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## Board appoints new P&Z

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN  
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County commissioners approved appointments for the newly constituted planning commission and chose that board's chairman.

The new planning commission includes seven voting members - one from each of the five commission districts, plus two at-large members, one of whom is a minority. The two cities and the school board each have a non-voting member, though the City of St. Marks chose not to appoint a representative.

County commissioners unanimously approved the appointees at their meeting on Monday, Jan. 11.

The District 1 appointee for Commissioner Alan Brock is Bret Hammond, with Zach Schatzman as alternate; Commissioner George Green's choice for District 2 was Joe Shingles, but it was indicated at the meeting without explanation that he is unable to serve, and that the alternate, Norman Jones, would serve until a regular appointee is named; District 3 Commissioner Mike Stewart appointed Chris Russell with Simeon Nelson named as alternate; Chairman Howard Kessler of District 4 appointed Chad Hanson with Michael Keys as alternate; and Commissioner Lynn Artz of District 5 appointed Chuck Hess with Judith Harriss as alternate.

The at-large minority member is Helen Franklin; and the other at-large seat will be filled by Mike Falk Jr., the longtime chair of the planning commission who was selected by county commissioners to continue in that role.

Sopchoppy resident Dale Rushton will continue to represent that city in a purely advisory status, and Jimmie Duggar is the school board's non-voting member.

Community Development Director Lindsay Stevens noted that the planning commission will select its own vice-chair.

At the end of the year, county commissioners revamped the planning commission - changing its makeup by taking away the voting status of the cities and altering some procedures, notably a provision requiring a unanimous vote of county commissioners for any land development ordinance that did not receive a recommendation for approval by the planning commission.

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**Wakulla Teachers of the Year!**

The Wakulla County School District recognized the School Level Teachers of the Year Monday, Jan. 4 at the boardroom. One of the eight candidates will be selected as the Wakulla County District Teacher of the Year. The announcement will be made in February. The winning teacher will also be eligible to become the Florida Teacher of the Year.

The teachers honored included: front row from left, Annette Allen of Medart Elementary School, Cindy Loney of Crawfordville Elementary School, Chris Martin of Wakulla Pre-K and Linda Sharp of Shadeville Elementary School. Back row from left, Superintendent David Miller, Mina Sutton of Riversprings Middle School, Sarabeth Jones of Wakulla High School, Regina Strickland of Wakulla Middle School, Diane Driggers of Riversink Elementary School and Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Beth O'Donnell. Photo by William Snowden.

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**King will be honored**

Two programs have been scheduled as part of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday in Wakulla County.

The Wakulla County Christian Coalition will host a drive through on Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Road on Monday, Jan. 18. The drive will commence at 9:15 a.m. at Thessalonian Missionary Baptist Church in the Hyde Park community and travel to the King monument at the Wakulla County Courthouse for a 10 a.m. service. Elder Derick Howard will be the guest speaker for the occasion.

At 7 p.m., the Christian Coalition will support the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. program being presented at Mount Olive Primitive Baptist Church # 2 in the Bethel community. Elder Samuel Hayes is the church pastor. The guest speaker will be Elder Rodney N. Smith.

The public is invited to attend.

**Offices will close for holiday**

The 2009 holiday season has concluded but much of the Wakulla County workforce will receive a three day weekend as a result of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday next week.

Federal, state and county employees will observe the holiday on Monday, Jan. 18, which falls after King's actual birthday of Jan. 15.

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## Museum preserves heritage

By KEITH BLACKMAR  
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Wakulla County Historical Society Vice President Betty Green is outgoing and gregarious so when she decided to put her efforts into creating a Wakulla County museum the only obstacle was money.

Thanks to the efforts of Green, Historical Society President Cathy Frank, Museum Director Mary Sampson and other volunteers, the first phase of the museum effort has become a reality.

The bottom floor of the museum

has opened to visitors and an open house was held for the public in late 2009.

The museum building itself has an interesting history as a former county jail, emergency medical services building and county offices.

But after a complete renovation, signs of the county offices are gone and museum pieces have taken their place.

"There was a big sense of excitement coming together and getting the building open," said Cathy Frank, a native of Wakulla County and the

Gray family.

The dream and vision for the museum and archives began in 1999 when Pete Gerrell, Mays Leory Gray and Green were meeting in the old wooden courthouse across the street.

The idea light bulb came on when Green looked out the window and realized that the facility would be perfect as a museum.

"Everybody was so excited to see it happen," said Frank, who added that the second floor of the building will also be part of the museum, but a new grant will have to be acquired.

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From left, Cathy Frank, Betty Green, Mary Sampson in McLeod room. Tree displays historical ornaments.

## Musicians have a dream of going national

By BILL LOWRIE

Special to The Wakulla News

From the Heart Recording Studio, located in Sopchoppy, has for several years promoted local and regional musicians with the From the Heart Music Hour, a weekly program produced at the studio and broadcast by Oyster Radio.

Many of these musicians recorded at the studio as well. Now the next big step is about to happen. The studio's owner, Nelle McCall, announced that the program is moving to television.

The pilot episode will be recorded during performances by as many as 40 musicians at the beautiful Monticello Opera House on Friday, Jan. 22 and Saturday, Jan. 23. Tickets are available and can be purchased at a number of locations which

are listed below.

"As you may suspect, while recording is an important step in a musician's career, getting their work on the radio is a major and challenging second step," said McCall. "It is particularly difficult in these days when, for the most part, the airways are managed by large corporations. But, in the Big Bend, we have Oyster Radio, a popular independent radio station."

A few years ago, McCall met with Oyster Radio's owner Rick Plesinger and they decided that the best approach would be a weekly, self contained program, featuring local artists, and hosted by From the Heart's recording engineer and talented songwriter and musician, Rick Ott.

"We were able to have these folks come on the show

to talk about their music and lives in general," said Ott. "In addition, many of our sponsors co-hosted the show which made it even more interesting and provided them with a forum to discuss their own projects. For example, Tammie Barfield, of The Wakulla News, hosted a show which helped bring the two advertising mediums together providing even more exposure for the musicians."

Ott continued, "We were also fortunate to run the show during the elections. Our "One on One" sessions with several candidates for office resulted in some great shows that gave the candidates an opportunity to explain their positions on the issues, but also to show their support for the musicians with whom they shared the hour."

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Rick Ott and Nelle McCall at the Sopchoppy studio.

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# Comment & Opinion

Established in Wakulla County in 1895

## Whooping cranes fascinate county for a second year



By KEITH BLACKMAR  
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I must admit that I didn't know much about whooping cranes until last January.

This is the second year Operation Migration in Wisconsin has used a small ultralight aircraft to lead a group of cranes into St. Marks for their stay at the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge. The cranes wintered for a month or two last year before flying away.

The rest of the crew of cranes were sent along to the Chassahowitzka National Wildlife Refuge in the Crystal River area.

Now that I know more about the cranes the only thing left is to find a way to cover the event as the birds make a fly-over of the City of St. Marks.

There is always a certain amount of uncertainty involved in the news business anyway, but with the cranes there are so many different variables involved that it makes coverage a major challenge.

So my column will serve as another reminder that the whooping cranes are coming or perhaps have already arrived by the time you read

this.

Timing is everything in the news business, but somebody forgot to tell that to Mother Nature and the birds.

Refuge officials have a limited amount of time to get the word out about the arrival of the cranes. They can project a date, but there is a margin of error, either before or after the projected day.

Thousands of people crammed into St. Marks last year to get a 30 second glimpse of the cranes before they went to their special pens at the refuge.

January weather in 2009 was similar to what we have been experiencing this year so visitors at the coastal community had the opportunity to show off their new parkas.

The endangered cranes are being brought in to establish an eastern population of migrating cranes. There were only 16 of the birds in the wild in 1941 with their population reduced by hunting and habitat loss, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Standing nearly five feet tall with a wing span of 7-1/2 feet, the birds are a spectacular sight.

For a day-by-day breakdown of what the cranes and the crew did on their way from the northern part of the country, visit the Internet at [http://www.operationmigration.org/Field\\_Journal.html](http://www.operationmigration.org/Field_Journal.html).

The picture of the ultralight and cranes below was taken by Marty Dix last year. Thank you to Marty for sharing it with us.

**Keith Blackmar is Editor of The Wakulla News**



Whooping cranes play follow the leader to their new home at St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge.

**Coverage of the flight of the whooping cranes will be included on [www.thewakullanews.com](http://www.thewakullanews.com) since our feathered friends were scheduled to arrive at their winter home after our newspaper deadline for this week passed.**

### The Wakulla News

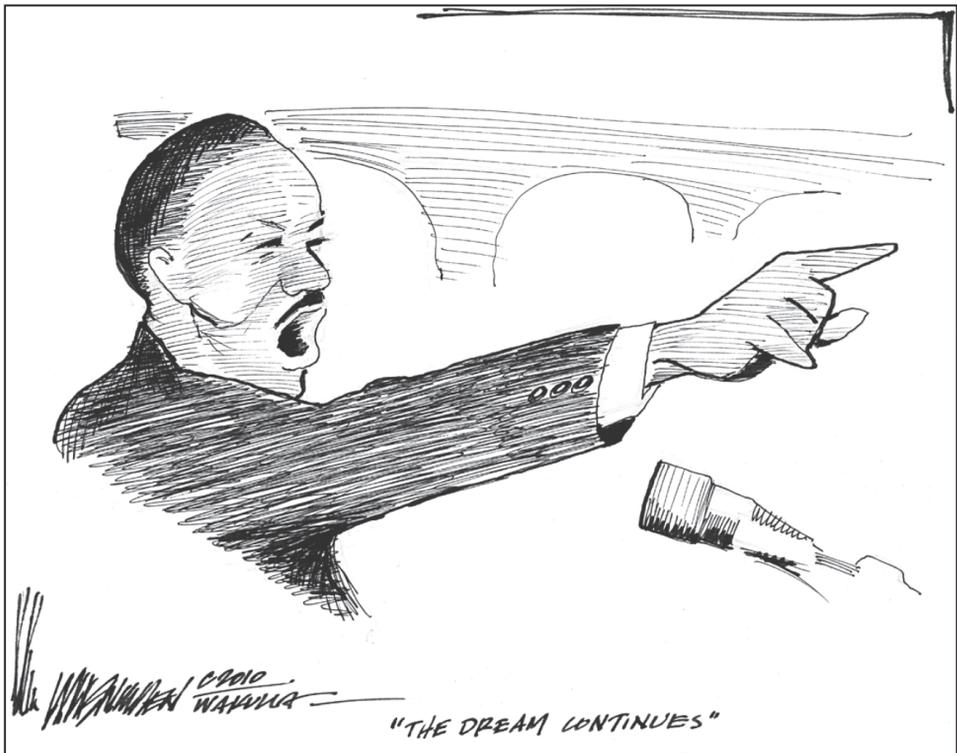
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## Many shared true meaning of the holiday

**Editor, The News:**

With the beginning of the New Year, I wanted to express my sincere gratitude to the many individuals in our community who shared with those less fortunate throughout the holiday season. It was an especially difficult year for many in our community.

The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Victim Advocates coordinated receipt and delivery of items includ-

ing food, clothing and toys for a number of families. We partnered with community businesses, their owners, staffs and customers. Churches, individuals and community clubs and groups were also generous in helping others. I would like to personally thank Beef O'Brady's, Ameris Bank, Downtown Automotive, Eden Springs, Greater Mt. Primitive Baptist Church, Wakulla High School Nation-

al Honor Society, Optimist Club, Rotary Club and Ed and Marge McIntyre.

Everyone was extremely generous in making the holidays brighter for others throughout Wakulla County.

Many individual members of the sheriff's office also adopted families in need and helped bring some holiday joy to those families. Members of Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Vic-

tim Advocates and many individual Sheriff's Office staff members shared purchased clothing, toys and food with a number of families. Each of these individuals demonstrated the true meaning of the Christmas holiday.

I wish to individually thank everyone for contributing to making Wakulla County the caring community that it is.

**David F. Harvey, Sheriff Wakulla County**

## Wakulla paramedics help us feel safe

**Editor's note:** The following letter was sent to Alan Lamarche of the Apalachee Bay Volunteer Fire Department.

**Editor, The News:**

Alan,  
 Last Friday (Jan. 1) my husband and I were at Shell Point when I suffered a pretty severe heart attack. My husband called 911 and within minutes volunteers from the area were at our house trying to help out. We could not express our gratitude at the time but wanted everyone to know how much it meant to us. Just knowing that someone wanted to help and was trying made us feel better. Wakulla County EMS response time was impressive and the paramedic in charge was outstanding. All I know is that his name was Mike. As a nurse I was observing every move. He knew what to do and did it well. We should all feel safe.

I am a post heart transplant patient of 20 years now so heart issues are not strange to me but I have never had any problems before. I was taken to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, my blockage was opened with a surgical stent and no permanent damage appears to have been caused from the event.

I am now at home and doing fine. Fast medical

intervention no doubt was a key factor.

Thanks again to everyone involved. If this e-mail does not reach out to a person that you know was involved please forward.

I am forever grateful,

**Terri and Victor Matthews Crawfordville and Thomasville, Ga.**

**Dear Terri,**  
 I am so pleased that our Apalachee Bay Volunteer Fire Department (Station 4) and the Wakulla County EMS were there for you when you needed them most.

Most of our volunteer firefighters are also certified First Responders and the Shell Point community is indeed fortunate to have these dedicated professionals and the EMS available to deal with our many unexpected first responder/life threatening needs.

The volunteer fire department is primarily dependent on donations, so I am forwarding your letter to local news sources and others in hopes that your experience will move others to contribute to Shell Point's "rural life line."

**Alan Lamarche, PVSP Safety Committee**

Those who wish to make a tax deductible donation send it to: ABVFD, 1448 Shell Point Rd., Crawfordville, FL 32327.

## There are good folks in Wakulla County

**Editor, The News:**

There are good people and good things do happen.

Recently, I unknowingly dropped a credit card in the Shop N Save at Bloxham Cutoff. Later that day I received a call from the sheriff's office telling me they had a credit card of mine.

I want to thank the person who found my card. I also want to thank each person who was involved in getting the card returned to me.

The sheriff's deputy who returned the card

was prompt, kind and courteous. It would be nice if I knew the names of everyone involved so I could thank them personally, but unfortunately I do not.

I have been told Captain Bill Poole and Lt. Jimmy Sessor were the sheriff's employees involved.

A special thanks to the unknown person involved in getting the card to the sheriff's office.

Thanks for this expression of honesty and concern.

**Faye Shepard Crawfordville**

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### WEEK IN WAKULLA

**Thursday, January 14, 2010**

COASTAL OPTIMIST CLUB meets at Posey's Up the Creek in Panacea at noon.  
 QUIT SMOKING NOW classes will be held at the public library at 6 p.m. For more information, call Calandra Portalatin at 224-1177. (Through Feb. 18)  
 ROADS CLEAN ACTION PLAN meets in the commission boardroom at 5 p.m.  
 ROTARY CLUB meets at the senior center at noon.  
 VFW BINGO will be held at the VFW Post on Arran Road from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
 WAKULLA REPUBLICAN PARTY meets at the public library at 7 p.m.

**Friday, January 15, 2010**

FRIDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB meets at the public library from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
 GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS meets at St. Teresa's Episcopal Church in Medart from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
 PICKIN' N' GRINNIN' JAM SESSION will be held at the senior center from 10 a.m. to noon. (Also on Tuesdays)  
 SASSY STRIPPERS QUILTERS GROUP meets at the public library from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to make quilts for traumatized children. The "cruiser quilts" are donated to Wakulla County deputies to be used for children in need. New members welcome. For information, call 926-6290.

