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Yes to community center

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN
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After some county commissioners had expressed reservations about the planned community center and discussed other possible uses for the land, at Monday night's meeting all five commissioners were unified in their support for the center.

Citizen after citizen appeared at the meeting to ask the board to move forward with the community center.

Commission Chairman Randy Merritt noted that, while he isn't typically swayed by citizen comments, of the 26 citizens who spoke, there was not one person who spoke against the community center.

Commissioners voted unanimously to construct a multi-use building - basically an unfinished gym - using a \$300,000 federal grant, and utilize the other two



A concept showing possible future uses of the community center property including pools, multi-use courts. The board voted for a more modest plan.

buildings on the property with minor renovations.

While all five voted for that option, it was clear that some supported it more

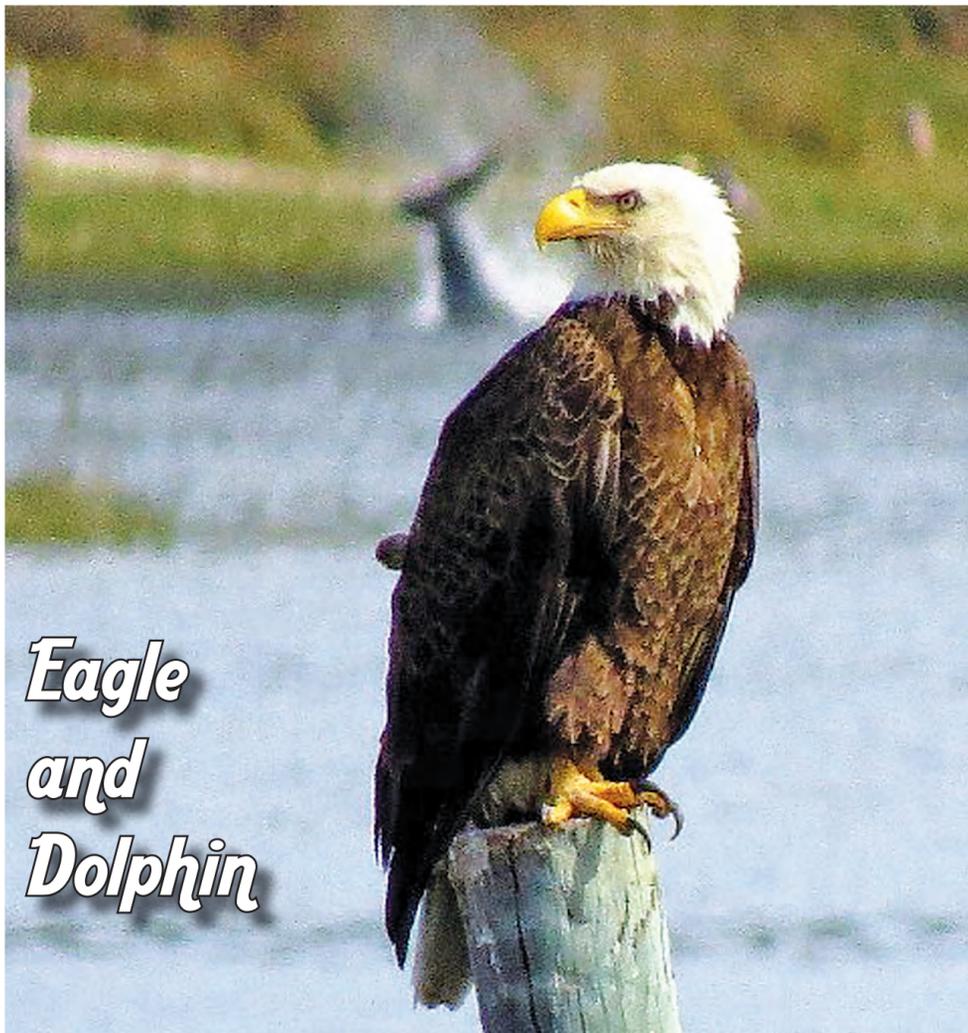
than others. Commissioner Jerry Moore opened the board's discussion saying he favored the option to use one building as a community center and convert the other into a fire-EMS station.

