



Eight War Eagles get scholarships on National Signing Day



State Rep. Halsey Beshears and Sen. Bill Montford listen to issues of local concern at the legislative delegation meeting in the commission boardroom last week.

Legislative delegation hears local concerns

Teacher pay raises are among issues discussed

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Sen. Bill Montford and Rep. Halsey Beshears were in Wakulla County on Tuesday, Feb. 5 to hear from the people.

The legislative delegation meeting is intended to allow citizens a chance to voice their concerns and opinions prior to Legislative Session, which begins March 5.

The county commission chambers was full of constitutional officers, city and county commissioners, school board members, county employees and citizens. Many were there to thank the pair for coming, while others asked for support from the delegation.

One of the larger topics of the

evening focused on teacher pay. Gov. Rick Scott has included a pay raise for teachers in his budget.

School board member Melisa Taylor asked for Rep. Beshears and Sen. Montford's support of the pay raise and asked them to take into account that teachers in Florida are paid poorly compared to other states.

Wakulla Classroom Teacher's Association President Missy Rudd said any increase in pay is welcomed, but she asked that other school employees not be left out, like those in reading, media, guidance, transportation, cafeteria, administration, etc.

Superintendent Bobby Pearce agreed and said, "It takes a whole team to ensure the success of our children."

There was also some discussion

about the Value Added Model scores, which is a teacher evaluation that is based on student performance and how well students do on the FCAT schoolwide, and the hope that will be re-evaluated this session.

Montford, who is a former teacher, principal and superintendent, said these scores are used to determine if a teacher's contract should be extended. Tenures have been done away with, so a new hire is only hired for one school year. The problem with the VAM is that not all students take the FCAT. So a first-grade teacher who does not administer the FCAT is being evaluated based on scores of students they may have never taught or even seen before, he said.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

The story of Lacie Hudson

By HERB DONALDSON
Special to The News

On Springhill Road, not far across the Leon County line, is a hidden piece of Wakulla's black history that stands just over five feet tall and has stood strong for 95 years.

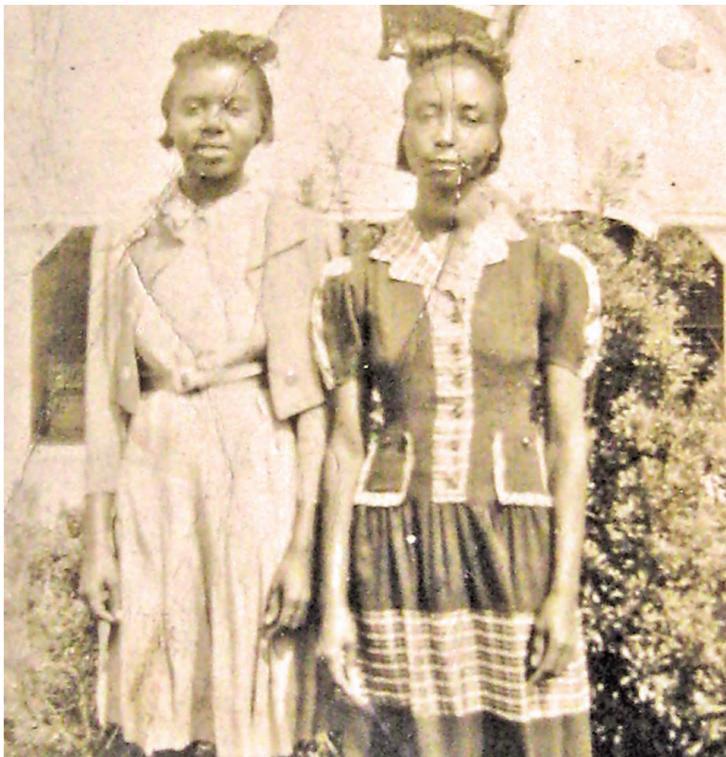
In 1917, World War I had yet to reach its end; J. Edgar Hoover was just beginning his stint with the Department of Justice; and Lacie (Hill) Hudson was born in Wakulla County.

Her grandfather, John Hill, was born here also, back in 1849.

"During slavery," says Hudson, "he was the boy that would transport water for the slaves to drink."

The stories of her life are both hilarious and harrowing, such as the one about her grandmother that took place during the World War I.

"There was the Durance (General) Store, in Medart," she recalls. "Some of the soldiers started coming home. My grandmother had left church one Sunday and went to the store to buy her a can of sardines. She was sitting on the porch eating them, and a soldier was outside showing other people how they shot their guns in the war. His gun went off, hit her. I was a little baby had just been born, and my mother couldn't go to her funeral."



Lacie Hudson, left, with a sister sometime in the 1930s.

Almost 40 years into the Jim Crow era, in which laws were passed that demanded the segregation of whites from people of color in schools, transportation systems, bathrooms and more, Hudson grew up in a world where knowing one's "place" within the

southern terrain had to be quickly grasped in order to survive.

"Back when I was growing up," she explains, "you had to do what the white man say do - or else. I did maid's work. All my life, all I did was clean someone's house. You'd enter through

the backdoor. You could eat, but not in the house, at the table, where the family ate. You had to sit on the back porch and eat. You could sweep-off the front porch, but when you got ready to leave, you went out the backdoor."

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BASEBALL

War Eagles have big hopes for this season

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Wakulla baseball coach Mike Gauger says that perhaps last year's team didn't live up to expectations.

A year earlier, the War Eagles had gone to the Final Four and were within a game of playing for the state championship.

But last year's team was young - there were only three seniors on the team, and a lack of experience.

And, Gauger says, a lack of leadership.

But this year's team - Gauger can't think of enough positive things to say about them.

As the team headed for its season opener against Leon on Tuesday, Feb. 12, Gauger says he gets the sense that the seniors on the team feel like they've got something to prove.

However far they go this year, Gauger says, they won't fail for lack of giving it everything they've got.

"I expect them to leave it on the field," he says. This year's seniors were 10th graders on that team that went to the Final Four two years ago - and there's a baker's dozen of them, offering leadership and support to fellow team members.

And Gauger admits, standing on the practice field at Wakulla High School as the team stretches, that his players are such good kids, he's become fond of them. "They've been around so long - I've gotten attached to them. They're just a good group of boys. It makes it fun to come out here and work."

Asked about his expectations for the season, Gauger smiles and says, "Hopefully, just get better every day." But then he adds, "It's always our goal to try to win a state championship."

He's got five senior pitchers he's looking for good things from: Jake Walker, Jacob Walker, Raleigh Strickland, Hunter DeRoss and leftie Garrett Woolfer.

In last weekend's pre-season games, Gauger was pleased with the War Eagles showing against a very good North Florida Christian pitcher, though Wakulla lost 2-1 in eight innings.

Later they blew out Godby, 9-0.

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War Eagle Baseball Coach Mike Gauger



WILLIAM SNOWDEN

LEADERS: outfielder Jeff Barnes, pitcher Jake Walker and catcher Dalton Dugger.

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COUNTY COMMISSION

Workshop set on issue of candy-flavored tobacco

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After the Wakulla County Commission voted to repeal an ordinance banning the sale of flavored tobacco, it decided a workshop was needed to discuss alternatives for keeping this product out of the hands of children.

One of these alternatives was product placement.

Tonya Hobby, tobacco program specialist for the county health department, said many stores keep these products on their counters.

"My 5-year-old can see that," Hobby said.

The whole goal is to not have children be targeted by these tobacco products which look very similar to candy, she said.

The county plans to look at ordinances from other counties to try and get some ideas on product

placement. Some ideas include no open displays, all signs, flyers and banners must be at least 4 feet high, products must be behind the counter, and only vendor-assisted sales.

Lt. Bruce Ashley, president of the Wakulla County Coalition for Youth, said this has put the issue in the spotlight and he hopes for more conversation.

"I think it's already done some good," Ashley said.

The workshop will be held on March 18 at 3:30 p.m. in the commission chambers.

In other matters:

- There was some discussion about septic tank inspections and possibly designing a targeted inspection of older septic tanks within the Wakulla Springs protection zone.

Commissioner Randy Merritt suggested the idea after some concerns were voiced from Tallahassee

and Leon County about Wakulla's changes to the septic tank ordinance which went into effect on Oct. 1, 2012.

These changes included performance based septic systems only being required within the Wakulla Springs Special Planning Area for properties that are smaller than 5 contiguous acres.

It will also be required for properties where the total acreage is less than 0.229 acres and those where the system will be installed within 150 feet of the high water level of any surface water, wet sink, swallet or within 300 feet of a first of second magnitude spring.

Another change was the requirement that nitrogen levels must be reduced by 90 percent to the state standards of 50 percent.

Also, repairs and modifications to existing septic

systems are allowed without requiring an upgrade to performance based septic systems.

Merritt suggested the county perform inspections of the older systems. If the system is found to be failing then they would need to repair it. He added that if the person is on a low income, maybe the county can set up a program to help them with the cost.

Commissioner Jerry Moore said Wakulla County probably only has around 1,000 septic tanks in that area and even fewer that are older than

1975.

If there is a septic tank that is polluting, then the county could possibly step in and help if the owner is in the low income level, he said.

He added that Wakulla County only contributes .76 percent of the nitrogen found in Wakulla Springs.

"I think the birds in the Gulf are contributing more than that," Moore said.

Commissioner Ralph Thomas said he wanted to know how much this could potentially cost the county and needed more data to make a decision.

Commissioner Howard Kessler said. "I think it's worthwhile to look at."

County Administrator David Edwards said the county could look at grants or using RESTORE Act funds to try and set up a program for this.

He added that the county staff will determine how many homes are on septic tanks in that area and come back at a future meeting with more concrete numbers.

The next commission meeting is Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 5 p.m. in the commission chambers.



Wakulla Superintendent of Schools Bobby Pearce at the podium to speak to Rep. Beshears and Sen. Montford.

Driver arrested after high-speed chase

Special to The News

A 20-year-old Crawfordville man was arrested and faces two felony charges and four charges overall after leading deputies on a high speed chase on Wednesday, Feb. 6.

Zachary Pryce Taylor was arrested for fleeing and eluding a law enforcement officer at a high rate of speed, driving while license is suspended or revoked with third or subsequent conviction, resisting an officer without violence and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Deputy Sean Wheeler observed Taylor operating a motor vehicle at a high rate of speed from Highway 267 to Lonnie Raker Lane, which is posted at 35 mph.

Traveling at 55 mph, Deputy Wheeler was unable to keep up with his suspect.

Deputy Clint Beam was conducting stationary radar on Lonnie Raker Lane

and Boynton Court and clocked Taylor at 86 mph in the 35-mph zone.

Taylor entered Boynton Court at such a high rate of speed that he reportedly turned his vehicle sideways.

The vehicle continued at a high rate of speed and entered a residential yard by passing around a downed tree and stopped in the back yard.

Taylor fled from the vehicle on foot and Wheeler deployed a Taser to stop the subject.

During the search of the vehicle, deputies Wheeler and Beam discovered a marijuana pipe and marijuana grinder inside the vehicle.

They also determined that Taylor did not have a valid driver license.

Taylor was medically cleared by Wakulla Emergency Medial Services and was transported to the Wakulla County Jail. Taylor posted a \$12,000 bond and was released early in the morning of Feb. 7.

Legislative delegation hears concerns

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Monford believed there would be an effort this session to change it.

"It's got to be done fairly," he said.

During the meeting, County Administrator David Edwards listed the priorities for the county and asked for support and funding for these projects.

One of these projects was the countywide wastewater treatment plant upgrade and expansion.

Edwards explained that the county has reached a critical point and must upgrade and expand, but does not have the resources and is seeking help with funding.

Other projects include corridor improvements along U.S. Highway 319 and the completion of the Ochlockonee Bay Bike Trail. The county was also asking for support from the delegation for Highway 319 to be designated a Strategic Intermodal System, which would make

this segment from U.S. Highway 98 to the Tallahassee Regional Airport considered a priority for state and federal funding.

At the closing of the meeting, each delegation member thanked those in attendance.

"We take these to heart," Beshears said. He added that many of the comments made have also been expressed in other counties and they are taking steps to work on those issues.



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Income limits are increased for hardship assistance

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To try and help more of those living on an extremely low income within the county, the county commission recently increased the income limits for someone to be eligible for hardship assistance for the solid waster and fire services assessments.

Commissioner Richard Harden said the initial income limits that were released have not been updated for 2013, which went up slightly, according to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

One person making \$13,850 or less would qualify for assistance, a two-person household making \$15,800 would qualify and a four-person household with an income of \$19,750 or less would be eligible for assistance.

Commissioner Jerry Moore said some senior citizens who were not paying the assessments

recently saw a slight increase in social security and now must pay those assessments.

"I just feel for our senior citizens," Harden said. For those on a fixed income, this will help alleviate some of that financial burden, he said.

County Administrator David Edwards said when the exemption was put in place it included specific numbers, instead of being based on the current year's extremely low income limits.

From now on, those limits will be based on the current year's data.

To apply for hardship assistance, residents must complete an application prior to June 1 and return it to the county administration office.

For more information or for an application, visit the county's website at www.mywakulla.com or call Administrative Coordinator Katie Taff at 926-0919 ext. 704.

Donated Rose Street property being cleaned up for use on bike trail

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The City of Sopchoppy has already begun work to clean up three parcels that were donated to the city last year and could be the future home of a park or trailhead.

The property on Rose Street was donated by Robert Beasley to the city. The city commission hopes this location will be developed into a trailhead for the Ochlockonee Bay Bike Trail. This 13-mile trail will extend from Mashes Sands Park to the train depot in Sopchoppy and eventually connect to the Capital City to the Sea Loop.

However, the portion of the trail that runs from

the intersection of Surf Road and U.S. Highway 319 and ends in Sopchoppy has not been funded.

But the city commission still plans to be ready once funding does become available.

There are a few structures located on the property and city employees have begun to remove those.

At the commission meeting on Feb. 11, the commission agreed to spend money to clear the underbrush.

"I think it's important to get it done," said Commissioner Lara Edwards. "So we can be in a position where we are ready to move ahead."

The other commissioners agreed and all voted

unanimously to do the cleanup as long as it costs no more than \$1,000.

The commission also discussed holding a workshop to get input from the citizens about what they would like to see at the trailhead park.

In another matter, the commission agreed to spend around \$12,000 to pay for asphalt resurfacing along Gulf Street and Park Avenue.

The city was awarded a \$600,000 Community Development Block Grant to improve drainage at Gulf Street and Park Avenue and that project is nearly complete. The last remaining work is cleanup. During this project, several cracks formed along the asphalt.

City Clerk Jackie Lawhon said the roads just weren't stable enough to handle the work.

A portion of the grant funds are left over which might be able to go towards the resurfacing. A change order would need to be sent and approved by the state.

Lawhon said she is afraid if the city just patches the cracks, the road will fail in a few years and cost a lot more than \$12,000.

Edwards agreed and said it makes sense to resurface that area since that is where most of the traffic comes from entering the city park.

The commission agreed to go ahead and resurface the roadway now.



PUBLIC NOTICE

City of St. Marks will hold a Special Meeting on February 21, 2013 at 6:00 pm to install commissioner for Seat 5

The City of St. Marks located at 788 Port Leon Drive, 9 AM to 4:30 PM M/F; Phone (850) 925-6224. Persons needing special access considerations should call the City Office at least 24 hours before the date for scheduling purposes. The Board Office may be contacted at (850) 925-6224. FEBRUARY 14, 2013

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The Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners is seeking two (2) members to serve on the Industrial Development Authority (IDA). The IDA was established for the purpose of financing and refinancing of industry or projects in Wakulla County, and for the purpose of encouraging economic development.

The BOCC is seeking two (2) members who must be residents of Wakulla County and who must meet the following criteria:
-- One member, who must be an Attorney
-- One member, who must be a developer or officer of a development company of industrial sites, or a commercial contractor or officer of a commercial building company

Interested persons should submit a cover letter explaining their interest in serving on the IDA and identifying which category the person qualifies for, along with a resume or other statement of relevant experience which includes the person's name, address, telephone number, and email address **no later than Friday, February 22, 2013.**

Please e-mail your information to Jessica Welch, Communications & Public Services Director at jwelch@mywakulla.com or by fax to 926-0940.