**Saturday, January 16, 2010**

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION will be held at Hudson Park beginning at 10 a.m. Hundreds of free trees will be given away.  
 FIRESIDE CHAT will be held at the lodge at Wakulla Springs State Park at 8 p.m. Park Ranger Don Gavin will share stories from his years at the springs.  
 NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets at 3240 Crawfordville Highway at 5 p.m. For more information, call 224-2321.

**Monday, January 18, 2010**

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOLIDAY - Banks, schools and government offices will be closed in observance.  
 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PROGRAMS will include a morning drive on Martin Luther King Memorial Road in Hyde Park beginning at 9:15 a.m. and concluding with a service at the King monument at the courthouse at 10 a.m. A program will be held at Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church #2 in Bethel at 7 p.m. Elder Rodney Smith will speak.  
 MEN'S FRATERNITY, a Christian community men's group, meets at the public library at 6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, January 19, 2010**

ALANON meets at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville at noon.  
 BOOK BUNCH meets in the children's room at the public library at 10:30 a.m.  
 DIABETES EDUCATION CLASS will be held at the health department from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. every week for six weeks.  
 FARMER'S MARKET will be held at Purple Martin Nurseries, north of Crawfordville, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
 IRIS GARDEN CLUB meets at the public library at 1 p.m.  
 NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets at 3240 Crawfordville Highway at 7 p.m. For more information, call 224-2321.  
 NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY meets at the public library at 6:30 p.m.  
 PLANNING COMMISSION meets in the commission boardroom at 7 p.m.  
 SCHOOL BOARD meets in the school administration building at 5:45 p.m.  
 VFW LADIES AUXILIARY BINGO will be held at the VFW Post on Arran Road from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**Wednesday, January 20, 2010**

AA meets at Ochlockonee Bay UMC on Surf Road at noon.  
 BOOK BABIES, storytime with activities for toddlers, will be held at the public library at 10:30 a.m.  
 BOOKMOBILE will be at the COAST Charter School in St. Marks from noon to 2:30 p.m., at Summer Trace apartments in Panacea from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., and at the Sopchoppy Post Office from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
 BRAIN GYM CLASS will be held at the senior center at 10:30 a.m.  
 LINE DANCING will be held at the senior center at 2 p.m.  
 WETLANDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE meets at the public library at 1 p.m.

# It's time to move the Republican party along

**Editor, The News:**  
The resignation today of Jim Greer the Chairman of the Republican Party of Florida (RPOF) demonstrates that the party can come together as a family and resolve issues internally for the greater good of the party. We have much to do in 2010. We have one more item to take care of during the annual RPOF meeting, elect an interim chairman. John Thrasher's name has been placed in nomination.  
"It's time to bring the party back to the focus. That's to ensure strong



Republican principles and

strong Republican leadership are in Florida," Thrasher said during an interview at his office in Arlington. "If I'm going to do this job, I'm going to look forward."

I personally wish Jim Greer success in his future endeavors. It's time to move the party forward and I am looking forward to a very productive annual meeting this weekend, a fresh start, new leadership and a path for Republican victories in 2010.  
**Gordon McCleary**  
Chairman, Wakulla County Republican Party

# Looking out for the Mount Beasor area garbage bandit

**Editor, The News:**  
For the last several weeks I've been observing overturned garbage cans in the Mount Beasor area north of Sopchoppy. Persistence on Road seemed to be the worst area with cans overturned and garbage strewn all over the road.  
At that time I had not yet been a victim. But a

few days later I found my own can overturned and my own garbage strewn all over my yard.  
After the third morning of going down and picking up all the garbage I was curious as what size bear was the culprit, so I positioned two security cameras to photograph the Bandit which they did.  
Although my can was

secured with rope and was empty, he is seen sniffing around on Dec 17 at 11:45 p.m. and leaving my carport on the night of Dec. 26 at 2:44 a.m., where I think he took a nap.  
He sure left a lot of black bear hair on the concrete floor to be cleaned up.  
**Floyd Robertson**  
Sopchoppy

# Lifewalk is coming in March

**Editor, The News:**  
It's that time again!  
The LIFEWALK is coming up in March and we have lots to do to prepare. If you would like to help out with

any of the many things there are to do (set up, clean up, bake, register walkers, help with advertising) then please attend the meeting held at the Wakulla Pregnancy Cen-

ter, 886 Woodville Highway on Jan. 23 at 10 a.m.  
**Angie Holshouser**  
Wakulla Pregnancy Center

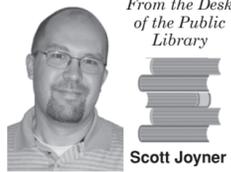
# Support was deeply appreciated

**Editor, The News:**  
We would like to thank everyone who came to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Fellow-

ship Hall for the food and friendship for Kathy Holley.  
Thanks to everyone who sent cards, called or

stopped by. It was deeply appreciated.  
**The Cronan family and K.B. Holley**  
Medart

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Scott Joyner

# Friday movies, classes, activities return to library

**Friday Night Movies Return**  
After a holiday break, the Friday Night Movie program returns to the Library on Jan. 15. We're showing a family animated film (which as always our Public Viewing License forbids me to name) based on a children's book written by Judi Barrett. The film tells the story of a scientist named Flint Lockwood whose latest invention backfires and begins to cause food to fall from the sky. The machine soon begins to run amok and goes from raining delicious cheeseburgers from the sky to creating spaghetti tornados and giant meatballs from the cloudy sky (big title clue there). It's up to Flint, the town's weather girl Sam Sparks, and Steve, Flint's talking monkey assistant to save the day. Starring the vocal talents of Bill Hader, James Caan, Mr. T and Neil Patrick Harris among others, the film is rated PG for brief mild language. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. for the 7 p.m. show, and as always we ask that all children be accompanied by an adult, not just dropped off.

**Amnesty Period ends on Jan. 16**

The Library's amnesty period ends on Saturday, Jan. 16. This is your last chance to return library materials, no matter how overdue they are, fine free. Beginning on Tuesday, Jan. 19, overdue fines will again be assessed so please take advantage of this opportunity to bring books, videos and audio you may have back as we prepare to do a much needed inventory.

**Quilt Drawing Fundraiser**  
Just a reminder that the Friends of the Library will hold a drawing at our Feb. 6 Book Extravaganza for a handmade quilt donated by

the Sassy Strippers Quilting Guild. This quilt (slightly smaller than Queen Sized) is being displayed at the front desk of the library, as well as on the library's Facebook page. Tickets are \$2 and may be purchased at the front desk or from members of the Friends of the Library or the Quilting Guild. Our goal is to raise \$2,000 for library programs and with your help I'm sure we can reach it!

**Computer Training offered by the Wakulla Extension Office**

The course emphasis will be to understand Microsoft Office 2007 to include Word, Excel, PowerPoint as well as basic computer operations. The practical application will be to utilize real-life training in the areas of health and nutrition. It serves as reinforcement for some of the other classes offered. The training is offering by Ken Gambill, M.Ed. Instructional Technology and Shelley Swenson, UF/IFAS Wakulla County Extension in cooperation with the Wakulla County Library where the course will be offered. It will begin Friday, Jan. 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Friday/Monday classes will continue for two days a week for eight weeks. There will be a \$10 fee to cover the Extension Office's costs. Class enrollment is limited so call the Wakulla County Extension Office 926-3931 if you are interested.

**Computer Classes for the week**

There are three regular library computer classes this week. On Thursday, Jan. 14, Microsoft Word 2007 Level 2 will be offered at 9:30 a.m. and Microsoft Excel 2007 Level 2 at 1:30 p.m. On Tuesday, Jan. 19, Computer Basics 2: E-mail and the Web is being held at 6 p.m. All three classes are free and require

early sign-up as seating is limited.

**Quit Smoking Classes**  
The Big Bend Area Health Education Center will be conducting quit smoking classes and support groups beginning on Thursday, Jan. 14 at 6 p.m. at the library. The "Quit Smoking Now" program was developed by ex-smokers for those who want to quit. The program will last through Feb. 18 and may be extended if interest warrants. This program is free and you can contact Calandra Portalatin at 224-1177 or cportalatin@bigbendahec.org for more information.

**Community Meetings This Week**

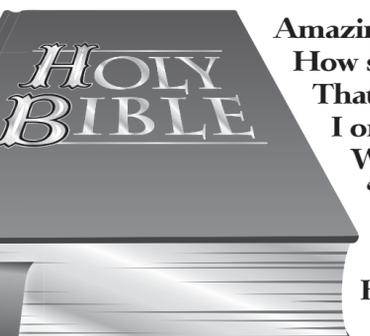
The Wakulla Republican Party meets at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 14. The Sassy Strippers Quilting Guild meets every Friday at 10 a.m. and the Library's Book Club meets Fridays at 3 p.m. Sons of Confederate Veterans meets Saturday, Jan. 16 at 5 p.m. The Men's Fraternity meets Monday, Jan. 18 at 6 p.m. For the plant lovers out there the Iris Garden Club will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 1 p.m. and the Native Plant Society meets that evening at 6:30 p.m. Lastly, our children's programs meet each Tuesday (pre-schoolers) and Wednesday (infants) at 10:30 a.m. Please come out to any of these great group meetings if interested, and remember to check out our page on Facebook and become a "fan" of the library to get information on library events sent straight to your computer.

In addition you can receive our weekly e-mail newsletter by sending your e-mail address to me at scottj@wakullalibrary.org or filling out the slips at the front desk.



*Elder Emmett Willard Whaley, Sr.*

September 5, 1916 - December 8, 2009

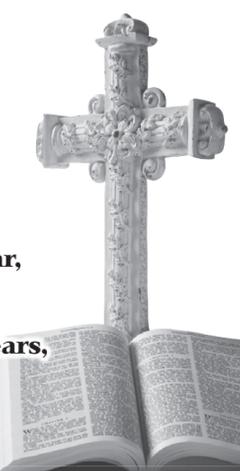


**Amazing grace!  
How sweet the sound-  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see.  
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.**

**The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.**

**Thru many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.**



The family of Elder Emmett Willard Whaley, Sr. wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the many churches, pastors, associations, organizations and the many individuals who prayed, called, visited and sang for our Dad prior to his death and also for the loving condolences, cards, flowers, food and supplies furnished to his family after his home going.

A special thank you to Bill Payne, Charles (BB) Barwick, Bruce Taylor, Lindon Frost, Ronnie Metcalf and Robert Jetton, who officiated the service, your spoken words will never be forgotten.

Also, the musicians and vocalists who provided the beautiful music which soothed our souls, Jan White, Diane Vause, Susan Turner, Landon Turner, Clara White, Allan Dallis, The Langston Family and Bruce Taylor.

To the men who Elder Whaley chose to carry him the last mile of the way, Kennis Harrell, Barney Harrell, Jr., Roland Revell, Ted Helton, Vernon Henderson, Chuck Turner, Guinn Haskins, Bobby Strickland, and Paul Payne. You were each special to him and we are honored that you served.

We would be remiss if we did not also thank the Wakulla County Sheriff and his Department for not only their services with traffic, but also the food and supplies furnished to the family (especially Mike Kemp and Karen Day); Bevis Funeral Home and SkipYoung for their wonderful direction; Heidi Franklin, Elder Whaley's Hospice Nurse, who made his journey bearable together with the entire Big Bend Hospice team.

**Please join us in praying for God's continued blessing on Wakulla County and each and every soul that lies within. With love and gratitude,**

Clayton and Alene Whaley  
Rene Whaley  
Marie and Cal Jacobs  
Jacquelyn and Robert Jetton  
Willard and Becky Whaley

# Church

## Obituary

**James R. Bailey**  
James Rudolph Bailey, 76, of Tallahassee died Tuesday, Jan. 5 in Tallahassee.

A graveside service was held Friday, Jan. 8 at Walker Cemetery in Lamont. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

A native of Lamont, he resided in Tallahassee since 1962. He loved gardening, farming and fishing. He loved conversation and had never met any stranger. He was a veteran of the Navy and a Southern Baptist attending Lamont Baptist Church in

Lamont. Survivors include his wife, Rochell Bailey; a son, Rudie Bailey and Jamie of Wakulla; two daughters, Lee Winters and Vance of Tallahassee and Lillie Meinhardt and Andy of St. Marks; three brothers, Bill Bailey and Dora, Bernard Bailey and Donald Bailey and Margaret, all of Lamont; a sister, Martha Bell Bailey of Lamont; four grandchildren, Danielle Fogelson and Ron, Buddy McCord, Hannah Lingo and Joseph Story; and two great-grandchildren.

Beggs Funeral Home in Tallahassee was in charge of the arrangements.

## Big Bend Hospice hosts tag dedication

As the 2009 holidays fade into our memory and we have stored away the holiday decorations, it is time to dedicate the tags from all 27 Tree of Remembrance sites in the eight counties served by Big Bend Hospice. They include: Leon, Madison, Jefferson, Taylor, Wakulla, Franklin, Gadsden and Liberty counties. Community members are invited to attend this special Tag Dedication Service on Jan. 22 at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Bend Hospice office, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd. in Tallahassee.

The Big Bend Hospice Trees of Remembrance ended on Dec. 24 but the hundreds of names and messages that adorned the bells, bows and angels placed on the Trees are special. Each year when

the trees are packed away, Big Bend Hospice treats the messages from the trees with the respect they are due and holds a special service to acknowledge the sacred nature of these tags. The Big Bend Hospice chaplains and grief and loss counselors have put together a time for remembrance, hope and reflection as the tags are blessed and burned before being scattered in the Hospice House garden.

Special music has been written by the Big Bend Hospice music therapists especially for this service. A reception will immediately follow the service to provide a time for fellowship. For more information, call Laura Glenn at 701-1341.

## Area clergy invited to luncheon with Hospice

Big Bend Hospice Chaplains invite area clergy and other leaders in the congregation to attend a special luncheon at noon Thursday, Jan. 21 at Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee.

Come enjoy a complimentary meal and fellowship with community clergy. "We invite clergy to be present at this luncheon to hear and share ideas of how to help congregants who are providing care for others," said Reverend Candace McKibben, Big Bend Hospice Pastoral Care Manager. "While targeted to congregant caregivers, clergy offer care to many and will learn and share ideas for self-care as well."

Julian Sollohub, LCSW, Big Bend Hospice Social Worker, will be the speaker for this quarterly meeting and his topic will be Care of Caregiv-

ers. The meeting is open to all clergy in Leon, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla, Franklin, Liberty and Gadsden counties.

Please RSVP to Candace McKibben as soon as possible at 878-5310, X250 or candace@bigbendhospice.org. Please feel free to invite other clergy or leaders.

## Briefs

### Pastor Anniversary for Grady Harper

Blessed Hope of the Living God Church, 1455 Woodville Highway north of St. Marks, will sponsor the Fourth Pastor Anniversary for Pastor Grady Harper from Jan. 12 to Jan. 17 at 7:30 p.m. nightly and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday. A musical will be held Jan. 16 at Free Spirit Church on Crawfordville Highway with Mother Corine Glen.

### Family and Friends at St. Nora

St. Nora Primitive Baptist Church will celebrate its Second Annual Family and Friends Day program on Jan. 17 at 11 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, call Mother Martha McBride at 877-0482 or Sister Shirley Baucham at 926-1877.

### River of Life offers free seafood dinner

River of Life Church will offer a free seafood dinner on Sunday, Jan. 17, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The food will be catered by the Seineyard's mobile restaurant.

Pastor Henry Jones invites the community to attend.

### Third annual womens conference is set

Skipper Temple Church of Christ Written in Heaven, 165 Surf Road, Sopchoppy, and Ethel M. Skipper, Host Pastor, will sponsor the Third Annual Women's Conference, "Women of Excellence."

