in sepia (SEE-pea-yuh), a soft brown color.

When Dorothy opens the door to Oz, everything bursts into color. The contrast between the sepia and the rich colors really did feel like magic to the audiences of 1939.

When Dorothy opened the door to the bright colors, early audiences gasped, and many stood up and applauded.

# A Magical Mixture

### Magical music

Harold Arlen composed the music for the movie, and E.Y. Harburg wrote the lyrics (LEER-iks), or words to the songs. These artists were already known for their songs, but this movie made them famous. Many others worked on the music as well.

In 1903, the first musical of "The Wizard of Oz" was a huge success on Broadway. But its music did not really help tell the story, and entirely new music was composed for the movie. A new script was written, too.

The most beloved song is "Over the Rainbow." Associate producer Arthur Freed was impressed by how well the song "Someday My Prince Will Come" showed Snow White's dreams in that movie. He wanted a song that showed what Dorothy longed for.

Today, we can't imagine the movie without "Over the Rainbow." But studio executives considered cutting it from the movie. They believed it slowed down the story.



"Over the Rainbow" was composed partly to show off Judy Garland's lovely voice. It won the Academy Award for Best Song.



Margaret Hamilton, who played the Wicked Witch of the West, caught on fire in the scene where she disappears from Munchkin Land. During filming, the fire started before she was safely through the floor, and she suffered serious burns. She recovered after six weeks and was able to return to the filming.

### Making up the magic

Movie techniques were so new that experts had to invent all the special effects for the movie. There were no computers. Everything had to be done the hard way.

Makeup artists figured out how to make prosthetic (prahs-THEH-tik), or artificial, body pieces to turn actors into the scary flying monkeys. They did such a good job that about 30 years later, they used the same process for the first "Planet of the Apes" movie.

Battery packs in the monkeys' wings made them flap. The actors flew hanging from thin piano wire.

In the movie, it looked as if hundreds of flying monkeys filled the sky. But there were really only 12 actors. The rest were miniature rubber puppets run by hundreds of other wires. Remember, it wasn't like it is today, when computers can just copy images.

### Awesome special effects

The terrifying tornado was made with a 35-foot-long muslin, or lightweight cotton, stocking hanging from the top of the soundstage. A tiny motorized car was placed below the set, at the bottom of the tornado stocking. Technicians moved the car to make it look as if the tornado were sweeping across the prairie.

They filmed the scene with lots of wind machines, blowing dust and a miniature farm. The tornado footage was projected behind Dorothy as she tried to run to safety.

In all the scenes with fire, such as the flames surrounding the Wizard's head and the Wicked Witch disappearing in flame, movie makers used real fire. The throne room set caught on fire, but everyone was prepared and no one was hurt.

To make the witch appear to melt, the actress was lowered on an elevator platform. Technicians tacked the hem of her dress to the outside of the platform. When the elevator lowered, air from the elevator shaft puffed out her dress. She wore a larger-size witch's hat, so it looked as if she were shrinking.

The Mini Page thanks John Fricke, Oz historian and author of several books on "The Wizard of Oz," including "The Wonderful World of Oz: An Illustrated History of the American Classic," for help with this issue.

Look through the TV listings of your newspaper to find showings of your favorite movies.

Next week, The Mini Page is about the 100th anniversary of the Panama Canal.

## Mighty Funny's Mini Jokes

All the following jokes have something in common. Can you guess the common theme or category?

- David:** What should you give a dog with a fever?  
**Danny:** Mustard — it's the best thing for a hot dog!



- Doris:** What trick do zombies teach their dogs?  
**Daria:** To play dead!



- Debbie:** Where are abandoned dogs sent?  
**Dexter:** To an arf-anage!

## 'The Wizard of Oz'

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Words that remind us of "The Wizard of Oz" are hidden in the block above. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: BAUM, BOOKS, BRICK, COWARDLY, DOG, DOROTHY, LION, MAGIC, MAN, RAINBOW, ROAD, RUBY, SCARECROW, SKY, SLIPPERS, TECHNICOLOR, TIN, TORNADO, WITCH, WIZARD, WONDERFUL, YELLOW.

## Ready Resources

The Mini Page provides ideas for websites, books or other resources that will help you learn more about this week's topics.

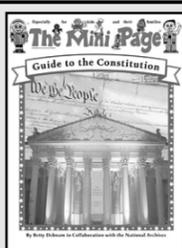
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# NASCAR THIS WEEK

## QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers



AP/R. BRENT SMITH

Not even Fastenal could keep Jack and Carl together.

### Does a lame duck have any shot at a championship?

Conventional wisdom says no, but Kevin Harvick did very well last year, so Carl Edwards might just be able to make a run at it this year. He's locked into the Chase, and until we go through a year or two with the new format (assuming it lasts two years, of course), we're not sure whether it further increases the chances of the top teams or maybe helps the odds of second-tier teams and, yes, ducks.

### So Carl has a chance?

Don't bet on it. For whatever reason, when a driver starts packing his boxes, somehow a handful of horsepower gets thrown in the packing, right there next to the Sunoco cap and spare helmet. On the bright side, there appears to be no hard feelings in the packing, but then again, there's more than three months left.

### And Marcos Ambrose?

It certainly appears he's heading back Down Under, which means another driver will be heading Over Yonder to the Petty Motorsports team. Look around and you'll see there's no shortage of young talent available for the King, assuming those pesky contractual issues can be navigated.

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# Ready for a run?

HOT TOPICS: 3 ISSUES GENERATING A BUZZ



Getty Images/ GEOFF BURKE

Not sure what went into Joe Gibbs' pregame pep talk with Kyle Busch and his two other racers at Indianapolis, but it paid off, with all three finishing in the top four at the Brickyard 400.

While veteran driver Jeff Gordon hogged the Indianapolis Motor Speedway spotlight by winning a record fifth Brickyard 400, Joe Gibbs Racing made a strong performance statement with the NASCAR Chase on the near horizon.

The three Gibbs stock cars finished second, third and fourth with drivers Kyle Busch, Denny Hamlin and Matt Kenseth. Since a solid Indy finish requires superior equipment and strong strategy, it appears the three-headed Toyota monster has been awakened just in time for the playoffs.

The stat book shows the team started the season slowly. Busch and Hamlin each have a win, while Kenseth, who had seven wins in 2013, has not enjoyed a victory to date.

The team hopes Indy indicates an upward turning point that gets them in the championship conversation with Hendrick Motorsports and Team Penske.

"I think this was a really big day for JGR and for Toyota," Busch said. "I'm proud of the effort; we bring all three home in the top five. Still, I know that we have more work to do. (There's) still an opportunity there to gain speed, and we obviously got beat by speed."

Hamlin was frustrated his first two days over the 2.5-mile race course, but said his No. 11 Toyota came alive when the track heated up and got a little slippery during the 160-lap race.

"That's what matters," he said.

Hamlin finished third despite a blown pit stop

late in the race.

"Had to make that extra stop," he said. "That just shows how fast our car was."

Kenseth, who should make the Chase on points if he fails to win in his next six starts, said the Gibbs team is "gaining" on it.

"It was a good day for JGR," he said. "All our Toyotas were pretty quick. We were all top-10 cars, kept guys out and got good finishes. Wish it was a one-two-three. Another good day for us."

### BOOKEND WINS

The Brickyard 400 ranks second behind the Daytona 500 as far as NASCAR majors. With that in mind, this is an interesting stat: Richard Petty won his first Daytona 500 in 1964 and his last in 1981 — a span of 17 years.

Jeff Gordon won his first 400 in 1994. Gordon's win Sunday shows a span of 20 years between wins in the same major event. And this nugget: Only one other driver from the 1994 inaugural was in Sunday's 400 lineup. Bobby Labonte started 43rd on a past-series-champion provisional.

### SILLY SEASON OVER?

Now that Carl Edwards has declared himself a free agent, apparently headed to Joe Gibbs Racing in 2015, and Greg Biffle extended with Roush Fenway, there is no other known driver moves anticipated, which means NASCAR's annual Silly Season is over. But is it ever really over?

### GODWIN'S BRICKYARD PICKS



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**Winner:** Tony Stewart

**Rest of the top five:** Dale Earnhardt Jr., Brad Keselowski, Kasey Kahne, Matt Kenseth

**Dark horse:** Martin Truex Jr.

**Disappointment:** Joey Logano

**First one out:** Cole Whitt  
**Don't be surprised if:** Stewart acts like it's his first Cup win if he makes it to Victory Lane.

### SPEED FREAKS

A couple questions we had to ask — ourselves



AP/ROBERT BAKER

Are Indy's bricks like a Fountain of Youth?

### Where do you now put Jeff Gordon among 2014 title contenders?

**GODSPEAK:** By winning the Brickyard 400, Jeff has moved up to the head table with Jimmie Johnson and Brad Keselowski.

**KEN'S CALL:** Somewhere between Jimmie Johnson and Morgan Shepherd. Maybe a tad closer to Jimmie.

### And Tony Stewart, after he was a non-factor at Indy?

**GODSPEAK:** Don't give up yet. Remember, he won five times in the last 10 races to win the 2011 championship.

**KEN'S CALL:** It's beginning to look like a lost year for Tony. He's not even fast enough to get angry these days.

### ONLINE EXTRAS

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### WEEKLY DRIVER RANKINGS — BASED ON BEHAVIOR AND PERFORMANCE

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<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>

### BRICKYARD REWIND

# Denny Hamlin's non-strategy nearly paid off at Brickyard

Denny Hamlin and his No. 11 Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota team approached the Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis like a road-course race and devised a pit strategy.

But on the penultimate pit stop, his gas man failed to get about five gallons of fuel into the tank. Hamlin then had to pit again for enough fuel to finish the race.

### Early on you took your own direction.

"We really didn't do anything crazy. We just really didn't short-pit like everyone else did.

"Guys were trying to play it like a fuel-mileage race. We took four tires every time. So we just ran it until it went empty,

pitted and went again until it was empty.

"We didn't do anything crazy, we were just able to make up a ton of spots. We had awesome, great pit stops. That kept me inching forward all day. The way the strategies all worked out with everybody else, they put me up front by pitting so much, by short-pitting.

"We were sitting really, really good there when we had our huge lead, and we had enough fuel to make it. That's the breaks. You don't always get stuff to go your way. But really this track allows for whacky strategy.

"I saw a quote some driver said that this is a very frustrating track for the drivers, and I totally agree because a lot of this race is out of our hands. It's about how fast our car is and how strategic our crew chiefs are."

### Did it surprise you, the lack of strategy?

"It concerned me a little bit. Once I saw all these guys pitting and we were not, it was weird because I didn't want to get beat on tires.

"But the great thing was, we were running such fast lap times on old tires, we

weren't giving up that time. When we put on four tires, we were just mowing through the field. Our strategy worked because our car was fast.

"Another reason the strategies all played out in so many different ways is because you had a tire that didn't wear out that much. Even though it did drop off, which is a good thing, it didn't wear out.

"So guys were able to stay out and change lefts or rights or four or none. Crew chiefs can do some crazy things when they have those options."

# Southerland votes to reform the VA

Special to The News

U.S. Rep. Steve Southerland applauded House approval Wednesday, July 30, of the Veterans' Access to Care Through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act (H.R. 3230), a bicameral agreement aimed at addressing the widespread problems within the Veterans Affairs Department (VA). The legislation allows veterans to seek private-sector health care if they live more than 40 miles from a VA facility or are unable to get an appointment within 30 days, while also making it easier to fire VA managers who are not doing their job.



U.S. REP. STEVE SOUTHERLAND

"I am pleased that the House has acted aggressively to address the VA's shocking mistreatment of our nation's veterans. This legislation will expand veterans' access to private-sector health care, while allowing for the swift removal of any VA bureaucrat who has failed to care for our veterans. While this is an important step forward, more must be done to ensure our heroes are receiving the quality health care services they deserve."

H.R. 3230 now awaits approval in the Senate before it can be sent to the President's desk and signed into law.



# Playhouse hosts open auditions for 'Rumors'

Special to The News

The Spanish Trail Playhouse will hold open auditions for the Neil Simon comedy, "Rumors," Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 11 and 12. The auditions will be held at 6 p.m., nightly at The Spanish Trail Playhouse (Historic Chipley High School) at 680 Second St. in Chipley.

America's premier comic playwright delighted audiences with this out and out funny offering. Four couples are at the townhouse of a deputy New York City mayor and his wife to celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary. The party never begins because the host has shot himself in the head (it's only a flesh wound) and his wife is missing. His lawyer's cover up, gets progressively more difficult to sustain as the other guests arrive and nobody can remember who has been told what about whom. Doors slam and hilarity abounds as the couples get more and more crazed.

"Rumors" is among the most popular plays for high school production according to the International Thespian Society.

Director Kevin Russell will be casting six men and four women to fill the following roles (male (M) or female (F)):

Ken Gorman: (M): A well-spoken, handsome attorney. A bit high strung.

Chris Gorman: (F): Ken's elegant and attractive wife. A bit high strung

Claire Ganz: (F): Lenny's gossip-monger, attractive wife. A Westchester, New York housewife type.