FEBRUARY 14, 2013

Public Information Meeting

The Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority (NFTCA) will conduct a series of four (4) Public Information Meetings for the purpose of presenting data and analysis for projects being considered for inclusion in its 2013 Master Plan. All interested persons are invited to attend.

The public meetings will be held in an open house format from 6:00-8:00 pm and will include a formal presentation at 6:30 p.m. Staff will be available to address questions throughout the meeting.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Alicia Stephen, HDR Engineering, Inc., Senior Administrative Manager, phone: (850) 429-8905, or via email at Alicia.Stephen@hdrinc.com at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service, 1(800) 955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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The Opinion Page

readers speak out

Biletnikoff Banquet was a moving experience



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When my husband and I were invited by one of our friends to attend the 2013 Biletnikoff Award Banquet held this past weekend, I was extremely excited.

For one thing, it is a major banquet in the world of college football. It is the banquet held for the award given to the top receiver in college football.

And two, we were going to meet NFL hall of famer Larry Csonka. He was the keynote speaker for the evening.

As a huge Miami Dolphins fan from birth, I was ecstatic.

Csonka, AKA Zonk, was a fullback for the Fins from 1968 to 1974, then had a brief stint with the Giants (which I will overlook) and ended his career with the Fins in 1979. He was

on the '72 team which had a perfect season.

He is also my dad's all-time favorite player. So when we sent him a picture of us with Zonk, my dad was in awe and extremely jealous.

I think we were all in awe to get a chance to meet one of the greats.

This was an amazing moment for anyone who loves football, especially a Dolphins fan.

However, there were others that also left me in awe at the banquet and have stuck with me even more than meeting Zonk.

These people were the 16 high school seniors who were honored at the banquet for receiving scholarships from the Tallahassee Quarterback Foundation.

Each one of these Foundation scholars had overcome some emotional, physical or mental obstacle in their short life to get where they are.

Those in attendance at the banquet were given a chance to hear their stories of inspiration and triumph. We heard about a girl who learned both her parents had been diagnosed with cancer, another who bounced around foster

homes and was abused and one who lost one of their parents to suicide. All 16 stories were heart wrenching.

While these students faced major barriers that would have left many in shambles, these students picked themselves up and carried on to excel on the academic and extracurricular levels.

Hearing each story made you feel for the student and all they have endured. But they also left you inspired and in complete awe of them and all their accomplishments.

They left me with tears in my eyes, but also pride in my heart for these amazing students.

Two of Wakulla's own were recipients of one of these elite scholarships, Savannah Harris and Joey Briggs.

Harris is a senior at Wakulla High School. She is also the captain of the soccer team, on the track team, student body president and has a weighted GPA of 5.09. She has achieved all of this while dealing with Scoliosis.

Briggs was the recipient of The Brooks Rogers Memorial Scholarship. He lives in Crawfordville, but attends Rickards High School because Wakulla

does not have a swim team.

He is the captain of the swim team, and was named Big Bend Swimmer of the Year. He has a weighted GPA of 4.6 and recently accepted a scholarship to swim at the University of Florida.

Prior to getting where he is today, he had serious surgery in March of his sophomore year on a torn triceps.

Following his surgery, he could not go in the water for three months and couldn't attend a full practice for six months. He was told it would be a full year until he could swim a decent meet.

Through hard work and determination, he achieved personal best times sooner than expected and earned a scholarship.

These were some of the most impressive students in the Big Bend. They should all be extremely proud of what they have accomplished.

After these stories were told, the audience was introduced to the winner of the Biletnikoff Award, University of Southern California's Marjise Lee. Both of Lee's parents are deaf. His father has been in and out of his life and his mother was forced to relin-

quish custody of him when he was a child.

Both of his older brothers were in gangs, one was murdered by a rival gang and the other is in prison. Lee was tossed from foster home to foster home until he was informally adopted by one of his friends parents in high school.

He then earned a football scholarship to USC.

After his story was told, Lee made his way to the podium to accept his award and offered a few remarks. He told the crowd that he hoped he would be back next year and didn't want to disappoint the Foundation.

He was extremely humble, in spite of all he has accomplished, and you could tell was grateful to have received this award.

I felt honored and privileged to have heard all of these stories. The kind of stories that make you want to be better, motivate you to do more, inspire you to change, dare you to dream and challenge you to achieve the impossible.

Jennifer Jensen is the reporter at The Wakulla News.

HOME COUNTRY

Love advice for Valentine's Day



By **SLIM RANGLES**

In the week before Valentine's Day, Marvin Pincus had two new customers for his (free of charge, of course) love advice and fly-tying consultation services.

He tied up a midge for one client, a salmon streamer wrapped in lead for another, and wished them well.

This was his busy time, of course. He knew another would come in mid-May, in desperate anticipation of June weddings.

"Marge," he said, sipping coffee and looking out at the snow. "I think we need a vacation."

Marjorie Pincus smiled. They'd both been retired and on permanent "vacation" for years now.

"I'll go if it means I don't have to make the beds or do the dishes," she said.

"The only thing is, what if someone needs the fly-tying love advice service while we're gone?"

This bothered Marvin.

A man who spent more than 40 years being dependable every day can't be expected to just turn it off like a faucet.

"Honey," Marge said, "maybe you could designate someone to be on call? Like a doctor does? You know?"

Marvin thought about that and buttered some toast.

"Only one I can think of who could tie flies well enough would be Delbert McLean, our chamber of commerce. Knowing him, instead of giving love advice, he'd talk them into starting a business here."

"You have a point," Marjorie said, laughing. "But what would be wrong with just going away for a week and letting people figure out their own love lives for a while?"

Marvin sat quietly and Marjorie looked at

him and thought how maybe she should be his customer.

She was under no illusion about her looks. She was old. Old and wrinkled. She was hoping Marvin wasn't just married to her because he was used to it.

She studied his face, and strangely, didn't really notice his wrinkles.

Marvin smiled at Marjorie then. "Any vacation ideas?"

She shook her head. He saw in her the years of love and friendship, and he saw, right in front of him, the same gorgeous, sexy young woman he was once ready to kill for.

She hadn't changed a bit.

He took her hand. "How about we drive for a hundred miles, get a motel room, watch old movies and eat take-out pizza?"

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READERS WRITE:

Hopeful for spring gag grouper season

Editor, The News: An open letter to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commissioners:

Dear Commissioners:

As the coastal commissioner for Wakulla County, I want to thank you for providing a spring gag grouper season for 2012 in the Big Bend State Waters.

This spring gag grouper season came at a time when our coastal businesses were struggling to survive a depressed winter economy.

I spoke to you at your recent Apalachicola meeting, and I want to thank you for throwing another lifeline to our Big Bend coastal business community by providing for another gag grouper season this spring in our state waters.

You will be taking final action on this important issue next week in Orlando. I regret that I will be unable to attend the Orlando meeting, but I want to thank you in advance for your unanimous vote to help save our Big Bend coastal businesses.

Sincerely,
Jerry Moore
Wakulla County Commissioner
District 4

Don't give up your weapons

Editor, The News:

I hope the people and citizens of Wakulla County are much smarter than the people of Hillsborough County and do not give up their weapons to anyone for a mere token of the value and protection of themselves by maintaining these for their own protection,

not listening to the Obama Administration and law enforcement.

Government is trying to eliminate all your constitutional rights, thus you will have nothing to defend yourself with.

S.P. Rogers
Crawfordville

Family appreciates kindness shown

Editor, The News:

The family of Blonzie Mills Carter would like to thank all the friends, co-workers, church members and extended family who became a rock of support for us in our time of grief and loss. Our mother, grandmother and loved one, Blonzie, would have been proud of how everyone came together to celebrate her life, share fond memories, while becoming better friends and neighbors in the process.

We'd also like to express our thanks to Eden Springs Rehabilitative Center, and Big Bend Hospice, who gladly filled in at our loved one's side on the days we were absent. We are greatly thankful to you all for the kindness

shown.

Four days after Blonzie's funeral, her son, Jessie J. Ransom, also passed away.

Again, our family has found itself in the midst of mourning. Jessie's widow, Rhonda Ransom, is reaching out to the family and community to help fund the costs of his burial. If you are so moved to help, please contact Strong & Jones Funeral Home at (850) 224-2139, to make a donation to the burial fund for Jessie J. Ransom.

Thank you,
The family of Blonzie Booth Ransom Mills Carter and her son Jessie J. Ransom

Why no turn on Trice Lane at 319?

Editor, The News:

Can someone give me a logical reason why you can not take a left into

or out of Trice Lane at Highway 319/Crawfordville Highway?

There is a turn lane on 319 so why or to

whom is this street so special?

Dianne Graffeo
dgraffeo@powerpe.net

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Black History Celebration events are this weekend

Special to The News

The Wakulla County Christian Coalition is sponsoring the annual Black History Month Celebration this weekend.

"Starting from Friday, Feb. 15t evening to Sunday, Feb. 17, we'll be having our events," said Bossie Hawkins, treasurer of the group. "The Arthur Andrews scholarship banquet at the Senior Center is on Friday evening, the parade followed by activities in Hudson Park on Saturday, and the Afro-American Read-In on Sunday."

"It's usually fun and interesting at the same time," said Jennie Jones, Wakulla Coalition President.

"The Wakulla County Christian Coalition has presented our programs



A parade float from last year's Black History Parade.

FILE PHOTO

for a few years now," said Jones. "We use any money generated after our expenses to fund scholarships."

Traditionally, the coalition has funded at least two \$500 scholarships for worthy students through their activities.

"We do this for students regardless of race," Jones remarked. "We care about all the students. Along with having fun, we encourage literacy and education with our young people."

Friday night's banquet will be at 6 p.m. at the Wakulla Senior Citizens

Center.

"The speaker will be Dr. Osiefield Anderson, retired head of the mathematics department at Florida A&M. Fred Lee will be our entertainment," said Ruth Francis, secretary of the group. Tickets are still available.

The fun part is Saturday, celebrating heritage and history with a parade and a fun day in the park.

"We'll have music, food and other vendors," Jones said. "The parade will start at 11 a.m. and then we will have our gathering in Hudson Park around noon, with food vendors and a variety of activities."

The literacy part is Sunday, with the Afro-American Read-In from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Wakulla County Public Library.

The public is invited to bring readings of their favorite Afro-American authors to the event.

Local and regional authors also participate, reading from their work. Smaller children will also have a chance to read or to be read to, in a separate room.

Tickets for the banquet are still available.

"Come hear a great speaker and good singing" said Jones.

Tickets are \$30 for individuals and \$55 for couples and can be obtained by calling Ruth Francis at 926-6058, Jennie Jones, 926-7547, or Hugh Taylor, 926-6058.

"We have the banquet to raise scholarship money and everyone is invited although there is a fee. All other events are free and open to the community," said Jones.

Additionally, the WCCC will be having a "Day of Service" on Saturday, Feb. 23, cleaning M.L. King Road. Everyone is invited.

Meet at 9 a.m. at 1357 M. L. King (the pink home with the New Wakulla Mastodon).

Black History: The story of Lacie Hudson

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It was not uncommon for Hudson and her mother, Minnie Green Rosier, to walk three miles to a family's home, wash and hang their clothes and then travel three miles back home.

The going rate for their work: 50 cents a day.

At 14, Hudson's father moved the family to the Helen area, where he secured a job working on one of the farms of a white family.

Three miles down the road from where she currently lives is the site of the Helen Lumber Company. Not far from it was a hotel - many years ago - where she washed dishes on weekends.

"I washed dishes for a dollar a week. Back then, if you had a dollar, you had a lotta money."

The laws limiting associations between the blacks and whites of the south tended to be a bit mind-boggling. Their relations outside of the public eye were rather friendly and familial. Hudson recounts a family she and her family worked for:

The "S" family.

The girls, both black and white, practically grew up together and considered each other friends.

"They (the S family) had a daughter named Helene," Hudson remembers. "She had gotten married and left here. So one day, I asked Mrs. S, what happened to Helene. She said, 'Lacie, Helene is a full-grown woman now. She's married.' That meant for me to call her 'Mrs. Helene.'"

Lacie's response didn't make the situation any better.

"I said, 'She should be full-grown, because her and my baby sister played together. My baby sister's a grown woman and married too.' I had let her know that I knew exactly what she meant: When the white children got a certain age, you called them Mr. or Mrs."

The son of the same family, whom Lacie knew well, became a different person when among his peers.

"My sister and I were walking along the road," she says, "and whenever

you saw the white people's cars coming you had to move quick and get off the road 'cause they would drive toward you, or throw things at you out the window."

"Mr. S's son was riding in the car with another white boy, and they would yell jokes like, 'I think it's gonna rain today 'cause I see two dark clouds rising.'"

In 1939, her first husband, Joseph Franklin, was killed in an automobile accident.

"He was on his way to work at about 5:30 in the morning," she remembers. "There was a wreck, he was thrown from the car and broke his neck."

On the heels of this first agony would follow an even graver disappointment.

"The company he worked for wouldn't give me the money he'd worked and made outright before he died. They didn't help to pay for anything dealing with the accident or his death."

She now has five children and one stepson and recalls the days when she became active in bettering

their future during the civil rights period of the 50s and 60s.

"Every time Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. came to Tallahassee and held rallies with Rev. C.K. Steele, I was right there."

She would often stay with her sister-in-law and catch the bus down to what was then called the city barn, to meet up with her husband at the time, to attend meetings.

While pregnant with her fifth child an incident occurred that she was never to forget.

"I was riding the city bus and there was no room for me to sit. When I finally had a seat, I had to stand up for a white man to sit down - and I'm the one expecting."

"Later on, a few FAMU students got on the bus. They were told to go to the back. The students refused. An argument

broke out and they took that bus driver, beat him up, threw him off the bus, and left."

These incidents, abrupt and anger-filled for the times, did not ring as loudly as the personal implosions between two people forced to adjust in a world of unjust laws.

"You had a certain place that you could go in the dime stores of Tallahassee," she remembers, "The black people wasn't allowed to eat there. I went in to buy me a pair of stockings and shoes and was gonna write a check. Back then, writing a check meant you had to tell what color you were."

"So the sales clerk asked me my name, how old I was, and my race. I told her I was a dark-skinned white lady. I didn't laugh or change it. She hasn't asked me anything since."

What must it be like to live so many years, and

see so much change in the world?

"I feel like, frankly, all my friends are leaving, and have left me behind. But there's always someone calling, wanting to know something. And I say 'Thank you, Jesus' for that. That's why He's keeping me here. To give somebody else information."

After all the things she's seen in Wakulla, what was running through her mind when Barack Obama became the first African-American president?

"I was so happy," says Hudson, "that I did not know what to do. I'm still praying that the Lord will give him the wisdom, the knowledge, understanding and courage to do what needs to be done. To deliver him from those trying to stop him."

"If God can take care of Moses, He can take care of Barack Obama," she says.

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Church Briefs

Black History program at New Bridge Hope M.B. Church

New Bridge Hope Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate Black History Month with a program on Sunday, Feb. 17 at 11:30 a.m. Elder Kenneth Jones and his choir of St. Peter Missionary Baptist Church of Chaires will render the service.

Revival set at Harvest Fellowship

Are you ready for change? Join us for a Revival with Guest Speaker Douglas Chason Jr. on the following dates: Sunday, Feb. 17, at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., and Monday, Feb. 18, through Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m. Harvest Fellowship Church, 824 Shadeville Rd., Crawfordville. For more information call 850-926-4798 or revfredl@yahoo.com.

HEAVENS TO BETSY

What difference does my life make?



By BETSY GOEHRIG

As I sat at lunch with members of Wakulla Rotary last week, I listened to a story told by Alice Veasman.

She told us about her children who are in California and Colorado. She said there was a time she wondered if anyone would even know if something happened to her, so Alice and a friend made a pact that they would call each other every day to check on each other.

What a simple yet beautiful gift to give one another – the gift of presence and care.

And that gift is so needed in a community and a state where so many people are from somewhere else and live here without their family.

There are many people on this Valentine's Day who will celebrate love and romance. But there are also numerous people on this day who will feel very alone and may even question what difference their lives make and wonder if they'd even be missed if anything happened to them.

As many exchange gifts today, remember that the greatest presents are your presence. The greatest gift you can give is God's love.

The greatest Valentine's you can have is to realize that your life makes a difference and that you still have something to offer. You have God's love to share – not just today, but every day.