The program will be held Jan. 22 and Jan. 23. On Friday, Jan. 22, at 7 p.m., the first session of the conference will be: praise, worship and several local guest speakers.

On Saturday, Jan. 23, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. a light brunch/fellowship will be held. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the second session of the conference will be held.

The special guest speaker will be Pastor Joyce M. (Johnson) Handy, pastor of Atlanta Avenue Church of Christ Written in Heaven, Brunswick, Ga.

She is an anointed woman of God who operates in the gifts of faith, healing, prophecy and knowledge.

Free registration, lunch and refreshments will be provided.

For more information, contact Pastor Ethel Skipper at 962-7838.

## Men's Fraternity of Wakulla will host men's breakfast

The Monthly Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, Jan. 16 at 8 a.m., in the Christian Life Center at First Baptist Church of Crawfordville.

The group's next bi-monthly meeting will be at the Wakulla County Public Library at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 18.

The men's fraternity is well into the planning stage of the second annual Jesus River Fest that will take place March 20 at the Sopchoppy City Park. Christian groups are needed to perform, as

well as people to man the prayer tent, volunteers to work with children and teens, cooks and servers, and various other needs.

The group said its desire is for every church in the county and in the surrounding areas get involved in some capacity.

We are also looking for donations from local groups, businesses and organizations. For more information of how you can help make this event a success, please send an e-mail to jesusriverfestival@live.com

## BUCKHORN NEWS

By Ethel Skipper

After reading all the good things about Elder Emmett Whaley, it touched my heart, and brought back some wonderful memories. I had the pleasure to be in the presence of him and sister Cecilia many times. I first met them in the home of Mrs. Fay Rouse. During the visit with her, Elder Whaley had prayer and from that moment, I became close to their family as he also ministered the Word.

I knew he was a man called by God. Many times I would ask him about scriptures and we shared them with his understanding and wisdom of God. Once our church women had a meeting at The Oaks in Ochlockonee Bay with Pastor Alice Jackson, and they remembered each other from the early years of his ministry. Elder Whaley and sister Ceilia spent time with us and shared encouraging words that were truly inspirational. He was a great man of God. We visited their home on one occasion and sister Ceilia said, "Let sister Skipper pray, they believe in prayer." Jesus said that man should always pray.

It was always a blessing to be in the presence of Elder Whaley and sister Ceilia. We know that if we are faithful, keep the faith and live for God we will join them in glory.

Our prayers and concern go out to all the sick, the

shut-ins, those in hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, jails, and all in need of help everywhere. Let us pray for world leaders.

We wish a happy birthday to Corren Skipper, Jan. 11, Glendo Simmons on Jan. 16, Mother Josephine Allen, Mother Rosetta Sander, and Mother Vera Gavin.

There will be a three-night Holy Ghost-filled revival meeting at the Livestock Pavilion beginning on Thursday night, Jan. 14, at 7 p.m. through Saturday night, Jan. 16, with Pastor Alice Williams. The public is invited.

Skipper Temple Church of Christ invites you to fellowship with us. First, second and third Sundays with Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. followed by worship service at 11:30 a.m. Beginning on Jan. 23, our Fourth Sunday service will start at 8 a.m. We welcome you to come and praise the Lord with us. Senior pastor Ethel M. Skipper.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
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421-5741  
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# Museum heritage



Sampson, Green and Frank show off some of the artifacts in Pete Gerrell Room.

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The next grant must be acquired to provide an elevator to meet handicap access requirements for the second floor.

The first floor has a gift shop, genealogy suite with computers for research with historical books, a kitchen and two display rooms featuring historical artifacts of the late Pete Gerrell and a tribute to former Judge R. Don McLeod and his daughter Martha Norris McLeod.

The county had planned to demolish the old jail when Green and her supporters saved the building.

"We fought for this building," she said. "We saw the beauty of the building, an art deco style built in 1947. I like to tell the world about us. It's about family and home folks and we don't want it forgotten. There are a lot of good memories."

Green was born in Crestview but moved to Wakulla County, the original home of

her father, when she was a teenager. His work took him around the state.

Green grabbed hold of Wakulla County and has been saving historical memories ever since.

She has agreed to several interviews over the years and always has new historical anecdotes to share. On this visit Green related a story of the old jail, the facility that was replaced by the 1947 jail, that was demolished after being condemned by

the state.

The Jimmie Dykes family paid \$25 for the old bricks and built their home with them, she said.

"We will be changing the displays," said Sampson. "We want things to stay fresh."

Many of the Gerrell room artifacts were discovered on the Gerrell property. Pete's wife, Terri, has been instrumental in keeping Pete's historical dream alive. "Pete was a thorough historian," said Green.

Green knew Martha McLeod personally and has saved some of her own personal artifacts of her. She died in 1999 at age 99 and Green has a large picture of McLeod displayed from her 94th birthday party.

R. Don McLeod was judge for 28 years and is honored with artifacts all around the room including some of Martha's dresses.

The historical society had plans for a Heritage Village where 13 donated historical homes were to be placed. Part of the Lawhon Mill Road property would have been used for an equestrian facility and wildlife rehabilitation area.

But the plans fell through when it was determined that the county donated land was actually too wet for the

project.

Historical society members are still hoping someone will donate some property to preserve the old homes for future generations.

The second floor of the museum will eventually allow the facility to expand into the area that actually housed the inmates and later was home to the Wakulla EMS unit. It will give the museum additional square footage.

Sampson added that the society hopes to create a "mock up" of one of the cells with a cot to remember the days when inmates slept upstairs and ate meals on the bottom floor.

Sampson added that Madeline Carr helped the society by writing grants, but grant funding has dried up as the state budgets have become lean.

"We want to keep the integrity of the building," said Sampson. At the present time the second floor is still open space.

The 1947 jail facility became home to jailer R.E. Whaley and his wife Geraldine in the 1950s. Geraldine served as the dispatcher, cook, laundry person and leader of religious services. The Whaleys served until the late 1960s and the jail closed in 1972, Green stated.

Sampson is painting a tree on the wall of the museum that highlights the names of the "roots" or residents from 1843 and before. The top of the tree contains branches of "newcomers" who arrived in the county in 1850 or later.

"Wakulla County has had an impact at the state level with R.A. Gray and the Crawfords," said Green. "It has been remarkable."

The museum is open on Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., but the society hopes to open for additional hours in the future. But more volunteers are needed to fill additional hours.

The society recently created a Heritage Book that quickly sold out. A second printing of the book is planned with a different publisher, said Green.

"A lot of oldtimers have so much in their heads," said Green of historical memories. One of her favorite people is Clarence Morrison who has many memories to share.

"We encourage people to record their memories," Frank concluded. "Wakulla County history is a work in progress."

The historical society web site is: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~flwchs/>. The museum may be reached at 926-1110.

## Musicians

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Morty Beckman from Tallahassee's Music Center joined Rick on several shows and became the unofficial cohort. "We had some great shows together," says Ott. "We talked, laughed and played great music. That to me is a great radio show."

"Eventually we felt that we had done all we could within the framework of this show," said McCall. "So we began looking for other ways to introduce the public to the great music coming out of the studio. It soon became clear that the natural progression would be to somehow move to television. But, as you might imagine, the networks weren't just waiting for

us to call. Then it hit me, public television. This seemed obvious since we are, after all, the public. We made a few calls and soon had a meeting with Pat Keating, General Manager of WFSU-TV, our local PBS affiliate."

McCall continued, "Pat thought it was a great idea to have a show of this type on WFSU but said that there were no funds in their budget to produce it. Nevertheless, he was interested in providing the airtime if we could produce the show. So we began making more calls. We got a great response as many people stepped forward to support the project and plans for the first episode were made. This pilot episode will not only

provide access to a major audience for the artists but will also help raise funds for WFSU, which has been so generous with their support in helping us put the show together. And, if all goes well, we hope to develop this into a regularly featured program and dream of the possibility of it going national."

The pilot will be taped over two nights, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 22 and Jan. 23, at the Monticello Opera House and will air on WFSU later in the spring.

"The Opera House is a fantastic place to tape a show," said McCall. "There isn't a bad seat in the house." Tickets are on sale for \$15 for one night or \$25 for

both nights at the Monticello Opera House (850) 997-4242, Music Center Tallahassee 942-0626, From the Heart Recording Studio (962-5282), and at The Tire Center in Thomasville (229) 228-0260.

The program features about 40 musicians with a different lineup each night.

The full schedule can be seen on [fromtheheartofsochoppy.com](http://fromtheheartofsochoppy.com). For information call 962-5282 or e-mail [fromtheheartrecordingstudio@gmail.com](mailto:fromtheheartrecordingstudio@gmail.com).

"We need everyone's support to help make this dream of a regional show going national into a reality. We hope you can join us at the Opera House," said McCall. "I want to thank a few people who

have stepped up to help us get this far," she continued. "I'll start with the musicians, and then the Monticello Opera House, WFSU-TV, Marc Bowerman Creative, Production Support Group and the people who put their money where their heart is including: Hamaknockers Oasis, Shoreline Medical Group, The Music Center, Metlife Resources, Clinicare Home Medical, Sisters Antiques and Uniques, Posh Organics and Gifts, Backwoods Bistro, Ameris Bank and Greater Big Bend Music. We also want to thank all the newspapers and radio stations who have helped promote this show and the artists it represents."

# War Eagles have three champions at Clay County

By KEITH BLACKMAR

[kblackmar@thewakullanews.net](mailto:kblackmar@thewakullanews.net)  
Wakulla War Eagle Wrestling Coach John Wainwright would only have been happier if his squad won the Clay County Tournament Jan. 8 and Jan. 9. But three individual champions and a sixth place finish at a difficult tourney had Wainwright smiling.

Wakulla placed sixth as a team despite missing two key wrestlers at 103 pounds and 130.

At 119 pounds, Tyler Hill won his weight class. "He had a great tournament," said Wainwright. "He is really rounding into form. He beat wrestlers from Suwannee and Bolles."

Scotty Varner dominated the 140 pound weight class as he won by pinning every opponent he faced.

Tyler Corbett won the 189 pound weight class as Wainwright dropped him down from 215 pounds and used him in the class where he was a better fit.

Luke Taylor placed third at 160 pounds and narrowly missed the finals as he lost his match in the final seconds despite holding the lead until he was pinned.

Zach Malick competed at 112 and Carlton Atkinson wrestled at 125. Wakulla took forfeits at 103 and 130, but Wainwright hopes Jeremy Hall and Travis Hinsey will fill the weight classes in the coming competitions.

## Diabetes class is set

A free program of Diabetes Education Classes will start on Tuesday, Jan. 19 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Wakulla County Health Department.

The classes meet every week for six weeks followed by a support group every month for six months.

For more information call Grace Keith at 926-3591, ext. 158 or email [Grace\\_Keith@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Grace_Keith@doh.state.fl.us)

Robert Douin was one match away from placing at 135 and Cameron Crum wrestled at 145. Brandon Cardin wrestled at 152 and Matt Fields

competed at 171. Chris Griffin dropped to 215 and competed well, according to the coach.

Travis McCullough was one match away from placing

at heavyweight despite the strongest heavyweight field of the year. "The heavyweight division was loaded with state qualifiers," said Wainwright.

Wakulla tied for sixth with Tallahassee Lincoln. Clay won the tournament.

WHS and Matanzas tied with three individual champi-

ons. There were 31 teams in the competition.

Wakulla will travel to take part in the Suwannee Tournament on Jan. 15 and Jan. 16.

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# Sports

## Wakulla cagers upset Taylor

**By SCOTT COLLINS**  
Special to The Wakulla News  
Wakulla's varsity basketball team traveled to Perry on Tuesday, Jan. 5 and defeated rival Taylor County by a score of 55-54.

It was a much needed win for the War Eagles as they were able to end a nine game losing streak and improve to 2-9 on the season. The win provided some much needed confidence for a young War Eagle team that earlier in the season lost to the same Taylor County Bulldogs by a score of 72-55.

Freshman Johnnie Robinson led all scorers with 24 points and five steals. Harold Williams and Mikal Cromartie combined for 20 points, five assists, and four steals. Justin Willoughby had six points, 10 rebounds, seven assists and three steals.

Nickola Shingles played outstanding defense while grabbing 10 rebounds. James Maxwell had three points and 6 rebounds, while Greg Thomas and Takija Knight combined for 15 rebounds and five blocks.

On Thursday, Jan. 7, Maclay visited Medart and defeated Wakulla in an epic defensive battle by a score of 49-39. "We didn't finish around the basket when we really needed to in some critical situations and late in the game we had some costly turnovers" said Head Coach Michael Sweatt.

Johnnie Robinson once again led the team with 18 points and three steals. Justin Willoughby had eight points, seven assists and three steals. Mikal Cromartie had five points and five assists. Nickola Shingles had

nine rebounds and three steals, while Takija Knight had four points and seven rebounds. Greg Thomas had seven rebounds and three blocks.

On Friday, Jan. 8, Wakulla traveled to Panama City and played district foe Springfield Rutherford. Down 36-32 at the half, the War Eagles proved that they have a chance to make the playoffs as they were able to play with the Rams most of the game. The second half didn't go as well for Wakulla as they ended up sending Rutherford to the free throw line 22 times. The Rams made most of their free throw attempts and won the game 75-55.

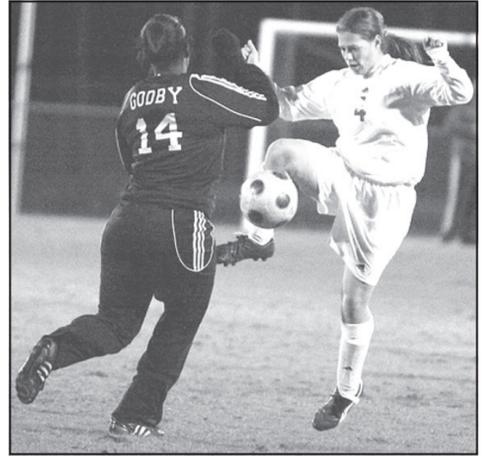
Johnnie Robinson led the way with 19 points and four steals. Mikal Cromartie had 12 points, four assists and four steals. Takija Knight had

11 points and eight rebounds, while Justin Willoughby had six points, eight assists and three steals. Tamarick Holmes had four points and five rebounds.

"Our team is playing with some chemistry right now and we are running our lanes on the offensive transition fast breaks and playing much better defense," said Coach Sweatt.

Things didn't get any easier for Wakulla this week as they hosted Tallahassee Godby on Tuesday, Jan. 12 and traveled to Tallahassee Lincoln on Thursday, Jan. 14 for another 7 p.m. game.

Wakulla hosts Leon Jan. 19 and Rutherford Jan. 22. On Feb. 2, Feb. 4 and Feb. 5, Wakulla will host Chiles, John Paul II and North Florida Christian respectively.



Chelsea Sanders knocks ball away from Godby goalie

## WHS runs unbeaten streak to four games

The frigid weather could not dampen the spirit of the Wakulla Lady War Eagle soccer team last week as Coach Jessica Bishop's squad topped Godby 5-0 and tied Springfield Rutherford 0-0.

The team has not lost a game since Dec. 8 as the unbeaten streak stretched to four games, 2-0-2.

Wakulla received goals from Chelsea Sanders, Brooklynn Tindall, Alina McCullers, Chelsea Carter and Emily McCullers. The assists in the game went to Emily McCullers and Kaylin Thigpen. Shay Barwick was the winning goalkeeper for Wakulla.

When does a tie feel

like a win? When your opponent beat you 4-0 on Nov. 14. Alicia Porter and Shay Barwick combined for nine saves in the scoreless draw.

Wakulla hosted Florida High on Jan. 12 and will have another chance to beat John Paul II on Jan. 14 before the district tournament.