Lenny Ganz: (M): An accountant who has just wrecked his brand new BMW. Irascible, sarcastic, and very likeable

## WANT TO GO?

Audition packets for the production are available at the Washington County Public Library (1444 Jackson Ave-Chipley) or at [www.spanishtrailplayhouse.com](http://www.spanishtrailplayhouse.com)

Ernie Cusack: (M): A smug psychiatrist

Cookie Cusack: (F): Ernie's wife and cooking show host with a bad back. She has a very dramatic, physical personality.

Glenn Cooper: (M): An ambitious polished man preparing for a run for the state senate.

Cassie Cooper: (F): A jealous type. Glen's trophy wife. Insecure, sexy, shrewish

Officer Welch: (M or F): A vigorous, straight-talking, veteran police officer

Officer Pudney: (M or F): A rookie Cop.

"Rumors," written by Neil Simon and produced by special arrangement with Samuel French Inc., will take the stage Oct. 17-19, and will mark the final production of Season 7. This production is not a musical; no prior acting experience is necessary. This production is rated PG-13.

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To inquire about a certain role or any other question pertaining to the production of "Rumors," email Director Kevin Russell at [spanishtrailplayhouse@gmail.com](mailto:spanishtrailplayhouse@gmail.com) or visit [www.spanishtrailplayhouse.com](http://www.spanishtrailplayhouse.com) for more information.

# Florida police chiefs take stance on medical marijuana vote

Special to the News

The Florida Police Chiefs Association (FPCA) today urged Floridians to rethink their support of the proposed amendment to legalize marijuana in Florida, calling the effort a potentially dangerous threat to families and communities.

"Regardless of any state laws, recreational marijuana use is still illegal on the federal level because of its high potential for abuse and the fact that there is no currently accepted national standard for use as a medical treatment," said Chief Frank Kitzerow, President of the FPCA. "It's important to understand that expanding the use of marijuana for medical purposes is not a safer way to use the drug."

Studies show that marijuana use

and criminal involvement, other than drug use, are highly related. Medical marijuana is often sold in storefront dispensaries; in other states, the storefront dispensaries have become magnets for crime and increased law enforcement costs. According to statistics provided by the city's Department of Safety, Denver recorded 7,000 reported crimes within 1,000 feet of dispensaries in the first six months of both 2012 and 2013.

Statistics have shown that marijuana also plays a significant role in car accidents. Between 2006 and 2010, the Colorado Department of Highway Safety reported that at least 183 people were killed by drivers who tested positive for cannabis, after Colorado legalized marijuana for medicinal purposes.

There are more than 120 ER visits related to marijuana use for every 100,000 people in the United States.

The expansion of marijuana use has also been shown to have a negative impact on surrounding business communities. A study found employees who tested positive for marijuana have 55 percent more industrial accidents and 85 percent more injuries than non-users, and 78 percent have higher absentee rates than non-users. Drug-using employees have been shown to have up to 300 percent higher medical costs, which increase insurance rates for employers and employees.

For more information on the potential impacts of the proposed amendment, visit [www.dontletfloridagotopot.com](http://www.dontletfloridagotopot.com).

## News BRIEFS

### FDOT to provide assistance to local residents

In an effort to provide further assistance to the citizens of Washington County who have been affected by the heavy rainfall of April 2014, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will make available a water pump to alleviate flooding issues in the county. Recently, Washington County discontinued the use of the state-owned water pump but recent storm activity has necessitated the need for the equipment to assist residents in the region impacted by rising water levels in the area.

For more information, contact Tanya Branton at 330-1599.

### Library to host 'Ready to Learn Fair'

CHIPLEY — All families with children ages two to four years old, living in Washington and Holmes Counties, are invited to the Ready to Learn Fair from 2-6 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 5, at the Washington County Public Library Chipley Branch. The library will be showing

parents programs and services for young children and their families including:

- Washington County Public Library – reading programs, preschool library events, etc.
- FDLRS/PAEC – child find Pre-K screenings
- Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida – VPK and child care info
- Tri-County Community Council – Head Start and more

The first 50 families will receive a Ready to Learn goodie bag and can also enter to win a gift basket. This is a free event. Children's activities will be provided.

For more information, call 638-6131 ext. 2310.

### Free hunter safety Internet-completion course offered in Holmes County

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is offering a free hunter safety internet-completion course in Holmes County.

The course will be held at the

First Baptist Church, located at 311 N. Waukesha St. in Bonifay. Instruction is from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, and 8 a.m. until noon Saturday, Aug. 9.

Students must complete the Internet course before coming to class and bring a copy of the final report from the online portion of the course. The final report form does not have to be notarized.

An adult must accompany children under the age of 16 at all times. Students should bring a pencil and paper with them to take notes.

Anyone born on or after June 1, 1975, must pass an approved hunter safety course and have a hunting license to hunt alone (unsupervised). The FWC course satisfies hunter-safety training requirements for all other states and Canadian provinces.

People interested in attending this course can register online and obtain information about future hunter safety classes at [MyFWC.com/HunterSafety](http://MyFWC.com/HunterSafety) or by calling Hunter Safety Coordinator Will Burnett at the FWC's regional office in Panama City at 265-3676.

# \$92 million settlement reached against military consumer lender

Special to The News

Attorney General Pam Bondi's Office, the federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and 12 other states obtained \$92 million in debt relief from Colfax Capital Corporation and Culver Capital, LLC, also collectively known as Rome Finance, for deceiving about 17,000 service members and other consumers in a predatory lending scheme. Rome Finance, which is based in California and Georgia, allegedly financed consumers' debts for items such as computers, gaming systems, and other goods and services from retailers online or at mall kiosks near military

bases. Payments were deducted from the service members' paychecks and were secured with access to bank accounts. Rome Finance allegedly used deceptive lending schemes by promising no money down and instant financing on these products and services without disclosing the amounts the consumers would pay for financing. More than 800 Florida service members were affected in this scheme and will receive more than \$4 million in outstanding debt relief.

"Our military members sacrifice so much for us, and we will not allow predatory lenders to deceive them," said Attorney Gen-

eral Pam Bondi. "This settlement provides for more than \$4 million in debt relief for Florida's military members."

• Hid finance charges when marketing products:

Rome Finance and merchants it worked with masked expensive finance charges by artificially inflating the disclosed price of the consumer goods being sold. As a result, they provided consumers with disclosures that had inaccurately low finance charges and annual percentage rates. Consumers received disclosures, for example, indicating the APR was 16 percent when in fact they were being charged as much as a

100 percent or more APR. That inaccurate information prevented consumers from making informed decisions about whether to take out credit.

• Withheld required financial information from billing statements:

Billing statements that Rome Finance sent to consumers failed to include certain disclosures required by law, such as: the annual percentage rate, the balance that was subject to that interest rate, how that balance was determined, the closing date of the billing cycle, and the account balance on the closing date.

• Deceptively, unfairly, and abusively collected

debt that was not owed:

Rome Finance was not licensed to provide consumer lending in any state and charged annual percentage rates higher than some states allowed, which voided or limited the collectable debt in some states under state lending law. Rome Finance deceived consumers in these states by failing to inform them that some or all of their debt was void or otherwise did not have to be repaid. As a result, many consumers were misled into thinking that they had to repay the entire loan balance and making those payments, when they did not have to.

The settlement liqui-

dates Rome Finance and its successor corporations, provides \$92 million in debt relief to United States service members worldwide, marks all outstanding debt paid with consumer finance reporting agencies, and permanently bans the company from doing business in the field of consumer lending. Additionally, all service members will keep all merchandise purchased and the debts associated will be erased and judgments will be vacated upon request.

Consumers who suspect scams or other fraudulent activity can file a complaint by calling 1(866)-9-NO-SCAM or by visiting [MyFloridaLegal.com](http://MyFloridaLegal.com).



AP PHOTOS

## GET GRILLIN' Grill on-the-vine tomatoes for stunning starter

By ELIZABETH KARMEL  
Associated Press

Often, the best dishes are the simplest. A common feeling among chefs is that if you use the best-quality ingredients and treat them lightly, you will be rewarded. I couldn't agree more.

This is illustrated perfectly by this recipe for grilled tomatoes on the vine with burrata. Tomatoes with mozzarella is one of my favorite combinations, and I love it even when the tomatoes are less than perfect and the mozzarella is a little bland. But take a bunch of cherry tomatoes on the vine, grill them and serve them with burrata and some grilled bread and you've got an amazing dish!

The hardest part of this recipe is treating the fragile tomatoes carefully so that they don't fall off the vine. You

want to brush or rub them with a little olive oil to protect them, then season them lightly with kosher salt. Place the tomatoes vine side up on the cooking grate and do not turn them.

The heat of the grill will intensify the natural juices and sugars, making the sweet tomatoes even more flavorful. The warm tomatoes can be served immediately with the burrata, a touch of extra-virgin olive oil, and a bit of salt and pepper. I like to serve this as a shared plate with grilled ciabatta bread.

Smear a little burrata on the ciabatta and top with a grill-roasted tomato. You can either spread the tomato, breaking the skin and smoothing out the juice on top of the cheese and olive oil, or keep it whole. Personally, I like to smear the two together, making a soft, rich juicy bite!



### GRILLED TOMATOES AND BURRATA

This will become your go-to appetizer of summer. It is delicious and luxurious, but simple to make. The hardest thing about this recipe is making sure that the cherry tomatoes don't fall off the vine! Can't find burrata? Substitute a large ball of fresh mozzarella.

**START TO FINISH:** 15 minutes  
**SERVINGS:** 6  
2 clusters cocktail tomatoes on the vine  
Extra-virgin olive oil  
Flaked sea salt  
16-ounce ball of burrata or fresh mozzarella cheese  
Ground black pepper  
Artisan bread or ciabatta, to serve  
Heat a grill to medium-low. Carefully rinse the tomatoes, but leave them on the vine. Drizzle oil over the tomatoes and lightly rub it in, then sprinkle them lightly

with salt.

Place the tomatoes, vine side up, directly on the grill's cooking grate. Grill with the lid down for about 5 minutes, or until the tomatoes are warmed through and blackened in spots. Gently remove the tomatoes.

Place the cheese on a serving plate and drizzle with olive oil. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, then arrange the tomatoes around it. Serve with bread to sop up the juice from the tomatoes and the burrata.

*Nutrition information per serving: 480 calories; 250 calories from fat (52 percent of total calories); 27 g fat (13 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 65 mg cholesterol; 40 g carbohydrate; 3 g fiber; 4 g sugar; 19 g protein; 620 mg sodium.*

## Vegetables blossom on dessert menus

By MICHELLE LOCKE  
Associated Press

Eat your veggies or no dessert? How about eat your vegetables AS dessert?

And we're not talking grandma's zucchini bread. (Not that there's anything wrong with that.)

Maybe you'd like some beetroot ice cream as served by the Sweet Rose Creamery in Santa Monica, California. Or perhaps your fancy runs more to sweet asparagus beignets laced with almonds with green asparagus ice cream, poppy seed crunch and violet syrup, a creation of chef Bart Vandaele at the Belga Cafe in Washington, D.C.

The trend is a natural outgrowth of the emphasis on eating fresh and local, says Kelly Liken, who runs her eponymous restaurant in Vail, Colorado. Serving the same fruit over and over can get a little monotonous and if you have lots of vegetables at your disposal it only makes sense to experiment a little.

Among the desserts she and pastry chef Colleen Carey have come up with are Peas & Carrots. That would be a concoction that includes brown butter financier



In this undated photo shows the Peas & Carrots dish at Kelly Liken in Vail, Colo. Among the desserts Kelly Liken and pastry chef Colleen Carey have come up with are Peas & Carrots, a concoction that includes brown butter financier, with a sauce of English peas alongside carrot sorbet and carrot marmalade.

(a type of cake) with a sauce of English peas alongside carrot sorbet and carrot marmalade.

Those are peas and carrots showing some serious side.

Liken, who appeared on Season 7 of Bravo's "Top Chef," opened her restaurant 10 years ago and "for 10 years we've been really, really focused on

our local vegetables," she says. "We're constantly having to come up with new and innovative vegetable ideas."

Some of the new desserts put a twist on old classics, like chef Jamie Bissonette's carrot cake take.

Bissonette, the James Beard Award-winning chef behind Toro and Coppa in Boston and Toro in New York City, adds carrot juice to whipped cream to add a beautiful touch of orange to the dish, served at Coppa in Boston's South End.

"I came up with the idea for carrot whip cream because I love carrot cake and wanted to do a slightly different take on it. It's one of my absolute favorite desserts ever, and this incorporates the flavor of carrots into a sweet cake in a different way," he says. "I serve the carrot whip cream on olive oil cake with some carrot-parsley crumble and it's this beautiful and fresh variation of one of the most classic desserts."

Finding the vegetable sweet spot isn't just for restaurants.

At Jamba Juice, the popular chain known for its juices and smoothies, the company saw the interest in vegetables and decided to incorporate them

into what had been all-fruit smoothies.

The Apple n' Greens smoothie, for instance combines apple and strawberry juices, kale, peaches, mangos and bananas. "Kale smoothie" might not be the first thing to spring to mind when thinking of delicious drinks. But it's turned out to be a tasty and extremely popular, says Susan Shields, senior vice president and chief innovation officer at Jamba Juice.

