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DIVIDED OVER DIVING

Whether the state should allow access to Wakulla Springs for recreational diving has divided the community, with hundreds of citizens turning out for a public hearing on the matter at the livestock pavilion last week

By JENNIFER JENSEN
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After not allowing the public to dive at Wakulla Springs for the last 26 years, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection is considering changing that policy.

DEP held a meeting on Jan. 19 to receive public comment on a request to allow recreational cave diving

at the springs, which is the main feature at Wakulla Springs State Park and a registered natural national landmark.

Currently, only research and technical diving are allowed at the springs.

About 250 people packed the livestock pavilion at the Wakulla County Extension Office to make their opinions known about granting access to diving



PHOTOS BY ERIC STANTON/THE WAKULLA NEWS

A portion of the crowd at the livestock pavilion at last week's public hearing on whether recreational diving should be allowed at Wakulla Springs.

By the Numbers

242 Number of people signed in at the public hearing.

52 Number of people who spoke at the hearing against the proposal.

52 Number of people who spoke for it.

73 Number of letters received by DEP against the proposal.

69 Number of letters received by DEP for the proposal.

SOURCE: DEP

in the largest and deepest freshwater spring in the United States.

The meeting lasted a little more than 3 hours to allow all 104 people who had filled out a speaker card, a chance to explain their position to DEP. The speakers were split, with 52 people for the proposal and 52 against it.

Those in favor told officials from DEP's Division of Parks and Recreation about the possible economic benefit diving could have on Wakulla County.

"Wakulla Springs would become very easily the mecca for diving," said Bob Harris, an attorney and lobbyist for the Diving Equipment and Marketing Association. "Wakulla

needs this."

A study on the economic potential of opening Wakulla Springs to cave diving was performed by William Huth and O. Ashton Morgan in 2011. They estimated an annual willingness to pay of approximately \$500,000 for cave diving at Wakulla Springs.

However, many people have questioned those figures, stating only a small sample of divers were surveyed. In response, Huth said the sample was from several years of cave diver registrations to dive at the Jackson County Sheriff's office.

"Diver's diving Jackson Blue are representative of the population of both cave and technical divers," Huth said.

Many people who spoke against the proposal wore badges which read, "No more threats to Wakulla Spring." They expressed concern about what might happen to the manatees in the area, as well as the artifacts at the bottom of the spring and the caves themselves.

There was also some concern about possible interference with other park activities, such as the boat tours.

Archaeologist Jim Dunbar said the bone room of

Wakulla Springs is 13,500 years old, one of the oldest sites in the United States, and is becoming a center of heavy duty scientific study. He worried about possible tampering with the site by the divers.

Ron Piasecki, chairman of the Hydrogeology Con-

sortium and president of the Friends of Wakulla Springs, said there is thousands of dollars of scientific equipment at the spring and recreational divers could potentially jeopardize ongoing research.

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Murray McLaughlin says, 'we need to be good stewards' of the springs.

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Pad Juarez is new health department administrator

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A man who is no stranger to Wakulla County and the health department has taken over as its administrator.

Padraic Juarez had been serving as the interim administrator since former administrator Mark Lundberg retired in July 2011.

The Wakulla County

Commission sent a letter in December to the Florida Department of Health asking them to fill the position and recommended Juarez for the position.

The state then sent a letter in response informing the county of its decision to hire Juarez. After that, all that was needed was the county commission's approval. The commission voted unanimously to approve the hire at its Jan. 10 meeting.

"It worked out very well," Juarez said.

Before serving as the interim administrator, Juarez served as the environmental health administrator for 5 years and has a total of 25 years of health experience.

He got into public health because he said he enjoys serving the public.

"I come from a family of public servants," Juarez said.

His mother is a retired special education teacher and his father is a retired forest firefighter for the Bureau of Land Management.

"It's something I enjoy," Juarez said.

While Juarez was in school he said he thought he would end up being a



Wakulla health department administrator Pad Juarez

lab rat, but he loved being around people and his professors knew a lab wasn't where Juarez would end up.

While a student, Juarez worked as a water and sewer worker by day and a waiter by night.

After he received his bachelor of science degree in biology, he decided to become a health inspector. He eventually also received his masters from Florida State University and is a certified public manager.

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Septic tank rule is misinterpreted

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As of Jan. 20, homeowners with septic tanks who planned to apply for a modification permit will now need to apply for an upgrade to performance based treatment systems.

Several years ago, the Wakulla County Commission passed an ordinance requiring all new septic systems to be performance based and had a requirement that all repairs be brought up to performance based systems.

What the ordinance didn't originally take into account was that there are several types of septic tank construction permits, said Padraic Juarez, health department administrator.

"Homeowners that, for example, are adding a

bedroom onto their house may only need to 'modify' their system to make it workable for the new size by just adding on some drainline," Juarez said.

For those who were modifying their systems, they could apply for a modification permit instead of a repair permit so they would not have to upgrade their system.

However, a week ago, the health department realized that the ability to modify an existing septic system had been misinterpreted and was not being properly enforced.

"The BOCC passed a revision to the county ordinance that added Modification permits to the list of permits that must be brought up to PBT standards," Juarez said.

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DIVIDED OVER DIVING: Whether to allow diving at Wakulla Springs

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Sandy Cook, 16-year park manager now retired, was strongly opposed to the idea.

"The park service got it right 26 years ago with Wakulla Springs," Cook said. "Please don't change it now."

Jim Stevenson said there are other opportunities available for divers, including Emerald Sink, Clear Cut Sink and Cherokee Sink, and said the community and DEP had a moral obligation to keep Wakulla Springs pristine.

"If it ain't broke, don't break it," Stevenson said.

Commissioner Lynn Artz said other activities could also be introduced in the park, but there are unintended consequences.

"Wakulla Springs is nature's equivalent to theistine Chapel," Artz said.

Casey McKinlay, project director for the Woodville Karst Plain Project, which performs research dives in the springs, expressed his strong opposition to the proposal and said the reason divers want to dive Wakulla Springs is the exact reason it should be protected, because of its unique state and pristine condition.

"Wakulla is the soul of the community," McKinlay said.

Other divers spoke out against the proposal telling the audience of destruction

to other springs they have seen, including graffiti in Jackson Blue.

Al Shylkofski said there have been too many resources spent to protect the springs.

"How much is too much?" asked Shylkofski. "Who's responsible?"

David Damon, who is also a diver, said, "The spring is more important than our own thrill."

Cal Jamison, who was the former springs ambassador, felt the effort would only benefit a few and it would come at the expense of the spring.

Rachael Jamison told DEP officials, "Base your decision on the needs of the spring, not the wants of these people."

Those in support of the proposal felt divers, wildlife and other park visitors could co-exist and a proper management plan could be developed.

"It need not be either or," said the Rev. John Spicer, president of the Wakulla County Dive Club, who pushed the proposal and met with upper management from the Florida Park Service in March about opening the Wakulla Springs to cave diving.

"We're asking for fair and equal access," Spicer said.

Divers also stressed their desire to keep Wakulla Springs pristine and untouched and that they do not tolerate vandalism or graffiti. In fact, when a diver

carved his name into a wall of a particular cave, the cave diving community tracked the diver down and he was brought to justice.

Several diving instructors spoke and said they teach respect for the environment and tell students to "leave nothing but bubbles."

Ann Stanton felt it was unrealistic and unfair to believe that divers with WKPP would not do anything to damage the spring or break any laws, but there is the implication that other divers would.

Stanton said it is against the law to take anything from the spring. She suggested video cameras be placed under water to catch possible thieves.

Many opposed expressed safety concerns about diving to a depth of 300 feet. Many stating that diving to those depths is no longer considered recreational diving.

However, those in support of the proposal stressed the importance of restrictive access, which would only allow divers with the necessary training to access certain areas. They also pointed out that divers with WKPP have managed to dive Wakulla Springs safely.

There is no set timeframe for when DEP will make its decision, said DEP Press Secretary Jennifer Diaz. Florida Park Service staff will compile a summary report of the meeting, as well as review the 142

letters that were received, 73 against the proposal and 69 in support.

The decision will be based on what is best for the park, its resources and its visitors, said Lewis Scruggs, assistant chief of DEP's Office of Park Planning.

"All necessary reviews and research will take place before a final decision is made," Diaz said.

If DEP chooses to move forward, they will begin the process of amending the park's unit management plan which will include a public workshop, and advisory group meeting and then the proposal would be submitted to the ARC who have the authority to approve or deny the proposal. If there is a lot of controversy surrounding the proposal, it would instead go to the governor and cabinet, according to Scruggs.



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER JENSEN

Diver Gregg Stanton, above, has helped push the issue to open up diving at the spring. Madeleine Carr, below, spoke against access to the spring over its potential adverse impact on the waterway.



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Board of Commissioners Election
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7:00 am - 7:00 pm

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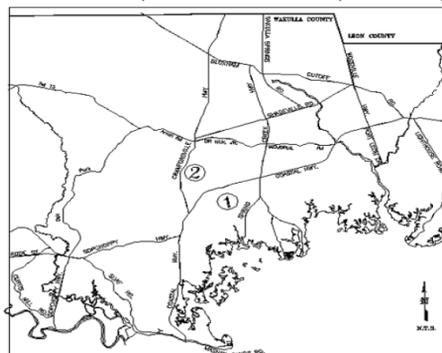
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Notice of Public Hearings Concerning Large Scale Map Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map

The Wakulla County Planning Commission and Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners proposes to consider the following applications and/or adopt the following by ordinance and has scheduled Public Hearings before the Wakulla County Planning Commission on Monday, February 13, 2012, beginning at 7:00 P.M. and before the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners on Monday, March 5, 2012, beginning at 5:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard. All public hearings will be held at the County Commission Chambers located west of the County Courthouse at 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32327. Interested parties are invited to attend and present testimony.



AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING, REVISING, AND REPLACING IDENTIFIED PORTIONS OF THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT AS IDENTIFIED IN ORDINANCE NUMBER 95-30, THE ADOPTION ORDINANCE FOR THE WAKULLA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN, AS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON NOVEMBER 30, 1995, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

1. Application for Comprehensive Plan Map and Text Amendment: CP11-03

Applicant: Spring Creek Farm, LLC
Agent: Thurman Roddenberry
Proposal: amend future land use map and future land use element
Tax ID Number: 00-00-066-000-10104-003
Existing FLU Map: Agriculture (FLUE Policy 1.2.2)
Proposed FLU Map: Rural 1 (FLUE Policy 1.2.3)
Existing Zoning: AG (Section 5-25, LDC)
FEMA Flood Info: "A and C" zones on Panel 0380-B
Parcel Size: 229.744 +/- acres
Location: On Sand Lake Road, south of Coastal Highway
Hearings Required: Planning Commission: Monday, February 13, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
County Commission: Monday, March 5, 2012 @ 5:00PM

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING, REVISING, AND REPLACING IDENTIFIED PORTIONS OF THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AS IDENTIFIED IN ORDINANCE NUMBER 95-30, THE ADOPTION ORDINANCE FOR THE WAKULLA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN, AS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON NOVEMBER 30, 1995, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

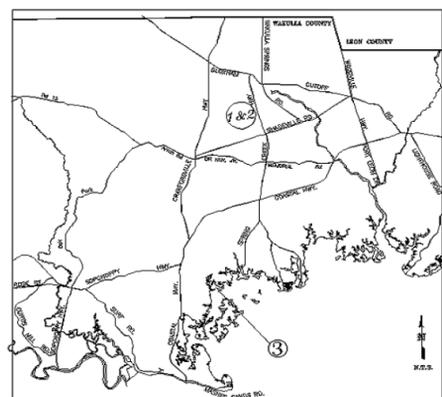
2. Application for Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment: CP11-04

Applicant: Big Bend, LLC
Agent: Thurman Roddenberry
Proposal: amend future land use map
Tax ID Number: 12-4s-02w-000-01903-001, 12-4s-02w-000-01903-002, 12-4s-02w-000-01903-003, 12-4s-02w-000-01903-006, 12-4s-02w-000-01903-007
Existing FLU Map: Rural 2 (FLUE Policy 1.2.4)
Proposed FLU Map: Rural 3 and Commercial (FLUE Policy 1.2.12 and Policy 1.2.7)
Existing Zoning: AG and C-2 (Section 5-25 and 5-38, LDC)
FEMA Flood Info: "C" zone on Panel 0225-B
Parcel Size: 26.53 +/- acres
Location: East side of Crawfordville Highway, north of Hill Greene Road
Hearings Required: Planning Commission: Monday, February 13, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
County Commission: Monday, March 5, 2012 @ 5:00PM

Copies of applications, draft ordinances, and any related public record files may be viewed at the Wakulla County Planning and Community Development Department located at 3095 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327, 8 AM to 4:30 PM M/F; Phone (850) 926-3695. Any person desiring to appeal any decision made with regard to this matter must ensure a verbatim transcript or copy is made of the testimony and exhibits presented at said hearings. Persons needing special access considerations should call the Board Office at least 48 hours before the date for scheduling purposes. The Board Office may be contacted at (850) 926-0919 or TDD 926-7962.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Wakulla County Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners proposes to consider the following applications and/or adopt by ordinance. A Public Hearing is scheduled regarding the following before the Wakulla County Planning Commission on Monday, February 13, 2012, beginning at 7:00 PM, and before the Board of County Commissioners on Monday, March 5, 2012, beginning at 5:00 PM, unless otherwise noted below or as time permits. All public hearings are held at the County Commission Chambers located west of the County Courthouse at 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32327. Interested parties are invited to attend and present testimony.



1. Application for Variance: V12-02
Applicant: Anne Boynton Investments, LLC
Agent: Ben Boynton
Proposal: variance to minimum lot width
Tax ID Number: part of 00-00-039-000-09766-000
Existing FLU Map: Rural 2 (FLUE Policy 1.2.4)
Existing Zoning: RR-5 (Section 5-26, LDC)
FEMA Flood Info: "C" zone on Panel 0250-B
Parcel Size: 26.32 +/- acres
Location: west side of Old Bethal Road, across from Windsong Subdivision
Hearings Required: Planning Commission: Monday, February 13, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
Board of County Commissioners: Monday, March 5, 2012 @ 5:00 PM

2. Application for Preliminary Plat: PP11-02
Applicant: Anne Boynton Investments, LLC
Agent: Ben Boynton
Proposal: construct 5 lot residential subdivision
Tax ID Number: part of 00-00-039-000-09766-000
Existing FLU Map: Rural 2 (FLUE Policy 1.2.4)
Existing Zoning: RR-5 (Section 5-26, LDC)
FEMA Flood Info: "C" zone on Panel 0250-B
Parcel Size: 26.32 +/- acres
Location: west side of Old Bethal Road, across from Windsong Subdivision
Hearings Required: Planning Commission: Monday, March 12, 2012 @ 7:00 PM

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WAKULLA COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, ORDINANCE NO. 85-4, AS AMENDED; CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION AND OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS FROM AG AND P-2 TO P-2 FOR PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" TO THE ORDINANCE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES, OR PORTIONS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

3. Application for Change of Zoning: R11-05
Applicant: Wakulla County
Proposal: rezone to conservation
Tax ID Number: 00-00-112-000-11759-000
Existing FLU Map: Conservation (FLUE Policy 1.2.1)
Existing Zoning: AG and P-2 (Section 5-25 and 5-24, LDC)
Proposed Zoning: P-2 (Section 5-24, LDC)
FEMA Flood Info: "V20" zone on Panel 0380-B
Parcel Size: 436.22 +/- acres
Location: end of Purify Bay Road
Hearings Required: Planning Commission: Monday, April 2, 2012 @ 5:00 PM
Board of County Commissioners: Monday, March 5, 2012 @ 5:00 PM
Board of County Commissioners: Monday, April 2, 2012 @ 5:00 PM

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on **February 21, 2012 at 5:00p.m.** in the Commission Chambers, 29 Arran Rd., Crawfordville, FL 32327 to Consider:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING PARKS AND RECREATION AND SPECIAL EVENTS; REPEALING SECTIONS 22.031 THROUGH 22.037 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY CODE RELATED TO MUSIC OR ENTERTAINMENT FESTIVALS; AMENDING SECTION 23.003 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY CODE, PROVIDING DEFINITIONS RELATED TO PARKS AND RECREATION; AMENDING SECTION 23.004 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY CODE PERTAINING TO HOURS OF OPERATION OF COUNTY PARKS; AMENDING SECTION 23.005 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY CODE RELATED TO PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES AT COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES; AMENDING SECTION 23.006 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY CODE PROHIBITING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES; AMENDING SECTION 23.007 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY CODE RELATED TO OUTDOOR PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS; CREATING A NEW SECTION 23.009 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY CODE PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT OF AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING CHAPTER 23 OF THE CODE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A copy of this ordinance shall be available for inspection by the public at 3093 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327. Interested parties may appear at the Public Hearing or submit comments and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agent, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Any handicapped, visually or hearing impaired person or any non-English speaking person needing special assistance should contact the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners' Office at (850) 926-0919 or TDD (850) 926-1201.