Moore told the audience that he was privately working on a plan to build a recreation facility that would surpass what was being proposed - with soccer and baseball fields, a pool. He didn't offer any specifics of his plan.

Commissioner Ralph Thomas also appeared to come to his vote of support for the community center somewhat reluctantly. His concern, like Moore's, is the need for new fire facilities - and especially the \$1 million price tag.

"I'm not against a community center," Thomas said. But he offered a suggestion that, if citizens are really behind the plan, then there should be a pre-sale of YMCA memberships of \$100.

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Eagle and Dolphin

PHOTO BY SUE DAMON/SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Shell Point resident Sue Damon, ever quick with her camera, shared this photo of a frozen moment with an eagle perched on a post as dolphins splash in the background.

Referendum set for May 14 on school tax

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The Wakulla County School Board moved forward with approval from the Wakulla County commission to hold a special election on May 14 to get citizen approval for a half-mill tax for schools.

County commissioners voted unanimously on Monday, March 4, to move forward with the referendum.

Wakulla currently has a .25-mill special assessment approved by voters in 2010 that will expire in June 2013.

Superintendent of Schools Bobby Pearce told commissioners that the local district needed the money as it faces budget cuts of more than \$4 million over the past five years and declining student enrollment.

Pearce estimated that the millage, if approved, would bring in about \$500,000.

A mill represents \$1 tax for each \$1,000 in taxable value. While Wakulla voters overwhelmingly approved the .25-mill assessment in 2010, the school board is seeking a .50 mill assessment for four years.

For an average home in Wakulla County worth \$100,000, that assessment would represent about \$50 in taxes.

Or as Pearce put it to the board, "The average homeowner would pay \$2 per month more than what they're paying now."

In 1995, Wakulla voters also approved a bond measure for an expansion of Wakulla High School, and debt service currently accounts for .55 mills on local property tax bills. That bond will be paid off in 2014-15.

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Superintendent of Schools Bobby Pearce

Wildwood Inn sells for \$1.8 M

By JENNY ODOM
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In one of the largest local real estate transactions in recent years, the sale of the Wildwood Resort Golf Course and Restaurant, was finalized

Friday, March 1, for \$1.8 million to Savannah investor Mike Luby.

The Bluewater Realty Group negotiated the sale.

Luby is the owner of Wildwood Greene Inc., based out of Savannah, Ga. The company filed a public notice for fictitious name registration in February.

The Inn has struggled during the past few years due to the poor economic climate. The property was seized by FDIC through Wakulla Bank, which has since been taken over by Centennial Bank. The owners at that time were Wakulla County Sheriff David Harvey, Gerald Thompson and Joseph Barry, who recently died.

In October 2011, Reagall Investments Inc. purchased Wildwood Resort Golf Course and Restaurant for just over \$1 million.

Owner Reagan Hobbs, along with comptroller



FILE PHOTO

Randy Esser, had implemented changes to the business operation since then with intent to focus on engaging the local community.

"I really didn't want to sell the property," said Hobbs. "My family fell in love with the area, the members of the club and the residents. The whole community opened up their arms to us."

Hobbs says he will now focus on his other golf course in Tallahassee, The Golf Club at Summerbrooke.

Although Hobbs will no longer be a part of the operation, Esser will stay on to manage the resort for the new owner.

Efforts to contact Luby or officials at Wildwood Greene Inc. for comment were unsuccessful.

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Art group encourages everyone to be creative

By JENNIFER JENSEN
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A group that gathers at the Apalachee Bay Volunteer Fire Department every Tuesday morning has one thing in common, the love of art.

The Apalachee Bay Art Group is made up of mostly retired people who live in the area, some who have been painting for years as well as newcomers to the craft. The group started about 15 years ago by artist and teacher Nell Schulz.