There are four fruit-veggie smoothies, including Tropical Harvest, which blends butternut squash, carrots, sweet potatoes and mangos.

"The beauty about these four items is they taste really good," says Shields. "The kids love these. They don't know that they're vegetables."

With the new school year looming, along with the task of packing daily lunches, finding new ways to look at vegetables is something parents can explore. And it doesn't have to be elaborate; Likens recommends tactics such as grating carrots and zucchini or other squashes into oatmeal cookie mix.

"I always tell parents that's definitely a good way to 'stealth health' the dessert," she says.

# GOP-led House OKs lawsuit against Obama

WASHINGTON (AP) — A sharply divided House approved a Republican plan Wednesday to launch a campaign-season lawsuit against President Barack Obama, accusing him of exceeding the bounds of his constitutional authority. Obama and other Democrats derided the effort as a stunt aimed at tossing political red meat to conservative voters.

Just a day before lawmakers were to begin a five-week summer recess, debate over the proposed lawsuit underscored the harshly partisan tone that has dominated

the current Congress almost from its start in January 2013.

The vote to sue Obama was 225 to 201. Five conservative Republicans voted with Democrats in opposing the lawsuit. No Democrats voted for it.

Republicans said the legal action, focusing on Obama's implementation of his prized health care overhaul, was designed to prevent a further presidential power grab and his deciding unilaterally how to enforce laws.

"Are you willing to let any president choose what laws to execute

and what laws to change?" asked House Speaker John Boehner of Ohio.

The Republicans also scoffed at Democratic claims that the lawsuit would be a waste of taxpayers' money.

"What price do you place on the continuation of our system of checks and balances? What price do you put on the Constitution of the United States?" said Rep. Candice Miller of Michigan. "My answer to each is 'priceless.'"

However, Democrats said the lawsuit would go nowhere and was

designed only to encourage conservatives to vote in this November's congressional elections. They also warned repeatedly that it could be a precursor of a more drastic GOP effort. Said Rep. Louise Slaughter, D-N.Y.: "The lawsuit is a drumbeat pushing members of the Republican Party to impeachment."

Congressional lawsuits against presidents are rare. In 2008, a federal judge backed a suit by Democrats who then controlled the House and were trying to force the Bush administration to honor House subpoenas of senior White

House officials. Though the House won the first round in court, that decision was under appeal when a settlement was reached and the lawsuit was dropped.

On Wednesday, neither side wasted time in using the fight to mine campaign contributions and line up support for their candidates.

House Democrats emailed one fundraising solicitation as debate was underway and another moments after the vote, with one saying, "The GOP is chomping at the bit to impeach the president."



## Help rescue manatees, sea turtles by getting FWC decals

Special to The News

"Be a Hero" by getting decals that help with the research, rescue, rehabilitation and management of Florida's endangered manatees and sea turtles.

People can receive a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission manatee or sea turtle decal, and show their support for saving these iconic Florida species, with a donation of \$5.

Rescues of manatees and sea turtles that are injured, ill or otherwise in distress are one of the many FWC conservation activities supported by decal donations.

The new editions of the decals are originally designed works of art, and available now at local tax collectors' offices across the state and at MyFWC.com.

"People who voluntarily donate \$5 for a manatee or sea turtle decal increase the chances that these species will remain in Florida for many years," said Carol Knox, the FWC's imperiled species section leader. "You can be a hero and show support for manatees and sea turtles by placing decals on

your car, boat or truck, and on things your children use a lot, like their computers, backpacks or bikes."

This year's edition of the manatee decal provides information on the back side of the decal about how and where to report injured or distressed manatees. Besides calling the FWC's Wildlife Alert Hotline, 888-404-3922 (FWCC), people can dial #FWC or \*FWC on a cell phone or text Tip@MyFWC.com and report the location of the animal, its signs of injury or distress, the nearest boat ramp and contact information.

Often an ordinary citizen reporting an injured or ill manatee or sea turtle leads to the FWC being able to rescue the animal.

The new sea turtle decal features a leatherback sea turtle hatchling and the jellyfish it likes to eat. Leatherbacks, which average 6 feet in length and 500-1,500 pounds, dive deeper, travel farther and tolerate colder waters more than other sea turtles.

The decal serves as a reminder of important tips on how people can help sea turtles survive, which are on the decal backing:

- Keep nesting beaches dark and free of unneces-

sary artificial light by turning off lights or keeping them low or shielded.

- Remove chairs, boats, canopies and other objects from beaches at night, because they can become obstacles for nesting sea turtles and their hatchlings.

- Fill in deep holes on the beach each day, as these can trap nesting females and hatchlings.

- Anchor boats in appropriate locations, avoiding reef and seagrass habitat.

- Properly discard fishing line that can entangle sea turtles and other wildlife.

Floridians can donate the \$5 to receive a decal when registering a vehicle or vessel, or when renewing a registration through the mail, online or in person at county tax collectors' offices across the state. Visitors or individuals from out of state interested in the manatee decal and sea turtle decal can order them online by going to MyFWC.com/Manatee or MyFWC.com/SeaTurtle and clicking on "Decals." Purchasing the "Save the Manatee" and "Helping Sea Turtles Survive" Florida license plates at BuyAPlate.com also helps protect these species.

## Farm Credit of Northwest Florida shares \$4 million in profits with members

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To benefit local agriculture and farmers, Farm Credit of Northwest Florida will share \$4 million in profits with its members in 2014 through the cooperative's patronage refund program. "The patronage refund is a form of profit sharing that distinguishes Farm Credit from other lenders," said Board Chairman Richard Terry, a Madison County farmer.

"We're delighted that

the Association performed well this past year and that Farm Credit of Northwest Florida customers have the opportunity to share in that success," said Rick Bitner, president and CEO. "Profit sharing is one of the unique and tangible benefits of doing business with a customer-owned cooperative."

Since 1988, Farm Credit of Northwest Florida Members have benefited from \$74 million in patronage refunds or profit-sharing declared by the

cooperative's Board of Directors. "We have been and strive to remain a strong and valuable source of funding for agriculture and our rural communities, through the good times and bad," Bitner said.

"Agriculture is the second largest industry in the state, ranking behind only tourism. Farm Credit of Northwest Florida is proud to provide a stable, reliable source of credit to rural America," Terry said.

## Florida Forest Service sends firefighters to help battle western blazes

Special to The News

As the blazes continue to heat up in the western states, the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Florida Forest Service is sending dozens of firefighters to aid suppression efforts.

"The Florida Forest Service is a talented group of some of the most skilled firefighters in the country," Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam said. "Thanks to current low wildfire danger levels in Florida, we are able to lend support to other states for the

protection of people, structures and natural resources."

So far this season, the Florida Forest Service has deployed 52 wildland firefighters to western wildfires, including Oregon's 396,000-acre Pine Creek wildfire and Washington's 250,000-acre Carlton Complex of wildfires.

"The Florida Forest Service will continue to fill requests for help as we receive them," said Jim Karels, State Forester. "The experiences that our firefighters gain out West will build upon their first-class training and

experience fighting wildfires here in Florida."

Deployed wildland firefighters will fill a variety of roles, including front-line firefighting, aviation, safety regulation, logging, heavy equipment management and more.

The Florida Forest Service manages more than 1 million acres of public forest land while protecting 26 million acres of homes, forestland and natural resources from the devastating effects of wildfire.

For more information about the Florida Forest Service, go to [www.FloridaForestService.com](http://www.FloridaForestService.com).

## FWC releases anticipated waterfowl season dates

Special to The News

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation anticipate the 2014-15 waterfowl season dates to be:

- Early Canada Goose: Saturday, Sept. 6 through Wednesday, Sept. 24
- September teal and wood duck: Wednesday Sept. 20 through Sunday, Sept. 24
- September teal only: Monday, Sept. 25 through Sunday, Sept. 28
- Regular Season (ducks, coots, and light

geese): Sunday, Nov. 22 through Sunday, Nov. 30 and Sunday, Dec. 6 through Sunday, Jan. 25, 2015

- Regular Season (Canada Goose): Saturday, Nov. 22 through Friday, Jan. 30, 2015
- Youth duck and goose: Saturday, Jan. 31 and Sunday, Feb. 1, 2015

Note: All dates below are anticipated and subject to change until finalized. The official dates will be posted by mid-August when they are released by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

## Insurers: 2015 exchange rates likely to spike in Florida

MIAMI (AP) — State insurance officials are preparing to release figures next week on how much health plans will cost under the Affordable Care Act for 2015, and rate increases seem inevitable as insurers say their new consumers are older and sicker than anticipated.

Top executives at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida and Cigna said rate increases are likely, but declined specifics. Humana proposed an average 14.1 percent increase for its HMOs, saying the increase was driven by factors including increased prescription drug costs and doctor and hospital reimbursements. However, Molina has proposed an 11.6 percent average rate decrease.

Critics of the health overhaul warned of huge rate increases, a signal they say shows the law isn't working. But rates have risen as

much as 20 or 30 percent in recent years and early filing from insurers in other states suggest the 2015 increases won't be as dramatic.

Meanwhile, insurers say that even though the almost 1 million Florida enrollees include many who are older with chronic conditions, the marketplace is still ripe for profits.

Brian Evanko, president of Cigna's U.S. individual market, said the company anticipates financial losses from the exchange in 2014, but "we expect over time that as things tend to shake out this could be a very attractive market for us."

Federal health officials say 91 percent of Florida's 983,775 enrollees received a tax subsidy, 55 percent were female and 45 percent were male. The government and insurance companies have not released data on how many were previously unin-

sured and no details on their health conditions.

"A lot of the people are in need of more chronic care as opposed to people who might need a knee surgery and held out to get it," Evanko said.

At Florida Blue, the state's largest insurer, the average consumer age was slightly over 45 in the exchange, while their average consumer age is under 40 outside the exchange. Only about 23 percent made up the crucial healthy young adult demographic, which is essential to balancing out the cost of caring for older, sicker consumers, said Jon Urbanek, a senior vice president for the BCBS's Florida Blue.

"From a risk pool, it's slightly worse than what we would have first anticipated," Urbanek said.

About 1 in 3 Floridians who signed up — or 339,000

people — chose a Florida Blue plan, Urbanek said.

With so many unknowns under President Obama's new health law, insurers struggled with how to price plans, how many options to offer and how to structure their hospital and doctor networks. Insurers also faced new challenges because the law mandated they could no longer turn away consumers with pre-existing medical conditions, limited what they could charge older policy holders and required them to offer more benefits.

"Clearly the price of the product that was offered through the federal exchange was a key distinguishing factor," said Coventry Florida president Christopher Ciano.

Coventry offered one of the most competitive premium rates, which health experts said made them a

popular choice among consumers. Federal officials and insurers have not released data showing enrollment among plans.

Some health navigators said consumers seemed overwhelmed by the volume of choices from Florida Blue — which had multiple options at each medal level — and stuck to plans with fewer choices.

Florida Blue officials plan to pare down their offerings when enrollment starts in November.

Cigna plans to expand into other states and regions at a controlled rate, not as rapidly as some of its competitors. UnitedHealth Group, the nation's largest health insurer, earlier this month announced it will participate in as many as 24 of the law's individual health insurance exchanges in 2015, up from only four this year.

"We entered the market in a very focused way. We didn't want to be in 50 states in year one because we knew it was going to be a bit bumpy," Evanko said.

Insurance companies said they're also hammering out contingency plans for the next enrollment period taking a cue from last year's bumpy enrollment.

Amid problems with the glitch-plagued healthcare.gov and back-end problems connecting the system to insurers, consumers complained they spent hours on the phone.

Insurers were strapped juggling the new exchange with Medicare open enrollment and the large employer enrollment in January.

"We put through probably four times what we would normally put through that system in a year, so that's a lot of volume," Urbanek said.

# GC baseball enters fall with deep pitching staff

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**PANAMA CITY** —

There still is a month before fall baseball opens at Gulf Coast, but coach Mike Kandler's work to fill the roster is finished.

The Commodores return 13 of the 14 freshmen from last season's 40-14 team that placed fourth at the state tournament. Kandler added another 11 through recruiting, including three Bay County standouts. He also is bringing in a once highly-touted pitcher, a speedster and a few former two-sport stars.

Fall drills begin

Aug. 25 and will continue through October. GC will compete in up to 20 games, Kandler said, but fall contests carry less pressure. He said the goal is to improve and prepare for the spring.

"The number one thing is development. The players have to get better," Kandler said. "Second most important is the evaluation process. We have to figure out who really can do what and in what roles.

"And you want to instill some sort of winning attitude. You don't want the winning to get ahead of evaluation. The whole order is opposite in the spring."

Kandler said last season's success and the high retention of talent will help the new players understand what's expected. Fall allows for understanding each other as well as adjusting to college life for some. Others will be adjusting to more playing time.

Rutherford's Nick Nelson leads the list of incoming county representatives. Former Mosley players Austin Bizzle and Bowen McGuffin also signed to play for the Commodores. Bizzle is a transfer from Wallace Community College in Dothan, Ala.