Wakulla, Godby and Rutherford will compete in the district tournament on Jan. 19 and Jan. 22. The Jan. 19 game will be played at 6 p.m. and the championship game Jan. 22 will be played at 7 p.m.

Wakulla improved to 3-10-3 overall and is 2-1-1 in district play.

## Wakulla runners bring home awards



Wakulla Bowlegs 5K runners battled intense cold.

On Saturday, Jan. 9, five Wakulla High School and one Wakulla Middle School student competed in the "Bowlegs 5K for Scholarship" in Tallahassee. Running in a 16 degree wind chill, the runners managed to bring home several medals and awards.

WMS student Kasey James finished with a time of 25:46, bringing home a medal for first place in her age group and the award

for the "Fastest Student." Cora Atkinson of WHS was awarded first place in her age group with a time of 25:50. Stanley Linton and Richard Walker also brought home first place medals in their age groups, with respective times of 20:15 and 27:45. Stanley also finished fifth overall in the race.

Cody James finished 11th with a time of 21:18 and D.J. Victor, 14th place with a time of 21:28.

## C.C. girls rank 10th academically

This year's Wakulla High School girls cross country team learned last week that it was ranked 10th in the state academically for Class 2A programs. Several years ago the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) instituted a program to recognize athletic teams for their excellence in the classroom as well as on the athletic field.

The nominated teams are ranked based on the unweighted cumulative grade point average of all the team members, sophomores and above, who are listed on the District entry list.

This year's team members whose GPAs were considered were: Cora Atkinson, Kendalin Burns, Shelby Clarke, Kristie Hodges, Alina McCullers,

Emily McCullers and Chelsea Thompson. The girls had a cumulative grade point average of 3.640. Four of the girls, Cora

Atkinson, Kristie Hodges and Alina and Emily McCullers all had a perfect 4.0 GPA.

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- No computer-aided or copy machine entries.
- You must live in Wakulla County.
- Posters must have first and last name, phone number and grade printed clearly on the back of the poster.

**Themes:**

- [April 1, 2010 Census Day](#) (this is all that has to be on the poster – use your creativity and make it look good).
- [Wakulla County's Census Day, April 1, 2010](#) (this is all that has to be on the poster – use your creativity and make it look good.)

**Grades 6-8**

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- Must be student's original artwork.
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- **Wakulla County Census** must be on the poster ([April 1, 2010](#), optional). These words must be 3" or larger.
- Cover one or more themes.
- You must live in Wakulla County.
- Posters must have first and last name, phone number and grade printed clearly on the back of the poster.

**Themes:**

- Only a 10-question survey to be filled out for the Census.
- Wakulla County being counted, and one or more of the benefits.

**Grades 9-12**

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- Winners will be notified by phone no later than February 15, 2010.
- You may turn your poster into one of your local Wakulla schools or the Wakulla Library.
- A select number of posters meeting the guidelines will be displayed throughout Wakulla County.

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# People

## ST. MARKS NEWS

By Linda Walker

Hi neighbors. First of all, I did not ask for this freezing weather! I have a sign in my house that says, "I know I'm getting old when it takes me

longer to rest than it takes for me to get tired." I need to add that the

older I get the colder I get. That's just got to be it and we all know that I am older than dirt anyway. I love the cold weather, but not this freezing

stuff. It makes my whole body hurt. Even my hair hurts and that's pretty cold to me.

I talked to a cousin in Atlanta and they got lots of snow. I do miss that. At least I used to enjoy it way back in the past. My favorite thing was playing in the snow barefoot with my kids. Hey, do you think that's what is wrong with my feet? I used to take the kids up to my grandma's every year when it snowed and they loved it too.

Neighbors, we need to keep these special people in our prayers: Mrs. Jessie Lynn, Pat Ward and Billy Bishop. They are all in the

hospital, so pray an extra one please.

I want to thank Betty Ward for taking me to Crawfordville the other day even if her car almost made me have a heart attack. She went into the store

and I stayed in her car. I opened the car door to get out and smoke and the loudest alarm went off. I wasn't going to touch anything. I just knew I would make it worse. It finally stopped and I forgot all about my cigarette

since I am trying to quit anyway. God will get my attention when I least

expect it. To my landlady, Sheree Bevis, remember when I told you I was just going to keep praying that God would send me a car? Well, he sure did just that. One of my former husbands (it doesn't matter which one) and his wife came driving up in my yard last week and brought me a car. Nope, it isn't new but it sure beats trying to limp to the post office. I told you God would answer my prayers because I believed it.

Now let us wish these special people happy birthday: Jessie Lynn on Jan. 3, Pam Shields on Jan. 9, Gail Gillman on Jan. 10, Gazzie Hobbs on Jan. 12, Tracy Ward on Jan. 16 and Tier Ditz on Jan. 19. Happy anniversary to Mike and Glenda Pruitt on Jan. 10.

On our prayer list, please pray for each other, pray for our families,

our soldiers overseas and their families, our Vietnam veterans and their families, our country and pray for peace. In addition, maybe just a tad of sunshine.

Listen up people! County commissioners taking away St. Marks' vote on the planning and zoning commission, and Sopchoppy's too, means perhaps they don't need our tax money either. This is just my own personal opinion folks.

Thought for this week: Let me remember to share a smile wherever I go. You would be surprised how much it can warm you up.

If you have news, get it to me. You know how!



Members of the Barkfest Festival 2010 recently held a ribbon cutting after joining the Wakulla County Chamber of Commerce. Barkfest is a celebration of dogs that will be held at Wakulla High School Saturday, March 6. "We are here to show off dogs, celebrate the human-animal bond and thereby allow these more fortunate dogs to assist their homeless friends in finding permanent loving homes," said Barkfest Secretary Melissa

Starbuck. Local veterinarian Dr. Norm Griggs and a group of more than 20 dog lovers have made the event a reality. "We in-

tent to host an event that will be wholesome, family fun, educational and for a nominal attendance cost," said Griggs.

## New P&Z

Some observers characterized the changes as punishment for the planning board recommending denial of the wetlands ordinance that was going back through the enactment process after having been thrown out by a court for procedural defects. Planning commissioners from St. Marks and Sopchoppy voted against the wetlands ordinance, expressing skepticism about its purpose, along with a majority of planning commissioners.

With Commissioner Stewart's lone dissenting vote at the county commission level, the wetlands ordinance failed.

Commissioner Artz, who proposed the changes to the makeup of the board, insisted that there was no intent on her part to strip the planning board's power or punish the cities. To her, the motivation was simply a matter of fairness: Why should the cities have a say in the county's planning decisions when the county has no vote in theirs? Additionally, Artz argued that the cities influence on the planning commission was disproportional to the actual population represented.

The planning commission meets on Tuesday, Jan. 19.

In other matters:  
 • Chairman Kessler sought and got an unofficial nod of approval for the county to add bike lane striping to future road widening and paving projects.

Earlier in the day Kessler had attended a meeting of the Capital Regional Transportation Planning Agency and noted that, among the future projects discussed, was a widening and repaving of New Light Church Road.

Kessler suggested that the board should encourage that engineering and other aspects of the project include a bike lane.

Commissioner Stewart was initially concerned about the potential cost. Told it would be part of the project costs, paid for a state paving fund, he agreed.

• Commissioner Artz got the board to along with a proposal for county staff to investigate the feasibility of

purchasing or trading for some lots in the Greiner's Addition and Magnolia Gardens subdivisions purchased by a developer in a tax sale.

Artz said Cutchin Properties had offered to donate the small lots to the county for the amount paid by the company for back taxes.

The board directed staff to look at the feasibility of the lots uses for stormwater control or parks, and report back.

Cutchin Properties owner Gene Cutchin was in the audience but did not speak.

• Chairman Kessler presented a certificate of appreciation to retired Building Department staffer Linda Awad for her service to the county.

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# School

## Brothers leave mark on drag strip



Josh Cook proudly displays one of his trophies.

Two Wakulla County brothers are making their mark competing in Junior Dragster Racing.

Matthew Cook is a fifth grader at Shadeville Elementary who races Junior Dragsters and has been named 2009 Track Champion in the Intermediate Class at South Georgia Motorsports Park in Ceil, Ga.

He is not only a champion on the drag strip, but also in the classroom where he has been able to maintain grades to be on the AB Honor Roll.

His brother Josh Cook has followed suit in achieving second place in the Novice Class at South Georgia Motorsports Park.

Josh is a second grader at Shadeville Elementary who has also been an AB honor roll student and works really hard at main-

taining his grades.

Matt and Josh thanked their Nanny, Poppy and Uncle, Junior, for all their assistance in making the racing duo successful.

They posed with their trophies with their racing friends.

The youths come from as far as the Daytona and Tampa areas to race at the South Georgia track.

They have made friends there and developed a great sportsman relationship since they have to race each other.

The sport gives the boys a great deal of confidence and teaches them skills they will keep for a lifetime.

They have to help with the maintenance and care of the cars and help make decisions that involve the use of looking at the



Matthew Cook, with trophy, and some of his racing friends after a recent race.

weather reading to predict the best results for the next round.

## War Eagle soccer team tops Rickards, Godby weather

The frigid weather the Wakulla boy's soccer team has endured since the winter break is fast earning them the title Wakulla Men's Soccer.

Amid the coldest weather streak North Florida has experienced in nine years, Wakulla took the field twice and earned the 'W' each time.

On Tuesday, Jan. 5, Wakulla traveled to former district foe Rickards to avenge last year's heart-crushing road loss. Wakulla was given the chance to jump out front early by taking a penalty kick in the 19th minute of the game but the shot flew high and left the War Eagles still searching for its first goal.

The ball moved up and down the field easily, keeping both defenses busy. Captain Rhett Harvey cleared the

ball from the sweeper position multiple times during the first half to help keep the game scoreless. War Eagle keeper Blake Howell was called into action in the 25th minute when he stopped a hot shot by Rickards' John Lemon.

Wakulla was patient and was rewarded when Steven Urling made a beautiful assist to Captain Gage Martin. The upfield cross caught the Rickards goalie out of position and Martin showed great maturity by holding the shot and practically guiding the ball directly into the goal.

In the 37th minute of the game, Rickards drew a foul just outside the box and was awarded a free kick. The kick was high and expertly rolled unassisted over Howell's hand into the back of the

goal. It appeared the teams would go into the half tied, but Wakulla's D.J. Victor had other ideas. With just one minute until the half, Victor got off a shot that struck the frame and then flew in to make the score 2-1. During the second half Conner Smith soared a perfect kick to Martin, who sent a high header in with lightning speed. Wakulla made a keeper change at the half and Cody James gave up only one goal. Wakulla went on to win the nail-biter 3-2.

"It takes a team to win and while the upperclassmen did their part, the underclassmen controlled most of this game," said Head Coach Bob Wallace. "I'm excited about the rest of this season and also what the next few years hold in store for us."

Wallace would get the

chance to preview next year's team on Friday, Jan. 8 when his squad defeated Godby so resoundingly that with 10 minutes left in the match, he pulled every senior from the field to see what the War Eagles have to look forward to in the fall of 2010.

Godby traveled with a dream of tying the district record with Wakulla, but the dream was defeated early and often.

Wakulla jumped out in front on a cross by Liam Daniels to Martin in the 9th minute. Wakulla would go on in the first 20 minutes to produce 12 shots and challenge Godby's goalkeeper from all over the field. In the 38th minute Martin struck again as he got past Godby's defense and was able to dribble the ball in for a second goal that many fans who braved

the cold were happy to see.

Early in the second half, Conner Smith scored a stinging goal from 25 yards out that squirted under the diving goalie for the War Eagles fourth score. Godby's best opportunity for a consolation goal came in the last 10 minutes when a corner kick produced a scramble in the Wakulla penalty area. As the ball bounded toward the goal, Wakulla's Dillon Norman cleared the ball

off the line to preserve the shutout.

With a record of 7-5-1 on the season, 3-0 in district play, the War Eagles are in the driver's seat for the coveted bye into the district championship game.

"That's our goal, to win the district," Wallace said. A second win against Panama City Rutherford would automatically qualify Wakulla for the regional playoffs later this month.

## Closings

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School students, teachers and district staff will have their first day off from school since returning to the classroom following the Christmas holidays.

The school board has moved its Monday, Jan. 18 meeting to Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 5:45 p.m. in order to avoid a conflict with the holiday. The county planning and zoning commission moved its Monday meeting to Tuesday to avoid the holiday. The board meeting begins at 7 p.m. County commissioners meet

on Monday, Jan. 25 at 5 p.m. Local banks, post offices and the Wakulla County Public Library will be closed on Monday, Jan. 18 to observe the holiday.

The Wakulla News office will also be closed on the King holiday. Individuals submitting news materials for the Thursday, Jan. 21 newspaper are asked to do so by Friday, Jan. 15.

The advertising deadline will also be Friday at noon. The News office will be open for business again on Tuesday, Jan. 19.

## C.C. academics

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"We are really proud of the girls and what they accomplished this year athletically and academically," said Coach Paul Hoover. "We try to stress to the kids that what they do academically is really more important than what they accomplish on the athletic field. It is not easy to excel in both areas, but our girls did just that. They obviously carry the dedication and work ethic they bring to the sport over into the classroom. They are not only good runners, but excellent students. I think

a 3.640 cumulative GPA is pretty impressive!"

One other Big Bend school's girls team was also ranked by the FHSSA. Florida High's team was ranked 11th with a cumulative GPA of 3.562.

## Bookmobile to start Jan. 20

The Wilderness Coast Library Bookmobile will operate Jan. 20 at COAST noon to 2:30 p.m., Summer Trace Apartments from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Sopchoppy P.O. from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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# Sheriff's Report

Wakulla County Sheriff's Office officials are investigating a business burglary reported by Wakulla Discount Liquors on Jan. 7, according to Sheriff David Harvey.

Paige F. Killeen of Panacea reported that someone broke the glass at the drive through window. Despite bars to keep individuals from entering the building, the suspects reached inside the store and took \$500 worth of liquor bottles. Damage to the building was estimated at \$250. Deputy Michael Lawhon and CSI Melissa Harris investigated.

In other activity reported by the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office during the past week:

- On Jan. 7, Lora McCoy of Crawfordville reported a residential burglary. A forced entry was discovered and \$1,683 worth of jewelry was

stolen. Evidence was collected at the scene. Deputy Ian Richards and Deputy Ben Steinle investigated.

- On Jan. 5, Amanda L. Shirazi of Crawfordville reported a grand theft of a four wheeler, valued at \$4,000. The vehicle was taken from the victim's property and has been entered in the NCIC/FCIC computer. Deputy Anthony Curles investigated.

- On Jan. 5, Wendy D. Slay of Crawfordville reported the theft of a firearm and jewelry that belonged to her husband. The missing property is valued at \$450 and a suspect has been identified. Lt. Jimmy Sessor investigated.

- On Jan. 5, Robert S. Hattaway of Crawfordville reported a grand theft of utilities from his trailer park in Crawfordville. A suspect, who has been identified, allegedly tapped

into the victim's water line. The water bill totaled \$1,700. Lt. Jimmy Sessor investigated.

- On Jan. 5, Joseph L. Redding of Crawfordville and Wal-Mart reported the theft of beer and diapers, valued at \$22. Tracy L. Halliman, 43, of Crawfordville allegedly went through the check out line and failed to scan all of his items. He was charged with petit theft and the property was returned to the store. He was also issued a trespass warning not to return to the store. Lt. Jimmy Sessor and Deputy Dale Evans investigated.

- On Jan. 7, William E. Harris of Crawfordville reported the theft of \$650 worth of tools, vehicle ramps and a deer stand. The items were taken out of the victim's shed. Deputy Nathan Taylor investigated.