When Schulz first moved to the county, she was asked if she would teach a class on how to paint with watercolors. That one class eventually grew into an art group led by Schulz that meets once a week. The majority of the 20 or so artists paint with watercolors, but some also use acrylics.

Prior to moving to Wakulla County, Schulz taught art in Polk County to adults and children and helped start an art show in Bartow. She is mostly self taught, but has taken a few art classes, some 20 years ago.

When the group meets on Tuesdays, there is typical no lesson, although sometimes Schulz does some demonstrations to show a particular technique. Most of the time, she is simply there to assist, over advice and help the artists when they need to correct something.

Member Kathy Dehan says of Schulz, "She is giving of her talent and her time."

Several of the artists joke that if Schulz sees a mistake on their painting, she tells them to "go to the sink." There, at the sink, they scrub off their oops and Schulz helps them to correct it.

Schulz encourages everyone to paint what they



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER JENSEN

Artworks on display by the Apalachee Bay Arts Group, above, and Annette Phelps painting, right.

like, be creative and each do their own work. This isn't a class where everyone paints the same thing, she says.

"Everybody paints different and everybody has their own technique," Schulz says. "And it's beautiful."

Many of the members in the class haven't painted since they were in school, if at all. Just not having the time until they were retired.

"A lot of these women never had the chance to do something for themselves," Schulz says.

She adds that everyone can be taught and many have more talent than they know.

"I just pulled out what they had in there," she says.

Randi Hellams decided to join the group two years ago after being encour-

aged by several people in the community. At first she wasn't going to join because she didn't feel she was good at art and had never really painted before.

But Schulz saw something in her.

"Nell started encouraging me," Hellams says. "I love it."

Schulz says she encourages everyone to come to the class, no matter what their skill level is or what medium they paint with. People have more talent than they realize, she adds.

Marcia Bjerregaard never painted prior to coming to the class several years ago. When she came to her first class, she planned to simply observe, but Schulz had other ideas. She walked over to Bjerregaard and told her to draw.

Works by the group are on display at the Wakulla Welcome Center in Panacea through March.

January after she retired and finally had the time. Prior to coming to the class, she had never painted before, but kept hearing about the group and decided to give it a try.

Two months later, she has never missed a class.

"It's so nice to be welcomed in and to get all the encouragement," she says. And each class, she learns something different and gets help from the more experienced group members.

"The critiques are very genuine," she says.

Dehan agrees and says the class is great because of the feedback that is given, as well as the support and camaraderie.

"These ladies are very talented and they share so openly," Dehan says.

Harriet Rich says the group also gives each artist a structured time to paint.

"Tuesday is the fun time," she says. "That's our time for art."

The group has been given the opportunity to showcase some of their artwork as well. Their works are on display at the Wakulla Welcome Center in Panacea until the end of March.

The members of the group also donate a lot of their work to local events and fundraisers, such as the Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta, Art of Healthy Start event, senior center events, Wakulla County library and so on.

The group meets every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Apalachee Bay Volunteer Fire Department. Everyone is invited to attend.



"And I love it," Bjerregaard says. "This is the best day of the week."

And the common statement heard by the

members of the group is that everyone helps each other.

Annette Phelps started coming to the group in



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If 300 people bought them, he said, that would represent \$300,000 and go a long way towards pursuing a full center.

Merritt sought to build a consensus among the board – even going so far as to present the issue in a somewhat unorthodox manner: He allowed citizen comment, and then board discussion, before a motion was on the floor.

Commissioner Richard Harden indicated his whole-hearted support of the community center. “When I read everything the YMCA was going to do, I was excited about it,” he said.

Harden, a corrections officer with the state Department of Corrections in Franklin County, said he has seen what happens to youth who don’t have a community center. “I guard trouble every day,” he said.

Seeing the tide shifting away from his position after Harden’s comments, Moore relented and said he would go along.

Commissioner Howard Kessler suggested that money could be saved by building the gym as a shell without enclosing walls, until there was money.