Nelson will continue to pitch and play in the field. Where that is remains in question, with Kandler saying Nelson could play in the corner infield or outfield. What's certain is Nelson's bat will anchor the batting order.

"His bat is a middle of

the order type bat," Kandler said. "He's good on the mound, too, and we certainly won't discount that. It'll be a big role for him. He's got a lot of responsibility."

Bizzle made two starts in 13 appearances last season with Wallace-Dothan. The right-hander was 2-0 with 19 strikeouts in 22 innings pitched.

Nelson and Bizzle will add to what is a plentiful pitching staff. Seven of the incoming players will take the mound to some extent and five returning sophomores saw time there last season.

"On Aug. 25, we're gon-

na have a deep pitching staff," Kandler said.

"Hopefully on May 25 we'll be able to say the same thing."

Left-hander Adam Bleday is one of the new pitchers and brings along stellar credentials out of high school from Titusville, Pa. Bleday signed and played for Virginia last season but was lost among a deep staff with just one appearance.

Austin Goff, a lefty, and Jake Thomas, a righty, also are added to the roster. The duo pitched last season at North Paulding in Georgia and Kandler said they were ready to take on a heavy workload.

Deviner McCray of Tifton, Ga., and Ben Wilford of Clarksville, Tenn., round out the incoming pitching recruits. Kandler noted both have live arms and also will be used in the field.

GC also will have a pair of former football players who will be used in a variety of utility roles. Jonathan Bennett starred on the gridiron for Pensacola High and signed to play baseball at USF before injuring his shoulder last fall. Isaac Dillard of Florence, Ala., originally signed to play football for Tennessee Tech until he received more attention in baseball with an impressive spring and decided his future was on the diamond.

Middle infielder Wes Roberson rounds out the recruiting class. The Memphis, Tenn., native flashes great speed and Kandler said he'll be the second-fastest player he's coached behind current pro Terrance Gore.



ANDREW WARDLOW | The News Herald

A woman fishes on Round Lake near Alford on Wednesday, July 30, taking advantage of clear skies and warm temperatures. This weekend's forecast calls for XXXXXXXXX.

# Ebro: Win leader back in feature

From staff reports

**EBRO** — Cheryl White had a pedestrian effort in a third-place finish on Saturday, but is back in a preferred inside position for the feature seventh race of the Twilight program tonight at Ebro Greyhound Park.

The track win leader and all-time fastest greyhound over 5-16 mile checked in at 30.74 seconds to finish

well beaten by 7½ lengths. She still is in command of the win lead at 10, and is 5-to-2 on the morning line. AJN Randi, 6 hole, starts at the same odds despite two wins in 10 starts and a lackluster showing the last time she raced in Grade A. Super Effect has been steady while making 10 trifectas in 16 starts.

The Evening program feature should be a toss-up as Ashley Yodice has the most impressive credentials

and seems to have rediscovered her stride.

However, Flying Humidity is dangerous with 12 wins in 17 attempts and Nellie's Admiral deserves a look despite having to start alongside early speed dog Pat C Shackle out of the 1 hole.

Beginning next week the track returns to four nights per week live racing with Mondays and Thursdays both dark.

**Ebro**

**Schedule**

**Monday**

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Parx 11:25 p.m., Saratoga noon, Delaware 12:15 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach noon.  
Evening: Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday**

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Parx 11:25 a.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach noon.  
Evening: Ebro live racing 6:30 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Saratoga noon, Delaware 12:15 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 11:30 a.m., Jacksonville 11:30 a.m.,

**Thursday**

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Saratoga noon, Delaware 12:15 p.m., Del Mar 4 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach noon.

**Friday**

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Monmouth 11:50 a.m., Saratoga noon, Gulfstream 12:15 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach noon.  
Evening: Thoroughbred simulcast: Del Mar 6 p.m. Ebro live racing 6:30 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday**

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Monmouth

11:50 a.m., Saratoga noon, Gulfstream 12:25 p.m., Del Mar 4 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Jacksonville 11:35 a.m., Derby Lane 11:30 a.m.

**Palm Beach noon**

Evening: Ebro live racing 6:30 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Derby Lane 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday**

Matinee: Thoroughbred simulcast: Monmouth 11:50 a.m., Saratoga noon, Gulfstream 12:15 p.m., Del Mar 4 p.m. Greyhound simulcast: Palm Beach noon, Jacksonville 12:30.

POKER ROOM — (Ext. 180) Open 9 a.m. to 3 a.m. Monday through Friday and 24 hours on weekends and holidays. New Year's schedule: Open 9 a.m. Monday to 3 a.m. Wednesday.

LOCATION — Intersection of State 79 and State 20. INFORMATION — 234-3943.

# Southern Elite lives up to name

Halifax staff reports

**PANAMA CITY BEACH** —

Southern Elite, a 12U girls fastpitch softball team based in Alford, recently placed third out of 46 teams in the Class C USFA World Series at Frank Brown Park.

Teams from Texas,

Louisiana, Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Indiana and Maryland were included in the field.

Southern Elite was 10-2 for the tournament and played six games on the final day of the event.

Batting leaders were

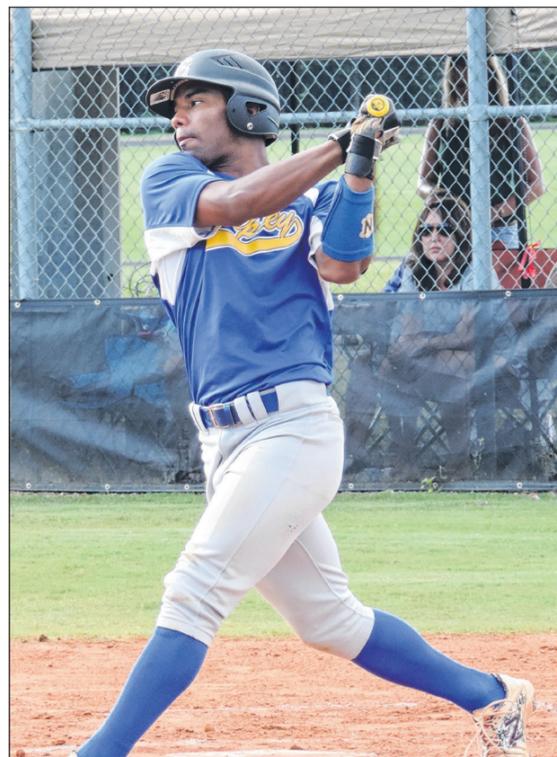
Jennifer Cosson at .647, Hadley Barfield .632, Kayla Morris .579, Alana Golden .571 and Mallory Dalton .526.

The roster included players from Panama City Beach, Chipley, Bonifay, Altha, Poplar Springs and Marianna.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Team members, front row left to right: Callie Worthy, Cheyann Blackmon, Rylee Wilson, Mallory Dalton, Hadley Barfield. Middle row: Kinzie Nelson, Alana Golden, Kayla Morris, Deana Holland, Kasey Lathan, Taylor Vandever, Jennifer Cosson. Back row: Head coach Jeff Vandever, assistant Tony Golden, team president Don Holland, assistant Eddie Dalton.





PHOTOS BY CAROL KENT, HEATHER LOPEZ AND MELISSA WHITSON

At left, coach Andy Compton (center) watches the action from the dugout. At right, Denny Elligson was a top hitter in more than one game in the series.

# 'HUMBLED TO HOST'

## Dixie Pre-Majors a success in more ways than one

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**CHIPLEY** — Washington County hosted 11 states in the 2014 Dixie Pre-Majors World Series from July 26 to July 30, generating much needed local revenue and earning Chipley's team the title of World Series Runners-up.

The event kicked off with a banquet Friday, July 25, with Sheriff Bobby Haddock welcoming the visiting teams.

"We could not have been more humbled to host the 11 state champions," said Haddock. "There is nothing quite like the opening ceremonies of the World Series Championship. In baseball, no other day is so pure with possibility. No scores yet, no losses, no blame or disappointment."

High School Head Baseball Coach and President of the Chipley Dixie Majors Andy Compton started the process of bidding for the event two years ago and says it's the first time Washington County has hosted the event, and the first time in recent history a Florida city has been selected as host.

"We made a bid on the tourney in 2012 with the help of the Washington County Tourism Development Council," said Compton. "None of this would have happened without their help and that of TDC Director Heather Lopez. Without a great group of volunteers, the behind the scenes work would have been nearly impossible to do without them," he added. "We had close to a hundred volunteers. From host parents for each team, to cooks, hospitality workers, field crew, and concession volunteers, we



The Dixie Pre-Major World Series kicked off in Friday night Chipley with a welcome banquet for the teams at the Washington County Agricultural Center. Coach Bobby Pierce, Head Baseball Coach for the Troy University Trojans, was the guest speaker.

couldn't have done it without them."

Community efforts didn't go unnoticed by visitors, either.

"I've been to a lot of events over the years, both in big cities and small towns, but I've never been as impressed as I have been with Chipley," said Keith Robinson, Assistant Director of the Alabama Dixie Boys Majors. "The courtesy and hospitality shown by this community is second to none."

Participating states were Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Texas. All games were held at the Chipley High School baseball fields.

As traditional with tournament hosts, Chipley was

expected to be the underdog, but the team pulled off a runner-up ranking.

"Our group exceeded expectations from everyone," said Coach Compton. "To have to go against the type of talent we did, our guys really stepped up. It makes you proud that they realized the amount of work that went into this event and they, in turn, worked hard to prepare."

Most of Chipley's Dixie Pre Majors team also played on the Chipley High School 2014 State Finalist team in the spring, so there wasn't much rest between tournaments.

"We played the FHSAA Championship game on May 20 and had little down time before having to prepare for this event, but it was all worth it," said Compton.

More than 20 games were played in the series. Here are highlights from Chipley's match-ups:

**CHIPLEY VS. ARKANSAS (SATURDAY, JULY 26)**

Daniel Floyd was the winning pitcher, giving up four hits and one unearned run. He had 6 strikeouts in the fifth-inning, run rule win. Leading hitters were: Daniel Floyd, 1 for 2; Micah McCaskill, 2 for 3 with a homerun; Cole McCord, 2 for 2. Final score: 12-1, Chipley

**CHIPLEY VS. ALABAMA (SUNDAY, JULY 27)**

Micah McCaskill earned the win on the mound and was 3 for 4 at the plate with a double and a homerun. Other leading hitters



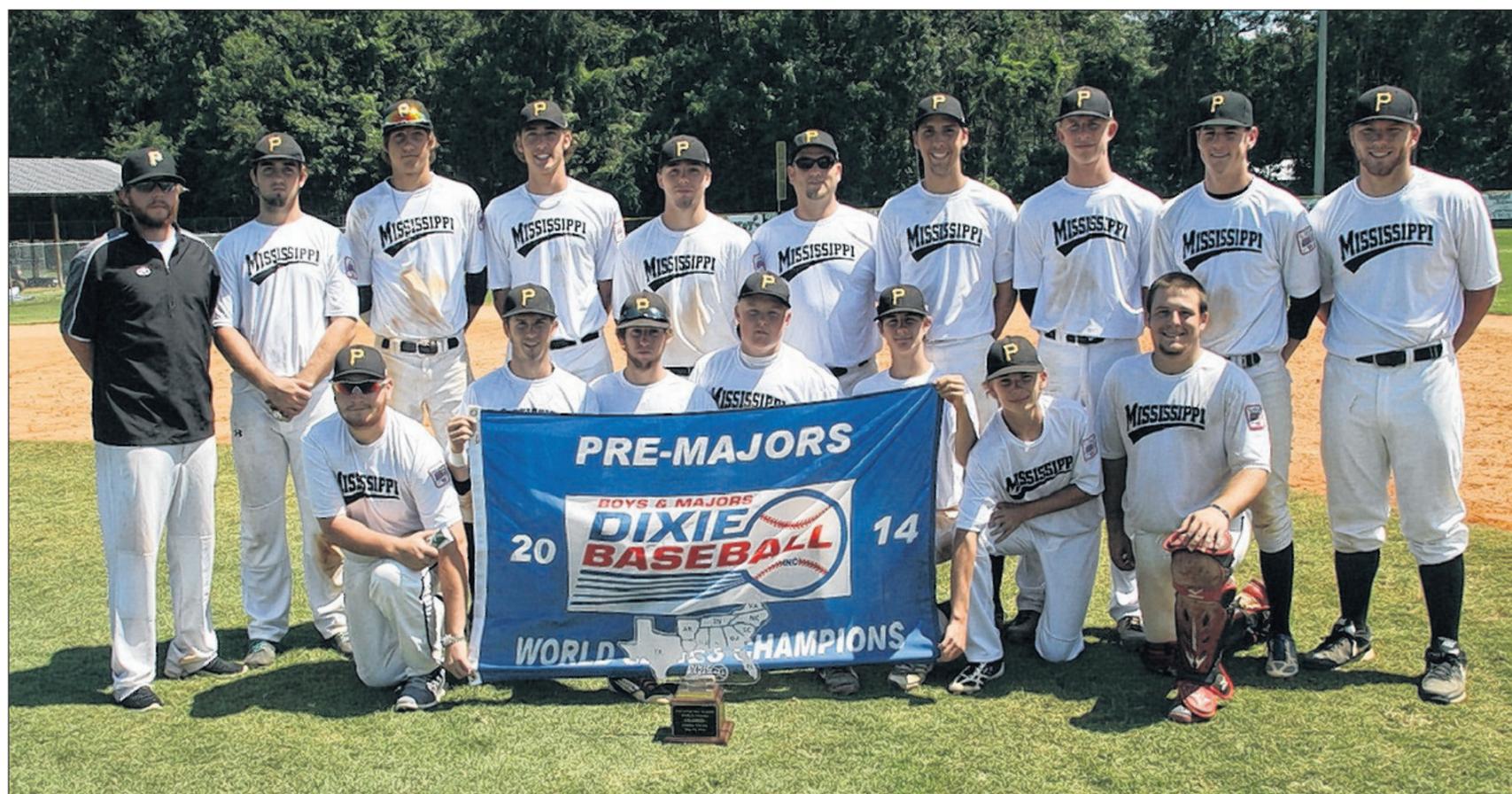
From left: Codi Wood of Chipley converses with Cole McCord of Sneads and Coach Jesse Carter.