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Looking at trees at the Arbor Day Festival.

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Arbor Day was a success

From the IRIS GARDEN CLUB

Crawfordville's 8th Arbor Day Celebration - and tree-giveaway - at Hudson Park on Saturday attracted more than 600 people and found homes for more than 1,800 trees. Event organizers and attendees alike deemed the event a success.

Each festival goer could choose one free tree from among the following: river birch, bald cypress, southern red oak, turkey oak, basket oak, sugarberry, pignut hickory, parsley hawthorn, flatwoods plum, chickasaw plum, persimmon, fringe tree, dogwood, and chinkapin. The young trees were all in pots and most were several feet tall.

After noon, people could take additional trees for a requested donation of \$3 per tree. In addition, the Florida Forest Service gave away 1,000 longleaf pine seedlings. By the festival's end at 1 p.m., fewer than 200 trees remained.

Families took advantage of the warm

weather to enjoy the music and festivities, sample the food and Iris Garden Club's baked goods, and view the many exhibits and vendor booths. Two lucky raffle winners walked off with beautiful, large trees - a rusty blackhaw donated by Just Fruits & Exotics and a Shumard Oak donated by Purple Martin Nursery.

Children were eager to go home and plant their new trees. Several people reported that the tree they obtained at last year's celebration was thriving and now 4-5 feet tall.

Jeannie Brodhead, President of the Iris Garden Club, and Lynn Artz, founder and co-coordinator of the annual Arbor Day Celebration, are already planning what kinds of trees to order for 2014.

Members of the Iris Garden Club soon will be potting hundreds of bare root trees to give away at the 2013 Arbor Day celebration.



People wait in line for trees at the Arbor Day event at Hudson Park.

Letters to the editor

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READERS WRITE:

Stop littering roadsides - help clean it up

Editor, The News:

When snow begins to melt its white cloak dissolves and reveals an ugly mess. We don't get that phenomenon around here.

Instead January rolls around and the grape vines that shroud our trees are bare, leaves turned from golden garlands just a few weeks ago into a shriveled heap. Dogwoods are bare with even the red berries all gobbled up by the voracious robins as they migrated through.

What is left behind is an unsightly mess.

Peeking from beneath the bared vines are bottles, plastic cups, fast food cups, styrofoam galore, aluminum cans, someone's

hastily discarded narcotic's scale, CDs, unused package of condoms (always a good find for the jokes it evokes), large empty bags of corn feed that must have come from hunters who left the carcass behind. The bones are all that remain.

So teams of people take notice of the roadside mess. Last Saturday the average age of the group picking up trash along Wakulla Springs road was 66 years.

There was a lot of garbage: All revealed in its startling ugliness to a bunch of retirees who have been keeping that public road through the state park clean for years. We started when we were younger.

My vision has been that younger people would

eventually find it in themselves to stop their disgusting behavior. As they grow older, my vision was that they would either join us picking up, or stop throwing trash out of their cars.

How disheartening, then, to drive home after three hours of picking up, to see the next litter pickup already in the making.

Just take a look at your roads. Get outside, get some exercise and pick up a plastic grocery bag full of litter at the end of your day. Your body probably needs it. And your children will have a role model.

Thank you. I am going skiing (NOT).

Madeleine H. Carr
Crawfordville

Gag Grouper exemption is being sought

Editor, The News:

Attention Wakulla Grouper Fishermen! If you are a Recreational Grouper Fisherman who enjoys Gag Grouper fishing in our Big Bend State waters, pay close attention, take action now, and pass this on to your fishing friends.

Under a proposed FWC Rule Change, the hundreds of small boat (17-22 foot) Grouper Fishers who historically enjoy Spring and Fall shallow water grouper fishing in State waters (out to nine miles) will no longer be able to do so.

Virtually all of the legal Gag Grouper leave these shallow state waters during the hot summer months and travel great distances from shore where small boaters cannot safely go.

NOAA Fisheries wants the FWC (which

has total jurisdiction over state waters) to have state Gag Grouper season coincide with the Federal season which starts in July after all legal Grouper have left our state waters.

We are asking FWC to consider an exemption for the shallow state waters of Apalachee Bay and the Big Bend and to continue to allow the traditional spring and fall season for Gags in state waters. There is already an exemption for Monroe County in the Keys.

Please E-MAIL the COMMISSIONERS at Commissioners@MyFWC.com or attend this important meeting at the Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy Auditorium on Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 8:30 a.m.

Alan Lamarche
Shell Point

Candidate Hasner visits Crawfordville

Editor, The News:

Adam Hasner is hoping to become the newest Senator from Florida.

Adam Hasner had breakfast at Myra Jeans in Crawfordville on Monday morning, Jan 23, with members of the public. Adam will be visiting every county in Florida during his campaign before the August primary.

Adam Hasner is lifelong Republican deeply committed to limited government, free markets, American values and a strong national defense.

Adam was first elected in 2002 to serve as a part-time state legislator representing Palm Beach and Broward Counties. Serving alongside Marco Rubio in the Florida House for six years, in 2007, Adam was selected by then-Speaker Rubio to serve as Majority Leader for the Republican caucus, a position he held for four years until being term-limited from office in 2010.

Adam has a lifetime "A" rating from the National Rifle Association, a 98% rating from the Florida



Ed Brimmer and Adam Hasner outside Myra Jean's.

Chamber of Commerce, and is a winner of the Christian Coalition of Florida's Faith and Family Award.

In 2010, well before the issue became part of national headlines, Adam led the House Republicans in demanding the United States Congress pass a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution, and then served as the founding national Co-Chairman of the citizen action group, Pass The Balanced Budget Amendment.

Adam is endorsed by FreedomWorks and Concerned Women for America,

and by national conservative voices Mark Levin, Erick Erickson of RedState.com and Monica Crowley of Fox News.

Adam's visit is a great honor and shows his commitment to every county in Florida, both large and small. Adam has proven he deserves to be seriously considered during the forthcoming election season.

Ed Brimmer
Chairman
Wakulla Republican
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Sponsorships offered for Valentine Festival

Editor, The News:

The Rotary Club of Wakulla is making plans for the 14th annual Rotary Valentine Celebration on Saturday, Feb. 11.

This event will attract thousands of friends and neighbors along with many folks from outside our area. Over the past decade, the Rotary Valentine Celebration has allowed the Wakulla Rotary Club to donate more than \$150,000 to local charities that work to improve the lives of people right here in Wakulla County.

The Valentine Celebration will kick off with Breakfast in the Park at 8 a.m. The Valentine Parade begins at 10 a.m. and is followed by the Celebration in Hudson Park.

The Celebration features live entertainment, food and craft vendors and

carnival rides. Festivities culminate with a raffle for a \$1,000 cash prize at 3 p.m.

Sponsors enjoy many benefits for their support, including mentions in The Wakulla News and the Wakulla Area Times. It's the partnership between Rotarians which has made the Valentine Day Celebration so successful and such fun over the past decade.

Please choose to be a sponsor and help us continue raising funds to brighten the future of Wakulla County.

Jo Ann Palmer
Chairperson
Valentine Celebration & Parade

Doug Jones
President
Wakulla Rotary Club

Family appreciates support in time of loss

Editor, The News:

The family of the late Estella Hazel Greene would like to thank you for your prayers, phone calls, cards, flowers, food,

etc. in our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you and your family.

The family of Estella Hazel Greene

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Amos Leonard Jr.

Amos Leonard Jr., of Winter Haven, passed away on Monday, Jan. 9, in Tallahassee with his family by his side.

Born in Sylacauga, Ala., on June 5, 1930, he received a B.S. from Alabama State College for Negroes and a Master's from FAMU. He was certified in Florida and Alabama as a Teacher and taught at Shadeville High School, Bartow, Auburndale and Union Academy High Schools. He retired in '95 having only missed 35 days of work. After retirement, he volunteered at Jenkins Middle School then traveled with his lovely wife to 11 different countries and many states within the U.S. He was also a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Treasurer of the Voter's League in Polk County.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel Napier Leonard and her children, Bennie, Annie, Paul Jr., Richard, Nathaniel, Jamira, Jamera, and Avalon; four siblings, Annie, Ophelia, John and Frank; a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews and students who will cherish his memory.

Funeral service was held on Sunday, Jan. 22, at the St. Paul MBC in Pierce with burial at at Wildwood Cemetery in Bartow.

Carl E. Hallstrom
Carl Eugene Hallstrom, 87, of Lanark Village, passed away Saturday, Jan. 14.

He was a retired Southern Baptist minister and served as the Chaplain for the American Legion in Carrabelle. A U.S. Army Veteran of World War II, he was the recipient of three Bronze Stars, the Purple Heart and other decorations and citations for his service.

He was predeceased by his wife, Glenda Louise Hallstrom.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Jan. 28, at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Carrabelle, with Pastor Mark Mercer and Pastor James Chunn officiating. Interment took place at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell.

Survivors include his son, Larry (Jeannie) Hallstrom of Crawfordville; a sister, Mary Arlene Rose of El Paso, Texas; five grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Forbes Funeral Home 850-559-3380. Please sign the online guestbook at www.forbesfuneralhome.net.

Nancy Q. Ford

Nancy Quinn Ford, 52, of Crawfordville passed away Monday, Jan. 16, in Gainesville.

She was born in Phoenix, Ariz., and was a Baptist. Graveside services were held Friday, Jan. 20, at St. Elizabeth Cemetery.

Survivors include her husband of 31 years, George Ford Jr.; one daughter, Linda Voyles (husband Derek); brothers, John Quinn, James Quinn and Michael Quinn; two sisters, Kathy Rollins and Karen Willett; two grandchildren, Karen and Natalie.



Robert C. Carter

Born July 5, 1925, in Bronx, New York, Robert Charles Carter, passed away the afternoon of Monday, Jan. 16, to join his lifetime love, Irene.

Survivors include his five devoted children: Debbie Schuck, Chris Carter (Patti McMullen), Nancy Byington, Cassie Tucker (Richard), Becky Leckinger and nine grandchildren.

He grew up in New York City during the depression along with three sisters: Marge Bertolas, Gladys Dalton and Ruth Stephany. He was the eternal optimist, always seeing the glass as half full.

Not having sufficient vision and being able to join the regular service, he instead served during World War II with the American Field Service and the Merchant Marines.

Upon his return he met his true love and wife of 61 years, Irene. They would move out of the city to Albany, N.Y., where they both worked at the Veterans Administration hospital. While having five children, Bob continued to earn his Masters Degree at New York City College. He then began teaching at Russell Sage College, paving the way for male nurses.

The Carter family moved to Tallahassee in 1970 as Bob accepted a Professor position at the Florida State University School of Nursing. He pioneered the clinical program for Psychiatric Nursing at Chattahoochee State Hospital.

In his retirement Bob continued to serve his community, volunteering with the Wakulla Literacy program, at the Panacea Health Clinic, at

the TMH emergency room and at the TMH Woman's Pavilion, particularly enjoying the baby cuddling.

Positive, even as he faced Parkinson's and Irene's battle with cancer, Bob's motto was to find laughter daily and spread it around. He will be dearly missed but left an impression in our hearts forever.

Special thanks to the staff of Elder Care Day Center, Seven Hills and Big Bend Hospice for caring for our loving Dad.

A gathering of friends and family was held on Jan. 19, at Abbey Funeral Home. A celebration of Bob's life was held on Jan. 20, at Abbey Funeral Home. Donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice.

Online condolences may be made at www.abbeyfh.com.

Ellis M. 'Mac' Oaks

Ellis MacArthur "Mac" Oaks, 69, of Spring Creek passed away Thursday, Jan. 19.

He was the son of Ellis and Mattie Lee Martin Oaks. He was a lifelong resident of Wakulla County. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and spending time with family and friends. He was the former owner of Town & Country Painting and Repair.

A memorial service will be held at the home of his niece (116 Blueberry Lane, Crawfordville) at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28.

Survivors include his daughters, Debra Thompson of Crawfordville and Antoinette Oaks of Spring Creek; son, Ellis M. Oaks Jr. of Tallahassee; brothers, Theo Oaks, Ernest Oaks and Tommy Oaks all of Crawfordville, Johnny Oaks of Land-O-Lakes, and Bobby Oaks of Lakeland; three grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife Annette Smith Oaks.

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Church News

Unity of Churches event set Sunday

Hallowed Be Thy Name Church of God will be hosting a Unity of Churches Service at Hudson Park on Sunday, Jan. 29, at 11 a.m. All churches and the community are welcome to attend.

This is a casual event and you are welcome to bring your lawn chairs. For questions and additional information, please contact Tongela Davis at (850) 321-7275.

Bob Jones Brass Choir will perform

The Bob Jones University Brass Choir will present a program of familiar sacred music at Central Baptist Church of Crawfordville on Tuesday evening, Jan. 31 at 7:30 p.m. and also on Wednesday morning, Feb. 1, at 9 a.m. for the Providence Christian Academy chapel service.

Directed by Paul Jantz, longtime faculty member and trombone instructor at BJU, the brass choir will perform beautiful arrangements of great hymns of the faith centering on the themes of praise and redemption. Mr. Jantz also serves as the director of Musical Activities and director of the Brass Program in the University's School of Fine Arts and Communication.

Central Baptist Church is located at the intersection of 10 Powell Lane & Shadeville Road. The public is cordially invited to attend. Call (850) 926-2456 or 274-1583 for more information.

Giveaway slated at Radical Restoration

Radical Restoration Ministries Outreach will host a giveaway on Saturday, Jan. 28, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m..

We will be giving away clothing and free lunch. Also, we have our monthly food bank for anyone in need of food. Please come out and enjoy fun and fellowship with us.

We are located at 1370 Coastal Highway in Panacea.

The Happy Christians set at Friendship PB

The Happy Christians, a gospel singing group, will be performing at Friendship Primitive Baptist Church, 165 Friendship Church Road, in Medart at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 29. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Youth fundraiser at Ochlockonee Bay UMC

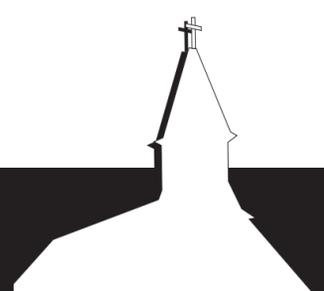
Ochlockonee Bay United Methodist Church will hold a youth fundraiser on Saturday Jan. 28, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a yard sale beginning at 9 a.m. and a hamburger dinner from noon to 2 p.m. The hamburger dinner will feature super good burgers, roasted potatoes, cole slaw, and cake all for \$8.

The church is located at 2780 Surf Road in Ochlockonee Bay.