You may ask, "What can I do? I'm just a kid." Or "What can I do? I'm too old." Or "I'm too busy" or too this or that, whatever label you choose for yourself.

If you're on this earth, you have a reason for being here that is greater than your own existence. My belief is that if you're on the planet, there's something you

still have to be, to do, to give that makes a difference.

I want to share the story of Miss Cleo, whose life I found to be a great inspiration. When she was in her 60s, she had cancer and had many of her internal organs removed and was told she wouldn't live a year.

A wise old doctor told her if she'd give up sugar, salt, fried foods, red meat, and processed foods and only ate grilled or baked chicken and fish with fresh fruits and vegetables she could live to be 100. She made those simple changes and came close. She outlived that one year prognosis and made it to 94!

Miss Cleo became seriously ill when she was about 85 years old, and the Visiting Nurses Association came in and took care of her. She wasn't expected to pull through once again but she did. She told them they had helped her so much she wanted to do something for them – she wanted to volunteer.

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OUT TO PASTOR

True love trumps a romantic fling every time

By JAMES L. SNYDER

February is the month we celebrate romance. Actually, the only romantic things about me are my "love handles," which is why I have spent so much energy developing them over the years. You think somebody would appreciate them.

For some people, romance is an easy, if not natural thing. Others, like me, find it complicated and elusive. It is not that men are less romantic than women are; they just have different ideas of romance.

For most women, romance is flowers and candy in heart shaped boxes. For men it is a Big Mac with fries and a soda ... and SUPER SIZE it, please.

Why are women so complicated and men so simple? I do not think that came out the way I meant it.

If it were not for women, romance would have died a long time ago. There is nothing quite like springtime with a hint of romance in the air with a delicate dash of chivalry.

People from Hollywood try to define romance for us, but their idea of romance is raw sex and lurid lust. Hollywooders would not know romance if it nibbled on their ears. Romance is not a fling in the spring, but a lifelong relationship, experiencing all the ups and downs of life – together – and no growing apart!

There is no picture quite as refreshing as a couple still together after all those years of turmoil and temerity. The easiest thing in all the world is to fall in love for a few years and then, when it gets difficult, bale out. What kind of thing is that?

I'll have you know that romance has not been a stranger at the parsonage. I met my wife (actually, she wasn't my wife then) when I went away to Bible

college in 1970.

At the time, I was functionally romance challenged. Before I left home for college, I prayed for a wife. I had the good sense to know that a minister needs a good wife to support him in the ministry.

I prayed something like this, "Father, I need a good wife and I don't know how to go about it. Let the first single girl I meet at Bible college be the wife of Your choosing."

Now, I know this is a crazy and dangerous prayer to make. Some would take the high road of romance, but I took the low road of prayer. I may have been a bit desperate, but nobody could doubt my earnestness. I also figured that prayer was a lot cheaper than dating. After all, I am a Pennsylvania Dutchman.

The day of my arrival on campus came and found me a bit anxious. I remembered my prayer and wondered just how God would answer it.

As I pulled into the men's dorm parking lot, a young woman exited from the building. Remembering my prayer, I immediately amended it. "God, this doesn't count. I've not stepped out of the car yet."

Have you ever noticed that God has a marvelous sense of humor?

The young woman emerging from the men's dorm defied description. Do you remember when women rolled their hair up in big rollers? Well, this young woman had rolled her hair up in tomato cans! Nothing prepared me for such a sight. She actually looked like some space alien.

I do not know what she was wearing or even what she looked like. All I could see were those tomato cans on her head. At the time, I did not know much about romance, but I knew this was not it.

The next few days I did

everything to avoid the women's dorm for fear I would run into her. Whenever I did see her, I crossed to the other side of the street. But the more I tried to avoid her, the more I ran into her. Prayer makes strange partners.

Thinking I was making progress in my plan of avoidance, the inevitable happened.

One week after arrival, my roommate invited me to come along with him and his girlfriend to a restaurant. Being the neurotic naive that I am, I said, "Sure, I'd love to come along." After all, I had nothing else to do and it seemed like some fun.

When my roommate went to the women's dorm to pick up his girlfriend, who do you suppose was standing with his girlfriend waiting?

That's right. The young woman with the tin cans on her head.

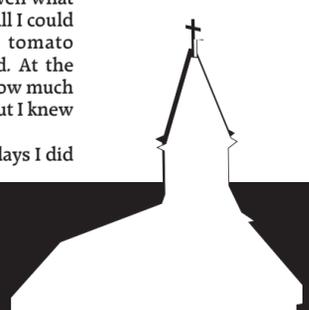
She turned out to be the sister of my roommate.

It was a whirlwind romance. I met her in September and in February she asked me to marry her. In August of that year, I found myself at a church altar mumbling, "do."

The Bible makes this promise: "Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the LORD" (Proverbs 18:22 KJV).

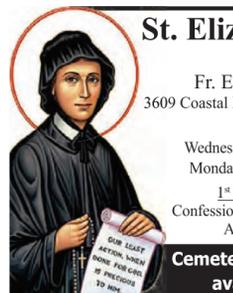
A good wife is the find of a lifetime, as long as God is in charge of the search.

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"I'm not afraid to be the pale girl in the bathing suit. It doesn't bother me anymore."

"I have friends who use tanning beds or lie out in the sun. I tell them about Jaime."

Jaime was in her early 20s when she was diagnosed with melanoma, and she died right before she turned 30.

One person dies from melanoma every hour.

After Jaime's death, I completely walked away from tanning.

People think it's safe. But I know it's not. You could die - just like Jaime did."

- Amanda Aspin

Community

happenings in our community

Young paddlers clean up the Sopchoppy River



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

The nine members of the Florida Youth Conservation Center Network, counselors and family members collect an entire dumpster full of trash from the Sopchoppy River, including a TV.

Special to The News

The Florida Youth Conservation Centers Network held its first Paddle Pickup on the Sopchoppy River, Saturday, Feb. 2.

The City of Sopchoppy

recently became a FYCCN partner, joining a statewide network of partners to provide places where youth and their families can participate in outdoor activities and safely share

experiences that inspire lifelong support for fish and wildlife conservation.

The river cleanup provided the opportunity and training needed for youth paddlers to assist in restoring and protecting all rivers.

Nine youth paddlers and their family members, along with FYCCN counselors, had a fun and productive morning removing boatloads of debris from the river.

After seeing dog on Facebook, couple adopts Rosie



Special to The News

A woman and her husband recently came from Connecticut to rescue and adopt a dog that had a very slim chance of ever finding a home.

Rosie had been abandoned in the Wakulla County Animal Shelter's drop box with only a note that gave them her name. No reason for surrendering her and no name of the owner. She climbed out of the kennel and was running around the fire grounds next door. She was terrified and no one couldn't catch her. Finally, they set a trap for her and

caught her.

She was so afraid that when anyone entered the shelter, she would run to the back of the kennel and just cover by the gate. The adopter, Lisa, saw Rosie on the Friends of Wakulla Animal Shelter Facebook page and instantly felt a connection to Rosie.

"This story has a happy ending and it demonstrates the positive power of social networking," said Ivanhoe Carroll, director of Animal Control.

After many emails and

telephone conversations, she decided that Rosie needed to live with her and her husband, Bruce. They took a week off from work, flew to Jacksonville, rented a car, drove to the shelter and drove her back to Connecticut.

"She was such an excellent passenger on the long trip to Connecticut," Lisa said. "Never a sound."

Upon arriving at her new home, she met her new siblings, five cats, and a dog.

"Rosie stays by my side all of the time," Lisa said.



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Rosie is picked up at the animal shelter by her newly adopted parents from Connecticut, at left. Above, Rosie relaxes at the her new home.

"Wherever I go, she comes along. She is wagging and letting her face relax and taking affection and last night she rolled over for me to pet her tummy."

They took her to the veterinarian who said she is no older than 2 years and in good health. She has also been spayed.

This is one of many success stories at the shelter. According to Carroll, director of Animal Control, they have not put a dog to sleep for space reasons since August of last year.



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Progress Energy donates to Florida Wild Mammal

Special to The News

On Thursday, Feb. 7, Katrina Cochran of Progress Energy visited the Florida Wild Mammal Association to present them with a check for \$1,000 to sponsor their 2013 T-shirt fundraising effort.

Cochran was also taken on a tour of the facility and was very impressed with the facility and services the FWMA provides to the wildlife.

Free tax preparation is offered

Special to The News

The BEST Project, an initiative of the United Way of the Big Bend is offering free tax preparation through its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA).

Each year, VITA offers free tax preparation by IRS-certified volunteers at sites throughout the Big Bend. This fast, free and confidential service is available to Wakulla County residents who need help with their basic, current year tax returns.

Wakulla County VITA Sites:

- Wakulla County Library, 4330 Crawfordville Highway, Site opened Feb. 2.

Thursday: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Saturday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- Wakulla Senior Center, 33 Michael Drive, Site opened Feb. 6.

Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sites are operated by BEST Project community partners, AARP Tax Aide.

The BEST Project also offers a free, online filing service for families and individuals whose total household income does not exceed \$57,000. Please visit www.MyFreeTaxes.com/thebestproject or click here for more information.

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22 achieve honor roll

Special to The News

Staff at Providence Christian Academy are pleased to announce the names of the students who achieved honor roll status during fall semester.

Students who achieved the Principals (A) Honor Roll by completing their required units of study as well as scoring an average of 94 to 100 percent during the first nine-weeks on all their written tests are Daniel Abraham, Liliana Abraham, Thomas Bryant, Cody Folsom, Kara Folsom, Justin Gunn, Lakota Ibarra-Bass, Hannah Jowers, Isaac Medina, Hannah Wells, Hunter Wells and Matthew Wilde.

Students who scored between 88 and 93 percent and completed all their required units of study to make Supervisors (B) Honor Roll are Joy Aviles,

John Braden, Savannah Causseaux, Paul Croley, Rebecca Durrance, Shelby Isman, Alex Johnson, Amber Mispel, Jake Taylor and Ashley Turnbow.

"I so excited for these students who worked diligently to complete all their work, and also scored so high," said Pastor Folsom. "Their scores contribute to Providence's continuing status as a model school and is a reflection of their character as a student and a young person striving to follow Christ."

Providence Christian Academy, a ministry of Central Baptist Church, is located at 710 Shadeville Road, two miles northwest of the Wakulla County Courthouse. For more information about the school or available scholarships, call 926-2456 or visit www.centralbaptistcf.com.

Crawfordville holds Creative Writing Bowl



Creative Writing Bowl winners are Gracie Bruce, George Harper and Keira Cushard.

Special to The News

Crawfordville Elementary School recently held its annual Creative Writing Bowl headed up by third grade teacher Kim Bartnick and assisted by art teacher Jennifer Brooks.

The contest began with students in third through fifth grades participating in a class writing competition.

There were two winners chosen from each class to compete for the schoolwide title. An art sample was selected by both Bartnick and

Brooks then students wrote a creative story on the art work selected. They were given 60 minutes to write the story and the winners were selected from the group of 28-32 students participating.

To compete in the writing bowl, a student must have a creative mind; must be well read; have a keen vocabulary; be an excellent speller and understand the formality of sentence structure.

This year, our eldest Cougars showed that they had the most mature and creative writing skills.

The winners of the 2013 Creative

Writing Bowl were Gracie Bruce taking first place, George Harper with second place and Keira Cushard taking third place.

Our community partner, Ace Hardware donated the beautiful trophies for our contest. The school appreciates their continual support.

"Crawfordville is proud of all of the students who participated in this year's competition, but we would like to offer a special congratulations" to Gracie, George and Keira," said Principal Angie Walker. "Way to go, Cougars!"

School briefs

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BACK TO SCHOOL EARLY

School districts could start the school year earlier if needed for students to complete all their coursework and tests by five days before Christmas under a bill filed in the House on Tuesday.

The measure (HB 657), sponsored by Rep. Larry Metz, R-Yalaha, says school districts can start the year early as necessary to reach that goal. Currently, public schools in Florida can't begin the school year until 14 days before Labor Day.

BRANDES BILL CALLS FOR LOCKDOWN DRILLS

Schools would be required to hold lockdown drills under a bill sponsored by Sen. Jeff Brandes, R-St. Petersburg.

The measure (SB 790) would require schools to hold the same number of lockdown drills as they do evacuation drills, though it says schools aren't required to hold more total drills than they do now. Police and firefighters would be encouraged to take part in the drills. A school employee would have to file a report with the school district on the drill.

"As a military officer I used after-action reports as an invaluable tool to improve my unit's performance," Brandes said in a statement. "It is my expectation that this tool will also improve the safety procedures at our educational institutions."

SCHOOL BUS CAMERA BILL AIMED AT BUS STOP SIGN IGNORERS

A bill that would let school districts put cameras on school buses with the hope of getting pictures of drivers who don't observe the school bus stop signs when children are boarding was filed Tuesday in the House.

The measure (HB 669) by Rep. Ed Hooper, R-Clearwater, was also filed last year

but died in committee.

Under the bill, for which there is no Senate companion yet, the images or video recorded by a school bus safety camera could not contain the faces of people driving through the stop sign. The fine for getting caught blowing through a school bus stop sign under the legislation would be \$250.

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Sports

sports news and team views

WRESTLING

9 War Eagles headed to state finals



Special to The News

Wakulla War Eagles wrestling traveled to Bolles High School this past weekend for regionals.

Thirty schools participated and Wakulla took second place just 19 points behind Clay high school.

Wakulla qualified nine of 14 wrestlers

for the state series set for this weekend in Lakeland where the top 16 wrestlers of Division-1A will compete.

Advancing to state are: Austin Runyan 106lbs., Zach Malik 113lbs., DyJuan Carney 120lbs., Bill Morgan 126lbs., Kevon White 132lbs., Drew Delong 182lbs., James Douin 195lbs., Keith Godden 220lbs., and Chris Griffin 285lbs..



PHOTOS BY ROBERT DOUIN/SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Wakulla wrestlers in action at last week's regionals in Jacksonville.



War Eagles have big hopes for this season

From Page 1

Gauger moderates his optimism, noting that the team has a tough schedule against some good district opponents.

"But we should have a pretty good chance to do something pretty good," he says.

Whatever happens, he says, "you know these guys will go down trying."

Three senior leaders on the team are outfielder and pitcher Jeff Barnes, pitcher Jake Walker and catcher Dalton Dugger.

Barnes, who missed most of last season after he broke his ankle in the second game, said he's looking forward to the team coming together.

His goal: "Repeat what we did our sophomore year" and make it through the playoffs.

Walker pitched in that Final Four game two years ago, and says he wants to get the most of himself out there on the field. His goal: "Go as far as we can in the playoffs."

Dugger had a bit of a reverse take on it: Having seen the eyes of the seniors last year, he doesn't want his season to end that way. He thinks they can go further, "if we play to our potential."

Walker adds, "I know we have a good team and we just want to play well."

"I'm excited about the season," Barnes said.

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NATIONAL SIGNING DAY

Eight War Eagles sign football scholarships



PHOTOS BY WILLIAM SNOWDEN

The eight scholar-athletes at a signing ceremony at the Wakulla High School auditorium on Wednesday, Feb. 6.



Quarterback Caleb Stephens signed with the Brevard University Tornados, a Division II school in North Carolina.



Defensive back Mikal Cromartie signed with the Coffeyville Red Ravens, a community college in Kansas.



Linebacker Fred Cummings signed with the Coffeyville Red Ravens, a community college in Kansas.



Linebacker Kevin James signed with the Coffeyville Red Ravens, a community college in Kansas.



Offensive lineman Chris Griffin signed with the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets, the Division I school in Atlanta.



Running back Demetrius Lindsey signed with Southeastern University Fire, an NAIA school in Florida.



Linebacker Dalton Bohannon, left, signed with the St. Francis Fighting Saints, an NAIA school in Illinois.



Offensive lineman Jonathan Chunn, left, signed with the Washington University of St. Louis, a Division III school in Missouri.

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Outdoors

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Silver Springs to become state park following Cabinet approval

From DEP News

TALLAHASSEE - The Florida Cabinet, sitting as the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, recently approved the modification of a lease agreement between Palace Entertainment and the state of Florida, allowing the property to become part of Florida's state park system on Oct. 1.

Palace Entertainment's lease to manage the Silver Springs Attraction ran until Dec. 31, 2029.