Merritt noted there was no need to build a shell, saying there was sufficient money to fully enclose the building. The next bit of money could go towards air conditioning, he said.

The issue had come up because of the board’s apparent fluctuating support for the community center. Unsure of how commissioners and staff wanted to proceed, and deadlines approaching for construction of the gym and dealing with YMCA, County Administrator David Edwards and county staff drafted seven possible options for the board to consider.

They ranged from an option to fully implement the community center – with an indoor gym and renovated facilities – at a total cost of \$667,000 to the county; to dividing the property between a community center and EMS-fire station; to not using the site as a community center and using the buildings and property for government purposes.

The option the board

ultimately chose was to go ahead with with constructing the first phase of the gym using only the grant money, and to commit the property’s use as a community center.

The property, a 22-acre site of a former church at the corner of Shadeville Road and Trice Lane, was purchased in 2010 with plans to turn it into a community center, but has yet to offer programs and services at the facility. A portion of the building is being used by the Wakulla County Sheriff’s Office Road Patrol and Criminal Investigation Divisions while their annex is being built and the other building, the former sanctuary, has served as meeting space for the county and other groups.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizen Jenny Brock indicated her support for building a community center, and expressed concern about trying to mix emergency services in an area where children are at a community center.

Dana Harvey brought her three children up to the speaker’s podium to show off the swim team T-shirts they wore, and pointing out she had to ferry the kids to Tallahassee so they could participate because of the lack of facilities in Wakulla.

Kennedy Nelson noted that he often used the community center and pools in Tallahassee. His father, Simeon Nelson, implored commissioners to go forward with the community center, saying: “The money’s for our kids, let’s use it... Our kids are an investment.”

Former commissioner Mike Stewart pointed out that the community center and fire station were two separate issues and asked the board not to “convolute” the issue.

Laura Bentley noted that people kept talking about the community center as being for youth, but said it would really be utilized by everybody – young and old.

David Damon, a local scoutmaster, said the board had promised a community center to the kids, and that it would be wrong for commissioners to renege. “We’ve worked so hard for what’s been

promised.”

Chuck Hess of Concerned Citizens of Wakulla said the community center would serve as a basic keystone to bring people into downtown.

Leigh Key said there was a need for a community for local youth to have a safe place to hang out.

John Spicer, pastor at Christ Church Anglican, noted the oft-said line about a civilization being measured by its treatment of its most vulnerable citizens, and urging the board to go ahead with the community center.

Jim Hilyer asked how commissioners wanted their terms in office remembered – as taking the community center from the kids, or who did the right thing for the county? “Don’t make this community wait another 30 or 40 years for a community center,” he said.

Tess Coetzee said that, like many parents, she appreciated the county’s outstanding schools – but was disappointed that she had to travel to Leon County for extracurricular activities for her kids.

Bruce Ashley, president of the coalition for youth, said he strongly supported the community center as needed.

That was echoed by Gail Campbell, director of the youth coalition. “Our kids – all 7,000 of them under 18 – do need a community center,” she said.



PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Honored

Former commissioners Murray McLaughlin, Minni Cronin, represented by her

daughters, and Billy Porter were honored by Commissioner Howard Kessler and other members for their 1985 vote to support the state purchase of Wakulla Springs.

Referendum set on school tax

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After the meeting, Pearce said that the school board could seek to levy up to 1 mill, “but we don’t think that’s prudent. We think we would just be burdening the taxpayer at one mill.”

Pearce said the half-mill could be viewed as a stop-gap – intended to overcome current economic factors.

He also noted that the school board would have the discretion to reduce other millage levies in the

future to possibly offset the half-mill.

The district has lost 102 students so far this year, he said, including 80 elementary-age children. He said most of those families had moved from the area because of economics – seeking work, or a shorter commute in Tallahassee.

At the meeting, Missy Rudd of the Wakulla Classroom Teachers Association, the local teachers union, spoke in favor of the special election and the proposed millage

levy. Commissioners were effusive in their praise of the school system, with Commissioner Jerry Moore saying the school district is an economic engine like the Chamber of Commerce, drawing people to the community.