- On Jan. 6, Noreen E. Britt

of Crawfordville and the recreation department reported a criminal mischief at the old Crawfordville gym on Arran Road. An interior door was broken and the floor was littered with trash. Deputy Scott Powell investigated.

- On Jan. 7, Shawn Turk of Panacea reported a fraud as the dental office performed dental work on a suspect who failed to pay for it. A suspect has been identified. Deputy Michael Lawhon investigated.

- On Jan. 6, Bruce R. Martin of Crawfordville reported the theft of \$150 worth of car parts. Tires were stolen from the victim's shed. Deputy Lorne Whaley investigated.

- On Jan. 9, Mary L. Crawford of Crawfordville reported receiving a counterfeit \$50 bill. The victim took money out of the bank and the bill

was included. She attempted to pay for a meal at the local restaurant which rejected the bill. Captain Steve Ganey investigated.

- On Jan. 9, Huey E. Austin of Crawfordville reported the theft of a cell phone from Riversprings Middle School. The son of the victim lost the phone during a wrestling match. Deputy Ryan Muse investigated.

- On Jan. 9, Evelyn R. Peddie of Crawfordville reported a vehicle theft. The vehicle was taken from her home and a suspect has been identified. A 17-year-old juvenile was charged with vehicle theft after she returned the vehicle. Deputy Ruel Raker investigated.

- On Jan. 8, Timothy D. Godwin of Crawfordville reported a residential burglary. A criminal mischief was discov-

ered at the home and damage was reported at \$35. Jewelry, valued at \$1,300, was taken and a suspect has been identified. Captain Steve Ganey investigated.

- On Jan. 10, Judy S. Stevens of Panacea reported a retail theft. Someone placed an order for chicken but failed to pick it up. A suspect has been identified. The meal was valued at \$17.44. Deputy Jerry Morgan investigated.

- On Jan. 8, Christian T. Hildenbrand of Crawfordville reported a residential burglary. The victim reported the loss of two televisions, a stove, refrigerator, washing machine, dryer and DVD player. Deputy Jerry Morgan and Captain Steve Ganey investigated.

- The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office received 660 calls for service during the past week.

# Court Shorts

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN  
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Wakulla Circuit Judge N. Sanders Sauls granted a new trial to a man found guilty last year of possession of child pornography, expressing concern about law enforcement officers having two interviews with the suspect - the first, not taped, and the second, taped.

Judge Sauls signed the order on Dec. 18. Assistant State Attorney Sean Desmond, chief prosecutor for Wakulla, appealed the order to the First District Court of Appeal on Dec. 31.

If a new trial is held, it will be the third time Richard Armstrong was gone before a jury on the charges. A trial in February 2009 was a mistrial after a jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict. He was found guilty in a jury trial on April 2009 of a dozen counts of possession of child porn but was not sentenced - Assistant Public Defender Matt Ream filed a motion requesting a new trial.

In a two-page ruling, Judge Sauls expressed concern that the interrogation of Armstrong had "two different periods, the extended and extensive pretaping conversation and interrogation period and the post-Miranda recodation period rather than initial recodation of all conversation and actions of the various participants."

In September 2005, FBI agents conducted a search warrant in Illinois on a home for distributing child porn over AOL. The agents followed one web name, "WickedRedNeck," to a Crawfordville address and, in December 2006, the FBI, FDLE and Wakulla sheriff's deputies went to Armstrong's home. He reportedly agreed to a search of his computer and later allegedly admitted to distributing child porn.

The agents then read Armstrong his rights and conducted a taped interview.

Ream had argued that the

evidence and statements obtained before he was given his Miranda warning should be suppressed because he was effectively in police custody when the agents showed up at his home.

The prosecution has argued that Armstrong made the statements voluntarily and that he was not in police custody at the time.

- A man sent to prison for 10 years for having a fake driver license had motions for post-conviction relief denied by retired Circuit Judge William Gary.

James Harvey Lewis, 66, was sentenced to five years in prison on unauthorized possession of a driver license and another five years for using a false name in a driver license application. He filed motions contending his lawyers were ineffective and requesting a new sentence.

Lewis has an extensive criminal history, including several years served in a Mexican prison for drug smuggling.

In March 2006, Lewis had been living in a mobile home on his ex-wife's property in Wakulla County and got into an argument with her that became violent. He was arrested

on misdemeanor charges of battery causing bodily harm for which he was sentenced by Wakulla County Judge Jill Walker in May 2006 to 11 months, 29 days in Wakulla County Jail.

At the time of the battery, deputies found a fake ID inside the home for Lewis with the alias Gray Grayson, which prompted the felony charges. In November 2006, he entered an open plea to the charges and received the sentence of 10 years in prison, suspended, if he completed 10 years probation.

He was released from jail but was found to have violated his probation shortly after when witnesses saw him drive past his ex-wife's house. It was a condition of his proba-

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**In order to qualify:**

- Students must currently be enrolled as a junior in a local high school or home school.
- Student's parents or grandparents must be a Talquin Member through business or residence.
- Students must currently live in Talquin's four-county service area.

Interested students should complete the Talquin Youth Tour Application available at [www.talquinelectric.com](http://www.talquinelectric.com) under Community/Youth Tour or contact Kim Gay, at (850) 627-7651 or email [kim@talquinelectric.com](mailto:kim@talquinelectric.com) for more information. The deadline to turn in applications is January 30, 2010.

tion that he stay away from the area.

In a 15-page order denying Lewis' motion, Judge Gary writes, "Defendant in what appears to be a never ending attempt to blame everyone but himself for his present predicament claims that in addition to perceived judi-

cial prejudice and imagined prosecutorial misconduct, that both of his attorneys were ineffective and deficient, and that but for counsels deficient performance and errors the outcome would have been different."

Judge Gary finds no evidence to support Lewis'

claims, and adds at one point that Lewis continues "to engage in assumptions and wishful thinking to support his unhappiness with counsel (but) readily admits in his pleadings that he has no specific knowledge of the extent of his counsel's investigation and preparation."

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# Outdoors



## Gardening Guide

### Look to succulents to improve your garden

**By NANCY GEORGE**  
Ornamental Horticulturist

Looking for plants with a contemporary element, unusual forms, vibrant colors, striking foliage and extraordinary flair while remaining low maintenance?

Then look to succulents and cactus. Whether planted in large numbers or used as a single specimen these plants are both beautiful and enduring. The colors, shapes and textures are endless.

There are so many varieties that can be either planted in the landscape or used in containers and a lot of these beauties are totally hardy to frost.

**What to Buy / Plant**

Many succulents have delightful flowers and many look like a giant roses such as jovibarba which has spectacular orange pendulous blooms.

Bulbine is a tough grow-

ing plant that blooms profusely. Dyckias, aloe, euporbia, and opuntia are great in the landscape and all of the mentioned plants are frost tolerant.

Echeveria and sedums are ground hugging and make a hardy groundcover. Agave varieties come in blue gray or variegated green and cream. Hoya, kalanchoe, devils backbone, living stones and Christmas cactus need protection from freezing temperatures. Look for Gasterias and Haworthias both native to South Africa, the latter is grown for their unique markings.

**Prune/ Propagate**

Succulents are propagated by leaf cuttings, when a piece of the fleshy leaf breaks off simply let it lie and in time roots will develop. Also, many plants produce multiple crowns that can be divided.

**Watering**

These plants are extremely drought tolerant and depending on variety can go for a several weeks to several months without watering. Good drainage however is essential.

**Pests**

Rarely do these plants have problems with pests. Some will get mealy bug. Euphorbias produce milky latex when disturbed, wash hands to avoid exposure to the eyes.

**For Fun**

Make Hypertufa, a lightweight artificial stone composed of one part ready-crete cement to two parts peat, two parts perlite. These homemade containers are intended to resemble rock troughs and are perfect for succulents.

## Watch out for manatees



### State park to host Wakulla Wildlife Festival

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Wakulla Springs State Park will host the Wakulla Wildlife Festival to continue to bring the Wakulla Springs Watershed colorful heritage and exceptional ecosystems to people of varied interests on March 19 and March 20.

The festival will feature opportunities to explore diverse habitats, to rejoice in its expressive music and to grow through the discovery of new skills and information illuminating the depth of the festival. Friday and Saturday premium tours will showcase the magnificent flora and fauna of Wakulla Springs State Park on a journey to

the hidden "liquid gems" (the sinkholes) of Wakulla Springs or transport them to a Wakulla River dotted with the ruby-red eyes of alligators glistening through the flash-light lit nightscape.

Fine art, dining and the contemporary Native American flute of Jonny Lipford can be enjoyed during the Wildlife Art Opening at the park on Friday evening. On Saturday, the toe tappin' bluegrass music of Scrub Oak, Pickin' and Grinnin' and Coon Bottom Creek will lift spirits. Step back in time as living history demonstrators bring to light skills once necessary for survival. There will be free children's activities, free shows and more than 30

knowledgeable exhibitors on Saturday as well.

Out of town guests can discover true Southern hospitality during a stay at the Wakulla Springs Lodge, the Inn at Wildwood or the Best Western Wakulla Inn and Suites. Enjoy the taste of locally fresh caught seafood at many area restaurants.

For more information about this event, visit [www.WakullaWildlifeFestival.org](http://www.WakullaWildlifeFestival.org). For more information about Florida State Parks, visit [www.FloridaStateParks.org](http://www.FloridaStateParks.org).

The event will take place: Friday, March 19 and Saturday, March 20 at Wakulla Springs State Park, 550 Wakulla Park Drive, Wakulla Springs.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: (DAY) \_\_\_\_\_ EVENING: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHOTO TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE AND WHEN WAS PHOTO TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

I AM: \_\_\_\_\_ AMATEUR \_\_\_\_\_ PROFESSIONAL (You derive 5% or more of your annual income from taking photographs)

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\_\_\_\_\_ I WISH TO DONATE MY PHOTO TO THE WAKULLA NEWS

I HAVE READ AND I AGREE TO THE CONTEST RULES.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU ARE UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, A PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING:

I am the parent/legal guardian of (name of entrant)

I have read and agree to the contest rules, and his/her entry is with my permission.  
Name of parent/legal guardian (Please Print)

Telephone: (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_



### 2010 Wakulla Wildlife Photo Contest

All entries must be RECEIVED by the The Wakulla News by: Friday, February 12, 2010. Judges will pick winners in the Best Wildlife Photo category.

Each photo submitted must have been taken in Wakulla County in the past year by the person who submits it for entry in the contest. There will be a \$10 entry fee for up to 3 photos (There will be no entry fee for Young Nature Photographers 12 and under). Make checks payable to The Wakulla News. Judges will decide whether each entry is suited to the Wakulla Wildlife category. Judges' decisions are final. Winners will be notified by mail or e-mail.

**FORMAT: Prints only. No frames please.** All photos must be 8" x 10" or 8 1/2" x 11". Prints may be mounted on 11" x 14" black or white foam board, or just matted, with the completed entry form attached to the back. Photos are also requested to be submitted and/or available in a digital format for slideshow display on [thewakullanews.com](http://thewakullanews.com). Digital photo entries may be emailed to [advertising@thewakullanews.net](mailto:advertising@thewakullanews.net).

**Young Nature Photographers** - The same categories will be set up for young photographers 12 years old and younger. Entrants will be divided into two groups, 3-7 years of age, and 8-12 years of age.

**YOUTH FORMAT:** Prints only. No frames please. All entries must be 4" x 6" or 5" x 7". Prints may be mounted on 8 1/2" x 11" black or white poster board or card stock in lieu of the foam board with the completed entry form attached to the back.

To submit an entry into the contest, photographers must be 18 years of age or submit a release from a parent or guardian, and be a resident of Wakulla County.

Participants will be notified when to pick up their prints or you may wish to donate them to The Wakulla News. Donated prints may be published in The Wakulla News at the Editor's discretion.

Mail entries to: The Wakulla News, Photo Contest, P. O. Box 307, Crawfordville, Florida 32326, or deliver photos to The Wakulla News office at 3119 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida. Do not send pictures by e-mail.

Entrant's signature (or Guardian's signature) constitutes a release to The Wakulla News for the right to use, reproduce, publish, and/or display the photographs without further compensation. The original slide or negative may be requested. Scans of entries will be published in The Wakulla News. All entries will be displayed at the 2009 Wakulla Wildlife Festival at Wakulla Springs April 2-4, 2009. (Entries may also be available upon request in digital/electronic format for publication in The Wakulla News -Wakulla Wildlife Festival special section in March.)

PRIZES will be awarded as follows: Best of Show - \$100 in Cash; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$25 in Cash; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - A Gift Subscription to The Wakulla News. Prizes for youth entries will be awarded as follows: Best of Show - \$25 in cash.

*The Small Print:* Void where prohibited. Contest is open to anyone who has taken photographs in Wakulla County, Florida. All federal, state, and local laws apply. Each entrant warrants the originality of each entry submitted by him/her and warrants that he/she owns all rights in each such entry. Submission of an entry form of photograph is evidence of entrant's agreement with and acceptance of these rules and regulations. The Wakulla News is not responsible for lost or damaged

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Jan. 14 - Jan. 20



For tides at the following points		High Tide	Low Tide
add to Dog Island Listings:		Carrabelle	28 Min. 25 Min.
	Apalachicola	1 Hr., 53 Min.	2 Hrs., 38 Min.
	Cat Point	1 Hr., 13 Min.	2 Hrs., 31 Min.
	Lower Anchorage	1 Hr., 36 Min.	2 Hrs., 3 Min.
	West Pass	1 Hr., 26 Min.	2 Hrs., 39 Min.

## St. Marks River Entrance

Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Jan 14, 10	3:2 ft.	-0.8 ft.	2:8 ft.	1:0 ft.
Fri Jan 15, 10	3:2 ft.	-0.7 ft.	2:9 ft.	0:8 ft.
Sat Jan 16, 10	3:2 ft.	-0.6 ft.	3:0 ft.	0:7 ft.
Sun Jan 17, 10	3:2 ft.	-0.5 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:5 ft.
Mon Jan 18, 10	3:1 ft.	-0.4 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:4 ft.
Tue Jan 19, 10	2:9 ft.	-0.2 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:4 ft.
Wed Jan 20, 10	2:7 ft.	0:1 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:3 ft.

## City of St. Marks

Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Jan 14, 10	2:9 ft.	-0:7 ft.	2:6 ft.	0:9 ft.
Fri Jan 15, 10	3:0 ft.	-0:7 ft.	2:7 ft.	0:8 ft.
Sat Jan 16, 10	3:0 ft.	-0:6 ft.	2:8 ft.	0:6 ft.
Sun Jan 17, 10	3:12 AM	-0:5 ft.	2:8 ft.	0:5 ft.
Mon Jan 18, 10	3:45 AM	-0:3 ft.	2:9 ft.	0:4 ft.
Tue Jan 19, 10	4:21 AM	-0:2 ft.	2:9 ft.	0:3 ft.
Wed Jan 20, 10	5:01 AM	0:1 ft.	2:8 ft.	0:2 ft.

## Shell Point, Spring Creek

Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Jan 14, 10	3:2 ft.	-0:8 ft.	2:8 ft.	1:1 ft.
Fri Jan 15, 10	3:3 ft.	-0:8 ft.	2:9 ft.	0:9 ft.
Sat Jan 16, 10	3:3 ft.	-0:7 ft.	3:0 ft.	0:7 ft.
Sun Jan 17, 10	3:2 ft.	-0:6 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:6 ft.
Mon Jan 18, 10	3:1 ft.	-0:4 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:5 ft.
Tue Jan 19, 10	3:0 ft.	-0:2 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:4 ft.
Wed Jan 20, 10	2:8 ft.	0:1 ft.	3:1 ft.	0:3 ft.