From left: Steve Patterson and Dan Burdeshaw kept the water flowing to help keep players and coaches cool in the unrelenting Florida heat.



From left: Frank Kreiss and Valerie Park were among those volunteering to work the admission gate.



The six-time Mississippi Dixie State Champions from Pine Belt, Mississippi snagged the Championship title. Team members include Director Lanny Mixon, Coach Jason Hawkins, and players Perry Lee Broom, Kevin Carter, Anthony Clapp, Matt Favre, Connor Goff, Gage Kiser, Jacob Hunter Hall, Cameron Havard, Wesley Leamon, Clay Mitchell, Cody Quick, Dalton Reiden, and Kyle Whittington.

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were: Grant Rowell, 2 for 4 and Denny Elligson, 2 for 4 with a double. Final score: 7-2, Chipley

### CHIPLEY VS. MISSISSIPPI (TUES., JULY 29):

Mississippi scored 2 runs in the bottom of the 7th for the win. Leading hitters were: Micah McCaskill, 2 for 5; Denny Elligson, 2 for 3 with a home-run, and Andrew Howell, 2 for 3. Final score: 5-4, Mississippi

### CHIPLEY VS. TEXAS (TUESDAY, JULY 29)

James Walsingham started on the mound for Chipley and pitched well. He was later relieved by Cole McCord, who earned the win. Leading hitters

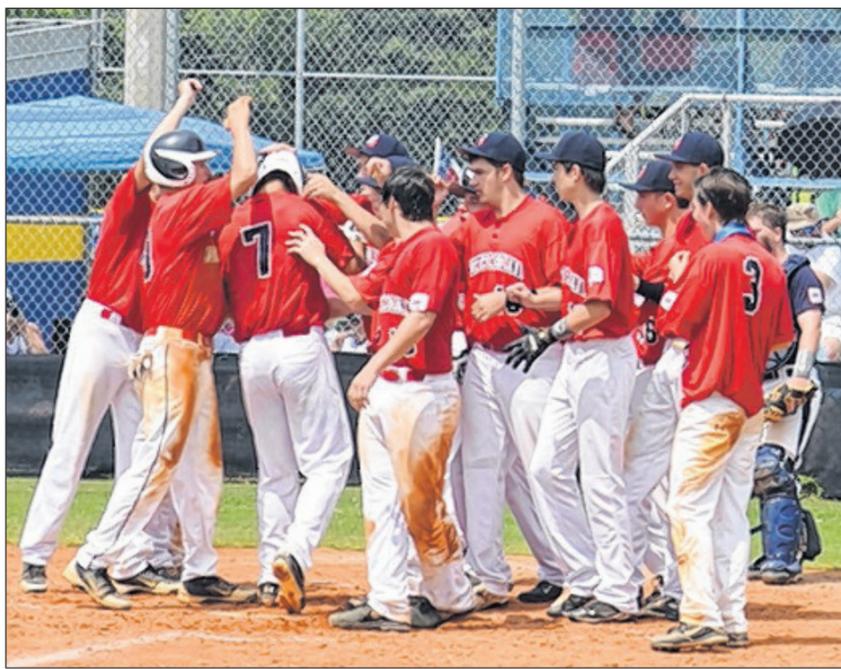
were: Andrew Howell, 3 for 4 with two RBI's and Daniel Floyd, who scored 2 runs by walking 3 times. A 6-run 6th inning led by a big double for Grant Rowell keyed the Chipley win. Codi Wood's sacrifice bunt turned the momentum in Chipley's favor on a two-strike pitch. Final score: 8-4, Chipley

### FINALS —CHIPLEY VS. MISSISSIPPI (WEDNESDAY, JULY 30)

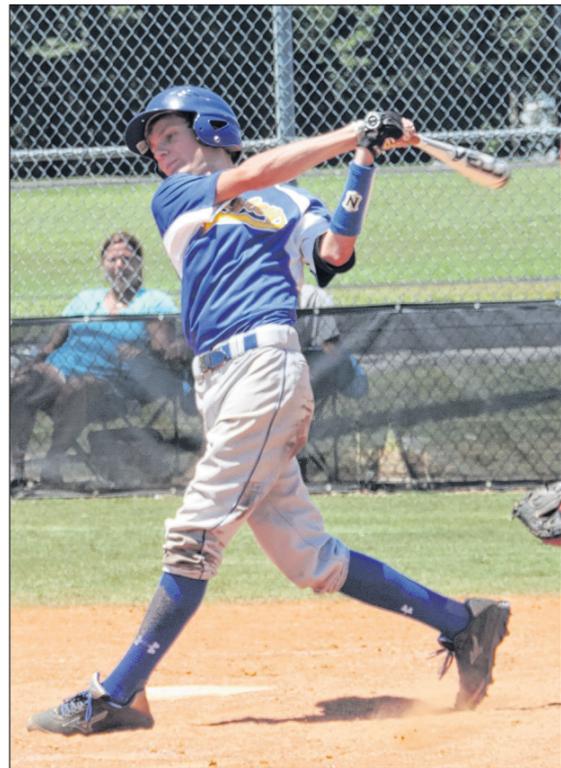
In order to earn the championship, Chipley had to face Mississippi twice on Wed. in the Finals. In the first game, Daniel Floyd was dominant on the mound, limiting Mississippi to just 3 hits while striking out 7 in

the complete game win. Top hitters were: Micah McCaskill, 2 for 2 with two runs scored; Andrew Howell, 2 for 3 with two RBI's and Cole McCord, who was 1 for 3 with a double. Final score: 3-0, Chipley.

In the final game of the tournament, Mississippi won a hard-fought game. Andrew King started on the mound for Chipley, going 3 innings before getting hit by a pitch, forcing him to leave the game. Chipley trailed 6-0 after 4 innings but came back with 5 big runs in the top of the 5th. Cole McCord, Micah McCaskill, and Daniel Floyd had big hits in the 5th inning to get Chipley back in the game. Final score: 7-5, Mississippi.



North Carolina celebrates a 15-0 win over Georgia.



Whit Pettis takes his swing in the match-up against Mississippi Wednesday.



James Walsingham of Vernon takes a turn on the mound.

### 2014 DIXIE BOYS BASEBALL PRE MAJORS WORLD SERIES

#### BOX SCORES

Game 1	Runs	Hits	Errors
East Polk, Florida	11	12	2
Monroe, Louisiana	4	6	1

Game 2	Runs	Hits	Errors
Paris, Texas	17	11	1
Halifax County, Virginia	10	6	2

Game 3	Runs	Hits	Errors
Gaston, South Carolina	10	9	0
Bladen County, N. Carolina	0	1	5

Game 4 *No Hitter*	Runs	Hits	Errors
Pine Belt, Mississippi	13	5	2
Auburn, Georgia	1	0	2

Game 5	Runs	Hits	Errors
Ozark, Alabama	6	6	2
East Central, Louisiana	2	6	2

Game 6	Runs	Hits	Errors
Chipley, Florida (Host)	12	9	2
Southwest Arkansas	1	4	2

Game 7	Runs	Hits	Errors
Halifax County, Virginia	6	11	1
Monroe, Louisiana	4	5	0

Game 8	Runs	Hits	Errors
Bladen County, N. Carolina	15	8	6
Auburn, Georgia	0	1	1

Game 9	Runs	Hits	Errors
Southwest Arkansas	10	7	2
East Central, Louisiana	3	3	1

Game 10	Runs	Hits	Errors
East Polk, Florida	8	8	2
Paris, Texas	2	4	2

Game 11	Runs	Hits	Errors
Pine Belt, Mississippi	5	7	1
Gaston, South Carolina	3	5	1

Game 12	Runs	Hits	Errors
Chipley, Florida (Host)	7	9	1
Ozark, Alabama	2	8	1

Game 13	Runs	Hits	Errors
Paris, Texas	9	11	3
Gaston, South Carolina	3	6	3

Game 14	Runs	Hits	Errors
Southwest Arkansas	3	6	2
Bladen County, N. Carolina	2	3	2

Game 15	Runs	Hits	Errors
Halifax County, Virginia	7	5	0
Ozark, Alabama	1	3	2

Game 16	Runs	Hits	Errors
Pine Belt, Mississippi	8	5	1
East Polk, Florida	6	6	4

Game 17	Runs	Hits	Errors
Paris, Texas	5	11	5
Southwest Arkansas	0	4	2

Game 18 *No Hitter*	Runs	Hits	Errors
East Polk, Florida	10	7	0
Halifax County, Virginia	0	0	2

Game 19	Runs	Hits	Errors
Pine Belt, Mississippi	5	6	1
Chipley, Florida (Host)	4	8	3

Game 20	Runs	Hits	Errors
Chipley, Florida (Host)	8	7	1
Paris, Texas	4	9	1

Game 21	Runs	Hits	Errors
Pine Belt, Mississippi	8	7	3
East Polk, Florida	5	4	2

Game 22	Runs	Hits	Errors
Chipley, Florida (Host)	3	5	1
Pine Belt, Mississippi	0	3	1

Game 23	Runs	Hits	Errors
Pine Belt, Mississippi	7	9	3
Chipley, Florida (Host)	5	5	1

2014 Pre Majors World Series Champion "Keith Brewer" Award  
Pine Belt, Mississippi

"Bill Moore Sportsmanship Award"  
Gaston, South Carolina

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## Assembly of God

### BONIFAY FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located 116 Main St.

### FAITH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Underwood Road behind Poplar Springs School.

### GRACE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located

### LITTLE ROCK ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 567 North Main Street.

### LIVE OAK ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held Sunday at 10:00 a.m., with Morning Worship at 11 a.m. and Evening Worship at 6 p.m. Wednesday Services are at 7 p.m. The church is located at 2118 Live Oak Road in Bonifay.

### MT. OLIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Highway 179-A off of Highway 2.

### NEW BETHANY ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Shaky Joe Road just off Highway 280 at Hinson's Crossroads.

### NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 9 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 695 5th Street, Chipley.

### NORTHSIDE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Sunday School is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1009 North Rangeline Street in Bonifay.

### SMITH CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located 2549 Smith Chapel Road, just off Highway 177-A.

### SWEET GUM ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 105 Corbin Road.

### WAUSAU ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 3537 Washington Street in Wausau.

### WINTERVILLE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School is held at

10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 1897 Highway 177A in Bonifay

## Baptist

### ABIGAIL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. The church is located on Dawkins St., in Vernon.

### BEREA BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:55 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7:30 p.m. The church is located at 1438 Nearing Hills Drive in Chipley.

### BLUE LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 1405 Blue Lake Road in Chipley.

### BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The church is located at 1572 Highway 177 in Bonifay.

### BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1404 North Highway 79 in Bonifay.

### BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m.

### BONIFAY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 311 N. Waukesha Street.

### BONIFAY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at the corner of Kansas Ave., and Oklahoma St.

### CHIPLEY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 1300 South Blvd.

### CHIPLEY FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 1387 South Blvd.

### COUNTRY OAKS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 574 Buckhorn Blvd.

### EAST PITTMAN FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located ½ mile north of Highway 2 on Highway 179.

### EASTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at Highway 277 in Vernon.

### EVERGREEN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m.

Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located in Westville

### GAP POND FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. The church is located at 1980 Gap Blvd., in Sunny Hills.

### GRACE BAPTIST CHAPEL MISSION

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:50 a.m.

Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 440 Lot E 2nd Street, Chipley.

### GULLY SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 2826 Highway 90 in Bonifay.

### HICKORY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m.

Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1656 Hickory Hill Road in Westville.

### HOLMES CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m.

Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Cope Road in Chipley.

### HOLYNECK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1783 Piney Grove Road south of Chipley.

### PLEASANT HILL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located south of Bonifay at 1900 Pleasant Hill Road.

### POPLAR HEAD INDEPENDENT FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 614 Bennett Drive in Chipley.

### LEONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located in northwest Holmes County.

### MCQUEENS TEMPLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LIVING GOD

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 5681 Highway 79 South, Vernon.

### MT. ARARAT MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 1233 Old Bonifay Road in Chipley.

### MT. ZION INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6 p.m. The church is located on Highway 2 one mile west of Highway 79 in Esto.