Commissioner Howard Kessler, who made the motion to approve the special election, said the superintendent put out his message in a clear way.

“The school system really is the jewel of Wakulla County,” Kessler said.

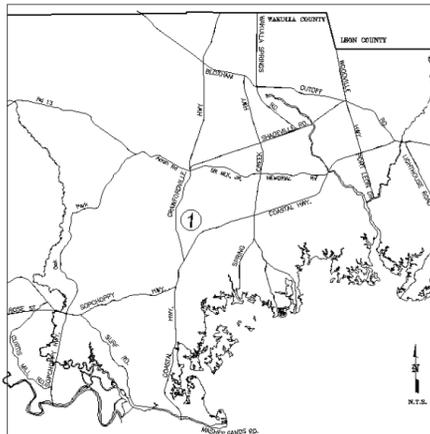
PUBLIC NOTICES

For our readers’ convenience, The Wakulla News will provide this Public Notice Section in our A-section for all Public Notices not published in the Legal Notice section of the newspaper.



Notice of Public Hearing Concerning Adoption of Large Scale Map Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map

The Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners proposes to consider the following application and/or adopt the following by ordinance and has scheduled a Public Hearing before the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners on Monday, March 18, 2013, beginning at 5:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard. All public hearings will be held at the County Commission Chambers located west of the County Courthouse at 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32327. Interested parties are invited to attend and present testimony.



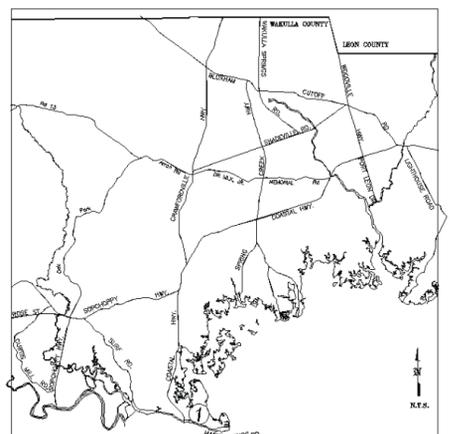
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING, REVISING, AND REPLACING IDENTIFIED PORTIONS OF THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AS IDENTIFIED IN ORDINANCE NUMBER 95-30, THE ADOPTION ORDINANCE FOR THE WAKULLA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN, AS ADOPTED BY THE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

- Application for Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment:** CP12-09
 Applicant: Kevin Riley Gaby, Kevin R. & Kane R. Gaby JTRS, Scott W. Gaby
 Agent: Alan Wise, Preble-Rish, Inc.
 Proposal: amend the FLUM to Public Facilities
 Tax ID Number: 00-00-086-000-11582-000, 00-00-086-000-11583-000, & 00-00-087-000-11587-000
 Existing FLU Map: Agriculture (FLUE Policy 1.2.2)
 Proposed FLU Map: Public Facilities (FLUE Policy 1.2.13)
 Existing Zoning: AG (Section 5-25, LDC)
 FEMA Flood Info: “A and C” zones on Panels 0225-B and 0250-B
 Parcel Size: 158.0+/- acres
 Location: North end of Riley Drive, generally northwest of Wakulla Middle School
Hearings Required: Board of County Commissioners: Monday, March 18, 2013 @5:00 PM

Copies of applications, draft ordinances, and any related public record files may be viewed at the Wakulla County Planning and Community Development Department located at 11 Bream Fountain Road, Crawfordville, FL 32327, 8 AM to 4:30 PM M-F; Phone (850) 926-3695. Any person desiring to appeal any decision made with regard to this matter must ensure a verbatim transcript or copy is made of the testimony and exhibits presented at said hearings. Persons needing special access considerations should call the Board Office at least 48 hours before the date for scheduling purposes. The Board Office may be contacted at (850) 926-0919 or TDD 926-7962.