## Alligator Point, Ochlockonee Bay

Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Jan 14, 10	2:4 ft.	-0:6 ft.	2:1 ft.	0:8 ft.
Fri Jan 15, 10	2:4 ft.	-0:5 ft.	2:2 ft.	0:6 ft.
Sat Jan 16, 10	2:4 ft.	-0:5 ft.	2:2 ft.	0:5 ft.
Sun Jan 17, 10	2:4 ft.	-0:4 ft.	2:3 ft.	0:4 ft.
Mon Jan 18, 10	2:3 ft.	-0:3 ft.	2:3 ft.	0:3 ft.
Tue Jan 19, 10	2:2 ft.	-0:1 ft.	2:3 ft.	0:3 ft.
Wed Jan 20, 10	2:0 ft.	0:1 ft.	2:3 ft.	0:2 ft.

## St. Teresa, Turkey Pt.

Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Jan 14, 10	2:5 ft.	-0:8 ft.	2:2 ft.	1:0 ft.
Fri Jan 15, 10	2:5 ft.	-0:7 ft.	2:3 ft.	0:8 ft.
Sat Jan 16, 10	2:5 ft.	-0:6 ft.	2:3 ft.	0:7 ft.
Sun Jan 17, 10	2:5 ft.	-0:5 ft.	2:4 ft.	0:5 ft.
Mon Jan 18, 10	2:4 ft.	-0:4 ft.	2:4 ft.	0:4 ft.
Tue Jan 19, 10	2:3 ft.	-0:2 ft.	2:4 ft.	0:4 ft.
Wed Jan 20, 10	2:1 ft.	0:1 ft.	2:4 ft.	0:3 ft.

## Dog Island West End

Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Jan 14, 10		-0:8 ft.	1:9 ft.	1:2 ft.
Fri Jan 15, 10	2:2 ft.	-0:7 ft.	1:8 ft.	1:0 ft.
Sat Jan 16, 10	2:2 ft.	-0:6 ft.	1:8 ft.	0:9 ft.
Sun Jan 17, 10	2:1 ft.	-0:4 ft.	1:9 ft.	0:8 ft.
Mon Jan 18, 10	2:0 ft.	-0:3 ft.	2:0 ft.	0:6 ft.
Tue Jan 19, 10	1:8 ft.	-0:1 ft.	2:1 ft.	0:4 ft.
Wed Jan 20, 10	1:6 ft.	0:1 ft.	2:2 ft.	0:3 ft.



Major Activity	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Sunrise	Sunset
Major Activity	10:32 am	11:19 am	11:39 am	12:31 am	1:17 am	2:02 am	2:47 am	7:34 am	5:58 pm
Minor Activity	4:20 am	5:07 am	5:54 am	6:41 am	7:27 am	8:12 am	8:57 am	7:07 am	5:36 pm
	4:44 pm	5:30 pm	6:17 pm	7:02 pm	7:47 pm	8:32 pm	9:18 pm	6%	0%
								6%	12%
								18%	24%
								30%	

## Coast Guard Auxiliary Reports

By Sherrie Alverson

Flotilla 13's first meeting of the new year was most productive and fun, too. It was apparent that our new Flotilla Commander, Bob Morgan, had devoted both time and serious thought before he prepared the agenda.

It was a tad longer than usual, but when you consider all that was accomplished, it was truly amazing. Bob had promised there would be planning for the entire year and so there was.

Despite the bitter cold all of the staff officers were present except Ron Piasecki, who was ill. The Vice Commander, John Sykes, was out of town.

Besides the Commander, those attending were Judy Bentley, Ed Burroughs, Franc Buytendorp, John Edrington, Glenn Edrington, Marc Lipsius, Jim McGill, James and Edith Taylor, Mae Waters and your reporter. Our guests were Irene Burroughs, Dorothy Edrington and Louvenia Morgan.

When it came to 2010 fundraisers, where and when, we all said (almost in unison), Fourth of July at the Station. Memories of last Fourth flooded back. James Taylor was out on the deck, slaving over the hot grill frying sausages and pancakes. His wife Edith and Bob Morgan were in the kitchen pre-cooking the sausages. John Edrington was in charge of mixing the pancake batter and his wife, Dorothy, while not a member, helped out everywhere and ended up being the "Hostess with the Mostest."

Another non-member, Joe Warren, worked as hard, if not harder than anyone else. Whatever needed to be done he did with gusto, but then that is typical of Joe. He is always there for anyone who needs help.

Last year we really hadn't expected, but were delighted to see all those people waiting in line.

Jim McGill was rushing around helping organize the "First Annual Fourth of July Golf Cart Patriotic Parade." He also made CDs of the parade which were available at the awards ceremony that afternoon. The \$5 donation benefited the Flotilla. The patriotic part had been Mae Waters's idea.

Mae, Dorothy Edrington and I were the judges. Let me tell you, that was a trying experience. They were all so clever.

Ron and Angret Piasecki and Franc and Linda Buytendorp showed their expertise as dippers (not strippers) at the ice cream social later that afternoon.

Mae Waters, the Flotilla Commander at the time and whose idea was the Patriotic Golf Cart parade, was in charge of the ice cream social. Yes, it was a profitable and fun day for Flotilla 13. We are already looking forward to this Fourth.

And now Carolyn Treadon has Flotilla 12 (St. Marks) news: This was a week of out with the old and in with the new for Flotilla 12. At our monthly meeting, the former staff officers passed the ropes to some new FSO, while others retained their positions. David Guttman led the meeting with our membership and led our new Flotilla Vice Commander Bob Asztalos and FSOs in their oath. It is a rewarding time for both sides, those who can now sit back and those who are eager to make a

## Boating Emergencies

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difference and fill positions. We are fortunate enough that we have a large enough membership that some of our longer time staff officers are now able to relax and enjoy the ride.

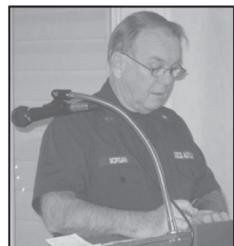
Steve Hults, our Vessel Examiner staff officer is working hard to make sure all of our facilities are ready to hit the water when duty calls. Many of us take the off season to make repairs and freshen up supplies.

The annual inspections are intense and help to make sure we are ready to respond to situations. We will have our first Boating Safety Class on Jan. 30 in Tallahassee. More details on that will come next week.

We try to end the meetings on a high note. Our annual Gilbert/Champion award is usually given at our holiday party, but this year the recipient was not able to be present. Tim Ashley received the award from David Guttman at the meeting. Tim was nominated by the membership for his many years of service as Flotilla Commander, Vice Commander, multiple staff officer positions and on the water time. He is a great example of what being in the auxiliary is all about. He does all this with a smile and is

always giving 110 percent.

Other awards presented were to Tiffany Bourassa for completion of the Good Mate program and IMSEP Marine Safety and environmental protection; Bill Wannall for Superior Performance of Duty; Carolyn Treadon for Superior Performance of Duty; Phillip and Norma Hill First Responder Certificates; Bob Asztalos Marine Safety Training Specialist and the entire flotilla for the top 100 performers in RBS/Visitation program. Remember safe boating is no accident.



Bob Morgan at meeting.

## Lady War Eagles top Leon, West Gadsden

The Wakulla Lady War Eagle girls basketball team won two of three games last week to improve top 9-6 overall and 2-0 in district games.

Wakulla beat Leon 49-44 before falling to Port St. Joe 53-35. The team ended the week with a 58-43 victory over West Gadsden.

Artigua Kilpatrick scored 17 points and Taylor Eglton added 14 in the Leon game. The rest of the offense came from Nese Jackson with eight points, Kelsey Lee with six and Kayla Pennywell and Mariah Vernon who combined for four points.

Kilpatrick had six rebounds and Vernon grabbed five. Eglton had five assists while Jackson had three and Kilpatrick had two. Kilpatrick had four steals and a blocked shot. Pennywell and Lee combined for five steals.

Wakulla jumped out to a big lead after three quarters before Leon closed the gap with a furious comeback in the fourth quarter.

Port St. Joe outscored

Wakulla in every quarter on the way to victory. Kilpatrick and Eglton accounted for 27 points with Kilpatrick scoring 20. She also had 10 rebounds. Kelby Davis, Pennywell and Lee combined for eight points.

Wakulla had a much more balanced offensive against West Gadsden. Kilpatrick scored 20 points to go with 18 from Eglton and 10 from Pennywell. Beighly Bolton, Kiara Harvey, Nese Jackson and Kelsey Lee combined for 10 points.

Kilpatrick had 14 rebounds while Eglton had seven assists and 10 rebounds.

Wakulla will host Jefferson County on Jan. 14 before hitting the road for games at Springfield Rutherford on Jan. 15 and Niceville on Jan. 16. Chiles, Chiple and Godby will host Wakulla Jan. 19, Jan. 21 and Jan. 22 respectively.

WHS plays North Florida Christian and Port St. Joe at home Jan. 26 and Jan. 28 respectively.

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# Gulf Specimen takes in green turtles 'cold stunned' by frigid temperatures

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN  
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Gulf Specimen Marine Lab in Panacea took in 30 green turtles this week found "cold stunned" in St. Joe Bay as a result of freezing temperatures.

Gulf Specimen directors Jack and Anne Rudloe said that hundreds of the turtles were floating in St. Joe Bay. A shipment of 30 arrived on Monday, Jan. 11, and were placed in a tank where the water temperature was 60 degrees.

Anne Rudloe explained

the the problem arises when seawater temperature drops below a certain level. The turtles' bodies no longer function, they float almost comatose in the water.

Usually green turtles migrate south during colder weather, Rudloe said. But the St. Joe Bay is closed to the south, which sometimes confuses the animals, and they are stranded in the bay. She said it sometimes happens with Kemp's Ridley turtles in the north, where they

become stranded in Cape Cod.

With exceptionally cold temperatures, stunning becomes a danger. In St. Joe Bay, it last happened in the early 1990s, Rudloe said.

As an endangered species, Rudloe said it was encouraging that hundreds were in St. Joe Bay. "That's a good thing," she said.

Jack Rudloe noted that Gulf Specimen's tanks are geo-thermally heated, with underground fresh water used to warm saltwater from the bay via a heat exchange.



Jack and Anne Rudloe inspect the tank of green turtles



One of the rescued green turtles at Gulf Specimen



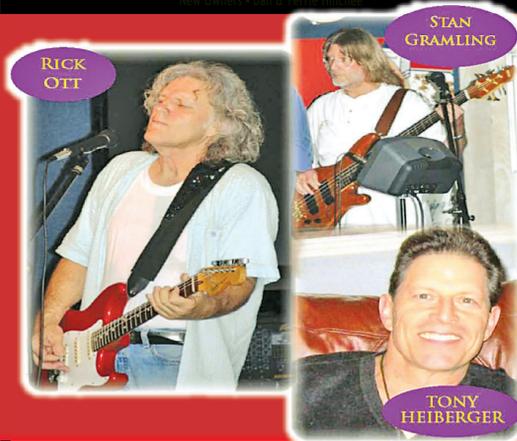
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# GREEN SCENE

## DEP collects Pesticides

Florida agencies team up to collect thousands of pounds of pesticides

Continuing their commitment to collecting and safely disposing of cancelled, suspended or unusable commercial pesticides, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) Commissioner Charles H. Bronson and Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Secretary Michael W. Sole are once again joining forces for the 10th annual Operation Cleansweep.

"We are pleased once again to join our colleagues at DEP in helping dispose of unused and outdated pesticides from farms, businesses and other commercial sites," Commissioner Bronson said. "This program of eliminating chemicals that could pose a danger to the public and our environment illustrates what government can accomplish when it works together."

Operation Cleansweep collects and disposes of pesticides to protect agricultural workers, emergency responders, the public and the environment from potential health and environmental risks from stored pesticides. Some products are old and may be

stored in containers that are deteriorating, while others, such as chlordane and DDT, can no longer be used legally. To date, more than 1.3 million pounds of pesticide products have been collected from nearly 1,900 participating farms, dairies, ranches, nurseries, golf courses and professional pest control operations in 65 Florida counties.

"Operation Cleansweep is a proven approach to reducing the amounts of unwanted or outdated pesticides in our communities, and I am pleased with the success the program continues to demonstrate, collecting and ensuring the proper disposal of nearly 80,000 pounds of pesticides each year," said DEP Secretary Sole. "DEP is pleased to partner with DACS to provide a convenient, free way for industries to clean house and protect Florida's natural resources."



## Packed lunch: Simple & Efficient

New product offers a fun, eco-friendly alternative to brown bagging.

Tired of the money you spend on lunches out? Bored with the smashed and minimally appealing food you find in your brown bag when you do pack a lunch? Sick of all the hassles and inconveniences that are seemingly inevitable when the lunch hour rolls around? Lunchsense, a product developed by a woman from Eugene, Ore., who was feeling those same pains, offers anyone looking for a better way to do lunch a smart, colorful and environmentally friendly lunchbox system that's durable and easy to use.

Created by Nancy Owen Myers, owner of Good Sense Design, Lunchsense lunch boxes are waterproof, easy to open and quick to clean. Each lunch box features a set of well-constructed plastic containers that fit neatly together, and the lunchbox itself doubles as a fold out placemat. The containers are dishwasher-safe and the lunch box cleans up easily in the washing machine.

Lunchsense lunch boxes do away with the need for plastic sandwich bags, and because the containers seal tight, it's easy to transport leftovers back home. Each Lunchsense lunch box comes with an ice pack and all three versions are BPA-free, lead-free, phthalate-free and vinyl-free.

Here are a few of the other features you'll find in Lunchsense lunch boxes:

- Machine washable design
- Three different sizes
- Eight great colors
- Each set includes an ice pack and beverage bottle
- No Velcro or zippers to worry about

Owen Myers' idea for Lunchsense was born in 2006 when she realized that packing her three children's lunch boxes could be simpler and more efficient. Like many people, she was frustrated by the collection of mismatched plastic containers and lids that had piled up in her kitchen.

"I just knew there had to be a better way," she recalls.

She then began the quest for "The Perfect Lunch Box," but several weeks of searching yielded no results. Realizing that no such product existed, she invented her own lunch box — one that greatly simplified the process of packing a lunch.

"All people have to think about is the food they eat," she explained. "They no longer have to worry about the containers, the box or the waste they might generate."

### About Lunchsense:

Based in Eugene, Ore., Lunchsense offers a line of durable, machine-washable, non-vinyl lunch boxes. Each lunch box contains a drink bottle, an ice pack and BPA-free leak-proof food containers.

Lunchsense lunch boxes are designed around the containers, ensuring a perfect fit, and fold out into a placemat. All lunch boxes are dishwasher-safe and do not contain lead or vinyl.

For more information, visit [www.lunchsense.com](http://www.lunchsense.com).

## TDC to identify wonders

If you had to name the "Seven Wonders of the World" could you? If you try to cheat and look it up on the Internet, you'll find that there are many "wonders" including ancient, natural, architectural, man-made, China, Egypt and the list goes on.

At a recent Public Roundtable meeting held by the Wakulla County Tourist Development Council (TDC), a suggestion was made to begin to identify and actively promote the "Wonders of Wakulla."

The TDC wants to know what you consider to be "Wonders of Wakulla?" A list of Wakulla wonders could include a special place of natural beauty, a unique event that captures the Wakulla way of life, a place that reminds visitors of the dramatic history of the area, a particular local food, art, music, or even an activity like birding, paddling, hiking, or biking that is best enjoyed here in Wakulla.

Over the next few weeks, a survey will be posted on [Wakulla.com](http://Wakulla.com), [TheWakullaNews.com](http://TheWakullaNews.com), and made available in hard copy through The Wakulla News and the TDC office to collect public input on these

special places, events, activities and experiences.