Fifth Sunday meeting set at St. John PB

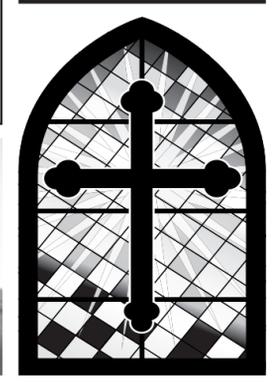
The Fifth Sunday Union meeting of the Old West Florida Primitive Baptist Churches will be held at St. John P.B. Church in Medart. Elder Raymond Sanders Jr. is host pastor.

Wakulla Worship Centers



<h3>Crawfordville Area</h3>	<h3>Coastal</h3>	<h3>Sopchoppy</h3>	<h3>Medart Area</h3>
<p>Crawfordville United Methodist Church Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor Mike Shockley 926-7209 Ochlockonee & Arran Road "Come Grow With Us" www.crawfordville-umc.org</p>	<p>Ochlockonee Bay United Methodist Church Sunday Worship 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Pastor Kevin Hall (850) 984-0127</p>	<p>Sopchoppy United Methodist Church Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Pastor Kevin Hall 850-962-2511</p>	<p>Trinity Lutheran Church of Wakulla County Hwy. 98, Across from WHS Web site: Lutheranonline.com/trinityofwakulla Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Pre-School M-F (3-5 Years) Pastor Vicar Bert Matlock Church 926-7808 • Pre-School 926-5557</p> <p>Christ Church Anglican Sunday 8:30am Service 9:30am Sunday School for Adults & Children 10:30am Worship Service Nursery available Thursday 10:30 am Adult Bible Study Wednesday 6:00 pm - Supper and Children, Youth and Adult Bible Classes The Rev. John Spicer, Rector 850-745-8412 3383 Coastal Highway</p>
<p>You've Got Bible Questions? We've Got Bible Answers Find the Peace and Hope and Answers in these Troubling Times. Let the Bible Speak 1044 Shadeville Road • Crawfordville, Florida 32327 "the churches of Christ salute you" — Romans 16:16 www.OysterBayChurchofChrist.org</p>	<h3>Wakulla Station</h3>	<p>Sopchoppy Church of Christ Corner of Winthrop & Byrd St. Sunday: Bible Study ...9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Evening Worship5 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Study...7 p.m. Visitors are welcome! Home Bible Courses available... please call for details, 962-2213</p>	<p>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Fr. Edward T. Jones, Pastor 3609 Coastal Hwy. Crawfordville • 850 926-1797 Sunday Mass 9:00 am Wednesday & Thursday Mass 7:00 pm Monday Mass 3:30 pm Eden Springs 1st Saturday of every month: Confessions 10:30 - 11:30 and 3:00 - 4:00 Adoration Mass 10:00 am Cemetery lots and Cremain spaces available. 850-509-7630</p>
<p>Ivan Assembly of God 202 Ivan Church Road Crawfordville Pastor, Daniel Cooksey "Come & Worship With Us" 926-IVAN(4826) Sunday School.....10 a.m. Sunday Worship.....11 a.m. Evening Worship.....6 p.m. Wednesday Service.....7 p.m. & Youth Service.....7 p.m. Royal Rangers.....7 p.m. Missionettes.....7 p.m.</p>	<p>We're Here to Share the Journey... Big Bend Hospice your hometown hospice, licensed since 1983 2889C Crawfordville Hwy 850.926.9308 bigbendhospice.org</p>	<p>Wakulla United Methodist Church Sunday Contemporary Service 8:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages - 10 a.m. Sunday Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday Service - 7 p.m. 1584 Old Woodville Rd. Wakulla Station 421-5741 Pastor Janice Henry - Rinehart</p>	<p>Lake Ellen Baptist Church Hwy 319 Medart, Office 926-5265 Early Worship 8:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. AWANA 5:00 p.m. Youth Zone Time 4:30 p.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Services 7:00 p.m.</p>

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Theresa D. Lamy

Theresa "Doris" Whritenour Lamy, 82, passed away on Friday, Jan. 20, after suffering with gall bladder cancer.

She was born on Dec. 23, 1929 in West Milford, N.J. She was a graduate of Butler High School and was married to the late Joseph Lamy. She moved to Crawfordville from St. Petersburg in 1999 to be closer to her daughter, Jo Ann Daniels. "Miss Doris" as she was fondly known, volunteered at Wakulla Middle School before taking a position at Wakulla High in the school cafeteria. She loved being around the students who often referred to her as their favorite lunchroom lady. Doris was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church and a member of the Ladies Circle. She also belonged to CHAT in support of the Wakulla County Animal Shelter.

Visitation will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church on Friday, Jan. 27, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28th at the church, with burial following at the St. Elizabeth Cemetery. A luncheon reception for all family and friends will follow in the church hall. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice, 2889-C Crawfordville, FL 32327.

Survivors include her children: Dudley Lamy (Blythe) of Clearwater, Jo Ann Daniels (Lloyd) of Crawfordville, David Lamy (Norma) of Largo, Debra DeLigio (Lorenzo) of Spring Hill, Blanche Bono (Mark) of Dunedin and Joseph Lamy of Kenneth City; grandchildren are Lloyd Daniels III, Karen Taylor, James Daniels, Josie Daniels, Meghan Daniels, Patricia Wolf, Mike Lamy, Norman Lamy, Amanda Vassilakos, Valerie Pahlkotter, and Justin High; great-grandchildren are Legion Taylor, Ronin Taylor, Alyssa Lamy, Alex Vassilakos, Kayla Vassilakos, and Mason

Pahlkotter, and her sisters, Kathleen Mabe of New York, Shirley Turse of New York, Mary Decker of New Jersey, and Carol Van Splinter also of New Jersey.

Bevis Funeral Home in Crawfordville is in charge of the arrangements. (850-926-3333) or bevisfh.com

Ruby Lee Snyder

Ruby Lee Snyder passed away Monday, Jan. 16, in Tallahassee.

She was born in Greensboro in 1922. Her family, the Wells and Greens, established the settlement of Greensboro. At 21, she joined the U.S. Army and worked in a medical lab. After World War II she was diagnosed with tuberculosis and received an honorable medical discharge. She then attended the University of Georgia. Before graduation she married Frank Snyder. After graduation, they moved to Toccoa, Ga., where her husband owned a company that made lacquer for furniture.

In 1984 they moved to Wakulla County to live on property they had purchased years earlier. Her husband died in 1998. She was a member of Ochlockonee Bay Methodist Church and was a supporter of Habitat for Humanity, the Senior Center, Sopchoppy Homemakers, Garden Club and Academic Boosters Scholarship Program and United Methodist Women of Ochlockonee Bay.

At 89, Ms. Snyder was not physically strong as in prior years but her desire to help others and her love and compassion for her community was as strong as ever.

Visitation was held Jan. 19 at Ochlockonee Bay United Methodist Church. Graveside services were held Jan. 20 at West Sopchoppy Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity of Wakulla, 940 Shadeville Road, Crawfordville FL 32327 or to the Wakulla County Senior Citizens Council, 33 Michael Drive, Crawfordville FL 32327.

Survivors include a

daughter, Sheryl Snyder; a granddaughter, Marilyn Smith (Bill); and great-granddaughters, Jenna Smith and Kara Smith; nieces, Cheryl Olah and Dianne Marquis; a nephew, Ray Willis; daughter-in-law, Polly Snyder; caregivers, Joyce Ann Davis and Debbie Olah; as well as her many friends that were her family.

She was predeceased by her husband, Frank Snyder; by her parents, Steve Edwards and Edra Wells Edwards; by a son, Lynn Snyder; by her sisters, Doris Evans and Juanita Marshall; and by a brother, Steve Edwards Jr.

Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel in Crawfordville is in charge of arrangements (850-926-3333 or bevisfh.com)

P.E. 'Gene' Carpenter

P.E. "Gene" Carpenter, 86, of Crawfordville passed quietly on Thursday, Jan. 19.

Born in Harrah, Okla., on Jan. 17, 1926, he graduated from Harrah High School as the class Valedictorian. During World War II, he worked for Douglas Aircraft in Oklahoma City where he assisted with the design and manufacture of C-47 Skytrain airplanes. After the war, he attended the University of Oklahoma where he was a member of Tau Beta Pi, Engineering Honor Society. He graduated with honors from OU in 1950. He worked for the Oklahoma Highway Department until 1961, when he went to work for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and worked for that organization until his retirement in 1986. From 1971 to 1986 Gene was the FHWA Division Administrator for Florida. In that position he oversaw such projects as the construction of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge in Tampa and the Overseas Highway through the Florida Keys. After retirement Gene spent his years at his home at Shell Point, relaxing, fishing, and enjoying life on the Gulf Coast to the fullest.

Survivors include his son, Thomas (Marsha) of Broom-

field, Colo.; daughter, Shelley (Monte) of Crawfordville; grandson, James of Denver, Colo.; granddaughter, Kelly of Ft. Lauderdale; sister, Anna Lilac Swihart of Canon City, Colo.; best friend, Becky Jones of Crawfordville; and his constant and loyal companions, rescue dogs Mac, a cocker spaniel, and Bart, a miniature dachshund.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 45 years, Marilyn Grey Carpenter; and his sister, Crystal Merritt.

In lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the American Heart Association or CHAT (Citizens for Humane Animal Treatment) of Wakulla, 1 Oak St., Crawfordville FL 32327

He will be interred at the columbarium at All Souls Episcopal Church, Oklahoma City.

Bonnie D. Thornton

Bonnie DuBose Thornton, 80, of Crawfordville, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 17, after a long illness at Eden Springs Nursing Home in Medart.

She was a lifetime member of First United Methodist Church in Perry.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to First United Methodist Church, 302 N. Jefferson Street, Perry FL 32347 (850-584-3028).

Survivors include one son, Bill DuBose (Debbie) of Crawfordville; two daughters, Denise DuBose and Debbie Sinclair (Pete) of Tallahassee; and grandchildren, Lindsey DuBose, Leah DuBose of Orlando, Michael DuBose and Morgan Sinclair.

Graveside services were held Jan. 21 at Woodlawn Cemetery in Perry.

Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel in Crawfordville was in charge of arrangements (850-926-3333 or bevisfh.com)

Weltman weds Feigeles



Michelle Feigeles and Michael Weltman

Michael Weltman of Crawfordville and Michelle Feigeles of Cleveland, Ohio, were married on Nov. 27 in Cleveland, Ohio.

The couple had a traditional Jewish ceremony with the wedding held in Beachwood, Ohio, and the reception was held in Burton, Ohio.

The bride is the daughter of Claire and Joseph Feigeles of Cleveland.

The groom is the son of June and Ken Kiner of Cleveland.

She is a graduate of Kent State University and was formerly with Nordstrom.

He has a Master of Business Administration from Mercer University and a bachelor's degree in management from Florida State University. He is the Florida sales manager of First Bank.

The couple will take a honeymoon to the Bahamas in the spring.

They live in Crawfordville.

Birth announcements

Christopher W. Raker

Will and Stephanie Raker, of Sopchoppy, announce the birth of their son Christopher Wyatt Raker on Oct. 12 at Capital Regional Medical Center.

He was 8 pounds, 15 ounces, and was 20.5-inches long.

He has an older sister, Courtney, who is 7. His maternal grandparents are Erick and Sue Pena of Tallahassee.

His paternal grandparents are Billy and Jennifer Raker of Sopchoppy.

His great-grandparents are Cliff and Ruth Harper.

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Danna Richardson wins district spelling bee



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Danna Richardson holds her trophy and dictionary alongside Superintendent David Miller and runner-up Giselle Almanzar.

Special to The News

The Wakulla District Spelling Bee was held Friday, Jan. 13 at Shadeville Elementary School.

Danna Richardson, a seventh grader at Wakulla Middle, won in the ninth round spelling the word "scampi" correctly.

Giselle Almanzar, a fifth grader at Riversprings Elementary, was the runner up.

The Wakulla News was a sponsor for the annual event and presented a Merriam-Webster Collegiate dictionary to the winner.

Deadline to sign up for summer trip is March 4

By SUZANNE CAMP

The deadline to sign up for a summer trip to Costa Rica is March 4.

This trip is led by Bob Wallace, an experienced traveler and teacher at Wakulla High School, through the tour company Explorica.

The trip, which is from June 11-20, is open to students and adults, ninth grade and older.

Participants will fly out of Tallahassee to San Jose' Costa Rica and go see the Poas Volcano.

The following day includes a trip to the city engulfed by clouds, Montaverde, which is home to many magnificent creatures such as quetzals, which are one of the world's most beautiful birds.

If school is in session, there will be an opportunity to visit and donate school supplies to the children. After that, there will be a zip line tour through the rainforest, which is in one of the world's greatest wildlife preserves.

Participants will visit the Santa Elena Biological reserve and see spider monkeys and other animals. There will be

a horseback ride through the rainforest and nature lovers can also plant a tree in the rainforest.

The group will travel to coastal Puntarenas and enjoy free time at the beach.

The following day, guests will take a guided tour of Manuel Antonio National Park. Manuel Antonio includes 12 islands and is known for its white sands and variety of wild life.

Participants will travel to the artistic village of Sarchi on the way to San Jose' for shopping and viewing the sights.

On the last full day, there will be a river rafting adventure on the most popular river in Costa Rica.

Anyone signing up in January can save \$75 by using the code "voyager75."

The cost of the trip is \$2,346 for students age 22 and younger. The price for participants age 23 and older is \$2,791. The price includes airfare, hotels, transportation, entrance to exhibits and activities and three meals per day. To sign up, go to www.explorica.com, click on the students or parents tab and select to sign up for a tour. The tour center ID is Wallace-3313. Follow the signup instructions from there.

Teachers and employee of the month announced

Special to The News

The January Teachers of the Month are Shadeville Elementary School's Kerry Adams and Wakulla High School's Coach Scott Klees. The Employee of the Month is Human Resource Department's Cindy Jones.

Superintendent David Miller and the Wakulla County School Board applaud the optimism and compassion these employees bring to the District, as well as the enthusiasm they display on behalf of the students, schools, the profession of education and communities they serve.

Kerry Adams has been teaching fifth grade inclusion at Shadeville Elementary School since 2008.

Adams is a Flagler College graduate who originally began her career in Leon County. After purchasing a house in Wakulla County and then following her sisters' advice to apply in Wakulla County, she did and was hired by Principal Susan Brazier.

Adams grew up in Tallahassee and graduated from Lincoln High School.

She is inspired each day by knowing that she could be the one person to make a positive difference in a child's life.

Adams shares, "What I love most about my job is watching the students that enter my classroom learn, change and grow over the course of a school year and knowing that I had a part in that experience. I feel truly blessed to be a part of such an outstanding school district. I can't even imagine a life in teaching outside of our county. The leadership and team mentality makes teaching here an experience that is incomparable to any other. There is a reason Wakulla County schools shine, and I am thankful to be a part of this phenomenal team."

Adams is actively involved in the total school program. She either leads or helps with the Sunshine Committee, Spelling Bee, Safety Patrol, Yearbook and



Kerry Adams



Scott Klees



Cindy Jones

Science Curriculum.

Principal Susan Brazier adds, "Mrs. Adams creates a warm, nurturing yet challenging learning environment in which her students show great gains academically and socially. I appreciate the positive and cheerful manner she brings to our school and her classroom. She is part of the dynamic ESE Inclusion Team and does a great job incorporating technology into her lessons. Mrs. Adams is a dedicated member of the fifth grade team and an outstanding educator."

Coach Scott Klees, Wakulla High School's head football and weightlifting coach and PE teacher, is also a Wakulla County School District Teacher of the Month for January.

Coach Klees has served the students of Wakulla County for almost a decade beginning as the War Eagle Defensive Coordinator in 2002.

Prior to coaching in Wakulla County, he coached for seven years in Monroe County.

He graduated from North Florida Christian School in Tallahassee, attended Valdosta State University and graduated from FSU with a Bachelor's degree in Child Development.

Klees plays a vital role in the development of the character in each of his students. Klees is highly competitive and works far beyond his required hours.

He adds, "Watching my boys experience the opportunity of reaching the State

Football Finals this year has been very rewarding."