### NEW CONCORD FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on James Paulk Road off Highway 177.

### NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday morning bible study is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at the intersection of Highway 2 and Highway 179A.

### NEW PROSPECT BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship services are

held at 11 a.m. Sunday evening services are held at 5 p.m. Wednesday services supper is held 5 p.m. Wednesday prayer meeting, bible study and children's classes start at 5:45. The church is located at 761 New Prospect Road in Chipley.

### NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:55 a.m.

Evening Worship is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on HWY 177A north of HWY 2.

### NORTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at the intersection of Highway 81 and Highway 90 in Ponce de Leon.

### OAKIE RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at the corner of Orange Hill and Gilberts Mill Road.

### PINEY GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1783 Piney Grove Road south of Chipley.

### PLEASANT HILL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located south of Bonifay at 1900 Pleasant Hill Road.

### POPLAR HEAD INDEPENDENT FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located on Poplar Head Road.

### POPLAR SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1098 Lovewood Road two miles east of Highway 77.

### SAND HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:15 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 6758 Highway 77.

### SHADY GROVE BAPTIST

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

### SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located on Highway 277, three miles south of Highway 90 in Chipley.

### SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 3013 Moss Hill Road in Vernon/

### ST. JOHN FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

### ST. MATTHEWS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m.

The church is located at 4156 St. Matthews Road, Caryville.

### SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10 am, worship service 11 am, Evening worship 6 pm, Wednesday service at 7 pm. Church is located at 2555 Kynesville Highway, Alford.

### SHADY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1955 Highway 177A in Bonifay.

### SUNNY HILLS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

### UNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is at 5 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 3274 River Road in Vernon.

### WAUSAU FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 3493 Washington Street in Wausau.

### WEST BONIFAY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 609 West Indiana Avenue in Bonifay.

## Catholic

### BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday Mass is held at 9 a.m. Wednesday evening Mass is held at 5:30 p.m. Adoration is held the first Friday at from noon to 3 p.m. Holy Hour is held Tuesday from 7 to 8 p.m. The church is located at 2331 Hwy 177A in Bonifay.

### ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday Mass is held at 11 a.m. Tuesday Mass is held at 9 a.m. The church is located at 1664 Main St., in Chipley.

### ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday Mass is held at 10 a.m. Monday through Friday Mass is held at 8 a.m. Saturday Mass is held at 5 p.m. Adoration is held the first Friday after 8 a.m. Mass. The church is located at 2056 Sunny Hills Blvd., in Chipley.

## Church of Christ

### CHIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday morning bible study is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1295 Brickyard Road in Chipley.

### SPIRIT-FILLED CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Tuesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 2128 Pate Pond Road in Caryville.

## Episcopal

### GRANT TABERNACLE AME

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m.. The church is located at 577 Martin Luther King, Chipley.

### NEW BETHEL AME

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Highway 90 in Bonifay.

## ST. JOHN AME

Morning Worship is held at 11:30 a.m.

## ST. JOSEPH AME

Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5 p.m. Tuesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1401 Monroe Sheffield Road, Chipley.

## ST. LUKE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH (AME)

Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Jackson Community Road.

## ST. MATTHEWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Morning worship is held at 9 a.m. Wednesday worship service is at 12:15 p.m. The church is located on Highway 90 west in Chipley.

## Evangelistic

### VERNON EVANGELISTIC CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Highway 79 in Vernon.

### CARYVILLE EVANGELISTIC CENTER

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Thursday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Wrights Creek Road in Caryville, just north of Highway 90.

## Holiness

### HARRIS CHAPEL HOLINESS CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located eight miles north of Caryville on Highway 179.

### JOHNSON TEMPLE FIRST BORN HOLINESS

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6 p.m. Friday services are held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 793 Orange Street, Chipley.

### MIRACLE VALLEY SPIRIT OF HOLINESS

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located 3754 Bunyon Drive, off Highway 77 near Sunny Hills.

## LUTHERAN

Grace Lutheran Morning Worship is held at 8:30 a.m. The church is located on Highway 90 East in Bonifay.

## Methodist

### BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. The church is located on Highway 177.

### BONIFAY FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Worship begins at 10:45 a.m. Youth Services are held on Wednesday's at 6:00 p.m.

### CEDAR GROVE UNITED METHODIST

held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located on Highway 279 near Five Points.

**MT. IDA CONGREGATIONAL METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at just off Highway 2 in Holmes County's New Hope Community.

**NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m.

**NEW BETHEL AME**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Highway 90 in Bonifay.

**ORANGE HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. The church is located on Sunday Road just off Orange Hill Road.

**OTTER CREEK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located north of Ponce de Leon off Highway 81.

**PLEASANT GROVE UNITED METHODIST**

Morning Worship is held at 9 a.m. The church is located near Hinson's Crossroads.

**POPLAR HEAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located 1.5 miles north of Highway 2 on

Highway 163.  
**RED HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on State Road 2 two miles west of State Road 79.

**ST. JOHN AME**  
 Morning Worship is held at 11:30 a.m.

**ST. LUKE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
 Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Jackson Community Road.

**VERNON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m.

**WAUSAU UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m.. The church is located on State Road 77

**Pentecostal**  
**FIRST UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1816 Highway 90 in Chipley.

**WAUSAU PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS**

Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:55 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 2201 Pioneer Road in Wausau.

**OPEN POND PENTECOSTAL**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1885 Highway 179-A in Westville.

**TRINITY PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

**Presbyterian**  
**CHIPLEY FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Bible study is held at 5 p.m. The church is located at Fifth street and Watts Ave.

**SUNNY HILLS PRESBYTERIAN**  
 Sunday School is held at 9 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. The church is located at 3768 Country Club Blvd.

**Other**  
**BIBLEWAY LIGHTHOUSE**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held 7 p.m. The church is located on HWY 90 East in Chipley

**BONIFAY HOUSE OF PRAYER**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Friday services are held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 826 N. Caryville Road.

**BONIFAY SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
 Service is held on Saturday at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 604 Mathusek Street.

**BONNETT POND CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 2680 Bonnett Pond Road in Chipley.

**CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CENTER**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning

Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1458 Monroe Sheffield Road in Chipley.

**CHRISTIAN HAVEN**  
 Sunday school is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

**CHURCH OF GOD BY FAITH**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday service is held at 7:30 p.m. The church is located at 3012 Church Street.

**CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1386 W. Jackson Avenue, Chipley.

**COURTS OF PRAISE**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 1720 Clayton Road, Chipley.

**CYPRESS CREEK**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1772 Macedonia Road.

**FAITH COVENANT FELLOWSHIP**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Highway 277 1/2 mile south of I-10.

**FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located 531 Rock Hill Church Road, Chipley.

**GRACEVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m.

Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 1005 E. Prim Ave.

**HARD LABOR CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1705 Pioneer Road three miles east of caution light.

**HARVEST CATHEDRAL**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located on Highway 77 two miles north of Wausau.

**HOLMES VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located at 3550 Fanning Branch Road in Vernon.

**HOUSE OF PRAYER WORSHIP CENTER**  
 Sunday School and Children's Church is held at 9 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Youth activities on Wednesday begin at 4:30 p.m. Praise and worship services are at 6:30 p.m. on Friday. The church at 763 West Blvd in Chipley.

**LIBERTY**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

**NEW FAITH TEMPLE**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. The church is located at 841 Orange Hill Road.

**NEW FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located on Rock Hill Church Road.

**NEW SMYRNA CHURCH**  
 Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located Adolph Whitaker Road six miles north of Bonifay.

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. The church is located at 4465 Highway 77.

**RHEMA PRAISE AND WORSHIP CENTER**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located 763 West Blvd., Chipley.

**SUNNY HILLS CHAPEL**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 5 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located at 4283 Highway 77.

**TABERNACLE OF PRAISE CHURCH OF GOD**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. The church is located on Highway 77 South.

**THE LIVING WORD**  
 Morning Worship is held at 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m. The church is located at the corner of Highway 77 and Blocker Road in Greenhead.

**WHITE DOUBLE POND**  
 Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is held at 11 a.m. Evening worship is held at 6 p.m. Wednesday service is held at 6 p.m. The church is located on Creek Road in Vernon.

**YES LORD DELIVERANCE**  
 Sunday School is held at 10:30 a.m. Worship is held at noon. Wednesday services are held at 7 p.m. The church is located at 739 7th Street in Chipley.



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 thereafter, otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.  
**SIGNED AND THE SEAL OF THIS COURT IMPRESSED ON 30 day of June 2014**  
 PAULA O'NEIL  
 Clerk and Comptroller (COURT SEAL)  
 By: /s/ Sarah Lovell  
 A Deputy Clerk  
 July 19, 26, Aug 2, 9, 2014

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR PASCO COUNTY**  
 Case No. 15-2014-CA-000518-WS  
 Division: G  
 AAA ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS, INC., SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA Plaintiff,  
 -vs-  
 HEADS UP CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC., A FLORIDA CORPORATION, Defendant.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**  
 TO: HEADS UP CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC., A FLORIDA CORPORATION.  
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action for breach of contract has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on BEVERLY R. BARNETT, ESQ., 6709 Ridge Road, Suite 106, Port Richey, Florida 34668, on or before 8-3-14 and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately

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 each set. (Non-refundable). Checks may be made payable to Preble-Rish, Inc.  
 Washington County Administrative Office  
 1331 South Blvd.  
 Chipley, FL 32428  
 (850) 638-6200  
 There will be a MANDATORY PRE BID meeting on August 5, 2014 at 3:00 pm (CST) held at the Washington County Administrative Office. The bid will be awarded at the next scheduled Washington County Commission Meeting. The point of contact will be Clifford Knauer, P.E., Preble-Rish, Inc. Consulting Engineers at 850.267.0759 or by email at knauer@preble-rish.com. The Board reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid, to accept and/or reject any or all bids on the whole or in part with just cause, and to accept the bid that in their judgment will be in the best interest of Washington County.

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
 WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FALLING WATERS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS  
 Separate sealed BIDS for FALLING WATERS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS will be received by the Washington County Board of County Commissioners at the Washington County Administrative Office until 3:00 p.m. (CST), August 19, 2014. All bidders will be required to be FDOT pre-qualified. All Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Sealed Bid: Washington County - FALLING WATERS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS".

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 The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS include all pertinent attachments necessary in order for bidders to properly respond. The documents may be examined at the following location:  
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 1331 South Blvd.  
 Chipley, FL 32428  
 Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the following location upon payment of \$75.00 for

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 pre-qualified. All Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Sealed Bid: Washington County - FEMA WORK Zone 1". The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS include all pertinent attachments necessary in order for bidders to properly respond. The documents may be examined at the following location:  
 Washington County Administrative Office  
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 WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FEMA WORK ZONE 1  
 Separate sealed BIDS for FEMA WORK ZONE 1 will be received by the Washington County Board of County Commissioners at the Washington County Administrative Office until 3:00 p.m. (CST), August 19, 2014. This project consists of improvements to repair the roads to pre-existing conditions. All bidders will be required to be FDOT

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 WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FEMA WORK ZONE 4  
 Separate sealed BIDS for FEMA WORK ZONE 4 will be received by the Washington County Board of County Commissioners at the Washington County Administrative Office until 3:00 p.m. (CST), August 19, 2014. This project consists of improvements to repair the roads to pre-existing conditions. All bidders will be required to be FDOT pre-qualified. All Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Sealed Bid: Washington County - FEMA WORK Zone 4". The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS include all pertinent attachments necessary in order for bidders to properly respond. The documents may be examined at the following location:  
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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
 WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FEMA WORK ZONE 5  
 Separate sealed BIDS for FEMA WORK ZONE 5 will be received by the Washington County Board of County Commissioners at the Washington County Administrative Office until 3:00 p.m. (CST), August 19, 2014. This project consists of improvements to repair the road and retention ponds to pre-existing conditions. All bidders will be required to be FDOT pre-qualified. All Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Sealed Bid: Washington County - FEMA Work Zone 5".

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES**  
 FOR New Kate Smith K-5 School Washington County School District I. INTRODUCTION  
 Washington County School District is requesting written proposals from qualified construction firms to provide professional At-Risk Construction Management Services for the Budgeting and Construction Phase on

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 the proposed New Kate Smith K-5 School.  
 It is the County's intention to employ the Construction Firm at Risk to provide overall Project Construction Management, Cost Benefit Studies if needed, Information Management, Construction of Scope of Work and overall Project Management during the Construction on a cost plus a fee basis, with a guaranteed maximum price.  
 III. PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION  
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 Proposal Submissions: Submit five (5) copies of a written proposal no later than 10:00 AM CST August 11, 2014 to: Construction Management Services for New Kate Smith K-5 School Washington County School Board Attention Mike Park 652 3rd Street Chipley, Florida 32428  
 Proposals must be responsive to the requirements and questions of the Request for Proposal.  
 Reservations: Washington County School District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to negotiate changes in the new scope of work or services to be provided, and to otherwise waive any technicalities or informalities.  
 Method of Selection: Proposals will be reviewed by the Washington County Board of County Commissioners at the Washington County Administrative Office until 3:00 p.m. (CST), August 19, 2014. This project consists of improvements to repair the roads to pre-existing conditions. All bidders will be required to be FDOT pre-qualified. All Bids

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shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Sealed Bid: Washington County - FEMA Work Zone 2" The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS include all pertinent attachments necessary in order for bidders to properly respond. The documents may be examined at the following location: Washington County Administrative Office 1331 South Blvd. Chipley, FL 32428

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WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FEM A WORK ZONE 3 Separate sealed BIDS for FEM A WORK ZONE 3 will be received by the Washington County Board of County Commissioners at the Washington County Administrative Office until 3:00 p.m. (CST), August 19, 2014. This project consists of improvements to repair the roads to pre-existing conditions.