The TDC is hoping to hear from locals and visitors. A marketing strategy is being developed that will use the "Wonders of Wakulla" to promote our area as a nature and heritage-based tourism destination.

These are places, events and activities that will be promoted to encourage visitation so they should be accessible to the public.

The survey results and other initiatives such as the TDC's new web site will be discussed at the second Public Roundtable Meeting which will be held on Thursday, Jan. 28 at the Best Western Inn on Highway 98 in Medart.

The meeting will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and will include a brief presentation followed by discussion and input on the "Wonders of Wakulla" marketing strategy.

"We gained great insight and ideas from the last Roundtable Discussion and are continually interested in hearing from our tourist-related businesses as well as the general public on how to effectively promote our

To participate in Operation Cleansweep, commercial pesticide applicators can call the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services toll-free at (877) 851-5285 or download the sign up form at <http://www.flaes.org/pdf/Flyer.pdf>. For more information, visit DEP's website at [www.dep.state.fl.us/waste/categories/cleansweep-pesticides](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/waste/categories/cleansweep-pesticides).

Homeowners wishing to dispose of pesticides are encouraged to contact their local Household Hazardous Waste program or visit [www.earth911.org](http://www.earth911.org) for more information.

area," said TDC Council Chairman Jerry Evans.

The Roundtable meetings are not the only place to provide your input and ideas. The Wakulla County Commission has recently provided new office space for TDC Director Pam Portwood. The office is located next to Tallahassee Community College's Wakulla Center at 15 Crescent Way, Crawfordville.

"I'm so pleased to have this beautiful new space to work and meet with those interested in TDC activities," said Portwood. Portwood works part-time as TDC Director, so anyone interested in meeting with her or visiting her new office should contact her at 544-6133 to arrange an appointment.

### Green Living Energy Expo moves to May 9

The Green Living and Energy Expo and Education Fair will be held Saturday, May 8 at a time and date to be announced. The event was held earlier in the year in 2009 and is hosted annually by Sustainable Big Bend. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Environmental grants available through EPA

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is making \$2 million available in 2010 to reduce pollution at the local level through the Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) program. CARE is a community-based program that works with county and local governments, tribes, non-profit organizations and universities to help the public understand and reduce toxic risks from numerous sources.

EPA will award CARE cooperative agreements in two levels. Level I awards range from \$75,000 to \$100,000 and will help establish community-based partnerships to develop local environmental priorities. Level II awards, ranging from \$150,000 to \$300,000 each, will support communities that have established broad-based partnerships, have identified the priority toxic risks in the community, and are prepared to measure results, implement risk-reduction activities and become self-

sustaining.

In 2009, EPA's CARE program distributed \$2 million to nine communities.

Examples of projects that received grants include addressing waste and stormwater issues in Kennett, Mo.; reducing air and water pollution in Holyoke, Mass.; addressing water pollution from coal slurry in Wheeling, W.Va.; reducing radon and other indoor air pollutants in Pueblo, Colo.; and tackling the problem of hazardous waste materials and open dumping in Toksook Bay, Alaska. Since 2005, the grants have reached 68 communities in 34 states and territories.

Applications for the CARE grants are due March 9. EPA will conduct three webcasts to answer questions from prospective applicants about the application process on Feb. 2, Feb. 23, and Feb. 26 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. More information about the grants: <http://www.epa.gov/care/>.

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# People

## Chat hearkens back to old times

**WAKULLA SPRINGS NEWS**  
By Jeff Hugo

On a cold winter night the cavernous fireplace in the heart of the lodge at Wakulla Springs State Park is ablaze with a warmth that hearkens back to the days when an evening's entertainment was punctuated by a rousing discussion of current events, a good game of checkers or an artfully told story.

It is hard to believe that this time capsule which

transports its voyagers beyond the reach of most modern electronic communication devices still exists. But the sturdy fort-like walls of the lodge deter the microwave signals of most carriers very effectively. Once inside, most visitors are taken back to a day when personal relationships were forged face-to-face in the real world rather than via the Ethernet in the virtual world.

Park Ranger Don Gavin is still very firmly grounded in the art of building relationships in the real world. On Saturday, Jan. 16 at 8 p.m. his Fireside Chat showcases

the wit and humor of a storyteller extraordinaire. Don's professional experience at the Springs reaches back over 27 years, but his personal association extends far beyond that.

Don grew up at Wakulla Springs. His uncle, Tom Gavin, was a well-known glass bottom tour boat driver as well as his mentor. Don has first-hand accounts of experiences with Edward Ball, he has memories of Old Joe, and recalls with great delight the grandeur of the great spring and the people associated with it.

Don does not lecture. He

interacts. His smile, wit and laughter fill a room with a delightful contagion. For those who love local history and enjoy great entertainment a chat with Don Gavin is not to be missed. Please join us for this free family-oriented event.

If you would like to enjoy dinner prior to the Fireside Chat please help us to make you feel more at home by calling 926-0700 to make reservations.

Take advantage of the opportunity to escape the cyber world and engage in the life, light and warmth of Wakulla Springs.



Park Ranger Don Gavin will speak at Fireside Chat.

## Gays celebrate 25 years together

Serita Ison Gay and Billy Gay of Apalachicola, formerly of Crawfordville, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Dec. 15. The couple was married Dec. 15, 1984 in Apalachicola.

They are employed at Coastal Community Bank and Marks Insurance Agency and have two children, Devin Gay

and wife Jessica of Apalachicola and Danielle Gay Martina and husband Glenn of Apalachicola, and a grandchild, Shaylee Danielle Martina.

After a trip out of state, a surprise reception was given by their children at Living Waters Church Fellowship Hall which included a wedding cake and dinner.



Serita I. and Billy Gay

## Slower paced computer classes offered

Stumped by computers? Do you feel like you missed a generation of training when it comes to computers? Do your children or grandchildren fascinate you with their "natural" computer skills? When you consider a computer class does the speed that the information will be shared scare you?

If you can answer yes to any of these questions,

you might consider this opportunity for a slower paced, instructor-guided learning environment. The class will be small in number to insure the attention you deserve. The course emphasis will be to understand Microsoft Office 2007 to include Word, Excel, PowerPoint as well as basic computer operation.

The practical application will be to utilize real-life

training in the areas of health and nutrition. It serves as reinforcement for some of the other classes offered through others.

The training is offering by Ken Gambill, M.Ed. Instructional Technology, and Shelley Swenson, UF/IFAS Wakulla County Extension in cooperation with the Wakulla County Library where the course will be offered. It will begin Jan.

22 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Monday/Friday classes will continue for two days a week for five weeks.

There will be a \$10 fee to offset some of the duplication expenses. Those who are unable to pay the tuition can notify Swenson at 926-3931 and fees will be secured from an outside source.

Class enrollment is limited so call the Wakulla County Extension Office at 926-3931 today.

## Happy first birthday

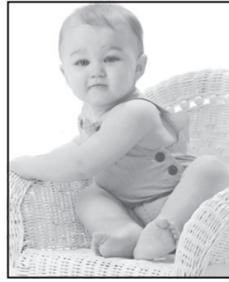
Happy first birthday to Reice Douglass Carraway on Dec. 19. He is the son of Lylith and Elton Carraway of Crawfordville.

Maternal grandparents are Terese Douglass and Dr. Grady Barnes of Grayslake, Ill. Paternal grandparents are Grace Kimball of Lloyd, Paul Cornish of Tallahassee and Ricky and Amy Carraway of Panacea.

Maternal great-grandparents are Terese and Dexter Douglass of Tallahassee, Grady

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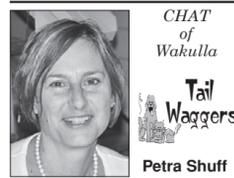
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## A happy ending for Arrow the cat



CHAT of Wakulla Tail Waggers  
Petra Shuff

Last fall at the beginning of bow season, Animal Control received an emergency call about an injured cat. Animal Control Officer Bob Crain went out on the call to find a cat that had apparently been used as target practice. He found the cat impaled with an arrow through his little body. The three foot long arrow had to be clipped in order to transport him.

The cat was taken to Dr. Norm Griggs at Shepherd Spring Animal Hospital. After stabilizing the kitty and starting supportive care the cat was taken to surgery. The arrow, which penetrated completely through his abdomen and part of his thorax, was successfully removed during the surgery and the cat has enjoyed a wonderful recovery.

After a brief recuperation time this sweet, mellow cat came to stay with CHAT. We named him Arrow, partly because of his injury, and partly so we could tell his story when people ask how he got his name. He has been with us for several months now and just last week Dr. Griggs inquired about Arrow, and was sad to hear that he had not been adopted. This prompted him to write an entry on his clinic blog site, ShepherdSpringAnimalHospital.com, to try to help Arrow find a loving home.

The story found its way to a sweet young lady who runs a small foster/rescue for Abyssinians in Atlanta. She knew instantly this cat was the one she had been looking for in order to spread the word about mistreatment of animals and why it should be a serious crime. Arrow will be taken to cat shows all over the country and his story will be told to heighten awareness of people to the continuing cruelty to animals by humankind.

CHAT thanks Dr. Griggs.

For more information on US Census 2010, go to: [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)

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FORECLOSED HOME AUCTION 200+ FLORIDA HOMES! Auction: Jan 23 REDC | View Full Listings www.Auction.com RE No. CQ1031187.

On 3 lots in Wakulla Gardens. 23 Neeley Rd., 1800sqft. 4BR/2BA, Renovated. \$135,000. Only \$75/square foot!!! Nick Chason, 850-766-7750 for information.

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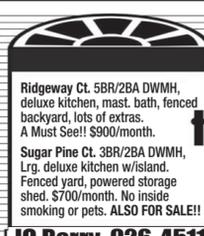
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### Legal Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 08-00261

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE INC, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN A MYRNA; LAKE ELLEN SHORES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED AS NOMINEE FOR SUNTRUST MORTGAGE INC; JENNIFER K MYRNA; ROBERT GANS; UNKNOWN TENANT (S) N/K/A JOHN COX; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT GANS N/K/A ELENOR GANS; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.

Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 28th day of December, 2009, and entered in Case No. 08-00261, of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein SUNTRUST MORTGAGE INC is the Plaintiff and JOHN A MYRNA, LAKE ELLEN SHORES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED AS NOMINEE FOR SUNTRUST MORTGAGE INC; JENNIFER K MYRNA; ROBERT GANS; UNKNOWN TENANT (S) N/K/A JOHN COX; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT GANS N/K/A ELENOR GANS; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Door of Courthouse at the Wakulla County Courthouse in Crawfordville, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 4th day of February, 2010, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 8, BLOCK "G", LAKE ELLEN SHORES SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 67, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), disabled persons who, because of their disabilities, need special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ADA Coordinator at 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327 or Telephone (850) 926-0909, not later than five business days prior to such proceeding.

Dated this 29th day of December, 2009.

BRENT X. THURMOND  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 BY -s- BECKY WHALEY  
 AS DEPUTY CLERK  
 (Seal, Wakulla County Clerk of the Circuit Court)  
 January 7, 14, 2010

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 09-CA-104

DIVISION:

GREEN TREE SERVICING, LLC, successor servicer to GreenPoint Credit LLC,

Plaintiff,

vs.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation should contact COURT ADMINISTRATION, at the WAKULLA County Courthouse, at 850-926-0905 or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

January 7, 14, 2010

## The Wakulla News

### Today's Weather

#### Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 1/13	Thu 1/14	Fri 1/15	Sat 1/16	Sun 1/17
				
<b>54/33</b>	<b>61/41</b>	<b>65/51</b>	<b>67/52</b>	<b>67/46</b>
Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 30s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the low 40s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the low 50s.	Scattered thunderstorms possible.	Mostly Cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the mid 40s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:35 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:57 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:34 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:58 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:34 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:59 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:34 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:00 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:34 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 6:01 PM

### Florida At A Glance



City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Pensacola	51	35	
Crawfordville	54	33	
Tallahassee	53	32	
Jacksonville	55	41	
Orlando	59	44	
Tampa	58	43	
Miami	65	56	

#### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Clearwater	58	43	pt sunny
Crestview	51	25	mst sunny
Daytona Beach	61	44	pt sunny
Fort Lauderdale	67	56	pt sunny
Fort Myers	63	47	pt sunny
Gainesville	58	36	mst sunny
Hollywood	66	53	pt sunny
Jacksonville	55	41	mst sunny
Key West	58	58	pt sunny
Lady Lake	59	39	pt sunny
Lake City	56	35	mst sunny
Madison	56	35	mst sunny
Melbourne	62	45	pt sunny
Miami	65	56	pt sunny
N Smyrna Beach	59	43	pt sunny

#### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	47	26	sunny
Boston	30	20	pt sunny
Chicago	30	25	mst sunny
Dallas	58	44	mst sunny
Denver	56	31	pt sunny
Houston	58	46	pt sunny
Los Angeles	67	46	cloudy
Miami	65	56	pt sunny

### 555 Houses for Rent

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3BR/2BA, Wakulla Gardens, \$800/month, plus \$500 deposit. No pets or smoking. Call 850-570-0575.

Charming cottage in Panacea. 2BR, 1 large bath, w/W/D hook-up, new hardwood floors, screened porch. Clean as a whistle. \$600/mo.+\$600/deposit. 459-9774, 926-4217.

### 565 Mobile Homes for Rent

2BR/1.5BA, Sopchoppy. Furnished. \$550/month. Revell Realty 962-2212.

3BR/2BA, DW/MH on Merwyn Dr. near Lake Ellen. \$695/month, plus deposit. Central Air/Heat, fenced yard, tile in kitchen. 2BR/1BA \$500/month + deposit. Nice lots, laundry, freshly painted. Available now! Call 850-212-5650.

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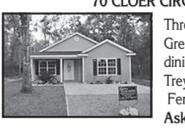
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52 FEATHER TRAIL/WAKULLA GARDENS



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NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order or a final judgment of foreclosure entered in the above-captioned action, I will sell the property situated in WAKULLA County, Florida, described as:

TRACT NO. 26, BETTYWOOD

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA (MARKED BY A CONCRETE MONUMENT), THENCE RUN SOUTH 0 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 25 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE HALF SECTION MONUMENT 227.93 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST, 384.0 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN NORTH 84 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST, 375.95 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT AND POINT OF BEGINNING OF TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING RUN NORTH 0 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST, 467.21 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF BETTYWOOD DRIVE; THENCE RUN NORTH 0 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF BETTYWOOD DRIVE, 278.47 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN SOUTH 0 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST, 487.0 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN SOUTH 84 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST, 289.91 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

INCLUDING the following Manufactured Home: 2000 Fleetwood Anniversary, 28X80, Serial Numbers: FLYL70A28428AV21 & FLYL70B28428AV21.

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash, in the lobby of the WAKULLA County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida 32327 at 11:00 a.m., on February 18, 2010. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 17 day of December, 2009.

BRENT X. THURMOND  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 BY -s- LETHA M. WELLS  
 AS DEPUTY CLERK  
 (Seal, Wakulla County Clerk of the Circuit Court)

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January 7, 14, 2010

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO:65-2008-CA-000119

US BANK, N.A.

PLAINTIFF

vs.

KYLE L. FRINGER A/K/A KYLE LEE FRINGER; ASHLEY N. FRINGER A/K/A ASHLEY NICOLE FRINGER; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION

DEFENDANT(S)

RE- NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting the Motion to Reset Foreclosure Sale dated December 28, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 65-2008-CA-000119 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Crawfordville, Florida, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Door of the Lobby of the WAKULLA County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 4th day of February, 2010 the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 53, BLOCK "3" OF WAKULLA GARDENS UNIT TWO, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 42 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

Dated this 29th day of December, 2009.