Principal Mike Crouch shares, "Coach Klees' passion for the game of football is far outweighed by his passion for his students to become great young men and women. He is an advocate for his students. He always wants what is best for his students. It is a privilege to have Scott Klees on the faculty at WHS. Many students will remember him the rest of their lives because he taught them life lessons that go far beyond high school."

The January Employee of the Month is the District Human Resources Secretary, Cindy Jones.

She has worked with the Wakulla County School District since 2007. She brought experience as a manager and owner of a dry cleaner business, a secretary at St. Mark's Powder Company and customer service representative at Wakulla Bank with her.

"Ms. Jones, a product of the Wakulla County School System, has a benevolent heart for people. No matter what challenges she encounters, she handles it with grace and courage. Ms. Jones is a hard-worker, a solution seeker, a considerate high-energy team member who is making a positive difference. Those traits coupled with her enthusiasm and eternal optimism make her a perfect fit for Human Resources," said Karen Wells, executive director of Human Resources.

Jones notes facilitating

people with employment as the most rewarding part of her job. She adds, "Times are so hard now on both sides of the fence, employee and employer, so anything we can do to ease the pressures and make life a little easier makes me feel like I contributed in a positive way."

Wells said, "Cindy strives, every day, to learn and enhance her skills."

Jones has obtained training and certification in FDLE fingerprinting, Florida DOE certification, Florida Public Record Requests, Microsoft office programs, forms control, data entry, job fair recruiting, notary, state surveys and more.

Jones notes, "From the very beginning of my employment with the school district, I have never stopped being amazed at the dedication, professionalism and genuine commitment to each other and to the students I have seen with the faculty and staff. We are a family, a team, who work hard and laugh hard most days."

Wells adds, "It is easy to imagine Cindy Jones as a War Eagle cheerleader. She is a natural supporter and advocates for people whose lives she touches. There's a familiar saying, 'as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.' Each day the reflection we see in Cindy includes encouragement, creativity, resourcefulness and compassion. She is very deserving of this recognition."

Locals families sought for student exchange program

World Heritage Student Exchange Program, a highly respected, non-profit, public-benefit organization, is seeking local host families for high school boys and girls from Scandinavia, France, Germany, Italy, Thailand, China, South Korea, and the former Soviet Republics.

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Sports

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SPECIAL TO THE NEWS
 War Eagle cheerleaders: sitting, Hailee Clark, Holly Harper, India Harris, Charity Wilson, Macy Allen, Leann Griner; next row, Baylee Baze, Harley Hammon, Kala Pickett, Sara Mathis, Brianna Gubala, Mary Warren Adkison - Captain, Becca Pearce, Corban Scott, Makayla Payne; third row, Erica Harrell, Ashley Stevens, Maddie Champany, Bobbi Broome, Brooke Edwards - Captain, Lori Sandgren - Coach, Bethany Evans - Coach, Jacey Todd, Kiresten Parrish, Brittany Herald, Crystal Posey, Gabby Azzarito; back row, Leah Kennedy, Alyssa Crum, Haley Hurst, Brandon Dawkins, Cedar Carter, Cary Mathers, Sydney Russ.

CHEERLEADING

A look behind the state win

By **LORI SANDGREN**
 Cheerleader Coach

JV and Varsity Cheerleaders become a competitive team in July working for the same goal - to make it to the STATE competition. We hired a professional choreographer from South Florida to teach their competition routine and difficult level stunts to the team in July, as well as attended the hardest cheer camp at UGA this summer. Every bit of their focus has been on STATE.

The team practiced every day working on this routine and mastering the difficulty level we needed to get there. The challenge of being a cheer team in a rural area is tough. Other public schools (down south) come to our competitions with so much more access to gyms and tumbling classes than our girls. It does not stop our team - they work that much harder to compete with the best.

Day after day, the team works, getting bruises, kicked in the head, hurting themselves for this goal. Whoever said cheerleading was not a contact sport hasn't been to my practices.

The team realized from last year their weak levels were two things: difficulty in stunts and tumbling. As a group, they made the decision to drive to Tallahassee to get private coached on tumbling skills once a week. The ability to do difficult stunts would come over

time. The team has been faithful. They have put serious time into this routine, and it does not happen overnight.

Last Saturday, we competed in Regionals in Perry. We were NOT competing with another team - we were competing with a score. The score needed to be a minimal score to be allowed to compete at the STATE level.

At Perry, The team BLEW away the judges. They rocked it! They went out there and hit every stunt and tumbling pass they were supposed to. I could not have been more proud! At the end of their performance, the fans were standing on their feet cheering. Florida State University squad was competition for their score in Perry as well. At one time, I looked over and FSU was on their feet screaming for our team. EVERYONE in the place was cheering.

Needless to say, our team made that score and received the "Judges Choice Award." This award is ONLY given to four high schools in

the state of Florida.

On Monday, the teams in the state of Florida who have made the "STATE Score" will travel down to Daytona Beach to compete.

Not every cheer team gets to go to STATE....you MUST make the score.

Friday night at 7:55 p.m. and Saturday at 10:55 a.m., our team will be competing for the STATE title in Super Varsity Co-ed division. Friday night is 25 percent of our score and Saturday is 75 percent of our score. It is a BIG honor to have made it to STATE, but I know our team, and they want to WIN it.

I know I went on longer than needed, but I am so PROUD!

These girls deserve praise.

Win or lose, I am so proud of them for coming this far and for the commitment they have showed to their school.

Editor's Note: The cheer team won the state title at the competition.

WRESTLING

Panhandle Champions!

Special to The News

The War Eagle wrestling team traveled to Mosely High School for the Panhandle Championships Jan. 20 and 21.

The team had an outstanding tournament performance and came home with the first place trophy, 45 points ahead of the second placed team, Gulf Breeze. Wakulla had seven wrestlers advance to the final round with five emerging as champions: **Zack Malik** (113), **Bill Morgan** (120), **James Douin** (170), **Cole Woofter** (220) and **Chris Griffin** (HW).

Claiming second place were **Kevon White** (132) and **Travis Hinsey** (138) with **Joshua Douin** (106) coming in third, **Luke Taylor** (182) placing fourth, **Drew DeLong** (160) placing fifth and **Keith Godden** (195)

placing sixth.

Cole Woofter was voted outstanding heavyweight wrestler by the tournament coaches.

The JV team wrestled on Saturday with a strong showing on the mat. **Cody Davis** (126) earned second place going 3-1 for the tournament and **Devin Griffin** (220) placed first.

Coach Will Pafford was pleased with the team's performance. "The boys were focused and wrestled well," said Pafford. "We continue to work toward our goal of winning District and competing at Regionals."

The team will wrestle at Godby High School in the City Championships on Friday, Jan. 27.

Basketball



PHOTO BY PAT FAHERTY/GADSDEN COUNTY TIMES

Wakulla's Takija Knight, far right, Bryson Beverly, center and Patrick Harvey, left, break up a West Gadsden scoring attempt late in the game. West Gadsden would prevail, 68-47.

BASEBALL

Babe Ruth registration is Feb. 4, 11

Babe Ruth Baseball registration will be Saturday, Feb. 4, and Saturday, Feb. 11. Registrations will take place at the rec-

reation park in Medart from 8 a.m. to noon on both dates. Players age 13-15 are eligible to play Babe Ruth.



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All leagues age determining dates are April 30th, except Girls Softball age determining date is January 1st. All children must provide proof of health insurance or purchase the \$10.00 policy. Registration DEADLINE for T-ball and Pitching Machine League is **2/11/12 12:00 P.M.**

All of the Associations deadlines may vary so please sign up early so your child secures a spot. You may also call 926-7227 for more information or go to our webpage at www.WCPRD.com.

Outdoors

outdoor sports and fishing reports

Fish are mostly in the creeks

It's hard to believe I've been writing this fishing report for 20 years. It seems like I just started. I just don't know where time goes.

When the Phillips family owned the newspaper, I had just gotten laid off from IBM and was feeling sorry for myself and just mopping around the house doing nothing. I didn't have anything to do, so one day I called them up and asked if they would be interested in having someone write a fishing report for the paper. They had a report but it was not much. They said, send us a sample of what you would write, and the rest is history.

I've tried to do one every week and I know there have been a few times when I wasn't able to get one in the paper and sometimes it's just hard to find something to put in there, especially when fish just aren't biting.

To get to the point, starting this week, I am going to be putting an article in the paper every other week.

I just got off the phone with Kenny at Shell Island Fish Camp and he said fishing down around the river was pretty slow. Some trout and reds are being caught but not many folks are fishing. He said they are still having live shrimp delivered every other day.

JR said the fishing around the Aucilla is fairly good though most of the fish are being caught in the creeks. He said he and a friend went on Monday of last week and caught



From The Dock

BY CAPT. JODY CAMPBELL



seven nice trout and a red in the river using Mirrolures and the Gulp Jerk Shad. He went back the day after the real cold day last week, knowing they would have their limit in a short while, and said he didn't get a bite.

Right now most people are fishing the creeks with shallow diving lures, Catch 2000s and the Gulp. He said yesterday he weighed a 27-inch red that weighted 9.25 pounds, which is a heavy 27-inch red. He said by the looks of the stomach it probably had a big ol' mullet in there.

Capt. David Fife has been getting his limit of trout about every time he goes. He's been fishing the Catch 2000 around the oyster bars and fishing them as slow as he can. He's not finding any fish concentrated and he has to fish a bunch of bars. He did say some reds were caught up in the creek but not many. They were caught on live shrimp and mud minnows.

Capt. Randy Peart said he has been fishing the Ochlockonee River up around the State Park and the holes in the Sopchoppy River and catching lots of trout and reds. Most of the trout are under the slot but there are plenty

of them. He said they are concentrated and if you can find one there are gonna be plenty more with them.

I had some people from Athens, Ga., who wanted to come down and fish Friday and Saturday so I told them I would try to get out and see if it would be worth even coming down. I fished for about two or three hours and on the last of the rising tide, on a bar near Piney Island I found some nice trout.

I caught about nine fish in one spot and all but two were legal and the last one I caught was close to 20 inches. I was fishing a .25-ounce lead head and a pearl white Gulp. The fish were right on the bottom and the bite was extremely light.

After checking the weather forecast for Friday I called and told them to put the trip off until later on. The wind is supposed to blow at 20 knots and there is a possibility of rain. Go figure, it's the weekend.

Remember, in February the limit on reds changes to two fish and also trout season continues to be open.

There aren't many folks going offshore since gag grouper is still closed. They did change red grouper limit to four and there are plenty of big sea bass out there right now.

Remember to know your limits and leave that float plan with someone.

Good luck and good fishing!

With ongoing drought, be aware of risk of fire

Florida Forest Service

Over the past couple of years Florida has seen very little relief from drought conditions. Over this extended period conditions have become more severe increasing the risk for wildfires to occur.

Recent rainfall has not noticeably improved these conditions. Swampy areas normally holding water this time of year are found to be bone dry and have become tinderboxes themselves.

This was illustrated early this week when a wildfire broke out in Mallory Swamp in Lafayette County. In two days the fire grew from 50 acres to over 460 acres.

Message delivered: when swampland burns with such ease, dryness is super critical.

Florida's year round fire season normally sees its peak between April and June. This year we are seeing significant fire activity in the state in early January.

What does all this mean? It means that we need to heighten our awareness and remain very careful with the use of fire outdoors.

When you burn outdoors:

- You must have adequate water resources on-site ready to respond.

- If you light a fire you must "Stay With It" until it is dead out.

- Postpone burning on windy days.

- Meet all the requirements and setbacks for burning yard trash.

- Keep your rooftops clean and remove all dry dead material from your property.

- Keep the area surrounding your home green and clean.

We are the stewards of the land; please protect it from the destruction a wildfire can cause.

If you have any doubts about safe practices please call the local Florida Forest Service office (850) 488-1871.

Perfect day for a nine-mile walk spotting wildlife in the refuge

I was out in the refuge on Monday, Jan. 16. I got there at Stony Bayou Pool No. 1 at the small craft boat ramp, parked, and at 6:35 started walking due east.

It was a lovely predawn morning, with a waning moon high in the sky, poking through light fluffy clouds.

At 7:35, I reached the bay at the junction of Stony Bayou No. 2 and 3 right at sunrise. I had hoped to be a little farther east along the dike separating Stony Bayou No. 3 from the bay as the sun appeared, then turn and head west with the rising sun behind me. This would give me perfect lighting for using my spotting scope and/or binoculars. And this I did, but I could

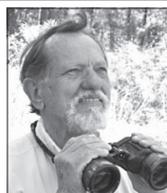
tell instantly that continuing any farther east would be in vain, as No. 3 pool was all but dried up!

And as I headed back west towards my van, it hit me that Stony Bayou Pool No. 2 was very low as well. I know we are about two feet short in rainfall, and it shows in our rivers and ponds. Many of the refuge's pools are very low, and the numbers of waterfowl were down too, except in a few isolated bodies of water.

But I did see, and had a real good look with my spotting scope, a nice 7-point whitetail buck in the presence of four adult does. Even from a quarter-mile away he seemed to detect my presence and was extremely alert, and kept

Wakulla Wildlife

BY GEORGE WEYMOUTH



standing trying to figure where my scent was coming from, as I was downwind from him with the easterly breeze taking my aroma directly to him.

Finally he bolted, taking the does with him, but not before I noted his left ear was hanging down, as though it had at shot sometime, or ripped nearly from his head in a fight! Whatever his ear was use-

less, and just hung to the side of his head.

Next I drove to the light-house to check out the Gulf before the easterly breeze kicked up as predicted, and there saw a few Common Loons, and a number of Horned Grebes, plus the showy Bufflehead ducks were in abundance!

When I viewed from a distance with my scope Mounds Pool No. 2 (also

very low), there is where I observed the majority of the waterfowl - hundreds of Mallards, Amer Wigeon and Pintails, Green-winged Teal, plus N. Shoveler too.

At Headquarters Pond I got a good look at an immature Roseate Spoonbill, and more resting Black-crowned Night Herons than we normally see there, but the real treat was to watch four whitetail doe literally walking/wading right across the pond. I figured the pond would have been deeper, and the accumulated muck would have made the bottom too mushy, but they had no problem crossing it, and didn't seem to be sinking down hardly at all.

And on the muddy banks were at least a dozen bask-

ing alligators, some up to 10 feet in length. The deer seemed to know that there was no particular danger from these sleepy reptiles though and took their time crossing.

All around the observation platform overlooking Headquarters Pond the ground has been plowed up my wild hogs rooting for food. If you are out in the refuge at dawn, or dusk there is a good chance of seeing them feeding there.

Altogether I walked nine miles that perfect day, and by dusk had recorded 75 species, I saw nothing unusual except seeing a "raft" of perhaps 40 to 50 Horned Grebes out towards Sprague Island in the bay.

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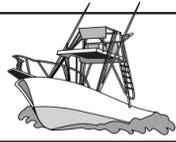
Water Ways

a peek into life on and under the water



Coast Guard Auxiliary Reports

By Carolyn Brown Treadon



Underwater Wakulla

By Gregg Stanton

As promised last week Mark Rosen has sent in a part two for the rules of the road. As the details and questions continue to surround the Costa Concordia, one thing is completely clear, there are rules to follow and when those rules are broken, there are consequences.

It all began back in 1972 in the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, and became the International Navigational Rules Act in 1977 under President Ford.

While there have been amendments and changes, including the addition for inland waterways in 1981, including the Great Lakes in 1983. A complete copy of the book is available for reading at www.boatingsafety.com/safety_resources/rules.pdf.

RULES OF THE ROAD, PART 2, SIMPLIFIED

Three situations are recognized in the Navigation Rules: meeting, crossing and overtaking.

MEETING

Two vessels approaching more or less, head on. Neither has the "right of way." One vessel should sound one short horn blast to indicate, "I intend to leave you on my port side." The other vessel sounds agreement with one short blast for a port-to-port passing.

NEVER turn left in a meeting situation without knowing exactly what the other vessel is planning.