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that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in WASHINGTON County, Florida: LOT 4 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF SUMMERWOODS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE(S) 18, PUBLIC RECORDS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA. Has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on the attorney for the Plaintiff.

GIBBONS, NEUMAN, BELLO, SEGALL, ALLEN & HALLORAN, P.A. HENDERSON BLVD TAMPA, FL 33609 EMAIL FOR THIS FILE:FORECLOSURE@GIBBLAW.COM On or before August 29, 2014, or within 30 days of the first publication of this notice of action, and file the Original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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 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. July 26 and August 2, 2014

8-3475 Notice Pursuant to Section 121.055 Florida Statutes (as amended by the 1993 Florida Legislature), the Washington County Sheriff's Office intends to designate a non-elective full time financial officer position for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class effective September 1, 2014.

8-3481 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO: 67-11-CA-434 THE DELTONA CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, JOSE A. PORTILLO Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure in the above styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the front steps of the WASHINGTON COUNTY JUDICIAL CENTER, 1331 South Boulevard, in Chipley, Florida 32428, at 11:00 A.M. Central Time, on the 24 day of Sept, 2014, the following described property: Lot 05, Block 0215, of SUNNY HILLS UNIT TWO, according to as recorded in Plat Book 2, at Pages 28 through 37, of the Public Records of Washington County, Florida.

IF THIS PROPERTY IS SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL MONEY FROM THE SALE AFTER PAYMENT OF PERSONS WHO ARE ENTITLED TO BE PAID FROM THE SALE PROCEEDS PURSUANT TO THIS FINAL JUDGMENT.

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DATED this 20th day of June, 2014. HAROLD BAZZEL CLERK AD INTERIM OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: K. McDaniel Deputy Clerk CHARLES E. BERK, ESQ. c/o The Deltona Corporation 8014 SW 135th Street Road Ocala, FL 34473 August 2, 9, 2014 8-3481 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 14CP63 IN RE: ESTATE OF DORATHEA GERTRUDE NELSON Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of DORATHEA EDNA GERTRUDE NELSON, deceased, whose date of death was April 11,

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2014, is pending in the Circuit Court for WASHINGTON County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 1293 Jackson Avenue, Chipley, Florida. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is August 2, 2014. Attorney for Personal Representative: Carlotta Appleman Thacker Attorney Florida Bar Number: 0275890 Harrison Sale McClay PO Box 1579 Panama City, FL 32402-1579 Telephone: (850) 769-3434 Fax: (850) 769-6121 E-mail: cathacker@HSMclaw.com Personal Representative: RANDOLPH S. WOLF 305 Hilland Drive Panama City, Florida 32404 Aug 2, 9, 2014

8-3472 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No: 14-071DR IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF DEBRA SANDVIG, wife, and ROBERT L. SANDVIG, Husband. NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PUBLICATION TO: ROBERT L. SANDVIG YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Dissolution of Marriage has been filed against you. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action on Kristi M. Novonglosky, Plaintiff, attorney, whose address is Post Office Box 1129, Chipley, Florida 32428, on or before August 18, 2014 and file the original with the clerk of this court at Washington County Courthouse, P.O. Box 647, 1331 South Blvd., Chipley, Florida 32428, either before service on Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office. WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. DATED this 22nd day of July, 2014. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT K. McDaniel Deputy Clerk July 26 and August 2, 2014

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LARGE ABANDONED GOODS SALE: Friday & Saturday, August 1st & 2nd, 2014. 8:00am-5:00pm. Located on Maple Avenue, Geneva, AL. near courthouse.

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MOBILE HOME/ LOT RENTALS 6170 2BR/1BA Singlewide MH near Pike Pond. \$300/mo plus deposit. Call 535-2657.

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## School district focused on technology, facility upgrades for the future

This has been an eventful year for the Washington County School District, highlighted by the funding by the Florida legislature for the construction of a new Kate M. Smith Elementary School.



**Joe Taylor**  
Superintendent  
of Schools

At a construction price of \$27.4 million, the new Kate Smith will house 1,000 kindergarten through fifth grade students in a modern, up-to-date, single story building. The school project has been needed and in the planning stages for many years; it will be located on property owned by the district between South Boulevard and Brickyard Road.

As the district prepares our students to be successful in today's workforce, issues have been identified that will require additional funding with two of these

major areas of need being technology upgrades and funds for capital improvement projects.

In the last two years the district has allocated over \$500,000 from a combination of e-rate and local funds, preparing for the State's recommended 1:1 student to electronic learning device implementation. This recommendation is for every student to have access to a digital learning device and curriculum should be delivered electronically.

additional upgrades due to changing technologies would be above \$3.3 million. Additionally, software and management system costs for the devices are estimated to be \$144,500 per year.

Replacement of computers used by teachers in the classrooms (on a three year cycle) would be \$300,000. These costs do not include the digital text content that will replace traditional textbooks that have been used.

As the above estimates show,

a half-cent sales tax be placed on the November, 2014 ballot. If approved by voters, the tax would be for a ten-year period and used specifically for technology and capital outlay.

This half penny sales tax will provide approximately \$800,000 annually toward these costs and for needed capital expenses for the schools. These needed capital items include additional walkway covers at Chipley High School and Roulhac Middle School, heating and air conditioning upgrades at

Vernon High School, Vernon Middle School, Roulhac and Chipley, and security enhancements at all schools.

Due to the economy, the State funding for school maintenance



While this may sound simple, it requires massive changes to the district's technology infrastructure, including a provision for a 1GB of bandwidth. The district has estimated the five-year cost to provide this amount of bandwidth would be \$3.8 million, including upgrades over that time.

Should the district provide for digital devices for every student, the estimate of the five-year cost with the

costs to fully implement the recommendation of the State will require additional sources of revenue. The state and various programs such as e-rate will provide funding toward this, but it will not be enough to provide what our students need to succeed in the high technology workforce of the future.

As Superintendent of Schools, I have recommended to the School Board that

was curtailed severely during the last three years. This year will be the first in four years the district will receive Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) funding for school maintenance. The additional monies made available by the sales tax would ensure that the learning environment is safe and that we are offering the very best education for all of the students of Washington County.

## A Message from the President

We are truly into the summer time here in Washington County! Now is a great opportunity to take advantage of the many recreational opportunities we offer while the kids are out of school.

We need to teach our children about how wonderful our county is! Head over to hike at Falling Waters; visit one of our beautiful springs; go tubing or take a canoe trip down Holmes Creek; try fishing in one of our sand hills lakes; or go biking at Pine Log. Whatever you choose, remember you can enjoy the pastime right here in your



**Amy Wiwi**

backyard. The Chamber can assist you with information on rentals, camping, hiking, etc.

Mark your calendars for upcoming county events listed in this *Advocate*. An important event for many is Florida's 'Back to School' Sales Tax Holiday Aug. 1-3.

Remember your Washington County businesses during this time! Supporting local businesses and keeping dollars in our community will make you an integral partner in the success and prosperity of our county.

A unique and free event that cannot be missed is the Possum Festival and Fun Day, on Saturday, Aug. 2. The event will be located in Wausau, widely known as the 'Possum Capital of the World'.

Please come out to participate in the 5K run/walk, see the parade, the Possum King and Queen, check out the vendors, and enjoy celebrating the possum and its history in Washington County.

The annual Back2School Fair at the Northwest Florida Community Hospital will be on Aug. 14. Make sure the kids are ready to head back to school with the help of our generous local hospital and businesses that sponsor the event.

On Aug. 21 from 10 a.m. 'til 2 p.m. we are having a Chamber Wing Fling! Walmart has graciously offered to let us hold our event in front of their store and we look forward to another year of fantastic wings. Please come out and support your Chamber!

See **PRESIDENT** page 8

## A Message from the Executive Director

The Washington County Chambers' Economic Development Council held four symposiums over the last eight months that focused on the purpose of economic development and why our county needs it.

The symposiums also focused on what must be done to create economic development.

It comes down to this: it requires a vision, a plan and, most importantly, money.

Although the county was not successful in bringing in the Concrete Company (known as Project Pipe),

many good things came out of the experience. For example, the property where the plant was to be located is now "shovel ready". This term means that the property now has water and sewer available to any future business.

It also has a new industrial grade road running into it, it has two utility companies that can vie to serve the future business and just as importantly, Washington County has a set of railroad plans that may be used for any future business that requires the use of rail.

In a nutshell, the industrial park site could be open for a business to come and have all of its required infra-structure already in place.

If a funding source can be found, it

will set the stage for Washington County to create the ability to re-purchase the industrial park, create sustainable funding that can be used by the county to pay its share in grants that require some matching funds as well as create funds for future land acquisitions that can be used for more job creation.

The Chamber's Economic Development Council Board will be holding its fifth and final Symposium later on in the fall. We will present to you the comments and issues that you have determined to be of importance for the future growth of this county. We will also present to you our thoughts on what we can do as well as a plan to further growth within the county.



**Ted Everett**

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### NETWORKING

Third Thursday Breakfast  
Annual Chamber Membership Banquet

### KEEPS YOU INFORMED

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## Third Thursday Programs

### Aug. 21: Circuit Judge Jim Fensom talks about Guardian Ad Litem

Federal, state and local government agencies, non-profit and faith-based organizations, private foundations and corporations are working together to support the efforts of the Guardian ad Litem program. The State of Florida Guardian Ad Litem Program is a network of professional staff and community advocates, partnering to provide a strong voice in court and positive systemic change on behalf of Florida's abused and neglected children.



There are 21 local Guardian ad Litem programs in 20 judicial circuits in Florida. The Guardian ad Litem volunteers go into the homes of at risk children and these volunteers are the eyes and ears of the court. Their work is essential to the court in protecting at-risk children and determining the proper placement of children for purposes of foster care or permanent adoption.

**Sponsor: Judge Jim Fensom, 14th Judicial Circuit**

### Sept. 18: Dorothy Odom, president of the Washington County Historical Society, presents a History of Industry in Washington County

The Washington County Historical Society is a place for those with a curiosity of history, especially Washington County History, to meet and join in fellowship with others of the same interest.



Members of the Society come from all walks of life, and believe that preserving the rich history of the heart of the Florida panhandle is of the utmost importance and necessary for our present and our children's future. The Museum, located at the old railroad depot in Chipley, offers a colorful and tangible glimpse at Washington County's people, industry and lifestyles.

**Sponsor: Washington County Historical Society**

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As a member of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, you have the power of more than 137,000 Florida Chamber members and three million Florida employees working together. Using the influence of the entire business community, The Florida Chamber of Commerce has negotiated savings and discounts on services that matter to you, such as: office supplies, shipping, health insurance, payroll processing, SPAM and virus protection and employee benefits.

We invite you to review the ChamberPerks benefits and then do what thousands of other growing businesses have done – take advantage of the time and money you will save by using Chamber endorsed services. Visit the WCC Chamber's website at [www.washcomall.com](http://www.washcomall.com) and click on ChamberPerks.

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# NWF Manufacturer's Council has busy first year

**Cindy Anderson**

Executive Director NWFMC

The Northwest Florida Manufacturers Council exists to strengthen the economic competitiveness of the region's manufacturers by acting as a single voice to address common interests.

Manufacturing currently generates 14,518 direct jobs and an additional 17,063 indirect jobs in the 12-county region, and is expected to grow at a higher rate in Northwest Florida than in any other region in the state. This is a high value-added industry in the economy, building GDP and generating the highest earnings per worker of any industry in the region.

The Council is an association for manufacturers of all sizes and sub-clusters who are located or have a presence in Northwest Florida. Membership

is also open to affiliate members and vendors who have an interest in the economic success of the manufacturing industry in Northwest Florida. The Washington County Chamber of Commerce was one of the first to join. Some of the more important benefits to our manufactures are:

- Promotes careers in manufacturing by partnering with education and workforce partners to build a skilled manufacturing workforce, saving you recruitment and turnover costs
- Promotes name recognition of your company
- Promotes the growth of the manufacturing sector in northwest Florida
- Helps develop manufacturing diversity



through growth of partners and affiliates

- Educates manufacturers on local, state and federal programs
- Provides targeted networking opportunities with a wide range of manufacturers
- Expands your supply chain through new vendor relationships

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solutions to common issues of concern among northwest Florida manufacturers

- Offers state-wide and national advocacy through affiliation with the Manufacturers Association of Florida and ultimately, the National Association of Manufacturers

While the Council has only been organized for a year, here are just some of the key accomplishments of which we are most proud:

- Implemented three on-going working committees: Workforce Planning/ Data, Public Awareness, Education/ Training
- Joined Manufacturers Association of Florida as affiliate member (two seats on the BOD)
- Established relationship with regional economic development officers to support their mission to grow existing manufacturing businesses as well as to support recruitment of manufacturing businesses to the region
- Received first regional manufacturing QRT, Quick Response Training, grant for three members in the amount of

See **COUNCIL** page 10

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# THIRD THURSDAY HIGHLIGHTS



### June and July Third Thursday

Clockwise from top left: Clerk Ad Interim Harold Bazzel explains the duties of the Clerk of Court at the June breakfast; attendees listen to Judge Colby Peel discuss the Watermelon Festival; NWF Water Management District Executive Director John Steverson gives an update in July on projects in the district; Gary Hartman does the heavy lifting of watermelon door prizes; NWF Water Management District Board Member Gary Clark gives background on the water management district; Cindy Johnson Brown and Joe Taylor listen attentively to the July program; Chamber staff and ambassadors call out door prize winners!