BRENT X. THURMOND  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 BY -s- BECKY WHALEY  
 AS DEPUTY CLERK  
 (Seal, Wakulla County Clerk of the Circuit Court)

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation should contact COURT ADMINISTRATION, at the WAKULLA County Courthouse, at 850-926-0905 or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

January 7, 14, 2010

**Legal Notice**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY

CASE NO. 09-479 CA

BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs. JENNIFER WRIGHT, et.al.

Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: JENNIFER WRIGHT Whose residence is: 38 CHOCTAW RD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327

TO: SCOTT WRIGHT Whose residence is: 38 CHOCTAW RD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327

If alive, and if dead, all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against JENNIFER WRIGHT; SCOTT WRIGHT and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described herein.

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

LOT 57 AND THE SOUTHEASTERLY ONE-HALF OF LOT 56, BLOCK 15, WAKULLA GARDENS, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 39, PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

a/k/a 38 CHOCTAW RD CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Nwabulo Umuna, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 2901 Stirling Road, Suite 300, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312 within 30 days after the first publication of this notice, 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.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 17th day of December, 2009.

BRENT X. THURMOND CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY -s- LETHA M. WELLS AS DEPUTY CLERK (Seal, Wakulla County Clerk of the Circuit Court)

A copy of this Notice of Action, Complaint and Lis Pendens were sent to the defendants and address named above.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding should, no later than seven (7) days prior, contact the Clerk of the Court's disability coordinator at 850-926-0905, WAKULLA CO. CTJSE, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327. If hearing impaired, contact (TDD) 800-955-8771 via Florida Relay System.

This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

January 7, 14, 2009

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO.: 09000360CA

U.S. BANK, N.A., PLAINTIFF,

VS. APRIL L. HAMMONS, ET AL., DEFENDANT(S).

**NOTICE OF ACTION CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE**

TO: APRIL L. HAMMONS AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF APRIL L. HAMMONS whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 9, BLOCK 9, WAKULLA GARDENS, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 39 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on DAVID J. STERN, ESQ., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 900 South Pine Island Road #400, Plantation, FL 33324-3920 no later than 30 days from the date 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 or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at WAKULLA County, Florida this 4th day of January, 2010.

BRENT X. THURMOND CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY -s- LETHA M. WELLS AS DEPUTY CLERK (Seal, Wakulla County Clerk of the Circuit Court)

January 14, 21, 2010

IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No. 10-1-SC

Terry A. Posey Plaintiff,

vs. Esther Pearl Moneyhan (deceased), a/k/a Esther P. Branch, a/k/a Esther P. Green Defendant.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: Unknown heirs of Esther Pearl Moneyhan (deceased), a/k/a Esther P. Branch, a/k/a Esther P. Green

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for establishment of ownership of personal property described as: Redman Mobile Home, serial number FLA-14610493 80S3BD has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff, Terry A. Posey, whose address is: P.O. Box 1181, Crawfordville, FL 32326, on or before February 12, 2010, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court immediately thereafter; otherwise a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated on January 6, 2010

BRENT X. THURMOND CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY -s- GLENDA PORTER AS DEPUTY CLERK (Seal, Wakulla County Clerk of the Circuit Court)

January 14, 21, 2010 February 4, 2010

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is given pursuant to Florida Self-Storage Facility Act, Florida Statutes, Chapter 83, Part IV, that ABC Storage will hold a sale by sealed bid on Saturday, January 23, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at 3745 Crawfordville Hwy., Crawfordville, FL 32327, of the contents of Mini Warehouse containing personal property of:

TONI CARRIN CYNTHIA LAWHON ADAM HUNTER BETTINA BROWN

Payments must be made before Saturday, January 23rd by 12:00 noon before the sale date of January 23rd, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. The owners may redeem their property by payment of the Outstanding Balance and cost by contacting ABC Storage at 508-5177. Or by paying in person at the warehouse location.

January 14, 21, 2010

**INVITATION TO BID WAKULLA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**Purchase of Motor Graders for Public Works Department**  
Advertisement Number: 2009-022  
Advertisement Begin Date/Time: January 15, 2010

Board Decisions will be available at: Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners 3093 Crawfordville Highway Crawfordville, FL 32327

Bids will be opened at the above address at 10:00 a.m. on January 27, 2010.

Please direct all questions to: Deborah DuBose Phone: 850.926.9500 FAX: 850.926.9006 e-mail: ddubose@mywakulla.com

Specifications can be found at www.mywakulla.com in the Advertisements for Bid section, requested by phone at 850.926.9500, or picked up in person at 3093 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32308.

Any person with a qualified disability requiring special accommodations at the bid opening shall contact the phone number listed above at least 5 business days prior to the event.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids or accept minor irregularities in the best interest of Wakulla County.

January 14, 21, 2010

**DEADLINE FOR THE JAN 21st ISSUE IS FRIDAY, JAN. 15th AT 11AM. Call in your Classifieds... 926-7102 classifieds@thewakullanews.net**

**NOTICE**

Effective Tuesday, February 16th Comcast will add the following channels to the High Definition "HD" lineup: E!HD Ch. 457, Travel HD Ch. 458 and Cartoon Network HD Ch. 442. Comcast Customers will also notice the following changes to their lineup; channels moving to digital (additional equipment will be required) - TV21 will move from Ch. 21 to Ch. 195 and Cartoon Network will move from Ch. 32 to Ch. 124; Discovery Health will move from Ch. 70 to Ch. 32. Please contact your local office for any questions you may have.

January 14, 2010

**NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 328.17 F.S., NON-JUDICIAL SALE OF VESSELS**

Notice is hereby given that unless sooner paid or redeemed, Shields Marina, Inc. intends a public sale of the following vessels listed by brief description and apparent owner:

- 1980 Aquasport FL3434DT William Charles Garvin FL9646DT John Dixon Pugh
- 1988 Sailfish FL6632EL John Robert Chickering FL4298KB James C. Cousins
- 1997 Wellcraft FL9698ET Michael Keith Evans
- 1985 Chris Craft FL3222DK David Randolph Hopkins
- 1999 Actioncraft FL3598KK Robert Wayne Kaefer FL1841JU Ronald P. Murray
- 1996 Sailfish FL9233HX Richard L. Stolsmark

Said sale shall take place February 13, 2010 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and shall be held at the location of Shields Marina, 95 Riverside Drive, St. Marks, Florida.

The mailing address of said Marina is P.O. Box 218, St. Marks, FL 32355

January 14, 21, 2010

**NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Ride With JC, located at 4 Choctaw Rd. in the County of Wakulla, in Crawfordville, Florida 32327, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Crawfordville, Florida, this 7th day of January, 2010.

-s- Mark Shepherd January 14, 2010

**NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of The Jenkins Group Z-Team located at 46 Shepards Esplanade, in the County of Wakulla, in Crawfordville, Florida 32327, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Crawfordville, Florida, this 6th day of January, 2009.

-s- Michael W. Jenkins January 14, 2010

**WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INVITATION TO BID**

DATE: 12/15/09 TO: ALL BIDDERS

THE WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD INVITES YOU TO SUBMIT A BID ON THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED ITEMS:

BID NUMBER: WCSB 09/10-07

ITEM(S) TO PURCHASE: "FOOD/NON-FOOD ITEMS"

SEALED BIDS SHALL BE RECEIVED BY THE WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD UNTIL: JANUARY 21, 2010, 4:00 P.M.

ALL BIDS RECEIVED SHALL BE OPENED AND READ ALOUD PUBLICLY AT THE WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, 69 ARRAN ROAD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FLORIDA ON JANUARY 21, 2010 @ 4:00 P.M.

THE BIDS SHALL BE CONSIDERED BY THE WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD DURING THEIR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ON: FEBRUARY 16, 2010.

THE SCHOOL BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS OR PORTIONS THEREOF.

BID FORMS AND SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM:

WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD GAIL MATHERS, SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE 69 ARRAN ROAD CRAWFORDVILLE, FLORIDA 32327

ALL BIDS SHOULD BE SEALED AND CLEARLY MARKED ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE - "SEALED BID, BID #09/10-07, FOOD/NON-FOOD ITEMS"

ALL BIDS SHOULD BE MAILED TO:

WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD P.O. Box 100, 69 Arran Road Crawfordville, Florida 32326-0100

January 7, 14, 2010

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF WAKULLA COUNTY**

announces a re-organizational school board meeting and a regular school board meeting.

DATE: Tuesday, January 19, 2010

TIME: 5:45 p.m.

PLACE: School Board Room 69 Arran Road Crawfordville, Florida

PURPOSE: Regular school board meeting.

For further information please contact: Superintendent's Office Wakulla County Schools P.O. Box 100, 69 Arran Road Crawfordville, FL 32326 850 926-0065

Should you like more information regarding board agendas and board meeting minutes, please go to our website at www.wakullaschoolsdistrict.org and click on "school board" to the left of the page.

January 14, 2010

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Savannah's

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**AND ELSEWHERE**

Glenda's Country Store

Mack's Country Meats

Spring Creek Restaurant

Stop N Save (Bloxham Cutoff/ H'way 319)

Stop N Save (H'way 98/Spring Creek Road)

Wakulla Springs Lodge

**IN TALLAHASSEE**

Circle K (Cap. Circle & C'ville Hwy.)

Publix (Cap. Circle & C'ville Hwy.)

**St. Marks Powder, roads get funded**

St. Marks Powder, a local business, has secured funding for road improvements in the area.

**Tethered Turtle Faces Certain Death**

A turtle was found tethered to a log, a practice that can lead to its death.

**Good Samaritan saves life of turtle**

A passerby found a turtle in distress and took it to a vet for treatment.

**Puppy mill case back in court**

A lawsuit regarding a puppy mill has been brought back to court.

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# Students spell it out during school district— The Wakulla News 34th Annual Spelling Bee

By KEITH BLACKMAR  
kblackmar@thewakullanews.net

For 34 years the Wakulla County School District has crowned a spelling bee champion and every year the host school's auditorium is filled with tension and suspense.

Sponsored by The Wakulla News, the event gives fourth graders through eighth grade students an opportunity to show their spelling skills.

The 2010 event was held Friday, Jan. 8 at Riversink Elementary School and three-time participant Connor Keith won the right to represent the county at the Big Bend Regional Competition which will be held at WFSU on Saturday, Feb. 13.

Connor is the daughter of Jonathan and Kristi Keith of Tallahassee. Kristi is a teacher at Wakulla High School. Keith is a sixth grader at Wakulla Middle School and was entered as a fourth and fifth grader during the past two competitions.

She said her success was due to constantly reviewing words and practicing. She

also joked that the competition has not gotten any easier even after competing for three years in a row.

Second place went to Seth McManus, who is a home-schooled seventh grader. The 2010 competition was the fourth for McManus, but the first time he has reached the finals.

McManus said he was successful because he has practiced since September. He will represent Wakulla County if Keith is unable to attend the regional competition. He is the son of Alan and Leah McManus of Crawfordville.

The winning word was quota and McManus was unable to spell rhubarb after some very difficult words in the early rounds. The competition continued for 14 rounds.

Some of the words that were missed included: calisthenics, paramecium, gradient, analgesia, cajolery, aggrandizement, psychoanalysis, photosynthesis, rutabaga, indelible, anemone, miraculous and brigadier.

Keith received a trophy, dictionary and a thesaurus while McManus received a trophy. All of the contestants received medallions.

Superintendent David Miller offered congratulations to all of the participants. "You are all winners to get to this point," he said. "I am proud of you."

The rest of the contestants included Justin Barnes of WMS 8th grade; Taylor Barnes of COAST 7th; Will Barwick of MES 4th; Ashton Boddye of RES 4th; Cody Causseaux of COAST 8th; Hunter Dalton of SES 4th; Gabe Dantzler of RES 5th; Brett DeRoss of RMS 7th; Danyelle Dias of Wakulla Christian 4th; Jacob Estes of SES 5th; Naysha Gonzalez of RMS 6th; Madison Harris of WMS 8th; William Hart of WMS 6th; Emily Herman of COAST 4th; Libby Inlow of RMS 8th; Mathilda Jensen of SES 5th; Allie Johnston of MES 5th; Kenzie Lee of WMS 7th; Emily McCann of CES 5th; Ethan McDaniels of MES 4th; Karisa Misamore of WMS 7th; Anthony Mod-



Superintendent David Miller, Champion Connor Keith, Runner-up Seth McManus and The Wakulla News Editor Keith Blackmar with awards.

zelewski of CES 4th; Shynice Morris of RES 4th; Taryn Pfister of CES 4th; J.P. Piotrowski of RMS 7th; Markell Rawls of RMS 8th; Danna Richardson of COAST 5th; AnneMarie

Russell of SES 4th; Mariah Scarborough of COAST 6th; Hannah Smith of RES 5th; William Thomas of MES 5th; Tyler Tucker of CES 5th; and Jordan Webster of Wakulla

Christian fifth grade. The judges were Beth O'Donnell and Sue Anderson of the Wakulla School District and The News Editor Keith Blackmar.

# Fire department will honor Raymond Love

By CHIEF BILL RUSSELL  
Ochlockonee Bay VFD

Special to The Wakulla News  
A dedicated Wakulla County will be honored for years of service this week.

On Friday, Jan. 15 at 6 p.m., the Ochlockonee Bay Volunteer Fire Department and family, friends and volunteer firefighters from all over the county will gather to honor Chief Raymond Love.

Chief Love is the longest serving volunteer at Ochlockonee Bay with 35 years and the oldest active volunteer in the county.

Love's involvement with the fire service goes back to 1951 when he joined the Tallahassee Fire Department as a rookie firefighter (fireman in those days) and began a long and distinguished

career. Over the years he rose through the ranks and retired as an Assistant Chief in 1985. Anyone who served with Chief Love knew that he was always seeking new knowledge about the fire service and if you worked with him you had better be prepared to receive some of his knowledge. He always had the heart of a teacher and could not understand anyone who didn't thirst for knowledge.

After Chief Love served approximately 24 years in the Tallahassee Department he built his first home in Wakulla County and became involved in volunteering in Wakulla County. Many of the things that make the fire service in this county as good as it is are things Love



Raymond Love standing with a fire truck has become a familiar sight.

became involved in from the beginning.

He has served in Wakulla County since 1975 and has seen the county fire service advance tremendously. Historically, fire stations were built and equipment was purchased by the departments and auxiliaries selling spaghetti or mullet or

anything that might bring in a dollar. Although volunteer departments still depend on some fundraising events, a group of volunteers, including Love, researched and pushed for the adoption of the MSBU service fee for the fire service. This has brought more to the county than many people realize. Every station now has at least one fire engine that is dependable and well equipped. Volunteers formed a group called the Wakulla County United Firefighters Association and monitored expenses and purchases to build up a fund for equipment purchases. Love served several terms as president and vice president of the association. When the management of this fund was turned over to the professional

managers there was enough money to pay off all fire service debt and purchase the paid county employees a new state of the art fire engine.

Many people don't realize the county has a large training facility near the sheriff's department. Love and other volunteers cleared the land, fenced the facility and built the training building and facilities to train volunteers and the paid firefighters. Volunteers from all over the county were involved in this giant step forward and Chief Love was always involved.

Another important project Love was involved in was getting the Enhanced 911 system operating in the county. He and his wife, Clara and daughter, Karen Day did much of the ground-

work that it took to get a name for every street and an address for every structure. When you make a 911 call it is not luck or magic that lets the dispatcher know where you are.

When the older volunteers talk about how they learned how to fight fire and operate fire equipment the names Raymond Love and Allen Harvey will always be mentioned. The Ochlockonee Bay department went from an insurance rating of nine to a rating of five under Love's guidance. Departments are rated from one to 10, with lower ratings translating into lower fire insurance costs for homeowners.

For all he has done in almost 60 years of fire service, thank you.

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