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For a starboard-to-starboard crossing, the signal is two short blasts, to indicate, "I intend to leave you on my starboard side." A like reply from the other vessel signals agreement.

If there is disagreement or confusion, five short blasts is the DANGER SIGNAL.

CROSSING

This situation occurs when vessels approach but are not meeting, typically one vessel is to the left or right of the other. The boat SEEING the other boat on its starboard side must NOT cross ahead of that vessel, and must keep out of its way. The boat yielding is called the "give way" vessel, and the other boat is the "stand-on" vessel.

For night operation, the boat that sees the red bow light must "give way." They should slow, stop, or make a pronounced turn to starboard, but not to port, to go around the stern of the other boat.

No boat may cross a narrow channel so as to impede progress of another boat that is restricted to that channel because of size or water

depth.

OVERTAKING

When one vessel closes on another from more than 22.5 degrees abaft either beam. The overtaking vessel, the one coming up from the rear, is the "give way" boat, and must keep out of the way of the boat he/she is overtaking. The overtaken boat is the "stand-on" vessel and may maintain course and speed. The "give way" boat signals with one or two short horn blast to indicate which side they intend to leave the "stand-on" vessel.

The Navigation Rules Handbook is available at any marine supply store and should be kept aboard at all times.

Mark B Rosen, USCGAUX Flotilla 1-2, St. Marks

If you want to get a jump start on preparing for the upcoming boating season, please contact Alex Gulde our Public Education Staff Officer to discuss our upcoming About Boating Safely on Jan. 28. Anyone interested in taking the class can contact Alex at fso-pe@uscgaux.net

We still have room for a few more students!

Until next week, remember safe boating is no accident. It is our hope that we can help make sure no boaters in our area are part of the statistics!

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At the recent meeting, hosted by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection last week, to get public opinion on opening Wakulla Springs State Park to scuba diving, those opposed were confused between two terms that neither side adequately defined.

Like so many diverse communities, those who seek adventure underwater function very differently depending upon their mission and their environment. Last week I defined what is commercial diving (working for a profit while employed by another) and those who have an exemption from the OSHA Commercial Diving Standards. But I did not expand on how the recreational diving community is defined.

To play is to recreate. Hiking, swimming, bird watching and canoeing, just to mention a few of the many recreational pursuits we love to engage in for fun, are what bring us to our State Park System. Scuba diving is no different. A person who aspires to travel the length of the Appalachian Trail from Florida to Maine, will begin as a novice with basic hiking skills perhaps gained in the Boy or Girl Scouts.

As they gain confidence, physical endurance and experience their performance improves efficiency and safety over many years. Successively, more difficult trails are tried until one day the goal is reached, a personal achievement is accomplished. Along the way, better technology is accumulated and skills perfected.

Basic scuba is also trained in the Scouting programs and elsewhere in universities and private stores. These beginners are provided with a permit to begin their recreational journey to achieve personal achievements above or below the water.

I took my kids to the ski slopes at an early age. There we all trained and stayed on the beginner slopes. As our skills improved we began to use progressively more challenging hills, falling on many occasions, but with improved technology and training, eventually, we mastered the black diamond runs.

This arbitrary term means nothing to a non-skier. By inference however, you may be assured the slope is very steep and challenging.

Like so many other recreational communities, scuba diving has defined their recreation in several ways. One I currently favor is calling a Rec (recreational) diver as one who solves their problem at the surface. When a problem presents itself, the individual applies technology that enables them to go straight to the surface. These skills and technology are taught in basic scuba.

A Tec (technical) diver is a person who usually resolves their problems at depth, permitting themselves the ability to dive beyond the easy access to the surface. Considerably more complex and expensive technology and skills are required for the Tec diver to achieve this type of diving safety. Examples of this type of recreational diving include under-ice diving, decompression diving, wreck diving and, yes, cave diving.

Millions of people around the world scuba dive. Many aspire to share recreational underwater adventure. These people seek technology and training to gain advanced skills to permit them access and enjoyment in beautiful environments.

A speaker presenting late at the meeting said only technical divers would be expected to dive the caves in the Wakulla Springs State Park like they currently do at many other State Parks. Of course the diving public attending understood these recreational divers would be Tec divers, but those opposed to opening Wakulla Springs do not understand our terminology.

Our apologies. As with all recreational activity, we advocate a person should be allowed to participate to the limit of their training, as documented by certification. To do otherwise is to invite counterproductive injury.

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Gulf Coast Weekly Almanac
Jan. 26 - Feb. 1
Tide charts by Zihua Software, LLC

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
Thu Jan 26, 12	3.0 ft.	-0.2 ft.	3.1 ft.	0.3 ft.	
Fri Jan 27, 12	2.8 ft.	0.1 ft.	3.0 ft.	0.3 ft.	
Sat Jan 28, 12	4:05 AM	10:13 AM	4:23 PM	10:47 PM	
Sun Jan 29, 12	4:46 AM	10:37 AM	4:47 PM	11:32 PM	
Mon Jan 30, 12	2.2 ft.	0.8 ft.	2.9 ft.		
Tue Jan 31, 12	5:35 AM	11:04 AM	5:13 PM		
Wed Feb 1, 12	0.4 ft.	1.9 ft.	1.1 ft.	2.7 ft.	
Thu Jan 26, 12	12:29 AM	6:42 AM	11:38 AM	5:45 PM	
Fri Jan 27, 12	0.4 ft.	1.7 ft.	1.4 ft.	2.6 ft.	
Sat Jan 28, 12	1:47 AM	8:28 AM	12:26 PM	6:29 PM	
Sun Jan 29, 12	0.3 ft.	1.9 ft.	1.6 ft.	2.5 ft.	
Mon Jan 30, 12	3:23 AM	10:25 AM	1:50 PM	7:44 PM	

St. Marks River Entrance

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
Thu Jan 26, 12	3:27 AM	9:48 AM	3:59 PM	10:07 PM	
Fri Jan 27, 12	4:05 AM	10:13 AM	4:23 PM	10:47 PM	
Sat Jan 28, 12	4:46 AM	10:37 AM	4:47 PM	11:32 PM	
Sun Jan 29, 12	5:35 AM	11:04 AM	5:13 PM		
Mon Jan 30, 12	12:29 AM	6:42 AM	11:38 AM	5:45 PM	
Tue Jan 31, 12	0.4 ft.	1.7 ft.	1.4 ft.	2.6 ft.	
Wed Feb 1, 12	1:47 AM	8:28 AM	12:26 PM	6:29 PM	

City of St. Marks

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
Thu Jan 26, 12	4:03 AM	10:52 AM	4:35 PM	11:11 PM	
Fri Jan 27, 12	4:41 AM	11:17 AM	4:59 PM	11:51 PM	
Sat Jan 28, 12	5:22 AM	11:41 AM	5:23 PM		
Sun Jan 29, 12	0.3 ft.	2.0 ft.	0.7 ft.	2.7 ft.	
Mon Jan 30, 12	1:33 AM	7:18 AM	12:42 PM	6:21 PM	
Tue Jan 31, 12	0.4 ft.	1.6 ft.	1.3 ft.	2.4 ft.	
Wed Feb 1, 12	2:51 AM	9:04 AM	1:30 PM	7:05 PM	

Shell Point, Spring Creek

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
Thu Jan 26, 12	3:24 AM	9:45 AM	3:56 PM	10:04 PM	
Fri Jan 27, 12	4:02 AM	10:10 AM	4:20 PM	10:44 PM	
Sat Jan 28, 12	4:43 AM	10:34 AM	4:44 PM	11:29 PM	
Sun Jan 29, 12	5:32 AM	11:01 AM	5:10 PM		
Mon Jan 30, 12	0.4 ft.	1.9 ft.	1.2 ft.	2.8 ft.	
Tue Jan 31, 12	1:44 AM	8:25 AM	12:23 PM	6:26 PM	
Wed Feb 1, 12	0.4 ft.	1.9 ft.	1.8 ft.	2.5 ft.	

Alligator Point, Ochlockonee Bay

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
Thu Jan 26, 12	3:19 AM	9:59 AM	3:51 PM	10:18 PM	
Fri Jan 27, 12	3:57 AM	10:24 AM	4:15 PM	10:58 PM	
Sat Jan 28, 12	4:38 AM	10:48 AM	4:39 PM	11:43 PM	
Sun Jan 29, 12	5:27 AM	11:15 AM	5:05 PM		
Mon Jan 30, 12	0.3 ft.	1.4 ft.	0.8 ft.	2.0 ft.	
Tue Jan 31, 12	1:58 AM	8:20 AM	12:37 PM	6:21 PM	
Wed Feb 1, 12	0.3 ft.	1.4 ft.	1.2 ft.	1.8 ft.	

St. Teresa, Turkey Pt.

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
Thu Jan 26, 12	3:11 AM	9:27 AM	3:43 PM	9:46 PM	
Fri Jan 27, 12	3:49 AM	9:52 AM	4:07 PM	10:26 PM	
Sat Jan 28, 12	4:30 AM	10:16 AM	4:31 PM	11:11 PM	
Sun Jan 29, 12	5:19 AM	10:43 AM	4:57 PM		
Mon Jan 30, 12	0.4 ft.	1.5 ft.	1.1 ft.	2.1 ft.	
Tue Jan 31, 12	1:26 AM	8:12 AM	12:05 PM	6:13 PM	
Wed Feb 1, 12	0.3 ft.	1.5 ft.	1.6 ft.	1.9 ft.	

Dog Island West End

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
Thu Jan 26, 12	3:04 AM	9:17 AM	4:19 PM	9:39 PM	
Fri Jan 27, 12	3:55 AM	9:36 AM	4:36 PM	10:27 PM	
Sat Jan 28, 12	4:52 AM	9:55 AM	4:57 PM	11:22 PM	
Sun Jan 29, 12	6:00 AM	10:15 AM	5:24 PM		
Mon Jan 30, 12	0.0 ft.	1.2 ft.	0.8 ft.	2.2 ft.	
Tue Jan 31, 12	-0.1 ft.	1.2 ft.	1.0 ft.	2.2 ft.	
Wed Feb 1, 12	-0.4 ft.	9:28 AM	10:58 AM	6:34 PM	

Law Enforcement and Courts reports

Sheriff's Report

On Jan. 12, a retail theft was reported at Wal-Mart after a store loss prevention officer allegedly observed Timothy P. Work, 23, of Medina, Ohio, conceal food under his clothing as well as in a backpack. The suspect was detained at the exit and was found to have \$65 worth of Wal-Mart property on his person. The items included food, a tent and the backpack and the suspect was arrested for retail theft. Deputy Mike Crum investigated.

In other activity reported by the sheriff's office this week:

- On Jan. 12, Leigh Annand of Crawfordville reported a fraud. The victim reported a fraudulent charge on her bank account. The charge was for \$27 at a fast food establishment in Jacksonville. Lt. Brad Taylor investigated.

- On Jan. 12, Patricia Williams of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. Three fraudulent charges were observed on the victim's credit card. The charges totaled \$353. Lt. Brad Taylor investigated.

- On Jan. 12, Brandy N. Pigott of Crawfordville reported a traffic crash at 1327 Spring Creek Highway. The victim struck a bear in the highway. There were no injuries to the bear or the driver. Deputy Ben Steinle investigated.

- On Jan. 12, Richard Larsen of Crawfordville reported a credit card fraud. Four charges were observed for a total of \$3,077. Deputy Ben Steinle investigated.

- On Jan. 15, a retail theft was reported at Wal-Mart in Crawfordville. A black male suspect, age 25 to 35, nearly six feet tall and 230 pounds, allegedly took two packages of chicken from the store without paying for them. When confronted by Asset Management the suspect pushed his way past the employee to a truck and left the scene. The chicken was valued at \$18. Deputy Cole Wells investigated.

- On Jan. 16, Sgt. Danny Harrell observed an abandoned vehicle in the area

of 130 Ashley Hall Road in Crawfordville. The unoccupied vehicle was in the road. An attempt to reach the Tallahassee owner was unsuccessful and the vehicle was towed from the scene to eliminate the hazard to other motorists.

- On Jan. 16, William Travis McLean, 33, of Panama City was charged with DUI after overturning his truck on U.S. Highway 98 just east of Newport. Concerned citizens assisted McLean out of his vehicle and EMS personnel checked his medical condition.

McLean refused medical treatment and refused to provide blood or breath samples to determine his possible level of alcohol content. He had difficulty maintaining his balance while being interviewed at the accident scene. Deputy Nick Gray, Deputy Mike Crum and Sgt. Ronald Mitchell investigated.

- On Jan. 14, Phillip Jamarl Lipplett, 30, of Crawfordville was arrested for battery and issued a trespass warning at Dux Discount Liquors for lifting the dress of a 22-year-old female victim and grabbing her rear end while she danced at Dux. Deputy Rachel Oliver investigated.

- On Jan. 15, WCSO deputies were at Dux Discount Liquors investigating another case when they heard a crash in the parking lot. They conducted an investigation and determined that a Kia owned by Felicia Ford of Sopchoppy was damaged by a Toyota that left the scene. Deputy Nick Gray conducted a traffic stop with the suspect vehicle a short distance away. Deputies conducted a crash investigation and also conducted a DUI investigation involving the driver of the vehicle, George Clayton Nelson Jr., 45, of Crawfordville.

Nelson was charged with DUI with property damage and hit and run without leaving identification. Sgt. Danny Harrell, Deputy Scott Powell, Lt. Jimmy Sessor and Deputy Will Hudson also investi-

gated.

- On Jan. 13, Lea McCauley of Crawfordville reported the theft of her wallet from Wal-Mart. The wallet was removed from her purse in her shopping cart. Someone recovered the purse in a shopping cart outside the store and returned it to a greeter. However, the wallet was missing \$251 worth of gift cards and cash. Sgt. Mike Helms investigated.

- On Jan. 13, Conner Harrison of Crawfordville reported a hit and run accident on Spring Creek Highway. A vehicle stopped short in front of Harrison and the two vehicles collided. The other vehicle rapidly accelerated and fled the scene. Deputy Will Hudson investigated.

- On Jan. 13, Sean Chadwell of Crawfordville and Dollar General reported the theft of his bicycle from outside the store. The bike is valued at \$140. Deputy Rachel Oliver investigated.

- On Jan. 14, Joyce Glow of Sopchoppy reported a bank fraud. Someone tampered with the victim's account and attempted to make an address change. In addition, \$12,100 worth of fraudulent charges was discovered on her account. Deputy Evelyn Brown investigated.

- On Jan. 17, Tonyale Barnes of Wal-Mart reported a forgery and counterfeiting. A customer purchased some items with a bogus \$10 bill. The \$10 bill was collected as evidence. Deputy Vicki Mitchell investigated.

- On Jan. 17, Eddie Lee Franklin of Sopchoppy reported a grand theft of a trailer. The 14 foot long trailer was removed from the victim's property. The trailer is valued at \$2,500. The trailer was entered in the NCIC/FCIC computer. Deputy Taff Stokley investigated.

- On Jan. 17, Dan Gay of Crawfordville reported a fraud. Someone wrote a check on his bank account. The victim is unfamiliar with the company to which the check was written. Lt. Mike Kemp investigated.

- On Jan. 17, Vicki Riselada of Crawfordville reported a residential burglary. A forced entry was discovered at the home and medications and jewelry were stolen. Some of the missing property is owned by Eunice Selewski of Crawfordville. Damage to the home is estimated at \$200. The missing property is valued at \$350. Deputy Ian Dohme investigated.

- On Jan. 17, Carlton Haney of Crawfordville reported an animal incident. Someone placed a dead squirrel in his mailbox. The squirrel had been shot in the head. Deputy Mike Crum investigated.

- On Jan. 18, Daniel Corley of Sopchoppy reported a credit card offense. Unknown individuals opened up accounts in the victim's name at two merchandise stores and attempted to open a third which was declined. Nearly \$1,000 worth of purchases were made in Burke, Va. Lt. Brad Taylor investigated.