Through negotiations with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the state has secured \$4 million in work by Palace Entertainment in order to restore the property to its natural condition, as originally intended by the Board of Trustees.

Palace Entertainment will continue to manage the property until Sept. 30 and during that time the Silver Springs Attraction will be open.

"We are pleased that the Governor and Cabinet have decided to approve this agreement so that the Department can return the property closer to its natural state, involve the community in recreation opportunity decisions and continue our efforts of improving water quality in Silver Springs, one of Florida's most iconic treasures," said DEP Secretary Herschel T. Vinyard Jr.

The Department will begin implementing the Interim Facilities and Operations Plan that was presented to the public Jan. 14 by the Florida Park Service.

The long term unit management plan, which is required by Florida Statutes, is anticipated to be completed by September 2014.

"Florida's 171 state parks, trails and historic sites are pleased to welcome the Silver Springs property into our family



PHOTO BY DEP

Making Silver Springs Attraction a state park allows the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to continue its water quality work in the springs basin.

of resource-based recreation areas and historic and cultural sites," said Donald Forgiore, DEP's Florida Park Service Director. "We look forward to working with Palace Entertainment during the transition and to opening the gates on Oct. 1 as a state park."

Palace Entertainment's lease is terminated; the Silver Springs property will become a state park on Oct. 1

Turning the property into a state park is another step the Department has taken to restore Silver Springs.

Also Wednesday, the Department's Division of Environmental Assessment and Restoration held the first meeting to finalize a basin management action plan for Silver Springs - the first such restoration plan to reduce nitrates affecting the springs. Department research and monitoring led to designating Silver Springs and the Upper Silver River as impaired for nitrate, a form of nitrogen that causes exces-

sive algae growth in the spring system.

Last November, the Department finalized the total maximum daily load or, in this case, the maximum acceptable concentration of nitrate, at 0.35 milligrams per liter. This is the same restoration target that

the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has adopted for springs - based on the Department's data - and that has been upheld in both state and federal courts.

Meeting the restoration target will protect aquatic life and bring the system back into balance.

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection expanded its efforts to restore Silver Springs last July, committing more than \$1 million to water quality improvement projects.

The Department, Marion County and the St.

Johns River Water Management District have identified the first project to benefit from this funding, committing \$300,000, \$300,000 and \$100,000, respectively, toward the project.

The project will eliminate a wastewater discharge from the Silver Springs Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant, which is within 1.5 miles of the main boil of Silver Springs.

It will redirect wastewater to the Silver Springs Shores Wastewater Treatment Plant, which provides higher level treatment and is 10 miles from the head spring.

In a subsequent phase of the project, a series of small "package" wastewater treatment plants also will be connected to the central facility, which will provide better treatment and reduce pollution.

Implementation of these actions collectively will eliminate more than two tons of nitrogen currently going into the Silver Springs system every year.

FWC Law Enforcement operations

From FWC News

This report represents some events the FWC handled in the Northwest Region over the week of Feb. 1 through Feb. 7 but does not include all actions taken by the Division of Law Enforcement.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY: Just after midnight, Lt. Brian Lambert checked two individuals at the Quintet Boat Ramp on the Escambia River. The subjects had just returned to the ramp and their vessel was still in the water. They were in possession of a rifle, shotgun, and a spotlight.

One of the individuals was acting nervous, stepped behind the vehicle, and attempted to dump something out of his pocket.

The subject was found to be in possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia, and was issued a notice to appear citation for the violations. Both subjects said they were camping and returned to their vehicle to get more food and alcohol.

OKALOOSA COUNTY: Lt. Mark Hollinhead and Officer Phillip Griffith responded to a complaint of dogs pursuing deer in the still hunt area of Blackwater WMA. Lt. Hollinhead and Officer Griffith were given a detailed description of the two vehicles involved. The vehicles and subjects were located exiting the management area.

When the officers tried to identify a passenger in one of the vehicles, he was evasive, very nervous, and stated he did not have any identification. When the subject pulled out his trouser pockets, in an attempt to show the officers he did not have his identification, drug paraphernalia dropped to the ground. Realizing his error, he quickly fled on foot into a wooded area.

As the subject dove head first over a barbed wire fence, his wallet dropped to the ground. The wallet contained an identification card. Once he was identified, the officers discovered he was a habitual felony offender and had active warrants for felony drug possession and driving while license suspended.

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Department responded with a K-9 Officer and searched for the subject until the officers determined he got a ride from a nearby residence and left the area.

The subject's vehicle was located and discovered to have an altered tag attached which was not registered to the vehicle.

The Sheriff Department's K-9 alerted on the vehicle, and a subsequent search confirmed the vehicle contained illegal drugs.

Contents of a methamphetamine lab were removed from the vehicle and residue on items tested positive for methamphetamine.

Charges will be direct-filed with the State Attorney's Office for manufacturing methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, hunting violations, possible possession of a firearm by convicted felon, and resisting arrest without violence.

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Coast Guard Auxiliary Reports

By Carolyn Brown Treadon



Some say you can't teach an old dog new tricks, but this weekend Flotilla 12 had the opportunity to prove that wrong.

Members came together at the Navy Reserve Center in Tallahassee for our monthly meeting and training.

For some, it was a normal procedure to enter into a military facility, for others, this was new territory.

Saluting and asking permission to come aboard by crossing the deck was a learning curve. The Navy personnel were more than gracious to all of us.

In addition to 17 members present, we had three prospective members.

In preparation for the upcoming boating season, we set the date for our next Boating Safety Class: March 23.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Alex Gulde, our Flotilla Staff Officer for Public Education at FSO-PE@uscgaux.net.

We will also be out at Springtime Tallahassee

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We are also preparing to resume water sampling for red tide as we begin our regularly scheduled patrols.

This year will be an exciting one for many of us.

Every three years those of us who are crew qualified are required to re-qualify by demonstrating skills while out on the water under the watch of a Qualification Examiner.

This QE cannot be from our own flotilla, so it involves a good amount of coordination.

Dave Rabon discussed the continued efforts of the detachment in St.

George Island. They also have several interested individuals.

As we concluded our meeting, awards were presented to Chuck Hickman for 5,250 total hours of sustained service, Larry Kolk for 5,250 hours of sustained service, Carolyn Treadon for 10 years of membership and 6,000 hours of sustained service and Duane Treadon for 7,500 hours of sustained service.

Following our meeting, Mark Rosen presented our annual Team Coordination Training. This mandatory training is required for all members who participate in operations on the water, including radio watch.

Throughout the training, a scenario is presented and successes as well as errors are discussed.

This year, the primary focus was on the importance of effective communication and following proper procedures.

Following the Auxiliary TCT training, Tim Ashley, Bob Asztalos, Mark Rosen and Duane Treadon presented a Safe Boating class to six sailors attached to the Navy Reserve Unit: Naval Security Force Panama City.

All six sailors passed the course and Auxiliary personnel signed off relevant Boat Handling Training in their Harbor Security Personal Qualification Standards.

And as Sherrie says, safe boating is no accident.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Auxiliary, check out our website at www.uscgaux.net for membership information or contact our Flotilla Staff Officer for Human Resources Fran Keating at fso-hr@uscgaux.net.

When you first take an open water training class it is a bit like drinking from a fire hose.

You will be bombarded with information, terminology and equipment, all the while you are daydreaming about that upcoming vacation. Much of what you're force-fed only comes to realization much later in your diving career.

One of those things is decompression. A term often shrouded in fear, misunderstanding and disappointment.

Those who know nothing about it usually fear it, those who know very little usually avoid it, and those who are familiar with decompression tend to be disappointed by encountering it.

Decompression, or deco, is the term divers have given to stopping their ascent at specified incremental depths and for calculated amounts of time to allow the inert gases that has accumulated in their system during the dive to be released safely.

The concept is often compared to opening a bottle of soda. Open it slowly and the gas is released and few bubbles are observed, open it fast and bubbles can overflow the top.

As divers we don't want to bubble as it would literally make the blood boil.

Decompression stops are usually unnecessary when diving within the recreational diving limits, which is part of the definition of recreational diving in contrast to technical diving.

The practice of a safety stop was developed to allow your body to equalize a bit with the lessening pressure, typically at 15-20 feet deep. Your body undergoes the largest pressure change during the transition from the first atmosphere underwater, about 33 feet, to the surface. This safety stop is about half that distance to the surface, a critical point for one to ensure their ascent is controlled and the air spaces in the body can catch up with the pressure change. While not an explicit decompression stop the safety stop nonetheless minimizes bubble formation, and is a healthy practice.

Some instructors will teach that every dive is a decompression dive, which is technically true. More often than not that is the last and only time the subject is mentioned in an entry level class.

In single cylinder diving decompression is not recommended, as these mandatory stops often require ample breathing gas and prevent an immediate ascent to the safety of the surface.

That being said, if the water is warm enough, decompression stops are usually my favorite portion of the dive. I am able to relax, watch the local wildlife if present, or play games underwater. Some people even take books to read on dives where long decompression is planned. Deco time can be enjoyed on a wall dive in the ocean, tucked out of the flow in a cave passage, on a shot line in the great lakes, and anywhere in between.

You have paid for the breathing gas, fuel, food and other expenses associated with diving so why be in a hurry to leave the water?

Instead of doing two or three short dives in a day you could do one that is longer than the short dives combined and spend the rest of the day enjoying your vacation. This of course requires additional training and equipment but it can provide for a new way to explore and enjoy the underwater world when you are no longer as concerned with beating the clock of staying within the recreational limits.

Rebreathers add an interesting twist to the subject. Suddenly you can do that extra long dive and still not acquire mandatory stops at the same rate of an open circuit diver.

How about diving to 70 feet all day and never having a deco stop pop up on your dive computer? See you on deco.



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Law Enforcement and Courts reports

Sheriff's Report

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

JANUARY 31

- John Cooper of Inverness reported an illegal dumping in Crawfordville. The victim last visited his property four months ago and it has since been used by individuals to dump construction debris and auto parts. The debris was spread out over the victims four lot location. Deputy Ward Kromer investigated.

- A 14-year-old male was found in possession of marijuana at Wakulla High School. Assistant Principal Simeon Nelson conducted a search of the student and discovered less than 20 grams of marijuana inside a medicine bottle in a book bag. Deputy Scott Rojas issued the student a notice to appear in court for possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana. The marijuana weighed one gram.

- Riversprings Middle School Assistant Principal Michele Baggett reported that a 14-year-old juvenile was smoking marijuana in a school bathroom. The male student was interviewed by Baggett and turned over a bag with marijuana, marijuana residue and a lighter. The student was suspended from school and issued a civil citation for 32 hours of community service. The marijuana weighed 2.5 grams. Sgt. Ray Johnson investigated.

- The WCSO discovered four marijuana plants in a home occupied by James Levi Myers, 39, of Crawfordville. Florida Department of Law Enforcement agents conducted a search warrant with the WCSO for child pornography. Myers had property seized at the home and was charged with six counts of distribution of child pornography, 15 counts of possession of child pornography and four counts of cultivation of marijuana. The search warrant was served at 690 Crawfordville Highway. Myers remains in the Wakulla County Jail under a \$135,000 bond. Detective Rob Giddens investigated along with members of the FDLE Cybercrime Squad at the Tallahassee Regional Operations Center. The four marijuana plants were seized by law enforcement.

FEBRUARY 1

- Jason Rawlins of Tallahassee reported a vehicle burglary on Mashers Sands Road. A VHF radio was stolen out of the victim's boat. The boat was stored under his residence and the radio is valued at \$175. Deputy Billy Metcalf investigated.

- Patricia Candler of Crawfordville reported a fraud. The victim filed her tax return and was informed by the IRS that the agency had already received a return with her

Social Security number on it. Deputy Ian Dohme investigated.

- Katina Rosier of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. Eighteen purchases were made using the victim's bank card. The total value of the fraud is \$8,021 at various locations in Orlando. Deputy Mike Zimba investigated.

- Matthew Ainsworth of Crawfordville reported the theft of a fuel transfer pump from his vehicle. The pump is valued at \$100. Deputy Rachel Wheeler investigated.

- Larry L. Cook of Lake City reported a fraud. A suspect, who has been identified, created a phone line and added a phone on the victim's telephone account. The value of the fraud is \$500. Deputy Mike Zimba investigated.

- Michelle Leo of Crawfordville reported a residential burglary. Jewelry, tools and a computer, valued at \$3,550, were reported missing. A forced entry was discovered. Deputy Mike Zimba, Detectives Lorne Whaley, Nick Boutwell and Derek Lawhon and Deputies Scott Rojas and Billy Metcalf investigated.

FEBRUARY 2

- Kimberly Perez of Crawfordville reported the theft of \$200 from her vehicle. The vehicle was left unlocked by a friend who borrowed the vehicle. Deputy Mike Zimba investigated.

- Christy Brooks of Crawfordville reported a fraud. Two charges were discovered on the victim's bank card from Dublin, Ireland. Deputy Mike Zimba investigated.

- Robert Lee Hill of Sopchoppy was arrested for possession of a weapon by a convicted felon. Lt. Brent Sanders and Deputy Mike Zimba responded to a disturbance call and discovered a rifle on Hills' property. Deputy Billy Metcalf also investigated.

- Brandy Campbell of Crawfordville reported a grass fire. A fire originated in a trash barrel and damaged a non-functioning vehicle. The vehicle is valued at \$400. Deputy Ian Dohme investigated.

- Kevin Yuri-Jan Satchell of Crawfordville was arrested for driving with a driver license that was suspended or revoked as a habitual offender. Deputy Rachel Wheeler observed Satchell drive through the Savannah's parking lot at a high rate of speed. The deputy conducted a traffic stop and determined that the suspect has four prior DWLSR charges. Deputy Wheeler also issued the driver a warning for cutting through the business parking lot to avoid the traffic light.

- Steven Harris of Crawfordville reported a grass fire. Wakulla Firefighters extinguished the brush fire. The fire originated in a fire pit that got out of control. The fire jumped

the pit and caught a small wooded lot on fire. Approximately one-quarter acre worth of land was damaged. The property owner was contacted in Georgia and no charges were filed. Deputy Gibby Gibson investigated.

- Roger Lee Keith of Crawfordville reported a traffic crash on Highway 61 and Griffin Road. The driver was temporarily blinded by the sun and in an effort to avoid another motorist he ran off the road and struck a telephone box. The vehicle suffered minor damage. Damage to the phone box was approximately \$2,000. Deputy Gibby Gibson investigated.

FEBRUARY 3

- Devon Chovan of Crawfordville reported the theft of a tag from her vehicle. The victim believes the tag was stolen from an area inside Wakulla Gardens. It is valued at \$75. Deputy Mike Zimba investigated.

- Rodney Kirk Brightbill, 54, of Crawfordville was observed driving erratically on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Road. Deputy Clint Beam conducted a traffic stop and also conducted field sobriety exercises. The suspect was charged with DUI and refused to submit to a breath test.

FEBRUARY 4

- Deputy Sean Wheeler and Deputy Richard Moon investigated a minor traffic crash in the Wal-Mart parking lot. The driver of a sweeper truck hit a parked vehicle causing minor damage.

- Charles Fowler of Crawfordville and Randy Wyckoff of Thomasville, Ga., were involved in a two vehicle crash on Woodville Highway. Fowler was unable to stop as Wyckoff was stopping to make a left hand turn.

- Fowler struck a trailer being pulled by Wyckoff. There were no injuries but the Fowler vehicle had to be towed due to the damage. Deputy Ward Kromer investigated.

- A grand theft was reported by Bruce Durden of Crawfordville. A utility trailer and contents, which were located at the victim's residence, was stolen. The trailer and contents is valued at \$7,530. The trailer and a generator were entered into the FCIC/NCIC data base. Deputy Randy Phillips investigated.

- Velvet Deese of Crawfordville reported a credit card fraud. The victim reported a fraudulent charge on her bank card which was created in Spain. The fraudulent charge was valued at \$127. Deputy Randy Phillips investigated.

- John Johnson of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. The victim discovered two unauthorized charges on his bank card out of Las Vegas,

Nev. The charges totaled \$75. Deputy Randy Phillips investigated.

- Richard Melton of Crawfordville reported the theft of a dog. The male poodle was stolen from outside his home. An anonymous female caller told the victim that a female suspect had the dog. Deputy Mike Crum investigated.