## Part One: Five simple steps for better management

**Tim Berry**

Special to the Advocate

Good news: Here's a simple process, five easy steps, to improve your business.

It's easy to do. And, if you're not doing something like this already, then this simple addition to your process offers you substantial business improvement.

*The first three steps are presented below; look for the last two steps in the October edition of the Advocate.*

### Step 1: Visualize your main story

Take a step back for the business and visualize the main business story. Imagine the ideal customer, what they want from your business, how they find you, and how what you do matches your business' unique qualities and what that specific person wants.

Don't make this hard. Don't sweat the details. You don't even have to write it down, although writing down a few key bullet points can be really valuable for reminding yourself and others, later, about strategy.

Do make it strategic. Strategy is focus, so it's a lot about what you don't do and who isn't in your market. Real business strategy has three elements mixed together: identity, which is what's unique about your business; target market, which you want to define strategically; and business offering, which should also be strategic. Who isn't in your market is as important as who is. What you aren't doing is also important. For example, if your restaurant is about a quiet, leisurely, gourmet dining experience, don't offer take-out or drive-through, and don't have kids eat free.

### Step 2: Identify your main assumptions

Don't make this one hard either. Take a step back from the business for a moment, and think about the assumptions you make all the time. Are you assuming a healthy economy, for example, or strong regional growth, or good weather for growing lemons? List these key assumptions. Don't go into too

much detail; you'll run into diminishing returns. What you want is a good list to help with regular review and revision (my step 5 in the next edition).

### Step 3: Set your milestones and performance metrics

Milestones have to do with dates, deadlines, and specific task responsibilities. You write these down for yourself and, if you have a team, for your team members. You don't really get accountability into the business without writing down and agreeing on what's supposed to happen, when, and who is supposed to do it.

Even if you're running your own business entirely by yourself, you still list milestones so you can track progress later. I've learned the hard way on this one, both in my one-person consulting business that I ran for 14 years, and for the 50-person product business it became. If we don't write our intentions down, we lie to ourselves later about what we thought we were going to do. I hope that's just me and not you; but I doubt it.

Performance metrics add backbone and accountability. Some are about basic business performance including sales, direct costs and expenses. But many others are also valuable. For example, leads, website visitors, traffic, meals served, trainings, trips, conversion rates, orders, presentations, incoming calls, minutes per call and so forth. These key performance metrics help you stay on top of the pulse of your business.

*Steps four and five will publish in the October-November edition of the Advocate.*

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**PRESIDENT** from page 4

Don't forget our upcoming Ribbon Cuttings and Third Thursday Breakfast, also on Aug. 21. These meetings are good networking opportunities and allow us to meet and greet new and current business leaders in our area, and to learn about important information that affects our community.

At our Third Thursday Breakfast on July 17 we had a presentation by the Northwest Florida Water Management District about the projects they are completing in Washington County. It is exciting to see the interest our Water Management District is showing in protecting and enhancing our Springs. Keep an eye out for the improvements to come!

The Third Thursday Breakfast on the Aug. 21 will include a presentation from Judge Jim Fensom about the Guardian ad Litem program. This program is near and dear to my heart and I hope all our members come to hear how we can become an advocate for our children,

they are our future.

We have a ribbon cutting scheduled at Bloom Boutique on Aug. 8 at 11:30 a.m. Please come out to congratulate and support this Washington County business.

We have been hard at work at the Chamber lately. As with any business, we must evaluate the services we offer and the needs of our members. We are revamping our economic development planning efforts, developing a tiered membership option, overhauling our website, growing our group of Ambassadors and finalizing our community events for this year and next year.

In addition, we are preparing for a fifth Economic Symposium this fall.

Finally, if you have not noticed the political signs along our roadways, Primary Election Day is August 26th. Do not miss your opportunity to vote and be a part of the success of our county!

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# Chipley a finalist with Dixie Pre-Majors



The City of Chipley and Chipley High School recently hosted the 2014 Dixie Pre-Majors World Series. Chipley was the runner up for the series title, competing against 11 state winning teams from the southeast.

The Washington County Tourist Development Council (TDC) estimated the event would generate about \$300,000 for the local economy through hotel bookings, restaurant meals and other purchases.

This is the first time Washington County has hosted the event, and the first time in recent history a Florida city was selected as host.

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# Williford Spring restoration



Groundbreaking ceremonies were held in June for the \$1.5 million restoration project at Williford Spring in southern Washington County.

The spring, one of several found in the Econfina Creek Water Management Area, was closed in April so the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NFWFMD) could prepare for the project, which will address shoreline erosion and improve recreation access to the area. Recreational improvements will include spring entry steps, a patio terrace, spring view deck, canoe dock, boardwalks, picnic pavilions, parking area, a connector trail to Pitt and Sylvan springs, as well as interpretive trails and native landscaping.

NFWFMD Governing Board Member Gary Clark says the enhancements will improve public access to the spring in a way that protects the health of the spring and surrounding habitats.

Restoration should be complete in a year, though there may be a period the spring remains closed as the natural vegetation becomes re-established.

*Photos and story courtesy of the WCN*

## COUNCIL from page 4

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- Opened pilot middle school Fabrication & Engineering academy at Ernest Ward Middle School and pilot high school Manufacturing & Production Technology Academy at Northview High School (first of seven planned for the next two years)
- Developed plan for implementation of regional network of middle and high school academies to serve as solid foundation to grow our own manufacturing talent
- Organized region's first involvement in national Manufacturing Day to include proclamations from six county commissions on importance of manufacturing, multiple media events, and tours at 12 manufacturing facilities for over 400 students across the region
- Implemented PR campaign to announce organizational launch and key NWFMC events, receiving significant earned media opportunities at the regional and state level, including a full page in Florida Trend

- Had our region selected for the annual Manufacturers Association of Florida Summit to be held December 3-5, 2014 in Sandestin
- Participated in the first World of Manufacturing as a part of the Skill USA – Worlds of Possibilities allowing us to speak to over 2,000 students regarding the possibilities associated with a manufacturing career
- Developed a Speaker Bureau for educating the region on the value of manufacturing
- The Northwest Florida Manufacturers Council (NWFMC) and University of West Florida (UWF) announce a regional effort to implement a network of middle school and high school manufacturing academies in Northwest Florida including \$1.5 million to create a least six new sets of manufacturing academies in northwest Florida.

*(Note: The Washington County Chamber of Commerce was one of the first organizations to join the council when it formed a year ago).*

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# Ambassadors keep cool at annual Watermelon Festival



Pictured clockwise from top right: it's a family affair with Amy and Reagan Wiwi, far left, Wendy White, Jessi and Maverick Collins, Cindy Johnson Brown, and Ashley and Brantlee Pate — and yes, even Santa joined in; Jeannie Betts, right, sells raffle tickets at the Chamber booth; multi-talented EDC chairman Terry Ellis, EDC board member Kim Wilson and their gospel band Crossroads keep the crowd entertained inside the Ag Center; Jessi Collins, Miss Olivia Johnson Brown and Wendy White take the high view on the Ambassador parade float; Kristin Martin and Dell Corbin provide information about the Chamber; Fred McSwain is winner of the Ambassador Prize Basket raffle.

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## Membership

### RENEWALS

A & B Auto Sales of Jax, Inc. - 2010  
 Better Business Bureau of NW FL - 2011  
 Buffalo Rock Co. - 2010  
 CJS Group, Inc. d/b/a KFC - 1995  
 Community South Credit Union - 1992  
 County Computer Service - 1999  
 Cyber Sytes, Inc. - 2010  
 Deborah Healis-Ind. Beauty Consultant - 2010

ERA Chipola Realty (Marianna) 2011  
 First Commerce Credit Union - 2012  
 Hasty Heating & Cooling - 1006  
 Literacy Volunteers of Wash. Co. - 1991  
 Javier's Mexican Grill - 2011  
 Little Darlin's Creations - 2010  
 Panhandle Educators Federal Credit Union - 2008  
 Panhandle Veterinary Services - 1990

Presbytery of Florida - 2011  
 Sand Hills Santa - 2010  
 Southern Trails RV Park - 2006  
 Street Talk America - 2010  
 Madalene Culpepper - 2008  
 Andrew Fleener - 2008

### NEW MEMBERS

VBA Designs, Inc. - 2014  
 The Health Clinic - 2014  
 Bloom Boutique, LLC - 2014

### EDC MEMBER INVESTMENTS

Community South Credit Union - 1992  
 Andrew Fleener - 2008

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## AUGUST

**Every Tuesday** Noon – Kiwanis Luncheon

**Every Tuesday / Thursday / Saturday (7-12)**

12-5pm – Farmers Market Open, 685 7th St., Chipley

**Every Wednesday**

9-2pm – Vernon Hist. Historical Society Open

**Every Friday and 1st Saturday**

9-2pm W.C. Historical Society Museum Open

- 2 Annual Wausau Possum Festival & Funday
- 4 6 pm - Vernon Town Council Workshop
- 5 5 pm - WC Planning & Zoning @ Annex
- 7 Noon - Friends of Library @ Chipley Library
- 5 pm - Chipley City Council Workshop
- 6:30 pm - Sunny Hills Civic Association Mtg.
- 8 11:30 am – Ribbon Cutting for Bloom Boutique-1343 Brickyard Rd., Chipley
- 10 Full Sturgeon Moon
- 11 5:30 pm - WC School Board Meeting
- 7 pm - Vernon Council Meeting
- 12 6 pm - Chipley City Council Meeting
- 6 pm - Caryville Town Council Meeting
- 6 pm - Ebro Town Council Meeting
- 14 6 pm - Wausau Town Council Meeting
- Noon - Chipley Lions Club-Skins & Bubba's Back2School Fair - NW FL Community Hospital
- 18 6 pm - Vernon Town Council Workshop
- 20 9 am - WC Commission Workshop @ Annex
- 21 7:30 am - **Chamber Third Thursday**@NFCH Specialty Center
- 9 am - WC Commission Meeting @ Annex
- 10 am-2 pm **Chamber Wings Fling @ Walmart**
- 10:30 am - Wausau Garden Club
- 25 4 pm - WC TDC Workshop/Board Meeting
- 7 pm - Vernon Council Meeting
- 26 Primary Election Day
- 28 Noon - Chipley Lions Club-Skins & Bubba's

## SEPTEMBER

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- 1 **Labor Day! Chamber Closed.**
- 7 pm -Vernon City Council Workshop
- 4 Noon - Friends of Library @ Chipley Library
- 5 pm -Chipley City Council Workshop
- 8 Full Harvest Moon
- 5:30pm - Washington County School Board Meeting
- 7 pm - Vernon City Council Meeting
- 9 6 pm - Chipley City Council Meeting
- 6 pm - Ebro Town Council
- 6 pm - Caryville Town Council
- 10 Noon - Chipley Woman's Club Mtg @ Clubhouse
- 11 Patriot Day
- Noon - Chipley Lions Club-Skins & Bubba
- 6 pm - Wausau Town Council Meeting
- 15 4 pm - WC TDC Workshop/Meeting @ Chamber
- 6 pm - Vernon Town Council Workshop
- 17 9 am - WC Commission Workshop @ Annex
- 18 7:30am - **Chamber Third Thursday** @NFCH Specialty Center
- 9 am - WC Commission Mtg @ Annex
- 11:30 am - Wausau Garden Club @ Town Hall
- 23 Autumn Begins
- 22 7 pm - Vernon City Council Meeting
- 24 Rosh Hashanah
- 25 Noon - Chipley Lions Club-Skins & Bubba
- 4 pm - **CRA Workshop/Meeting** @ Chamber
- 29 6 pm - Vernon Town Council Workshop
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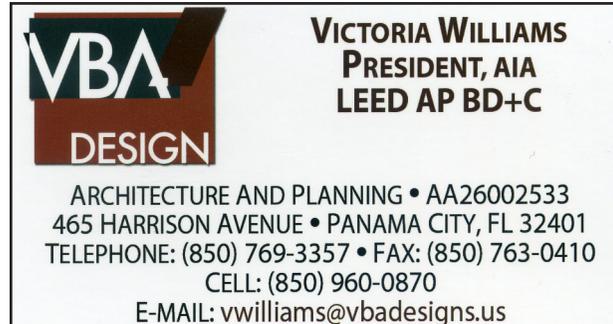
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