- On Jan. 18, Hall Whaley Jr. of Crawfordville reported the theft of a cane grinder from a relative's property. Two male suspects were detained on the property, but they did not have the cane grinder in their possession. Trespass warnings were issued for the two men on the property. Sgt. Danny Harrell investigated.

- On Jan. 19, Michael Flowers of Crawfordville reported the theft of four extension cords, valued at \$200. A suspect has been identified. Deputy Scott Powell investigated.

The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office received 775 calls for service during the past week including: 11 residential and business alarms; 72 citizen contacts; 33 investigations; 42 medical emergencies; 54 security checks; 33 special details; 10 subpoena services 19 suspicious people; 14 suspicious vehicles; 54 traffic stops; 13 abandoned vehicles; 12 reckless vehicles; and 188 watch orders.

Six arrested in drug, burglary cases

Special to The News

The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office arrested several suspects recently in connection with narcotics and burglary investigations, according to Sheriff Donnie Crum.

- Adam Christopher Barwick, 27, of Grass Valley, Calif., and formerly of Panama, was arrested for possession of cannabis more than 20 grams.

- On Nov. 28, Tallahassee Police Department's Narcotics Unit intercepted a suspicious package through a parcel service. After obtaining a search warrant, law enforcement officers discovered that the package contained vacuum sealed bags of marijuana and hashish.

WCSO Capt. Cliff Carroll delivered the package to Barwick's home and the suspect admitted that the package was his and contained illegal narcotics.

Barwick told Carroll that he spent \$4,500 on the marijuana at a medical marijuana dispensary near Oakland, Calif. The box was opened in the suspect's presence and 1,604 grams of marijuana was discovered, along with marijuana joints, hashish and hash oil. Barwick allowed law enforcement to search his home and a marijuana smoking apparatus was located, but no items indicating the sale of narcotics were found.

- Antwan Jerrell Hill, 21, of Crawfordville was arrested for two counts each of possession of cocaine with intent to sell and sale of cocaine.

The WCSO Narcotics Division conducted two controlled purchases of narcotics in July and August 2011 where cocaine was purchased from Hill. The July purchase netted 3.7 grams of cocaine and the August purchase netted 3.3 grams of cocaine. Hill was booked into the Wakulla County Jail on Jan. 17 and has since posted a \$50,000 bond and was released. Hill's vehicle was also seized in the operation.

- Jonathan Shawn Gibson, 26, of St. Marks was arrested for possession of marijuana and sale of marijuana following an undercover drug purchase by the WCSO Narcotics Unit.

The undercover operation was held in July 2011 and 25.5 grams of marijuana was purchased from Gibson during the operation. Gibson was arrested on Oct. 12 and remains in the Wakulla County Jail under a \$25,000 bond.

- Tiffany Elaine Thompson, 30, of Crawfordville was arrested for sale of synthetic narcotics, two counts of possession of synthetic narcotics, distribution of synthetic narcotics and trafficking in more than four grams.

The WCSO Narcotics Unit conducted an undercover operation involving the purchase of prescription drugs from Thompson in June and July 2011.

Thompson was arrested Nov. 1, 2011, and transported to the Wakulla County Jail. She was released on Nov. 9 after posting a \$70,000 bond.

- Vernon Samuel Farnsworth, 32, of Crawfordville was arrested for violation of probation, burglary, grand theft of a firearm, grand theft and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon following the execution of a search warrant on Jan. 11 at 41 Maxson Road.

- Jodie Elizabeth Farnsworth, 28, of Crawfordville was charged with burglary and grand theft of a firearm.

The Farnsworths were arrested after questioning in connection with a pair of Wakulla Gardens residential burglaries in late 2011 and early 2012.

Law enforcement officials have recovered some of the stolen property. The couple was transported to the Wakulla County Jail where they remain. Jodie Farnsworth is jailed under a \$5,500 bond and Vernon Farnsworth has no bond.

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Wakulla County Senior Citizens Celebrate Life

Drive at Senior Center is celebrating life

The beginning of 2012 has caused me to stop and reflect on last year and plan for this coming year.

Our driving force is CELEBRATING LIFE. Plans to accomplish this include, Board, staff, volunteers and most of all, the seniors who attend the Senior Center.

We average about 60 seniors per day. Some days they exceed 100. Over a period of six months we will be visited by more than 200.

The seniors who attend have such diverse backgrounds. Some come from other countries and speak little or no English. Others come from as far west as California and as far East as Fort George Island, which is East of Jacksonville. As they come to the center they immediately establish friendships with others and they are not shy in explaining what they like best.

They all love Chef Mary's cooking. I am amazed at how she prepares a different meal each day. Recently, I attended a banquet in the Senior Center, and listened to the group compliment the food. I thought it was great. I've attended many banquets and dinners that she has prepared for various groups and they were all good. I have never seen the same meal twice for different groups except at Thanksgiving.

The staff and seniors are always seeking new reasons to have a celebration. We celebrate a Mexican Holiday, hold Hawaiian luau's, Oriental Day, Black History



Month, New Year's, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday, Valentine's Day, Memorial Day, Easter, July 4, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Flag Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas, just to name a few.

There are many other reasons that the staff and Seniors celebrate. We created color day and most everyone wears the color designated. Chef Mary will also prepare a food item or dessert that wears the same color. We celebrate birthdays. We regularly celebrate a fish fry sponsored by Donnie Sparkman and Jerrell Metcalf.

This month the seniors have been invited to come to Steve and Kathie Brown's home to pick fruit. I expect to hear about a lemon pie day soon.

Small groups divide up to play cards. They play card games that I've never heard about. However, if they ever play poker and placed bets, they hide it from staff.

The seniors appear to have so much fun with other seniors. Our local Pickin' 'n' Grinnin' Band adds so much to this. One lady told me the other day that she thought life was over but a friend talked her into coming to the Senior

Center. She said, "Now I am alive again."

The seniors have a small vegetable garden and flowers. They love to watch the butterflies hatch. They also love to dress for glamour shots by a volunteer photographer.

The seniors have grown together to become a large family. They have many ideas for increasing activities. This year, I think we will see more art related activities. I expect that we will have more local artists serving the seniors with issues like watercolors, oil paints, pottery, ceramics, crafts and other fun issues.

This article did not include education issues such as health, safety, and health screenings, brain gym, or other exercise programs. These issues would consume another entire article.

I've observed that parents are sometimes over protective of their children and keep them in isolation. I now see adult children committing over-protection of their parents, keeping them from enjoying the companionship of another.

It's a joy to plan activities that bring happiness to others. There are no limits to what our imagination can consider as long as they are healthy and honest.

I've written before that this job is not always easy but it is always rewarding. I often stated how wonderful it is to live in Wakulla County. But its hard to explain how fulfilling it is to work for our senior citizens.



Wakulla Wigglers keeping active and moving with dance.

Holidays celebrated with decorations, brunch, music, fruit, cookies – and more

By TAMARA BYRNES and DIANE LANTER of the Senior Center

"Tis the season to be jolly".... That phrase was very fitting for the seniors in December.

Having warmer than usual weather, we needed to get into the spirit of the Christmas Holidays.

Tamara and her Tuesday craft class decked the halls with decorations for the tables and the Christmas tree, along with the beautiful wreaths on the walls.

Chef Mary made omelets for her delicious Christmas Brunch and the Pickin' 'n' Grinnin' band serenaded the seniors with holiday music. Santa arrived and

passed out bags of fruit, candy and cookies. The oranges were donated by the 4H Group of Wakulla County. The cookies were complements of a joint project with Riversprings Elementary School Student Council and the Doubletree Hotel of Tallahassee. What a treat that was.

The sheriff's office donated stuffed animals and the seniors were thrilled to be able to take home a new friend. JoAnn Strickland took pictures as the seniors sat on Santa's lap and told him their wishes.

Dee Parker donated a gorgeous manger scene that decorated one of our sun-filled windows. It was a perfect spot to honor



A stuffed animal from the sheriff's office.

the meaning of Christmas. We appreciate all the wonderful donations that were received for the holidays. Thank you all so very much!

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BREAKFAST IN THE PARK

Breakfast in the Park will begin at 8 a.m.

SWEETHEART PARADE

Parade line-up will begin at 9 a.m.
 Sweetheart parade will begin at 10 a.m.

Celebration in The Park

Immediately following parade until 3 p.m.

Raffle drawing will be held at 3 p.m.
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Sopchoppy Opry show at 7 p.m. at the Sopchoppy High School Auditorium.

Historical Society meeting at 7 p.m. at the library.

Wakulla Writer's Group meeting at 6 p.m. at the library.

Friday

Saturday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Government Meetings

Monday, February 6

- WAKULLA COUNTY COMMISSION will meet at 5 p.m. in the commission chambers.

Clubs, Groups, Regular Meetings

Thursday, January 26

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 7 p.m. at the Panacea Women's Club on Otter Lake Road, Panacea. For more information call 524-9103.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 8 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.
- BINGO will be held at the VFW Post on Arran Road from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- COASTAL OPTIMIST CLUB will meet at noon at Posey's Steam Room in Panacea.
- FAMILY TO FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP will meet at 6 p.m. at the NAMI Wakulla office.
- ROTARY CLUB meets at the senior center at noon.
- WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is located at 24 High Drive, Crawfordville.
- BINGO will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at La Cantina Grille in Panacea to benefit Florida Wild Mammal Association.
- NAMI FAMILY TO FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP will meet at 6 p.m. at the NAMI Wakulla office, 2140-C Crawfordville Highway. This group is for family members and friends of people diagnosed with mental illnesses and is free of charge.
- FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY will meet at 6 p.m. at the library.

Friday, January 27

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 8 p.m. at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville. Call (850) 545-1853 for more information.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at noon at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville. Call (850) 545-1853 for more information.
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- 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)
- WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is located at 24 High Drive, Crawfordville.
- QUILTERS GUILD OF WAKULLA COUNTY will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the library. Join them for the fun of quilting. Quilters of all skill levels are invited to partake in community projects, personal work and informative workshops, as well as field trips. Contact Anne Lopez at 294-0832.

Saturday, January 28

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 5:30 p.m. at Mission by the Sea Church on Alligator Drive in Alligator Point. Call (850) 545-1853 for more information.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 8 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.
- NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets at 3128 Crawfordville Highway at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 224-2321.
- R. DON MCLEOD CHAPTER 2469, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet at the library at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, January 29

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 6 p.m. at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville. For more information call (850) 545-1853.

Monday, January 30

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 7 p.m. at the Panacea Women's Club on Otter Lake Road, Panacea.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS FOR WOMEN will meet at 6 p.m. at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville. For more information call (850) 545-1853.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 6 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.
- LINE DANCING will be held at the senior center at 1:30 p.m.
- RESPITE CARE is offered by The Alzheimer's Project of Wakulla at Lake Ellen Baptist Church from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your loved one to be cared for. Lunch will be provided. There is no cost. The church is located at 4495 Crawfordville Highway. Call Pat Ashley for more information at (850) 984-5277.
- YOGA CLASSES with Tamara will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. This is a gentle restorative class focusing on the breath to build flexibility, restore balance with a mind/body approach.

Tuesday, January 31

- ALANON meets at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville at noon.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 6 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.
- BOOK BUNCH meets in the children's room at the public library at 10:30 a.m.
- NAMI CONNECTION will meet from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the NAMI Wakulla office. This group is for people diagnosed with a mental illness.
- VFW LADIES AUXILIARY BINGO will be held at the VFW Post on Arran Road from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- CRAWFORDVILLE LION'S CLUB will meet at Beef O'Brady's at 6 p.m.
- WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY will meet at 7 p.m. at the Wakulla County Welcome Center, 1505 Coastal Highway in Panacea. Speakers will be Becky Sanders Finch, Cathryn Sanders Speake and others who will share their memories and stories about growing up in Panacea.

Wednesday, February 1

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at Ochlockonee Bay UMC on Surf Road at noon.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 8 p.m. at

the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.

- BOOK BABIES, storytime with activities for toddlers, will be held at the public library at 10:30 a.m.
- BRAIN GYM CLASS will be held at the senior center at 10:30 a.m.
- KNITTING GROUP meets at the public library from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. For information, call 491-1684.
- LINE DANCING will be held at the senior center at 2 p.m.
- NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 6:30 p.m. at 2140-C Crawfordville Highway. Call 224-2321 for more information.
- BEADING CLASSES with Tamara will be held at 12:45 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Choose from glass and stone beads to create your masterpiece. There is a \$3 to \$5 fee for the materials.
- KNITTING CLUB will meet at 4 p.m. at the public library. Anyone interested in the art of knitting are encouraged to attend.
- WAKULLA WRITER'S GROUP will meet at 6 p.m. at the library.

Thursday, February 2

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 7 p.m. at the Panacea Women's Club on Otter Lake Road, Panacea. For more information call 524-9103.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 8 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.
- BINGO will be held at the VFW Post on Arran Road from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- COASTAL OPTIMIST CLUB will meet at noon at Posey's Steam Room in Panacea.
- FAMILY TO FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP will meet at 6 p.m. at the NAMI Wakulla office.
- ROTARY CLUB meets at the senior center at noon.
- BINGO will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at La Cantina Grille in Panacea to benefit Florida Wild Mammal Association.
- WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is located at 24 High Drive, Crawfordville.
- GENEALOGY GROUP will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the library.
- FREE AARP TAX-AIDE for low to moderate income taxpayers will be offered at the library from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Friday, February 3

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 8 p.m. at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville. Call (850) 545-1853 for more information.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at noon at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville. Call (850) 545-1853 for more information.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 8 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.
- 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)
- WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is located at 24 High Drive, Crawfordville.
- QUILTERS GUILD OF WAKULLA COUNTY will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the library. Join them for the fun of quilting. Quilters of all skill levels are invited to partake in community projects, personal work and informative workshops, as well as field trips. Contact Anne Lopez at 294-0832.

Special Events

Friday, January 27

- FROM THE HEART MUSIC HOUR will be filmed live at the Monticello Opera House starting with happy hour from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The show will be held from 8 to 10 p.m. An after party will follow the show. The show will feature performances from Galen Curry, Hot Tamale, Frank Lindamood with Chelsea Dix Kessler, Sarah Mac Band and Jim White. Tickets are \$20. For tickets, contact the opera house at (850) 997-4242 or From the Heart at (850) 962-5282.

Saturday, January 28

- FROM THE HEART MUSIC HOUR will be filmed live at the Monticello Opera House starting with happy hour from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The show will be held from 8 to 10 p.m. An after party will follow the show. The show will feature performances from Hot Tamale, Brook Sessions and Rick Ott, The Currys, Steve Dean, Bill Whyte and Lisa Shaffer and the Rick Ott Band. Tickets are \$20. For tickets, contact the opera house at (850) 997-4242 or From the Heart at (850) 962-5282.
- SOPCHOPPY OPRY'S PREMIER SHOW will be held at 7 p.m. in the Sopchoppy High School Auditorium and will feature Southbound Band with special guests Tom Roberts and Way Up and Beauty Music Bands. Also appearing, will be Fred Burns and Rick Tittle. Call 962-3711 for tickets.

Thursday, February 2

- LECTURE ON Diatoms Are Forever: Jewels of the Sea for Fun and Nanotechnology by Dick Gordon at 8 p.m. at Gulf Specimen Marine Laboratory, 222 Clark Drive, Panacea. Admission is free, membership encouraged. Refreshments served at 7:30 p.m. Contact Richard Gordon at DickGordonCan@gmail.com or (850) 984-5297 for more information.

Friday, February 3

- ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF will be held at Crawfordville Elementary School starting at 5:15 p.m. There will be chili of all kinds to satisfy everyone's taste buds. The categories that will be judged are the following: traditional, non-traditional, spicy but pleasing and presentation. Judges are still being recruited, as well as contestants. Set up will begin at 5:15 so that the judging can begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. and continue until 6:15 p.m. The event will officially begin at 6 p.m. with both Wakulla High School and Wakulla Middle School's jazz bands entertaining and delighting the crowd.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, February 4

- SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION will be held from 8 a.m. to noon at Medart Park by the Wakulla County Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, visit

www.WCPRD.com or call 926-7227.