- Jeffery Taff of Crawfordville reported the theft of a vehicle tag from his truck. Deputy Mike Crum investigated.

- Larry Roberts of Sopchoppy reported a criminal mischief to his mailbox. The victim reported what appeared to be food smeared on the outside of his mailbox. Deputy Stephen Simmons investigated.

- Kari Hemphill of Crawfordville reported a fraud. The victim became part of a scam where she received a \$1,000 check in the mail to become a "secret shopper." She was asked to deposit the check in her bank account and keep \$300 for herself while sending the remaining money to the unknown suspect. The victim's bank determined that the check was fraudulent and caused the victim's account to be overdrawn. Deputy Nick Gray investigated.

- Brian Johnson of Tallahassee reported a credit card offense. The victim received correspondence from a credit card company that he was late on his credit card payment. The victim does not possess a card from the credit card company and never opened the account. The credit card company reported that the account was opened in Crawfordville while the victim was out of town.

- The company is seeking \$1,105 from the victim. A suspect has been identified in the case as a person of interest may have acquired the victim's personal information. Deputy Will Hudson investigated.

FEBRUARY 5

- Deputy Elisee Colin conducted a traffic stop in Crawfordville for failure to stop at a stop sign. Deputy Colin allegedly smelled marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. A search of the vehicle was conducted and marijuana and drug paraphernalia was seized.

- The marijuana weighed 5.5 grams and Devin Alan Anderson, 18, of Crawfordville was arrested for possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana. Anderson was given a verbal warning for failure to stop at a stop sign. Sgt. Jeremy Johnston and Deputy Nick Gray also investigated.

- Brenda Smith of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. The victim observed unauthorized charges on her bank account for a total of \$3,479. The charges were created in Pennsylvania

and through a cancer foundation.

- Danny Colvin of Crawfordville reported the theft of car batteries. Twelve batteries were being stored by the victim when they were stolen. The batteries are valued at \$298 and a person of interest has been developed. Deputy Mike Crum investigated.

- Daniel Shiver of Eastpoint and Rebecca Long of Endicott, N.Y., were involved in a two vehicle traffic crash at U.S. Highway 319 and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Road. Both vehicles were damaged in the crash but there were no injuries. Deputy Mike Crum investigated.

- A 15-year-old Wakulla High School male was discovered in possession of marijuana at school. The student's teacher smelled cannabis in the classroom and a search of the student was conducted. The marijuana weighed .8 of a gram. The student was issued a civil citation and was suspended from school for 10 days. Deputy Scott Rojas investigated.

- Katherine Nichols and Andrew S. Wilson, both of Crawfordville, were involved in a minor traffic crash on Spring Creek Highway. There were no injuries. Deputy Cole Wells investigated.

- Rosemary Riggins of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. The victim observed unauthorized charges on her bank account. The charges were created at a clothing company in Africa and totaled \$1,878. Deputy Will Hudson investigated.

- Richard Rawls of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. The victim reported the theft of money from his bank account. A charge of \$566 was observed from a satellite television provider along with other charges. Deputy Cole Wells investigated.

- David Mercer of Crawfordville reported a fraud. The victim received a counterfeit \$100 bill at his business. A person of interest was identified. Deputy Nick Gray investigated.

- Wal-Mart Asset Protection staff reported a retail theft. A suspect, who

was identified, was accused of taking \$93 worth of consumables from the store without paying for them. The suspect was detained by store officials but fled on foot before deputies arrived on the scene. The case was forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Division. Deputy Will Hudson investigated.

- Amy Lee of Crawfordville and James Metcalf of Sopchoppy were involved in a minor two vehicle traffic crash at Wakulla High School. There were no injuries. Deputy Nick Gray investigated.

FEBRUARY 6

- Joseph Lawson of Panacea reported the theft of firewood from the Shadeville area. The victim placed two cords of split oak on a vacant lot. The wood is valued at \$200. Deputy Billy Metcalf investigated.

- Thomas Beyer of Crawfordville reported a fraud. The victim's credit card was used at a motel in Bloomington, Minn. The charges totaled \$215. A person of interest has been identified. Deputy Rachel Wheeler investigated.

- Cecil Carraway of Crawfordville and Betty Willis of Crawfordville were involved in a two vehicle traffic crash at Murphy Oil. Carraway backed into the Willis vehicle causing minor damage to her vehicle. There were no injuries. Deputy Clint Beam investigated.

The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office received 1,066 calls for service during the past week including 14 residential and commercial alarms; 11 assists to other agencies; 68 citizen contacts; 18 E-911 abandoned cell calls; 5 E-911 abandoned calls; 8 regular E-911 calls; 12 frauds; 54 investigations; 11 loud music/noise complaints; 34 medical emergencies; 376 residential and commercial security checks; 20 special details; 38 subpoena services; 15 suspicious people 120 traffic stops; 10 reckless vehicles; and 23 wanted people.

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GREEN SCENE

The balancing act in the laundry



GREEN LIVING

By **SHELLEY SWENSON**
Wakulla Extension Service

How many of you remember using a wringer washer or a scrub board to wash clothes?

Do you remember the saying, "Man may work from sun to sun, but a woman's work is never done"?

How was laundry done in the good old days? Let's visit laundry day at a family farm during the early part of the 20th Century.

Like most people in Florida during this time, Martha Brown lived on a farm near a small town. It is Monday morning, wash day. Martha learned how to wash clothes from her mother and the process is inflexible. Martha knows that each step is necessary to have clean, bright clothes.

The appearance of her family's clothes is a mark of success as a homemaker. She and her neighbor often compare how white their washes look.

Wearing clothes until they were soiled was acceptable in earlier times. By not having a large wardrobe and making frequent changes, there were fewer to wash and iron.

While the cleanliness standards are quite high, clothes are worn several days and washed no more than weekly. Many clothes had ground-in-dirt and stains.

Almost everything in the family wash was cotton – except tablecloths and handkerchiefs which were linen. All fabrics were natural for manmade fibers had not been invented. Dyes were natural too, and were usually not colorfast.

Clothing types ranged from delicate embroidered, handmade items to heavy work clothes.

Consider what has to be done to produce clean, fresh-smelling clothes without today's labor-saving devices, without hot running water, or without running water at all.

Here are the laundry principles that Martha kept in mind on laundry day in 1921. They make me tired; how do you feel after reading them?

• Martha got up early

to build a fire in her wood-burning kitchen stove.

• She carried water from rain barrels. Three tubs were set up: one for washing and two for rinsing. Rain water was used instead of well water because it was softer. Heavily soiled items were soaked overnight to help loosen ground-in soil.

• Martha sorted the clothes allowing her to wash the cleanest clothes first because the same water was used again and again until all batches were washed and rinsed. She had to carefully sort the clothes because most dyes were not colorfast. She used cool water on those to protect colors.

• While the water in the boiler was heating, Marsha made starch. Powdered cornstarch was mixed with a little cold water, then boiling water was poured from a tea kettle. Quick stirring kept lumps from forming. The starch was covered after cooking so film did not form and leave a starchy lump on clothes.

• By now the washing water was hot enough. She put hot water into the washtub for washing the first load of white clothes. Her hands were tough from hard chores and were accustomed to the very hot water which made her white clothes whiter. She used as hot water as she could stand because pure soap worked best with it.

• Now the hard work began. She placed a bar of homemade soap and washboard in the tub. She handled each item separately and rubbed soap over soiled areas. She scrubbed until they were clean and then ran the bar of soap lightly over the rest of them. Some dirt and soap stayed in the water as Martha rinsed each item in the wash water. She then wrung out the excess water. In some parts of the South, a battering board was used in place of a washboard. Soiled clothes were placed on the battering board and beaten with a stick to loosen soil.

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Radishes in the garden.

What's in the garden now – Radish

By **LES HARRISON** and **SHELLEY SWENSON**
Of the Extension Office

February is teasing Wakulla County's gardeners with visions of sunny spring days.

The smell of the earth and the prospect of spring vegetables come to mind as the temperature rocks between seasonal averages.

There are, however, some vegetable which are still in the garden and providing fresh options from last year's efforts.

Radishes are a prime example of a popular cool season root vegetable which grows well in Florida's Big Bend region.

This native of northern Europe handles the mild days and occasionally frosty nights with few problems.

Radishes are in the same plant family with turnips, cabbage, broccoli and several other cool season crops. This ancient crop was developed over 2,000 years ago and is noted for its quick-growing characteristics.

Radish production is currently worldwide activity in the 21st century. An almost infinite variety of cultivars have been developed to meet local preferences.

Propagating this plant is relatively simple, inexpensive and will reward the grower with an ample



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supply of tasty and nutritious roots.

No more than 60 days is required from planting to picking.

Insect problems are few this time of year, but will increase as the days lengthen and the temperatures rise.

There have been some

reports of cutworm problems in Wakulla County with the unusually warm January.

Disease and molds can be a problem if the plants remain damp and cool for too long a period. There are treatments for these conditions, but many times the expense

outweighs the potential benefits.

The variety being grown in the UF/IFAS Wakulla Extension Demonstration Garden is Reover F1 (Bejo 2739) and is offered by Bejo Seed Company. It was planted in early December 2013.

Radishes are filled with antioxidants which are linked to improved blood vessel functioning in humans.

Antioxidants serve as a vacuum cleaner eliminating free radicals.

Over time, free radicals cause significant damage to cells and can lead to a number of diseases associated with aging. Radishes should be thoroughly cleaned when brought from the garden. They should last up to two weeks when refrigerated.

To learn more about radish production and use, contact your UF/IFAS Wakulla Extension Office at 850-926-3931 or <http://wakulla.ifas.ufl.edu/>

To get hands-on gardening experience, sign up for the 2013 Master Gardener Class the UF/IFAS Wakulla Extension Office. Classes will begin in February.

Les Harrison is the Wakulla County Extension Director. Shelley Swenson is UF/IFAS Wakulla County Family and Consumer Sciences Agent. They can be reached at (850) 926-3931.

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HEALTH & FITNESS

Study shows benefits of yoga in dealing with stress

We all know that yoga does a body (and a mind) good. But until recently, no one could really say with any degree of certainty why - or even how - it improves conditions as varied as depression and anxiety, diabetes, chronic pain and even epilepsy.

Now a group of researchers at Boston University School of Medicine believe they discovered yoga's secret. In an article published in the May 2012 issue of Medical Hypothesis Journal with an impressively long title, Chris Streeter, Ph.D. and his team hypothesized that yoga works by regulating the nervous system.

And how does it do that? By increasing vagal

tone - the body's ability to successfully respond to stress.

Most of us do not even know we have a vagus nerve that needs toning, but we most certainly do. The vagus nerve, the largest cranial nerve in the body, starts at the base of the skull and wanders throughout the body, influencing the respiratory, digestive and nervous systems.

Often thought of as our "air traffic controller" the vagus nerve helps to regulate all of our major bodily functions. Our breath and digestion - as well as our ability to take in, process and make sense of our experiences - are all directly related to the vagus nerve.

We know when the



YOGA FOR LIFE

By DOLLY MOODY

vagus nerve is toned and functioning properly because we can feel it on different levels. Our digestion improves, our heart functions optimally and our moods stabilize.

We have an easier time moving from the more active and often stressful states of being to do more relaxed ones.

As we get better at doing that, we can manage life's challenges with the right blend of energy, engagement and ease.

We can consistently when we can consistently maintain this flexible state that we are thought to have - a high vagal tone.

A low vagal tone, on the other hand, brings with it a sense of depletion. Our digestion becomes sluggish, our heart rate increases and our moods become more unpredictable and difficult to manage not surprisingly, low vagal tone is correlated with such

health conditions as depression, post traumatic stress disorder, chronic pain and epilepsy.

Not coincidentally, the same conditions that show improvement with yoga practice.

Researchers hypothesize that it is a vagal stimulation through yoga that improves these conditions.

To test their theory, the researchers investigated practices they believed would increase vagal tone.

For example, they found that resistance breathing, such as ujjayi pranayama (the ocean sounding breathing technique) increased the relaxation response as well as heart variability (another marker of resili-

ence).

A pilot study conducted on more experienced yogis showed that chanting om out loud increased vagal tone and the relaxation response more than chanting it silently to oneself.

Studies such as this one began to reveal how different yoga practices impact human physiology in different ways.

Try it for yourself.

Hhummmmm...ommmmm. Mommmmm, hommmmmme...

Chew on the mmmmm.

Dolly Moody is a professional Kripalu Yoga teacher at Studio 88 in Crawfordville. She can be reached at (228) 380-0140.

Take better care of yourself for Valentine's



GET FIT

By GENA DAVIS

February is Valentine's month.

The month of LOVE.

There is no better way to show your spouse, children or anyone else that you love them, than to take better care of yourself!

Getting in shape not only makes you look better, it will make you feel better too!

You will have more energy to play with the kids, take them to and from all those various activities, and cheer them on when you're there.

You will not be the mom or dad who only sits and watches your

kids play on the playground - you will play too!

Exercise and weight loss are proven weapons in the fight against high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and diabetes.

You want to be around as long as possible, right?

And to be able to enjoy life as long as you are around too.

Being in shape also makes your everyday jobs easier.

Lifting dogfood, taking out the garbage, all those little chores that seem difficult now will be a breeze after you've been exercising for a while.

It's hard to imagine something that not only makes you feel better, look better and be healthier. People would pay lots of money for something guaranteed to do all that.

You have that "something" right at your fingertips.

It's as easy as getting off the couch and going for a walk.

Play a game outside with your kids.

Take the dog for a walk, or better yet, a run.

Just DO SOMETHING!

You will be glad you did.

And so will the people who love you!

Gena Davis is a CFT at Body-Tek 24-Hour Fitness Center in Crawfordville. She can be reached at (850) 926-2348.

Shedding pounds after 50

Special to The News

Losing some weight is a goal for many people regardless of age.

Shedding weight after the age of 50 is not always easy. As a person ages, muscle mass tends to dwindle while body fat has a tendency to increase. Since fat burns fewer calories than muscle, weight gain as a person ages is bound to happen.

But that doesn't mean such weight gain is inevitable. In fact, men and women willing to make certain changes with regard to diet and exercise can shed pounds after 50 while preventing future weight gain.

DIET

Men and women need fewer calories as they age.

For example, men and women in their 40s may need as many as 200 calories more per day than they will when they reach their 50s.

Counting calories might seem difficult, so men and women in their 50s and older who don't think they can count calories can try to eat more low-calorie foods like

fruits, vegetables and whole grains.

Consuming fewer calories often requires changing dietary habits, not only with regard to what you're eating but also how you're eating and even how you shop for food.

For those who find they're frequently too exhausted to cook each night, they can prepare meals in advance to have healthy, homemade meals waiting instead of always ordering takeout or delivery.

EXERCISE

Exercise is another essential component to shedding pounds after 50, though men and women over 50 should always consult a physician before they begin a new exercise regimen.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention points out that regular exercise can help older men and women prevent the onset of a host of ailments, including heart disease and diabetes.

Maintaining that independence into older adulthood is a goal for many men and women, and it's a goal that's

far more realistic for men and women who exercise than it is for those who don't.

According to the CDC, older adults need at least 2 hours and 30 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity, such as brisk walking, every week and muscle-strengthening activities on two more days a week.

These muscle-strengthening activities should work all the major muscle groups, including the legs, hips, back, abdomen, chest, shoulders, and arms. Muscle-strengthening activities include lifting weights, working out with resistance bands, exercise such as push-ups and sit-ups that use body weight for resistance, and yoga.

Even gardening that involves digging and shoveling can be considered a muscle-strengthening activity.

Weight gain is often an expected side effect of aging. But men and women don't have to gain weight as they get older.

Some simple dietary changes and a commitment to routine exercise is all it takes to shed weight after 50 and keep that weight off once it's gone.

Swenson: The environmental balancing act in the laundry

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The clothes from this first load go into the boiler on the stove to disinfect them. While the water and clothes boiled for about 30 minutes, there was time to clean the clothes line with a damp cloth, place the clothes basket, and get the clothespin apron ready to use.

After the first load had been boiled, Martha removed them with a wooden stick and put them in the first rinse

tub. She churned the clothes in the rinse water to get out as much leftover soap as possible. If left it turns fabric yellow when ironed. In the final rinse water, bluing was added to mask the gray and yellow soap left on the fabrics, making white fabrics look whiter.

Then the clothes were put on the line to dry. The whites were hung in bright sunlight while the colored were put in the shade.

Each load of laundry went through the same

process and in the end if the water looked clean enough, a load of throw rugs was washed.

So how did this process impact the environment?

In warm months, the rinse water is poured in the garden or on the flowers. Wash water was poured somewhere in the yard - the soap she made was completely "biodegradable," though Martha never heard of the word.

Let's relate the cleanliness formula to this laundry practice from the past.

The formula is cleanliness = water + heat energy + chemical energy + physical energy.

There was very little cost to the laundry practices in the early 20th Century because so much of the effort was provided by humans.

What was the environmental impact? Except in cities, environmental impacts were probably negligible. Almost everything used in the laundry process in rural areas where most people lived was recycled.

Let's compare this to today. When we apply the cleanliness formula to today's practices, it is estimated that our cost is over \$400 a year to provide the water, sewer, heat, equipment, and chemical energy.

Environmentally, events of the past 20 to 30 years have brought about a slow recognition of both limited resources (water and energy) and environmental impact. This is especially true of water which is often a non-renewable resource.

Want to consider how to make some changes in your laundry practices? Go to www.edis.ifas.ufl.edu and request the publication FCS8OH2010 to review ideas on how to make your own cleaning products. Request additional materials at your Wakulla County Extension Office, 926-3931.

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Ragtime Delights featuring Bob Milne at 7 p.m. at Wakulla Springs Lodge.

Friday

Arthur Andrews Scholarship Banquet at 6 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Friday

Black History Parade and Celebration at Hudson Park. Parade at 11 a.m.

Saturday

Afro-American Read-In at the library from 3 to 5 p.m.

Sunday

Government Meetings

Thursday, Feb. 14

- WAKULLA COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL will hold a public meeting at 8:30 a.m. at the Wakulla Welcome Center in Panacea.
- ST. MARKS CITY COMMISSION will hold its regular meeting at 7 p.m. at city hall.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

- COUNTY COMMISSION will meet at 5 p.m. for its regular meeting in the commission chambers.

Thursday, Feb. 21

- ST. MARKS CITY COMMISSION will hold its installation ceremony at 6 p.m. at city hall for re-elected commissioner Gail Gilman.

Clubs, Groups, Regular Meetings

Thursday, Feb. 14

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 6 p.m. at the 26 Walker Street, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- FREE TAX PREPARATION will be available from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the library through the BEST Project, an initiative of the United Way of the Big Bend and its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA).

Friday, Feb. 15

- 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.
- 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. Contact Anne Lopez at 294-0832.

Saturday, Feb. 16

- 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 will meet at 3106 Shadeville Highway, across from the volunteer fire department, at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 224-2321.
- SOPCHOPPY GROWERS MARKET will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in front of Posh Java, Organics & Gifts, on the corner of Rose St. and Winthrop Ave., in downtown Sopchoppy. The market features locally grown, organic and unsprayed produce, homemade bread, and other food items. To participate, contact Posh Java at (850) 962-1010 or email poshjava@gmail.com for details.
- WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.. The museum is located at 24 High Drive, Crawfordville.
- FREE TAX PREPARATION will be available from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the library through the BEST Project, an initiative of the United Way of the Big Bend and its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA).

Sunday, Feb. 17

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- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 6 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.

Monday, Feb. 18

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 6 p.m. at the 26 Walker Street, 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.
- 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.
- 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 a 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.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

- 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, a support group for people diagnosed with a mental illness, will meet from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the NAMI Wakulla office.

• CRAWFORDVILLE LION'S CLUB will meet at 6 p.m. at Myra Jean's Restaurant.

• CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP will be held at 9 a.m. at Myra Jean's Restaurant in Crawfordville. Call Pat Ashley for more information at (850) 984-5277.

• NAMI CONNECTION, a support group for people diagnosed with a mental illness, will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the library.

• SARRACENIA CHAPTER of the Florida Native Plant Society will meet at 6:30 p.m. at library. Scott Davis will present "Native Plants for the Palate." The presentation will explore table uses of many local species. The public is invited. Social time, with refreshments, will precede the meeting.

Wednesday, Feb. 20

• 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 NAMI Wakulla, 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.

• FREE TAX PREPARATION will be available from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the senior center through the BEST Project, an initiative of the United Way of the Big Bend and its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA).

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• WAKULLA COUNTY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets in the Education Center of the Crawfordville United Methodist Church at 7:00 p.m. This group meeting is for men and women, regardless of the type of cancer. For more information, call 926-6050.

Special Events

Thursday, Feb. 14

• WAKULLA DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Steering Committee, will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the library. The guest speaker is Amy Ritter of Florida Watch Action Inc.

Friday, Feb. 15

• EVENING OF RAGTIME DELIGHTS featuring the world renowned ragtime pianist Bob Milne will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Wakulla Springs Lodge. Proceeds will benefit NAMI Wakulla. Tickets are \$35 and include a buffet dinner of roast beef, turkey, salad, vegetables, dessert and drink. Call 926-1033 for tickets.

• SENIOR EXEMPTION ASSISTANCE will be available at the senior center every Friday in February from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wakulla County Property Appraiser Donnie Sparkman's staff will be there to educate and assist with senior exemption and any other exemptions to which they may qualify for.

• ARTHUR ANDREWS SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET will be held at 6 p.m. at the Wakulla County Senior Citizens Center. The speaker will be Dr. Osiefeld Anderson, retired head of the mathematics department at Florida A&M University. Fred Lee will provide the entertainment. Tickets are \$30 each, \$55 for couples. For tickets, call Ruth Francis at 926-6058, Jennie Jones at 926-7547 or Hugh Taylor at 926-6058.

Saturday, Feb. 16

• JAMS AND JELLIES FOOD PRESERVATION WORKSHOP will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at the Wakulla County Extension Office. Hands-on preservation workshops where participants will practice food safety techniques and leave with a finished product. The cost is \$5. Call 926-3931 for more information or to register.

• PHOTO TOUR ON THE WAKULLA RIVER will be held at Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Space is limited to 25 participants. Call (850) 561-7286 to make a reservation. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$7 for children (ages 12 and under).

• BLACK HISTORY PARADE AND CELEBRATION will be held at Hudson Park. The parade starts at 11 a.m. There will be food, vendors and activities following the parade.

Sunday, Feb. 17

• AFRO-AMERICAN READ-IN will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Wakulla County Public Library. The public is invited to bring readings of their favorite Afro-American authors. Local and regional authors also participate, reading from their work. Smaller children will also have a chance to read or to be read to, in a separate room.

Monday, Feb. 18

• FREE FAMILY-TO-FAMILY EDUCATIONAL COURSE will be held by NAMI Wakulla for 12 weeks, starting today at 5:30 p.m. at Myra Jean's Restaurant, Crawfordville. This course is free for family members, partners, significant others, and friends of individuals with a mental illness. This 12-week educational course is structured to help caregivers understand and support individuals with serious mental disorders. To register, call NAMI Wakulla at 926-1033 or e-mail namiwakulla@centurylink.net.

• WAKULLA DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB will hold meet from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Beef O' Brady's in Crawfordville. The guest speaker is Stephanie Kunkel, former Women's Vote director for Florida Obama Campaign and current legislative chair for the Democratic Women's Club of Florida.

Wednesday, Feb. 20

• FREE WORKSHOP on Foundations of Marketing for Successful Advertising will be held at the Chamber Office, 23 High Drive, from 3 to 5 p.m. It is sponsored by Wakulla Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, FOCUS Wakulla, and Small Business Development Center at Florida A&M University. The instructor is Christine S. Urban, business analyst. This workshop will focus on basic marketing concepts that need to be addressed before advertising. To participate, register at <https://clients.floridasbdc.org/workshop.aspx?key=100330004>.

• FREE WORKSHOP will be held by the Wakulla County Coalition for Youth and Franklin's Promise and Volunteer Florida from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Wakulla County Extension Office. The workshop will focus on asset based community development (using Empty Bowls and Operation Santa as examples). The afternoon will be devoted to grant writing. Lunch will be provided. Call Gail Campbell at 926-3526 for more information.

Thursday, Feb. 21

• CHAMBER AFTER HOURS NETWORKING EVENT will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Farrington Law Office, 3038-A Crawfordville Highway. Refreshments will be served. RSVP to Chamber office is requested by Friday, Feb. 15. Call 926-1848.

• CAPITAL AREA COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY will be at Sopchoppy City Hall from 9 a.m. to noon by appointment only. To make an appointment or for more information, call 926-3122. They will be there the third Thursday of every month.

Friday, Feb. 22

• SIXTH ANNUAL STONE AGE PRIMITIVE ARTS FESTIVAL will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Ochlockonee River State Park, 429 State Park Road, Sopchoppy. There will be primitive weapon demonstration, flint knapping and arrowhead making, hide tanning, basket weaving, archery and atlatl competition, pottery making, shell, bone, antler and wood carving. The festival will also be held on Saturday and Sunday. Visit www.knapfest.com.

• MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE will be held at the Wakulla County Senior Citizens Center to benefit senior citizen services. It will be performed by Susan Solburg. Doors open at 7 p.m. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person which includes dinner, beer and wine and entertainment. Cost for students is \$10 and includes dinner, drinks and entertainment.

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• CHAMBER RIBBON CUTTING for North Florida Financial Corp. will be held at 11:30 a.m. They are located at 119 B Crawfordville Highway, next to The Wakulla News.

Saturday, Feb. 23

• WALK TO DEFEAT ALS will be held at Tom Brown Park in Tallahassee. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the walk starts at 10 a.m. The purpose is to raise funds and awareness for ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease. Proceeds raised will support patient care and comfort, as well as research for treatments and a cure. For more information go to www.WalktoDefeatALS.org, or call 888-257-1717, ext. 115.

• SALSA PARTY WORKSHOP will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at the Wakulla County Extension Office. Hands-on preservation workshops where participants will practice food safety techniques and leave with a finished product. A class from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. will be offered if participation merits a second session. The cost is \$5.

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• WINTER SOCIAL will be at 6:30 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 44 Jer-Be-Lou Boulevard in Panacea, held by the Coastal Optimist Club and the Moose Lodge. It will feature the band, Locomotive. Band plays at 8 p.m. Admission is \$10 and includes hors d'oeuvres. There is a cash bar.

• DAY OF SERVICE will be held by the Wakulla County Christian Coalition. They will be cleaning Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Road. Everyone is invited. They will meet at 9 a.m. at 1357 Martin Luther King Jr. Road.

Sunday, Feb. 24

• SIXTH ANNUAL STONE AGE PRIMITIVE ARTS FESTIVAL will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Ochlockonee River State Park, 429 State Park Road, Sopchoppy. There will be primitive weapon demonstration, flint knapping and arrowhead making, hide tanning, basket weaving, archery and atlatl competition, pottery making, shell, bone, antler and wood carving. Visit www.knapfest.com.

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Home cook Lori Anderson created Chocolate Passion Torte, a dense cake, for choc-o-holics everywhere. She starts with a simple brownie mix studded with chopped Oreos. The frosting is a mix of chocolate, whipped cream and more chopped Oreos. Top it all off with strawberries and a drizzle of - you guessed it! - liquid chocolate. A stunning recipe for the eyes and the palate!

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Chocolate Passion Torte



-Janet

What You Need

Cake

1 box brownie mix
1 c chopped Oreo cookies
2 eggs
1/2 c canola oil
1/4 c water

Frosting

4 tbsp water
1/2 c sugar
1/4 c cocoa, unsweetened
2 tbsp water
1 1/2 tsp gelatin,
unflavored
1 c whipping cream
4 chopped Oreo cookies

Directions

- Combine brownie mix

ingredients (eggs, oil, water) according to directions on the package. Add 1 cup of the chopped Oreo cookies; mix well.

- Bake in greased 10-inch springform pan 43-50 minutes, until middle is almost set. Cool at least one hour.

- For frosting, in a saucepan on low heat mix 4 tbsp of water, 1/2 cup of sugar and 1/4 cup of cocoa until sugar dissolves.

- Put 2 tbsp of water in a small dish. Add 1 1/2 tsp of gelatin. Stir and let stand 1 minute.

- Add gelatin mixture to cocoa mixture; stir. Let stand until room temp.

- Whip cream until stiff peaks form. Fold in cocoa mixture and blend well.

- Add remaining chopped cookies. Spoon over brownie.

- Decorate with liquid unsweetened chocolate drizzle and/or strawberries, if desired. Refrigerate at least two hours before serving. Enjoy!!! (Store any leftovers in fridge.)

Submitted by: Lori Anderson, Minneapolis, MN (pop. 382,578)

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WHITE'S WINES

Wine's future

By DAVID WHITE

On Super Bowl Sunday, some 1.25 billion chicken wings were consumed alongside 11 million pounds of potato chips, 4 million pounds of pretzels, and 2.5 million pounds of nuts. Massive quantities of beer helped wash all that down -- nearly 50 million cases worth were sold on Sunday alone. It's no wonder Anheuser-Busch purchased four and a half minutes of ad space during the big game.

Americans also drank wine. While 42 percent of Super Bowl viewers told Nielsen they planned on consuming beer during the game, 33 percent told pollsters they planned to drink wine.

This number caught me by surprise. Sure, the United States surpassed France as the world's largest wine-consuming nation in 2010. But wine still intimidates many consumers.

Fortunately, as the Super Bowl statistics help demonstrate, this is quickly changing.

For evidence, look no further than your closest grocery store.

Thirty years ago, the local market sold little more than jug wine like Gallo's Hearty Burgundy -- if wine was even stocked. Today, the average upscale supermarket carries 1,500 wine selections or more. The number of breakfast cereals pales in comparison.

As the number of choices has increased, so has bewilderment. As Mike Veseth, an economics professor in Washington, once explained, "Wine buyers have never had it better in terms of the number of choices available from around the world. And

we've never had it worse regarding the possibility of confusion and the pressure to find our perfect wine. It's the Age of Anxiety for wine."

But consumers are eager to learn. And the market is responding.

Consider the rise of specialty wine shops. Across the country, boutique retailers are filling their shelves with interesting, small-production wines -- and helping consumers learn about wine by paying attention to their preferences, offering food-and-wine pairing advice, and answering questions without judgment.

High-end restaurants are also approaching wine differently. Whereas sommeliers were once glorified sales agents who intimidated guests by pushing expensive, predictable wines, today's sommeliers are wine educators, eager to share their passion and palates. Most are keen to help patrons find the perfect wine, regardless of budget.

This list could go on. Bookstores are now packed with easy-to-navigate wine guides. Wine classes are more popular than ever before. The world of wine is clearly changing.

Chain restaurants aren't just profiting on America's growing interest in wine -- they're leading the charge.

Consider Olive Garden. With 730 locations, it's no surprise that the chain serves more than 600 million breadsticks and 165 million bowls of salad annually. But the restaurant also serves more wine than any other chain in the United States. In 2006, Olive Garden sold more than 500,000 cases

of wine.

In part, Olive Garden sells so much wine because it takes education seriously. As Mike Veseth has written, "many restaurants expect that their wait staff will pick up wine knowledge -- Olive Garden really works at it, by providing literally hundreds of thousands of hours of training." The restaurant also gives away free samples, where legal. In 2006, it gave away 30,000 cases of wine, which equates to 4.5 million pours.

Several years ago, I stumbled into a conversation with David Kent, who at the time was president and CEO of The Wine Group. The company, which makes brands such as Cupcake Vineyards, FishEye, and flipflop, is the third-largest wine producer in the world. As we chatted, he described his vision for American wine.

He began by asking me to picture a group of 20-somethings at a beach house. He then asked me to visualize the cooler they'd pack before heading to the beach. As you might guess, my mental sketch included sandwiches, chips, and a few dozen light beers. One day, Kent hopes that group will instead bring a few bottles of wine.

That's an optimistic future, to be sure. And we're still a long way off; America's beer market is nine times larger than the wine market. But it's a future worth rooting for.

David White, a wine writer, is the founder and editor of Terroirist.com. His columns are housed at Palate Press: The Online Wine Magazine.