- BOOK EXTRAVAGANZA FUNDRAISER will be held from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the library. Thousands of books, audio, video and more will be given away. Monetary donations aren't required, but are appreciated. Proceeds benefit children's programs at the Library. Limit of five plastic bags per patron.
- WILDLIFE HERITAGE AND OUTDOORS FESTIVAL will be held at the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be outdoor activities from the past and present. A youth turkey calling contest will start at 1 p.m. Participants must sign up by 12:45 p.m. There will also be wild animal exhibits.
- NORTH FLORIDA BUTTON CLUB will meet at the Coastal Grill in Port St. Joe at 11 a.m. For more information, call Sherrie Alverson at 926-7812, or Don (president) or Barbara Lanier at 729-7594 or email bardon56@aol.com, Linda Wood at (850) 899-0025 or email Sheri at skpsky2000@comcast.net.

Sunday, February 5

- FIRST SUNDAY AT THE REFUGE PRESENTATION SERIES will offer Whoop-De-Doo! - Here Come The Cranes!, a presentation especially for families, at 2 p.m. at the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge's Nature's Classroom. Since 2001, Operation Migration has been teaching endangered Whooping Cranes a migration route using ultralight aircraft. The project helps re-establish this species and enables their reintroduction to the wild at places like St. Marks Nat'l Refuge. Presenters will be Christine Barnes and Gordon Perkinson, Educators and Crane Handlers. Both children (ages 8 and up) and adults will enjoy this presentation. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required due to limited seating. Call the Refuge at 925-6121.

Tuesday, February 7

- AUSTRALIAN SINGER AND SONGWRITER, Audrey Auld, will perform at Posh Java in Sopchoppy at 8 p.m. Reservations requested for all shows so they know how many people to expect and how to arrange the room for comfortable seating. For tickets or more information, call 962-1010.

Thursday, February 9

- MEET AND GREET will be held at the library by the Wakulla Democratic Executive Committee and the Wakulla Democratic Women's Club for the Democratic candidates for Congressional District 2. The event will begin at 7 p.m. with refreshments sponsored by the Wakulla Democratic Women's Club and a chance to informally meet candidates, followed by the 7:30 p.m. business meeting. Candidates will be speaking as part of the meeting agenda. For more information, contact DEC Chair Rachel Pienta at 321-3582 or drpienta@gmail.com.

Saturday, February 11

- ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION AND PARADE will be held by the Rotary Club at Hudson Park from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The day starts with a breakfast in the park from 8 to 10 a.m. Followed by the parade at 10 a.m. There will also be food and arts and crafts vendors.
- SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION will be held from 8 a.m. to noon at the Medart Rec Park. For more information, visit www.WCPRD.com or call 926-7227.

Library News...



By **SCOTT JOYNER**
Interim Director

Friday Night Movie

On Friday, Jan. 27, we are showing the Golden Globe nominated baseball film starring Brad Pitt and Jonah Hill.

This PG-13 (for language) rated film is based on the Michael Lewis best seller "Moneyball." This sharp, touching and funny film, tells the true story of Oakland A's general manager Billy Beane who uses "Sabermetrics" to revolutionize the way baseball teams are put together under a strict budget. He turns the small market A's into winners fighting detractors both inside and outside the club. Beane's principles, which were laughed at and mocked by "old school" baseball people, have spread throughout the major leagues as have been used by the recent two-time world champion Boston Red Sox, among others. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. for the 7 p.m. show.

What's new at WCPL?

This week we're adding great materials to our collection. The newest Tom Clancy novel "Locked On," Nevada Barr's "The Rope," Jack Higgins' "A Devil is Waiting," in addition to dozens of children's, young

adult and other adult favorites are available for check-out this week.

We also have new films such as George Clooney's "Ides of March," the star filled thriller "Contagion," along with the multi-award nominated "50/50" joining the collection over the next few weeks.

Come by and see all the great selections new and old we have at WCPL. If we don't have it in our collection, ask us. We can usually get the book through Inter-Library Loan from another library.

AARP Tax Prep

Just a friendly reminder that the AARP will begin their free tax preparation service at WCPL on Thursday Feb. 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

This service will continue each Thursday and Saturday at the same respective times throughout tax season.

The free preparation is intended for low to middle income filers which an emphasis on senior citizens. It is also first come first served so come early.

We have begun receiving tax forms from the IRS and are putting them out for your use as we receive them. If we haven't been sent the forms you need we'll be more than happy to assist you in downloading them from the IRS's website.

We ask for your patience and understanding during tax season as we try to provide you with the forms and instructions that you need.

THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT AGING

Stay mentally fit by starting a 'health club' for your brain

By MARK UNDERWOOD
Special to The News

2012 is upon us and many of us are thinking about what the New Year will bring.

This time of year is an occasion to get us thinking about our health – specifically brain health.

Carve out time to give your brain work outs. You can do that by creating your own "health club" that includes ongoing learning.

Make a commitment to keep learning, no matter what your age or stage of life, and you are automatically improving your brain power.

LEARNING CURVE

College, high school, and elementary school students all the way down to K-4 are continually engaged in stimulating learning experiences.

These young students don't have to work on brain fitness because for them, everyday learning is a habit.

But that's not true as we grow older. Think of the brain's inner workings this way. Some of the circuits – conduits of information and memory slow down.

As we decrease our need to keep the brain as fit as a student studying for college exams, the creation of new neural pathways diminishes.

Brain fitness isn't rocket science. Start by making a commitment to learning something new on a regular basis, weekly or daily and then add in other challenging ways to give your brain a regular boost of energy.

A growing body of research actually also shows that people who commit to lifelong learning can lower their risk of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

JUMP START YOUR BRAIN POWER

You may not realize it but your brain power has incredible potential when it is "sharpened" and kept fit. There's no better time than now to invest in your brain's fitness.

As millions of people grow older, many experience age-related changes like forgetfulness or decreased concentration skills.

Did you know your short-term memory is like a scratch-pad for temporary recall of information being processed? In order to understand this sentence your brain needs to remember the beginning as you read move along toward the end and get to the period.

If you are heading to retirement, make sure you continue to exercise your brain. By learning something new you are breaking the way you think about topics and ideas. You are using brain pathways that may not have been used if you hadn't ramped up your brain calisthenics.

BRAIN HEALTH TIPS

Here are some things you can do to keep your brain sharp and fit:

- Use your senses to learn. Know how you learn best, and then use it to your advantage. Some people learn best with audio tapes,

others prefer videos or an in-person classroom.

- Stay Organized. Take notes. Use both words and pictures. Take advantage of calendars, date books and other organizational tools to help you concentrate while learning.

- Keep a Journal. Record information of your learning milestones by keeping a journal. Writing down your experiences helps build on previous knowledge and creates good retention.

- Participate in educational experiences. Take an adult education class or enroll in a technical college course.

- Take up a new hobby. People who enjoy life have found new outlets like quilting, woodworking and other hobbies.

- Take up a new sport. Have you thought about learning to ice skate, curl, play badminton, take up golfing or numerous other sports? Your local parks and recreation department probably has numerous opportunities for you along with other community resources.

- Play board games and puzzles. The more you play the better your mental dexterity will likely become.

It's time to stoke the fires of aging in the brain. Build your own "health club" which includes a variety of brain fitness activities. It's never too late to learn something new and feed an aging brain.

Mark Underwood is a neuroscience researcher in Madison, Wis. Visit www.TheGoodNewsAboutAging.com for more tips.

Are there still senior discounts on airfares?



The Savvy Senior

By Jim Miller

Dear Savvy Senior,

Do airlines still provide discounts to seniors on their airfares? My husband and I are retired and like to travel and are wondering which airlines offer the best discounts to budget conscious seniors.

- Frugal Travelers

Dear Travelers,

While senior airfare discounts are not nearly as common as they used to be, there are a handful of carriers that still offer them. Here's a rundown of the different airlines that are currently offering senior airfares, along with some tips to help you find the best deals.

Senior-Friendly Skies
The only U.S. airlines that are currently offering senior airfare discounts are:

- Southwest which has discounts on all domestic routes to passengers 65 and older. For details on fares call 800-435-9792 or you can search online at southwest.com.

- American which offers some senior fares to travelers 65 and older on their American, American Eagle and American Connection domestic flights. Call 800-433-7300 to find out which flights offer these discounts. You cannot search specifically for senior airfares on American's aa.com website.

- United has some discounts on select flights to those 65-plus but they are few and far between. To search for them, visit united.com and select "child or senior" from the dropdown menu. When the site returns your fare quote, the results for your search will indicate the type of discount you are receiving, if one is available. You can also call 800-241-6522 to find out if a senior discount is available for a particular flight.

- Continental which is merging with United in a few months has senior discount fares as well on very few flights to passengers 65 and older. To search, visit

continental.com and click on "Advance Search" to access the "seniors" category, or call 800-523-3273.

• Delta has senior discounts that vary by age and apply only to flights from three Latin American nations – Panama, Honduras and Ecuador. Call 800-241-4141 to inquire.

Shopping Tips

When shopping for cheap plane tickets, it's important to know that many of the airlines regular discount fares or online specials are usually cheaper than the senior discount fares. So, to ensure you get the best price available, you need to compare prices and options from all carriers.

To help you do this, your best resources are online travel sites like orbitz.com, travelocity.com and kayak.com. These sites will let you search for the lowest priced flights on all the different airlines at the same time. They will not, however, let you search for senior fares.

Once you find a flight with the lowest fare that fits your schedule, look up similar flights on the different airlines that offer senior fares (Southwest, American, United, Continental and Delta) and compare. You can do this either online at their respective website (with exception of American and Delta), or by calling their reservation department number. This will ensure you're getting the best deal.

Another tip that can help you save is to be flexible when you travel. Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday are typically the three cheapest days of the week to fly, while Friday and Sunday are the most expensive. And the cheapest time to fly is typically the first flight out in the morning.

The day of the week you purchase your tickets can also affect the price. Airlines usually post their lowest domestic fares on Tuesday at 3 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. Sales typically last three days so you stand a decent chance of getting bargains on Wednesday and Thursday too.

Send your senior questions to Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

Holidays celebrated with decorations, brunch, music, fruit, cookies – and more

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The Wakulla Middle School Band visited the center and played wonderful tunes that delighted the seniors. You could see by the expressions on their faces that this brought back memories of school days.

For Safety Awareness Week, a "Car Fitness Day" was held at the center. About 40 seniors attended and their cars were put through a series of safety checks to insure that when

on the road, they would be safe and secure. The experience was very successful and we will be having another "Car Fitness Day" in the future.

The local NAMI organization presented a program to the seniors on the services that they provide. They explained just what mental illness is and isn't and where to get information when needed. The program was very helpful and many questions were answered.

Our wonderful and tal-

ented "Wild Wakulla Wigglers" entertained us once again with their line dancing, colorful outfits and fast music. We look forward to seeing them again, soon.

Remember, starting on Wednesday Feb. 1, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., AARP will be at the center preparing Income Tax returns.

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Thinking OUTSIDE the Book



Behind the Scenes

Have you ever seen a concert and thought how cool it would be to sing to hundreds of fans? While performing can be fun, it can also be a lot of work.

Most concerts are part of a tour that travels from town to town, usually by bus for several weeks at a time. In addition to spending a lot of time on the road, performers must also spend a lot of time practicing at each stop on the tour. They must make sure their equipment is set up right, they can move around the stage freely and they sound great.

While on tour, performers might also have to attend special events, do interviews, meet with fans and sign autographs. It all depends upon how big the tour is and what the people putting on the tour want.



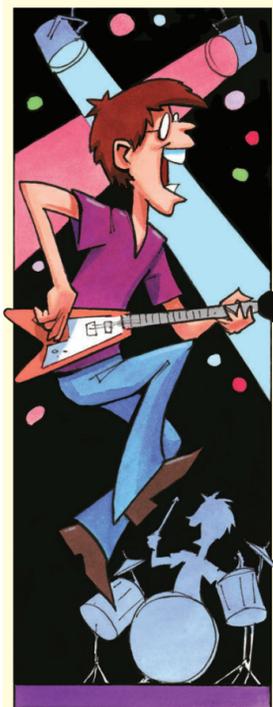
Name That Instrument

Concert stages are often filled with musical instruments. Fill in the blanks to name some of the instruments that might be found on a concert stage.

1. _ R U _ S
2. G _ _ T A _
3. P I _ N _
4. S A _ O _ _ O N E
5. _ I O L _ N
6. K _ Y _ O A _ D S
7. B _ N J _



Answers: 1) Banjo, 2) Drums, 3) Guitar, 4) Piano, 5) Saxophone, 6) Violin, 7) Keyboards



Fact or Fiction?

Music Group Challenge

The music groups that appeal to kids and teens are endless. Here are some questions about some of them. How many can you answer correctly?

- 1) Deedee, Rooney and Bo make up the Doodlebops. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 2) Rooney Doodle plays the guitar. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 3) The original Wiggles were Greg, Anthony, Murray and Jeff. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 4) When the red Wiggle decided to leave the band, Sam replaced him. **Fact or Fiction?**

- 5) Laurie Berkner sings "Buzz Buzz." **Fact or Fiction?**
- 6) Susie, Adam and Bob play in The Laurie Berkner Band. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 7) The Jonas Brothers sing "Lovebuggy." **Fact or Fiction?**
- 8) Kevin, Nick and Joe Jonas starred in Camp Rock. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 9) The names of the guys in Big Time Rush are Kendall, James, Carlos and Lincoln. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 10) Big Time Rush sings "Halfway There." **Fact or Fiction?**

Answers: 1) Fiction, their names are Deedee, Rooney and Moe. 2) Fact. 3) Fact. 4) Fiction, it was Greg, the yellow Wiggle, who left the band. 5) Fact. 6) Fact. 7) Fiction, they sing "Lovebuggy." 8) Fact. 9) Fiction, their names are Kendall, James, Carlos and Logan. 10) True

What Rhymes with

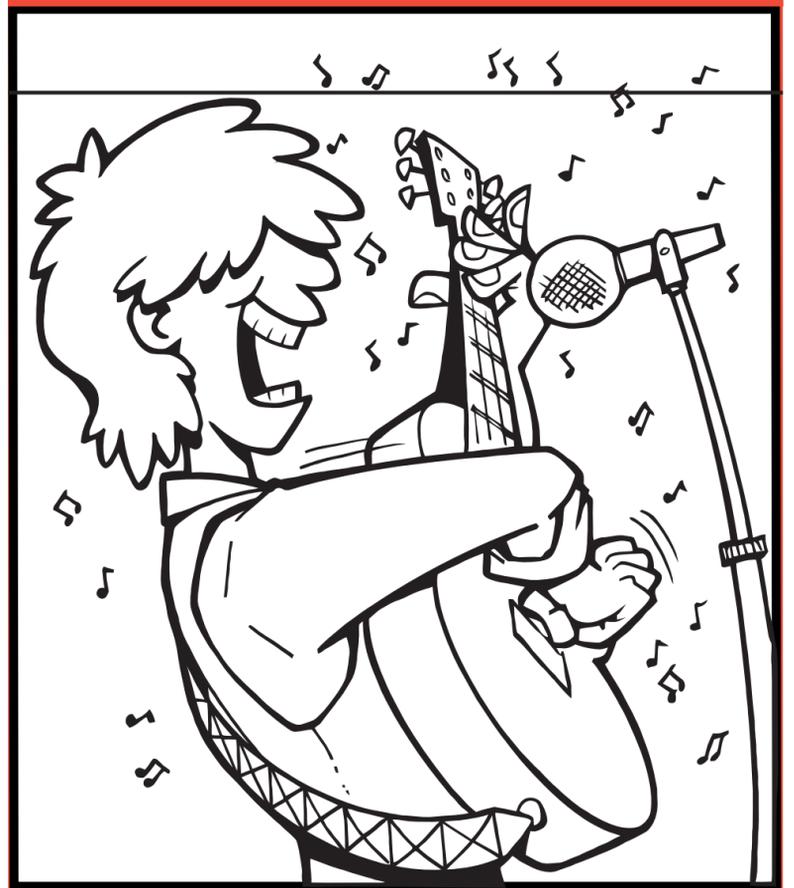


List 10 words that rhyme with "play."

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Some answers: clay, day, fray, gray, hay, may, neigh, pay, ray, stay

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Jokes and Riddles

Q: What kind of concert scares balloons?

A: A pop concert.

Q: What's the difference between a piano and a fish?

A: You can't "tuna" a fish.

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Fictitious Name Notices

5095-0126 PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Name 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: BRYANT'S CARPET & UPHOLSTERY CARE located at 114 Apachee Rd., Crawfordville, Florida 32327, in the County of Wakulla, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Crawfordville, Florida, this 17th day of January, 2012. /s/ Joseph Bryant Owner Published one (1) time in The Wakulla News. January 26, 2012.

Meeting Notices

NWFTCA Meeting Notification - Notice is hereby given The Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority will hold a Financial Committee Meeting to approve invoices on February 7, 2012. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. CST at McGill Title & Escrow, 36008 Emerald Coast Parkway, Suite 301, Destin, FL. Any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the Corridor Authority at least 48 hours prior to the meeting by contacting Amy Paulk at (850) 415-1040 or by email gpaulk@gc-inc.com. January 26, 2012

Meeting Notices

5094-0126 PUBLIC NOTICE THE SCHOOL BOARD OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA NOTICE OF INTENT TO CHANGE SCHOOL BOARD POLICY 6.545* Military Leave PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To reflect legislative requirements and district procedures. LEGAL AUTHORITY: 1004.41, 1012.22, 1012.23, Florida Statutes LAWS IMPLEMENTED: 115.07, 115.09, 115.41, 121.111, 250.341, 1001.43, 1012.66, Florida Statutes ECONOMIC IMPACT: None REVISION ORIGINATED BY: Beth O'Donnell, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction REVISION APPROVED BY: David Miller, Superintendent of Schools IF REQUESTED WITHIN TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD - TIME: 5:45 p.m. PLACE: Administrative Offices, Wakulla County School Board, 69 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32327 DATE: February 21, 2012

Meeting Notices

A COPY OF THE PROPOSED REVISION MAY BE OBTAINED AT COST FROM: Wakulla County School Board, Post Office Box 100, 69 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32326-0100 January 26, 2012

Misc. Notices

5090-0207 PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR DESOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA IN RE: (1) Green Utility Trailer, Serial #5K184222061005938 CASE NO. 11-105CC CARL WAYNE COTNER 3166 SMITH CREEK RD SOPCHOPPY, FL 32358 Plaintiff. YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for establishment of ownership of personal property described as: One Green Utility Trailer, Serial #5K184222061005938, has been filed and it is required that a copy of your written defenses, if any, be served on Plaintiff, Carl Wayne Cotner, whose address is: 3166 Smith Creek Rd., Sopchoppy, Wakulla County, Florida, on or before February 2, 2012, 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 5, 2012. BRENT X. THURMOND, as Clerk of the Court /s/ By Glenda Porter, As Deputy Clerk January 12, 19, 26, 2012 and February 2, 2012

Misc. Notices

5096-0202 PUBLIC NOTICE Vs. Hammock, Michael. 09-CA-273 Re- Notice of Foreclosure Sale IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 09-CA-273 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR THE MLM1 TRUST SERIES 2006-WMC1, Plaintiff, vs. MICHAEL HAMMOCK, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL HAMMOCK, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. (MIN#1000136300113755994), OLD COURTHOUSE SQUARE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., FLORIDA COMMERCE CREDIT UNION UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al. Defendant(s). RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 28, 2009 and an Order Rescheduling the Foreclosure Sale dated January 12, 2012 entered in Civil Case No.: 09-CA-273 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR THE MLM1 TRUST SERIES 2006-WMC1, Plaintiff, and MICHAEL HAMMOCK, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL HAMMOCK, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. (MIN# 1000136300113755994), OLD COURTHOUSE SQUARE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC, FLORIDA COMMERCE CREDIT UNION, are Defendants. I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the front lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32326 at 11:00 AM, on the 23rd day of February 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit: LOT 6, OLD COURTHOUSE SQUARE REPLAT, A SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 102, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus. WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on January 13, 2012.

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Foreclosure Sale/Action Notices

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Self Storage Notices

(COURT SEAL)
 BRENT X. THURMOND, CLERK OF THE COURT
 By: /s/ Desiree D. Willis, Deputy Clerk
 Attorney for the Plaintiff: Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire, Popkin & Rosaler, P.A., 1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard, Suite 400, Deerfield Beach, FL 33442. Telephone (954)360-9030 Facsimile:(954)420-5187.

January 26, & February 2, 2012

Self Storage Notices

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5089-0126
 1/31Sale-Wakulla Realty
PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is given pursuant to Florida Self-Storage Facility Act, Florida Statutes, Chapter 83, Part IV that Wakulla Realty will hold a sale by sealed bid on Tuesday, January 31, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at 2658B U.S. Highway 319 of the contents of Mini-warehouse con-

taining personal property of:
 Lynderia Jones
 Benjamin Godbolt
 Angela Ford
 Chemical & Janitorial Supplies, Inc.
 Danni Fields
 Shawn Engleton
 Jimmy Godwin

Before the sale date of January 31, 2012, the owner may redeem their property by payment of the outstanding balance and cost by mailing it to Post Office Box 535, Crawfordville, Florida 32326 or by paying in person at 2655 U.S. Highway 319, Crawfordville, Florida.

January 19 & 26, 2012.

Becky Watson
 Letitia Brand
 Monique Webster
 Shawn McKenzie
 Archie F. Dewitte
 Dominos Pizza
 Joseph Harrison

5098-0202
 (02/24 Sale-Sopchoppy Mini-Storage)
PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is given pursuant to Florida Self-Storage Facility Act, Florida Statutes, Chapter 83, Part IV, that Sopchoppy Mini Storage will hold a sale by sealed bid on February 24, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Sopchoppy Hwy., Sopchoppy, FL 32358, of the contents of Mini Warehouse containing personal property of:
 Andres Morris, Sharon Taube or Adrian Collier
 Payments must be made by 10:00 a.m. before the sale date of Saturday, February 24, 2012. The owners may redeem their property by payment of the Outstanding Balance and cost by contacting Sopchoppy Mini Storage at 850-962-4742 or by paying in person at the warehouse location.

January 26 & February 2, 2012.

CONTRACTOR:
 I have new TGI Beams. All 3.5 wide by 14 inches tall. There's three at 16 feet long and 11 at 10 feet long. Yours for \$200. Call 850-962-9092 or 732-828-2632.

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 3Br 2Ba Hs. \$850 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 3Br 2Ba DWMH \$850 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 3Br 2Ba DWMH \$875 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 3Br 2Ba Hs. \$775 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 3Br 1Ba Hs. \$725 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 2Br 2.5Ba Twnhs \$775 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 2Br 1Ba Hs. \$750 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 2Br 2Ba SWMH \$650 mo. + Sec. Dep.
 2Br 1Ba Duplex \$615 mo. + Sec. Dep.

Today's Weather
Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 1/26	Fri 1/27	Sat 1/28	Sun 1/29	Mon 1/30
77/61 Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low 60s.	71/47 Showers and thunderstorms. Potential for severe thunderstorms.	72/43 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 40s.	64/36 Sunshine. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	67/43 More sun than clouds. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the low 40s.
Sunrise: 7:31 AM Sunset: 6:08 PM	Sunrise: 7:31 AM Sunset: 6:09 PM	Sunrise: 7:30 AM Sunset: 6:10 PM	Sunrise: 7:30 AM Sunset: 6:11 PM	Sunrise: 7:29 AM Sunset: 6:12 PM

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- 50 Spokan Rd.- Wakulla Gardens 2BR/2BA house \$750 per month.
- 1119 Alligator Dr. Beachfront home- Alligator Point 2BR/2BA Furnished, w/ fireplace, deck on the Gulf of Mexico \$1,300 per month.
- 28 Endeavor Drive- Tradewinds of Ochlockonee Bay, 3BR/3BA, community club house, pool, pier, and a private boat slip. \$2,500 per month.
- 142 Shar-mel-re Rd. Crawfordville 3BR/2BA \$825 per month.
- 1480 Alligator Dr. 3BR/2BA, 5 month rental: Nov. - Mar. \$1,500 per month.
- Commercial Office Building- South of the library on Hwy. 319 \$550 per month.
- 415 Mashas Sands Rd.- 3BR/2BA home on Ochlockonee Bay \$825 per month.
- Ochlockonee Bayfront Home- 3BR/2BA home w/ dock, open deck, screened porch, workshop and fireplace \$1150 per month.
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- 25 Sawgrass Drive Live Oak Isl. 4BR/2BA House \$1,900 Mo. No Smoking or Pets
- 10 Hidden Springs Panacea 2BR/2BA House on pilings \$850 Mo. No Smoking or Pets
- 51A & 49B Dispennette Drive 3BR/2BA Duplex \$750 Mo. Incl. Water/Swr No Smoking/ Pets ok
- 174 Beaty Taff Drive Shell Pt. Beach House - 2 BR/2 BA with separate 1 BR Efficiency. \$1,350 Mo. No Smoking or Pets
- 26C Guinevere Lane 3BR/2BA Townhouse \$800 Mo. No Smoking or Pets
- 8 Osprey 3BR/2BA 2,390sf House with fireplace \$1,200 Mo. No Smoking or Pets
- 52 Deer Run 1BR Cabin in Sopchoppy \$700 Mo. No Smoking or Pets
- 55 E.J. Stringer Road 3BR/2BA 1,200sf House with Screen Front Porch \$825 Mo. No Smoking/ Pets ok w/approval
- 455 Old Bethel Road 3BR/2BA House on 1 acre. \$900 mo. No Smoking or Pets
- 107 Wildwood 3BR/2 BA with possible 4 -BR or den. Includes fireplace, above ground pool and hot tub. Large screened back porch. \$1200.Mo. No Smoking/Pets with approval.
- 26 Magnolia Ridge - 3BR/ 2 BA with fireplace, above ground pool. \$1125. Mo. No Smoking or Pets.
- 116 Magnolia Ridge - 3BR/2 BA with in-ground pool and fireplace . \$1100. Mo. No Smoking or Pets.
- 235 Webster - 3BR/2BA MH \$475. Mo. No Smoking/ Pets ok w/approval
- 165 Sam Smith Circle - 2 BR/1BA \$595. Mo. No Smoking or Pets.
- 29 Horseshoe Trail 3BR/2BA MH on 1 Acre \$750 mo. No Smoking/Pets ok w/approval
- 269 Forest Lane 1BR/1BA Home on 7 acres with 2 Car Garage \$600 mo. No Smoking/ Pets ok w/approval

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Florida At A Glance

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Clearwater	80	62	pt sunny	Ocala	85	59	pt sunny
Crestview	76	52	t-storm	Orlando	83	61	pt sunny
Daytona Beach	79	59	pt sunny	Panama City	73	58	cloudy
Fort Lauderdale	78	69	pt sunny	Pensacola	73	57	t-storm
Fort Myers	83	65	pt sunny	Plant City	86	62	pt sunny
Gainesville	82	59	pt sunny	Pompano Beach	79	68	pt sunny
Hollywood	80	65	pt sunny	Port Charlotte	83	61	pt sunny
Jacksonville	79	64	cloudy	Saint Augustine	76	61	pt sunny
Key West	78	70	pt sunny	Saint Petersburg	76	65	pt sunny
Lady Lake	84	60	pt sunny	Sarasota	80	61	pt sunny
Lake City	80	60	cloudy	Tallahassee	75	60	cloudy
Madison	80	63	cloudy	Tampa	80	62	pt sunny
Melbourne	79	61	pt sunny	Titusville	79	61	pt sunny
Miami	79	67	pt sunny	Venice	77	60	pt sunny
N Smyrna Beach	79	61	pt sunny	W Palm Beach	79	66	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	62	56	cloudy	Minneapolis	33	21	pt sunny
Boston	41	35	pt sunny	New York	43	43	cloudy
Chicago	39	27	cloudy	Phoenix	74	47	sunny
Dallas	53	41	rain	San Francisco	65	48	pt sunny
Denver	58	36	mst sunny	Seattle	44	31	rain
Houston	59	47	rain	St. Louis	47	32	rain
Los Angeles	80	50	sunny	Washington, DC	49	49	rain
Miami	79	67	pt sunny				

Moon Phases

Phase	Date
New	Jan 23
First	Jan 31
Full	Feb 7
Last	Feb 14

UV Index

Thu 1/26	Fri 1/27	Sat 1/28	Sun 1/29	Mon 1/30
4	4	5	5	5
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.



PHOTO BY JO ANN PALMER/SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Interviews by sheriff's deputies at the scene of the accident on Shadeville Highway on Saturday, Jan. 21.

10-year-old girl struck by car

Special to The News
A 10-year-old Crawfordville female was injured when she was struck by a vehicle driven by Theodore B. Barnes, 62, of Crawfordville Saturday, Jan. 21 at 4:45 p.m.
The accident occurred

on Shadeville Highway near Tickie Ridge in Crawfordville.
Witnesses said the juvenile darted in front of the vehicle and the motorist was unable to stop before making contact with the child.
The child was transport-

ed to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital with internal injuries and remains in the ICU.
The case investigation continues.
The investigation was conducted by Deputy Mike Crum, Sgt. Mike Helms and Deputy Ben Steinle.

Briefs

Florida Wild Mammal seeks items for upcoming yard sale

It's time to go through those closets.... Florida Wild Mammal Association is preparing for its bi-annual yard sale at Nads storage on March 15-17.

Nads is located at 59 Shadeville Road in Crawfordville. All proceeds from this event will be used to care for sick, injured and orphaned wildlife!

Donations of yard sale items can be dropped off at Nads storage in number 33 at any time before the sale or can be brought to the sale on March 15 after noon.

If you have items but are unable to drop them off or you would like to become a volunteer for our fundraising committee please email Jeff at jeffstudio54@yahoo.com.

All donations are tax deductible and greatly appreciated. Thank you so much for helping us help our local wildlife!

Benefit account open for the Edmondson Family

Ronald and Julie Edmondson and family suffered the loss of their clothing, food, furniture, appliances and the majority of their personal belongings due to a house fire on Saturday, Jan. 14.

The home is located at 4716 Crawfordville Highway in Medart. The fire spread very rapidly and the Edmondsons were only able to grab a couple of boxes of important papers, a few pictures and personal items before exiting the home. The cause of the fire was due to a defective chimney and the home was a total loss.

A benefit account has been established to help Ron and Julie with rental deposits and fees, utility deposits, clothing, furniture and appliance replacement, and to offset the cost of the additional living expenses associated with being displaced from their home unexpectedly.

Donations can be made to The Edmondson Benefit Fund and mailed to P.O. Box 278, Crawfordville FL 32326.



The Edmondson home after the fire

Crazy Cheap Spaghetti Night at Myra Jean's

You likah da spaghetti? What's not to like eh? Spaghetti lovers can rejoice and indulge themselves every Tuesday night from 5-8 pm at Myra Jean's for just 4.95. Kid's spaghetti plates are just 2.95. You

get a plate of freshly prepared noodles, Myra Jean's own meat sauce and a big piece of garlic bread for just 4.95. Dine in or carry out, it is deliciouso either way. You can't cook it at home that cheap!

That's crazy cheap. After work this Tuesday, go home and load up the fam. Yes, even the kids. At 5 o'clock they start Crazy Cheap Spaghetti Night at Myra Jean's and you

gonna likah the spaghetti. It'sah good spaghetti, and it'sah Crazy Cheap. You gonna love it. CCSN at MJ's. 5-8 Tuesday nights. Ciao.

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Your Guide to Area Restaurants and Catering

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