WEEKLY ROUNDUP – (Recap and analysis of the week in state government)

Hello long-term care, goodbye Crystal River nuke plant

By MICHAEL PELTIER
THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE, Feb. 8 -- Florida this week won approval to begin shifting low income, long-term care residents to managed-care plans amid broader questions about whether it will go along with the federal government in expanding Medicaid.

Federal approval this week of the long-term care changes brought Republican backers a step closer to the Holy Grail -- a federal waiver allowing the state to shift virtually all Medicaid patients to HMOs or similar plans.

Meanwhile, lawmakers returned to preparation for a session that although not scheduled to begin for more than a month feels in full swing.

Pensions, foreclosures, and ethics reform were just some of the big issues already being tackled by lawmakers. While those issues -- along with the death penalty, search and seizure laws and juvenile justice, sparked lively debate, Gov. Rick Scott's budget proposal got a yawn from many lawmakers, or polite acknowledgement, along with more than a little skepticism.

The only chillier response, perhaps, was a House committee's icy reaction to a bill repealing the state's death penalty, which was known to be dead on arrival but sparked lively debate before being shelved for at least the year.

Outside the capital, Progress Energy Florida announced it would shut down its nuclear reactor in Crystal River after a botch do-it-yourself repair project damaged critical portions of the 35-year-old plant. Environmentalists, meanwhile, filed a legal

challenge to a deal giving a pair of south Florida sugar growers 30-year leases north of the Everglades

MEDICAID WAIVER APPROVED

The week started off well for Scott and Republican leaders who have been wrangling with federal health care officials over how the state delivers medical care to low income and nursing home residents.

Federal officials on Monday approved a key part of Florida's effort to transform its Medicaid program by allowing Medicaid-eligible seniors who need long-term care to be enrolled later this year in HMOs and another type of health plan known as a "provider service network."

The Republican-controlled Legislature approved wide-ranging bills in 2011 aimed at shifting to a statewide managed-care system in Medicaid. The plan was to make the changes in two phases -- first for seniors who need long-term care and then for the broader Medicaid population.

Backers of a statewide system argue it would help hold down Medicaid costs and better coordinate services for beneficiaries. But critics have long argued that the shift will result in managed-care plans squeezing care to save money.

Such Medicaid proposals require approval by the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services before they can take effect.

PENSIONS

Legislators on both sides of the Capitol continued a two-track debate on retirement benefits for

public workers. The Senate has taken the lead on how to handle the funding of some local pensions, while the House is pushing ahead with a bill on the state retirement system -- a key priority for House Speaker Will Weatherford, R-Wesley Chapel.

In the Senate, lawmakers are working toward a consensus on giving cities more flexibility in using revenues from insurance premium taxes to fund police and firefighter pensions. But the effort is running into resistance from cities, which want to repeal any restrictions on which benefits they can pay with the tax revenue, in keeping with a new interpretation of the state law governing the funding of pensions following a dispute in Naples.

Lawmakers have signaled hesitance about that approach.

Anger on the part of employees and Democrats is more pronounced on the House bill dealing with state pensions. That bill would require workers hired on or after Jan. 1 to enroll in a 401(k)-style "defined contribution" plan instead of a traditional, "defined benefit" pension.

Supporters say moving now will allow them to avoid cutting current employees' benefits. But opponents blasted Republicans for moving forward with the bill before a study on the effects of the proposal was complete.

SCOTT'S BUDGET MAKES THE ROUNDS

Gov. Scott's \$74.2 billion spending plan made the rounds this week and one of the centerpieces of the proposal, a \$2,500 across-the-board raise for Florida public school teachers, was met with

polite skepticism.

"The governor's proposal seems to treat different employees differently, and we have some consternation about that as it relates to teachers being treated differently than corrections officers being treated differently than other state employees," said House budget chairman Rep. Seth McKeel R-Lakeland.

Other aspects of Scott's proposal, including sales tax cuts for manufacturers, appeared to fall on more receptive ears, but budget builders were careful not to commit too strongly to much.

FORECLOSURE BILL MOVES

The House this week took another crack at speeding up the foreclosure process, a controversial topic in a state that leads the nation in the percentage of homeowners facing losing their homes.

Sponsored by Rep. Kathleen Passidomo, R-Naples, the bill (HB 87) aims to shorten the time period involved in a foreclosure proceeding and relax restrictions on who can request an expedited procedure and the standards for what can be filed.

Passidomo said the bill would help remedy a problem that extends far beyond the state and of which the state has limited authority: the relationship between lenders and those who borrow from them.

The bill would reduce from five years to one the length of time a lender could pursue a claim after a foreclosure action and require lenders to provide more. The bankers are concerned about that.

Homeowner advocates, meanwhile, are skepti-

cal of changes making it easier for a judge to forgo further proceedings if the paperwork is in order.

ETHICS/ELECTION BILLS INTRODUCED, ADVANCE

Lawmakers dealt with both election and ethics issues this week as they debated measures to expand early voting, more accurately track contributions and more aggressively investigate suspected unethical behavior.

A Senate ethics bill passed the Senate Community Affairs Committee on Wednesday, apparently queued up for quick action when lawmakers return in March. The measure (SB 2) would limit the jobs elected officials could take with state agencies, give the Ethics Commission more power to collect fines and strengthen conflict-of-interest laws.

The committee approved an amendment that would bar elected officials from taking a job with a government agency if the official knows he or she is getting the job because of their elected position.

On the finance front, the House Ethics and Elections Subcommittee heard testimony on a bill (HB 569) that would prevent committees of continuous existence, or CCEs, from accepting contributions after Aug. 1.

The bill, which is expected to come up for a vote in the committee on Monday, also raises individual contribution limits from \$500 to \$10,000. House Speaker Will Weatherford, R-Wesley Chapel, has made getting rid of CCEs one of his main goals on ethics reform.

Early voting issues also came up with a bill (SB 80)

by Sen. Arthenia Joyner, D-Tampa, to add more early voting days discussed in the Senate Ethics and Elections Committee. The bill is among a handful of measures in response to long voting lines in the November election.

COURT ACTIONS PENDING

Legal challenges to a recently penned Everglades agreement and a proposed utility rate hike were filed this week.

Environmentalists called on a state administrative law judge to rescind a pair of 30-year leases awarded to Florida Crystals and A. Duda and Sons on about 14,000 acres in the Everglades Agricultural Area.

The Florida Wildlife Federation filed the challenge with the Division of Administrative Hearings, saying the long-term leases will further degrade water quality in the River of Grass.

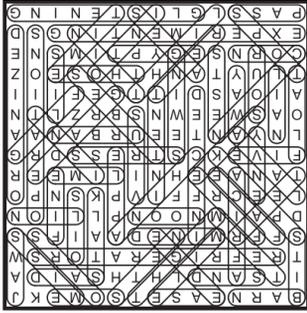
Meanwhile, Florida's utility consumer watchdog filed a challenge with the Florida Supreme Court, arguing that a recently approved \$350 million rate hike requested by Florida Power & Light is invalid.

STORY OF THE WEEK: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services approves a waiver allowing Florida to place Medicaid beneficiaries needing long-term care into managed care plans.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "This bill's been around nearly as long as I've been alive." Rep. Matt Caldwell, R-Lehigh Acres, who is 31, talking about the annual fight between optometrists and ophthalmologists about the things each profession is allowed to do.

Thinking OUTSIDE the Book

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| China | Flag | Lime | Operations |
| Clown | Float | Lion | Organized |
| Corn | Glistening | Might | Pass |
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Puzzles4Kids by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH – SCARED

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **What did King Tut say when he got scared?**

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ASHEN	E L P I N L I E R E
CRINGING	U M A D A A W I I A
EERIE	N T O P R A G R N R
FAINT	N N N F A H T R G F
FEARFUL	E I A M T N Y O I U
FRIGHTENED	R A M E U M I W N L
MAD	V F N E H S A C G M
PALE	E E R I E W E A K Y
PANICKY	D E R A C S H A K Y
SCARED	
SHAKY	
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UNGLUED	
UNNERVED	
WEAK	
WORRIED	

Riddle Answer: _____!

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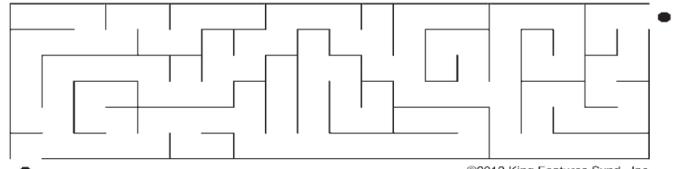
Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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| 1. Long book | ___ V ___ | Peace Prize giver | ___ B ___ |
| 2. Seem to be | ___ _ _ R | Attraction | ___ _ _ L |
| 3. Valentine shape | ___ _ _ T | Listened | ___ _ _ D |
| 4. Cannes location | F ___ _ _ _ | Hypnotic state | T ___ _ _ _ |
| 5. Food treat, ___ rings | ___ N ___ | Night sky hunter | ___ R ___ |
| 6. Bring to anger | ___ R ___ | Coop up | ___ C ___ |
| 7. Keep | ___ _ _ N | Not wholesale | ___ _ _ L |
| 8. More brave | ___ L ___ | Boundary | ___ R ___ |
| 9. Kangaroo feature | ___ U ___ | Veranda | ___ R ___ |
| 10. Spring harbinger | ___ B ___ | It gets rubbed on violins | ___ S ___ |

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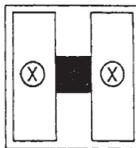
Kids' Maze



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Junior Whirl by Hal Kaufman

H-FRAME! You can have some fun with the curious H-frame diagram at right. Make some copies, pass them around, and then challenge your friends to draw a line from X to X without touching any of the boxes (lines) in-between. To show how it's done, simply place a finger over the black square in the middle, and draw a line from one X, up and over your finger, to the X on the other side of the diagram. It's that easy.



PENNY ANTE! If a ten-penny nail is three inches long, and a six-penny nail is two inches long, how long is a two-penny nail? No tricks here, folks. How quickly can you nail down the answer?

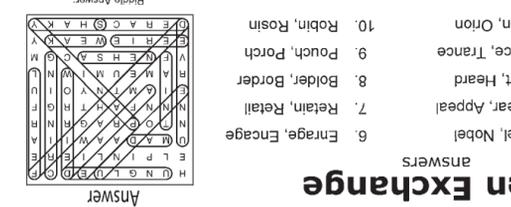
GROCERY LIST SCRAMBLE

MOM wasn't fooled one bit when Junior playfully scrambled names of 20 items on her grocery list. How many of them can you identify? P.S.: First letters remain in place.

1. Barde
2. Ricesl
3. Miki
4. Sarug
5. Fuoir
6. Ceofel
7. Eretut
8. Jiceu
9. Calere
10. Recl
11. Yujel
12. Vitorg
13. Cesette
14. Lectute
15. Basaann
16. Alpsep
17. Ceyrel
18. Sugasea
19. Ciosoke
20. Scanks

All are common grocery items. Ex.: No. 1, Bread.

SHOW CASE! A movie buff, above, fancies she sees some 18 personalities in this drawing. Just how many do you see?



Riddle Answer: _____



SURF TRIP! Catch that wave, and ride that board! Apply the following colors neatly: 1—Red. 2—Lt. blue. 3—Yellow. 4—Lt. brown. 5—Flesh tones. 6—Green. 7—Dk. brown. 8—Dk. blue.

SPELLBINDER

SCORE 10 points for using all the letters in the word below to form two complete words:

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THEN score 2 points each for all words of four letters or more found among the letters.

Try to score at least 50 points.

Possible answers: Salt, port.

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below.

DIFFERENCES: 1. Sign is missing. 2. Pocket is missing. 3. Binoculars are missing. 4. Cap is reversed. 5. Zipper is missing. 6. Antler is different.

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Application forms and criteria can be obtained by contacting Pam Portwood, Director, Wakulla County TDC, P.O. Box 67, Panama, Florida 32346. pportwood@mywakulla.com. Applicants must use the application form provided and all applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2013. Applications (in Word or pdf format) can be emailed to pportwood@mywakulla.com. If application is submitted in hard copy, applicants must submit five (5) copies to the above address. Maximum funding request is \$1000. Funded projects must be complete by 9/30/13. Questions or requests for additional information should be directed to Pam Portwood, Director, Wakulla County TDC, P.O. Box 67, Panama, Florida 32346. pportwood@mywakulla.com

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Randy Merritt, Chairman
Deborah DuBose, Director, Employee Support Svcs.
February 7 & 14, 2013

Foreclosure Sale/Action Notices

5591-0221 TWN

vs. *Hicks, Joshua* Case No. 12-199-CA Notice of Foreclosure Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 12-199-CA FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB, Plaintiff,
vs. JOSHUA L. HICKS A/K/A JOSHUA HICKS AND HEATHER S. BURNSED A/K/A HEATHER BURNSED, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 17, 2013, and entered in Case No. 12-199-CA of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB, is the Plaintiff and JOSHUA L. HICKS A/K/A JOSHUA HICKS, HEATHER S. BURNSED A/K/A HEATHER BURNSED are the Defendant(s). Brent Thurmond as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, 3056 Crawfordville Hwy., the Front Door, Wakulla County Courthouse, Crawfordville, FL 32327, at 11:00 AM on March 21, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 18, BLOCK "A", HAMMOCK WOODS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 26, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 17th day of January, 2013.

Brent Thurmond, As Clerk of the Court
(SEAL) By:/s/ Tamika Peterson, Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Susan Wilson, ADA Coordinator, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 850.577.4401, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
February 14 & 21, 2013 12-06087

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MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 218.56 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 06 SECONDS EAST 199.80 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; TOGETHER WITH AN ACCESS EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE SOUTHERLY 20 FEET OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:
COMMENCE AT AN OLD LIGHTWOOD HUB MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 7, A DISTANCE OF 249.23 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTH BOUNDARY 218.56 FEET, THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 06 SECONDS WEST 198.82 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF A 40.00 FOOT ACCESS EASEMENT, THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 218.56 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 06 SECONDS EAST 199.80 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. ALSO AN ACCESS EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE SOUTHERLY 20 FEET AND THE WESTERLY 20 FEET OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:
COMMENCE AT AN OLD LIGHTWOOD HUB MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 7, A DISTANCE OF 467.79 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 06 SECONDS WEST 198.82 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 54 SECONDS WEST 241.20 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 12 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST 202.56 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT, THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 7, A DISTANCE OF 198.08 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
A/K/A 87 FAMILY CIR., SOPCHOPPY, FL 32358

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated in Wakulla County, Florida this 9th day of January, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida
By:/s/ Desiree D. Willis, Deputy Clerk

(SEAL) Albertelli Law, Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 23028, Tampa, FL 33623
(813) 221-4743

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ADA Coordinator not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding at the Office of the Wakulla County Clerk of Court, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327; Telephone: (850) 926-0905; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), via Florida Relay Service. To file response please contact Wakulla County Clerk of Court, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327. Tel: (850) 926-0905; Fax: (850) 926-0901.
February 14 & 21, 2013 10-50150

5536-0221 TWN

vs. *The Marshes* Case No. 2012-000208-CA Notice of Sale Pursuant to Chapter 45
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 2012-000208-CA
CADENCE BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,
vs. THE MARSHES AT EVANS CREEK, LLC; SIDNEY E. GRAY; RICHARD G. SUBER; and UNKNOWN TENANT(S), Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE is given pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 7, 2013, in Case No. 2012-000208-CA of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, in and for Wakulla County, Florida, in which Cadence Bank, N.A. is the Plaintiff and The Marshes at Evans Creek, LLC; Sidney E. Gray; Richard G. Suber; and Unknown Tenant(s), are the Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse, in Crawfordville, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on March 7, 2013, the property set forth in the Final Judgment of Foreclosure and more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a point where the West boundary of Section 1, Township 6 South, Range 2 West intersects the Westerly right-of-way of U.S. 98 and run thence South 45 degrees 39 minutes 39 seconds East along the Westerly boundary of said right-of-way 615.05 feet, then run North 48 degrees 02 minutes 21 seconds East 200.4 feet to a concrete monument on the Easterly right-of-way boundary of U.S. 98 for the Point of Beginning; from said Point of Beginning run South 45 degrees 39 minutes 39 seconds East along Easterly right-of-way boundary 420.0 feet, thence run North 48 degrees 02 minutes 21 seconds East 136.8 feet, thence run North 82 degrees 34 minutes 21 seconds East 816.3 feet to the center of Evans Creek, then run a meandering course along center of said Evans Creek for a chord bearing of North 22 degrees 25 minutes 21 seconds East a distance of 483.44 feet, then leave said creek and run South 82 degrees 34 minutes 21 seconds West 1187.0 feet, then South 48 degrees 02 minutes 21 seconds West 294.4 feet to the Point of Beginning in the Northwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 6 South, Range 2 West, in Wakulla County, Florida.

Being more particularly described by a recent field survey by James Thurman Roddenberry, Job #97-034 as follows: Commence at a 3 inch round government concrete monument marking the Northwest corner of Section 1, Township 6 South, Range 2 West Wakulla County, Florida and run South 27 degrees 43 minutes 52 seconds East 1336.66 feet to a concrete monument lying on the Northeastly right-of-way boundary of U.S. Highway No. 98 for the Point of Beginning. From said Point of Beginning run South 45 degrees 39 minutes 39 seconds East along said right-of-way boundary 420.01 feet to a 4 inch by 4 inch concrete monument (marked #799), thence leaving said right-of-way boundary run North 48 degrees 02 minutes 21 seconds East 136.80 feet to a re-rod (marked #4251), thence run North 82 degrees 34 minutes 21 seconds East 797.03 feet to the centerline of Evans Creek, thence run Northeastly and Northwesterly along the centerline of said Creek the following courses: North 19 degrees 54 minutes 07 seconds East 34.14 feet; North 00 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East 107.20 feet; North 02 degrees 29 minutes 27 seconds West 29.41 feet; North 56 degrees 41 minutes 18 seconds West 123.74 feet; North 00 degrees 59 minutes 43 seconds East 94.62 feet; North 51 degrees 34 minutes 56 seconds East 109.97 feet; North 77 degrees 40 minutes 59 seconds East 82.58 feet; North 74 degrees 48 minutes 58 seconds East 111.02 feet; thence leaving said centerline run South 82 degrees 34 minutes 53 seconds West 1167.52 feet to a concrete monument, thence run South 48 degrees 01 minutes 02 seconds West 294.61 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 10.40 acres more or less.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens, must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.
DATED: January 7, 2013

BRENT THURMOND, Clerk of the Circuit Court
(SEAL) By:/s/ Desiree D. Willis, Deputy Clerk

Michael P. Bist
Gardner, Bist, Wiener, Wadsworth, Bowden,
Bush, Dee, LaVita & Wright, P.A.
1300 Thomaswood Drive
Tallahassee, Florida 32308
February 14 & 21, 2013

5535-0221 TWN
vs. *Smith, Jeff* Case No. 65-2010-CA-000233 Notice of Foreclosure
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL DIVISION, CASE NO. 65-2010-CA-000233
CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,
vs. JEFF L. SMITH JR, et al, Defendant(s).

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens, must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.
Dated in Wakulla County, Florida this 9th day of January, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida
By:/s/ Glenda Porter, Deputy Clerk

(SEAL) Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L.
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February 14 & 21, 2013

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated January 16, 2013 and entered in Case No. 65-2010-CA-000233 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC1, is the Plaintiff and JEFF L. SMITH JR; RHONDA C. SMITH; BENEFICIAL FLORIDA, INC.; PLANTATION ACRES ROAD MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at FRONT FOYER OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 14th day of March, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

BEGIN AT A ST. JOE PAPER COMPANY CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 5 A DISTANCE OF 389.22 FEET THENCE RUN SOUTH 21 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST 683.86 FEET TO A POINT LYING ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60.00 FOOT ROADWAY EASEMENT, THENCE RUN SOUTH 01 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 53 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE A DISTANCE OF 108.47 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 53 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE A DISTANCE OF 108.80 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID CENTERLINE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 19 SECONDS WEST 645.44 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT (MARKED NO. 4261), THENCE RUN NORTH 01 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 57 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 5 A DISTANCE OF 587.01 FEET TO A RE-ROD (MARKED NO. 7160), THENCE RUN SOUTH 50 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST 383.11 FEET TO A RE-ROD (MARKED NO.7160), THENCE RUN SOUTH 55 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST 414.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING TOGETHER WITH A 1994 MERR ID NO'S FLHMLZF56011955A, FLHMLZF56011955B AND FLHMLZF56011955C AND TITLE NO'S 66731558, 66731559 AND 66731560 A/K/A 336 MARY ANN DRIVE, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.
Dated in Wakulla County, Florida this 9th day of January, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida
By:/s/ Glenda Porter, Deputy Clerk

(SEAL) Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
By:/s/ Glenda Porter, Deputy Clerk

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February 14 & 21, 2013

5534-0221 TWN

vs. *Rudd, Malcolm* Case No. 65-2009-CA-000232 Foreclosure
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION, CASE NO.: 65-2009-CA-000232
CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, Plaintiff,
vs. MALCOLM H. RUDD, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated January 16, 2013 and entered in Case No. 65-2009-CA-000232 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, is the Plaintiff and MALCOLM H. RUDD; TENANT #1 NAKIA KRISTY HOLLINGSWORTH are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at FRONT FOYER OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 14th day of March, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 52, BLOCK A, AMELIAWOOD, UNRECORDED; COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT NUMBER 73 OF THE HARTSFIELD SURVEY OF THE LANDS IN WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RUN THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID LOT 73 A DISTANCE OF 33.0 FEET TO THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY OF A 68 FOOT COUNTY ROAD, RUN THENCE NORTH 16 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 928.91 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE THENCE NORTH 16 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 100.0 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY RUN NORTH 72 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST 217.80 FEET, THENCE RUN SOUTH 16 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST 100.00 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 17 SECONDS WEST 217.80 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
A/K/A 275 TRICE LANE, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 323270000

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.
Dated in Wakulla County, Florida this 9th day of January, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida
By:/s/ Glenda Porter, Deputy Clerk

(SEAL) Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
By:/s/ Glenda Porter, Deputy Clerk

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5533-0221 TWN

vs. *Delpasand, Arman* Case No. 10-349-FC Notice of Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 10-349 FC, UCN: 652010CA000349XXXXXX
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,
vs. ARMAN DELPASAND; et al., Defendant(s).

RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated 06/20/2012 and an Order Rescinding Sale dated 1/7/13 and entered in Case No. 10 349 FC, UCN: 652010CA000349XXXXXX of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is Plaintiff and ARMAN DELPASAND; LAURA CHURCHMAN, UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAME DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Foyer of the Wakulla County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327 County, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 7th day of March, 2013 the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

TRACT 23 OF DEER RUN COMMENCE AT A GOVERNMENT CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 45 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 41 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF SAID SECTION 35 A DISTANCE OF 1243.04 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT, THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST 1510.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST 349.26 FEET, THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST 624.70 FEET TO THE WESTERLY RIGHT A WAY BOUNDARY COUNTY GRADED ROAD, THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY 349.25 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DE-

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- 51A Dispennette- 3BR/2BA \$750 mo/\$750 Security. Pets ok with \$250 fee.
- 17 Cessna 3 BR/2BA TARPINE. Available end of December. \$1,100 mo./\$1,100 Security. No Smoking, No Pets.
- 5 Susquehanna 2BR/1BA \$750. mo./\$750 Security Deposit. Pets O.K. with prior approval and \$250 fee. No Smoking.
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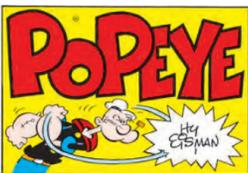


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by Jeff Pickering



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LAFF-A-DAY



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Fall
BELTUM

Blend
GREEM

Leesen
PRIMIA

Easy
LIMPES

TODAY'S WORD

Two credit card payments, two mortgage payments, two car payments ...

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
 is **LONGFELLOW**

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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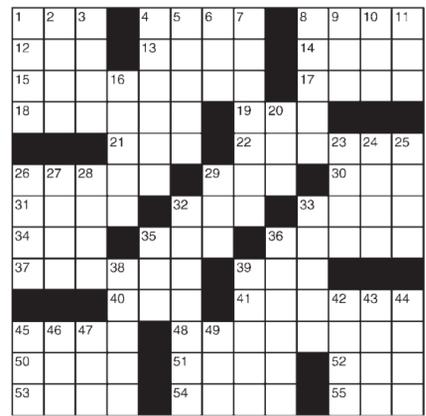
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pickle holder
- 4 React in horror
- 8 Anything but that
- 12 Past
- 13 Concept
- 14 Stroll
- 15 Medium-sized dog
- 17 Without acting
- 18 To-do list
- 19 Every last crumb
- 21 Stimp's cartoon pal
- 22 Lassie, e.g.
- 26 Pavarotti's range
- 29 A mere handful
- 30 Toss in
- 31 Nerve cell process
- 32 Carte lead-in
- 33 Turned blue?
- 34 Gas stat
- 35 Wall climber
- 36 Deep-voiced singer
- 37 "French" dog
- 39 Shriner's chapeau
- 40 "— the fields we go ..."
- 41 Anti-elderly prejudice
- 45 Satchmo's genre
- 48 Large terrier



- 50 Burn soother
- 51 Pesky insect
- 52 Silent
- 53 Night light?
- 54 Tackles' teammates
- 55 Crony
- 7 Cure-all
- 8 Dungaree, for one
- 9 Owned
- 10 Under the weather
- 11 Heavens
- 16 Company that went under in 2001
- 20 Depressed
- 23 Pringles competitor
- 24 Bad day for Caesar
- 25 Taro root
- 26 Pack (down)
- 27 World's fair
- 28 "Forget it"
- 29 Aviate
- 32 Mean
- 33 In a stupor
- 35 — -de France
- 36 Sires
- 38 Doughnut shop purchase
- 39 Capacitance measure
- 42 Poetic foot
- 43 Insult
- 44 Note to self
- 45 Van Eyck or Vermeer
- 46 Milwaukee product
- 47 Menagerie
- 49 Hostel

DOWN

- 1 Actress — Pinkett Smith
- 2 Quite enthusiastic
- 3 Judicial garb
- 4 Construction piece
- 5 Madison Avenue worker
- 6 Vast expanse

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
 ★★★ HOO BOY!

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What country lies northwest of Colombia?
2. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of food is fusilli?
3. POLITICS: How many popular votes separated Richard Nixon and John F. Kennedy in the 1960 presidential election?
4. LITERATURE: What 19th-century novel starts with the line, "There was no possibility of taking a walk that day"?
5. TELEVISION: On "Bonanza," what was the name of the character played by Michael Landon?
6. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was the popular name of the Scottish outlaw Robert MacGregor?
7. MEDICINE: What is the function of the chemical substance called heparin?
8. PERSONALITIES: Who is the chef on the "Barefoot Contessa" cooking show?
9. BUSINESS: Which merchant used the five-and-dime-store concept to create one of the largest retail chains in the world?
10. GAMES: What is the standard weight of a shot put used by men in competition?

- Answers:
1. Panama
 2. Pasta
 3. Just more than 100,000
 4. "Jane Eyre," by Charlotte Bronte
 5. Little Joe
 6. Rob Roy
 7. Prevents blood clotting
 8. Ina Garten
 9. F.W. Woolworth
 10. 16 pounds. Clamp used in sur-

Answers

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Solution time: 27 mins.

King Crossword

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1	4	6	7	9	5	2	3	8
2	5	3	4	8	6	9	1	7
8	9	7	1	2	3	4	5	6

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

If a land parcel is growing tons of weeds, I suppose you could say "the lot thickens."

CryptoQuip

Answer

A man who is not a liberal at sixteen has no heart; a man who is not a conservative at sixty has no head. - Benjamin Disraeli



The bloodsucking conenose or 'kissing bug'



Natural
Wakulla
By Les Harrison

Family connections are curious. There are those which are reputedly good and those not so good.

Every teenager has endured a warning about associating with someone from a bad family. The discussion usually includes a lot of justification on the part of the parent and rationalization on the part of the child.

When it comes to the insect world, the rationalization usually wins out.

A case in point is the bloodsucking conenose or "kissing bug."

This native insect, *Triatoma sanguisuga*, is a member of the *Triatoma* family, a genus of assassin bug.

This insect is commonly called a kissing bug because it targets the soft tissues around the mouth of mammals as a feeding site.

As if being in the assassin bug family is not bad enough for its reputation, this pest's South American cousin is responsible for inoculating victims with Chagas disease. Chagas disease, a protozoan, fortunately does not occur in these latitudes.

The bloodsucking conenose found in Wakulla County is a brown, winged bug, 3/4-inch long, with the

edges of its abdomen alternating in light and dark colors.

They have a slender, straight beak with piercing-sucking mouthparts. The antennae are inserted on the side of the head between the eyes and the end of the beak.

They are rarely seen during the day, instead hiding in leaf litter and other debris near their intended host. Birds apparently consider them quite tasty and they are easy targets for avian predators.

Kissing bugs primarily feeds at night on the blood of sleeping animals, such as raccoons and opossums which burrow in the vicinity.

The life cycle of the conenose can vary considerably depending on temperature, humidity, and availability of hosts. Females lay one egg at a time, up to five eggs each day.

A total of 200 to 300 eggs can be produced each year by one female. The females scatter the eggs in inconspicuous places out of the view of potential predators. The broad distribution gives the young kissing bugs a better chance of survival.

The eggs are very small, 1.5 mm long, white, and hatch in approximately 13 to 35



PHOTO BY LES HARRISON/SPECIAL TO THE NEWS
The bloodsucking conenose is also known as a 'kissing bug' because it targets the soft tissues around the mouths of mammals as a feeding site.

days.

There are eight nymphal stages before the conenose reaches maturity. The adults can live from six months to three years.

Problems arise when these insects encounter humans. If this creature enters a home or dwelling, its nocturnal habits make humans easy prey.

The bloodsucking conenose will enter into a home by crawling through cracks in the foundation, torn

window screens, or other structural flaws or inadequacies.

Many times they enter by simply clinging to a domestic pet or to the clothing of an unaware person.

Once indoors, they are found in bedding, cracks in the floors and walls, or under furniture.

Most bites from conenose bugs are rarely felt. However, some can be quite painful and infection can occur if the bite wounds are

scratched and contaminated.

To learn more about the bloodsucking conenose or "the kissing bug", contact your UF/IFAS Wakulla Extension Office at 850-926-3931 or <http://wakulla.ifas.ufl.edu>

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15th annual Rotary Club of Wakulla's VALENTINE'S FESTIVAL



Coast Charter School won first place and \$100 from both Rotary and Keep Wakulla County Beautiful in the parade float contest.



Faces along the parade route from Azalea Park to Hudson Park.



Wakulla Middle School's Marching Band.

ROTARY VALENTINE'S FESTIVAL



Firefighter waves to the crowd.



A big grin and a bag for all the candy.



Madden Metcalf, 7, a first grader at Shadeville, along the parade route still wearing his number from the Fit for Love 1-mile walk, in which he was the first finisher in 10:20.



A festival-goer at Hudson Park after the parade.



The Covenant Hospice parade float won second place in the contest, and took home \$75.



Grand Marshall Nigel Bradham, former Wakulla War Eagle and FSU Seminole now playing for the Buffalo Bills, takes time to pose with fans in Hudson Park after the parade.

More photos online at thewakullanews.com



The firetruck siren was very loud.



Mount Beasor Primitive Baptist's parade float won third place in the contest, and \$50.

Photos by William Snowden

ROTARY VALENTINE'S FESTIVAL



Tiger Rock Martial Arts had a parade float and gave a demonstration of forms and skills in the pavilion after the parade.



The Wakulla County Schools parade float.



Wakulla Dance Academy's parade float.



This dog barked along in time with the WMS Marching Band.



Some faces in the crowd along the parade route.



The parade float for the Swine Show.



Looking for candy.



Wakulla Sheriff Charlie Creel and Undersheriff Trey Morrison wave to the crowd during the parade.



Wakulla Christian School marches in the parade.



More faces of some young people along the parade route.

ROTARY VALENTINE CUPID 5K



Runners at the start of the Cupid 5K. There were more than 85 who registered for the run and the 1 mile Fit for Love walk.



Winner Dwayne Evans, who finished in 19:42.



Women's first place finisher Nicki Beam, who came in at 24:55.



A couple of young runners dressed in tutus for the race.



Race registration for the Cupid 5K.

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