LEGAL NOTICE ROAD CLOSING

NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing was held by the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, February 19, 2013, beginning at 5:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as time permitted in the County Commission Chambers located west of the Courthouse at 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32327 to consider a request to close that portion of platted but not constructed Beatrice Drive lying on the north side of Mashas Sands Road (State Road 372). Also located as shown in the file in the office of the Planning and Community Development Department, Wakulla County Commissioner’s Complex, 11 Bream Fountain Road and as further shown below as number 1. Resolution 2013 -13, which approved this road closure, was adopted at the meeting.



These administrative actions are in accordance with the provisions of Section 336.10, Florida Statutes. Any person desiring to appeal a decision of a County Board must ensure a verbatim transcript or copy is made of the testimony and exhibits presented at said hearings.

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The Opinion Page

readers speak out

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Issues facing the county



By DAVID EDWARDS

It's been a busy year so far – we have welcomed in your new commissioners and they have settled in nicely and are working very hard for you.

BOAT RAMP FEES: There has been much discussion over the past few months about boat ramp fees. We created a Boating fund in order to capture revenue and to spend from for boating related projects and maintenance.

Currently the fund has paid for installation of signage and parking improvements at each ramp, dividing lanes at Rock Landing, repair of the floating dock at Mash Island, and portable toilets at two ramps.

Some recently completed projects are rehab of the Levy Bay Boat Ramp and replacement of the channel markers in the Ocklockonee Bay Channel. We are planning many other projects that will continue in the effort and purpose of the fees which is to upgrade our boating facilities.

If at any time you

want to see the details of this fund and how it is performing please come by my office or contact me.

2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION: It's that time of the year again when our state senators and representatives gather in Tallahassee to make new laws, amend current laws, and decide what laws to take off the books all together.

So far this year, 750 bills have been pre-filed for consideration during the 2013 Legislative Session and more are being filed every day. County staff is working hard to monitor any bill or potential issue early in the game with an impact to Wakulla County citizens and businesses, good or bad. The goal is to stop or amend a bill that is not favorably to our county, while supporting bills and amendments that are favorable.

Information on bills filed and legislative calendars is available at Florida Online Sunshine, www.leg.state.fl.us.

RESTORE ACT: To bring you up to speed, we are still waiting on the rules to come down from the US Treasury.

In anticipation of the RESTORE Act dollars coming to Wakulla County and Florida, the Board created the Wakulla County RESTORE Act Advisory Committee to develop an application and process for those citizens and businesses wishing to submit project ideas for the board's consideration. It also provides a forum for citizens to get information on the RESTORE Act and provide input on potential Wakulla County projects.

It must be noted that all projects must meet criteria established by the RESTORE Act and the anticipated guidance that will be issued by U.S. Treasury on the management and responsibilities of these funds coming to us. The Committee is planning a series of public workshops around the County to provide information and answer questions on the RESTORE Act, which will be announced soon.

For more information and documents, go to WakullaRestoreAct.org. **FEMA MAP REVISIONS:** Major changes to Flood Insurance Rate Maps are proposed to become effective in January 2014. These revisions will significantly affect development standards and insurance rates in certain areas of Wakulla County.

Check the following websites for additional information: www.floodsmart.gov and <http://portal.nwfwdm-floodmaps.com>.

You can also contact the planning department at (850) 926-3695 for information.

David Edwards is county administrator for Wakulla County.

READERS WRITE:

Wakulla 2020 raised awareness

Editor, The News:

I recently read the article in The Wakulla News about the Strategic Intermodal Designation for Highway 319 ("Board hopes 319 will be designated Strategic Intermodal System," Jan. 31 issue). The article stated that the Wakulla 2020 effort started by the Chamber of Commerce failed.

While it is true we did not completely achieve the final goal, we did manage to raise awareness in the right places. As so often happens, it is the singles and doubles that influence the outcome of a game.

The Chamber's ad-hoc committee came up with the strategy, in a meeting with CRTPA, to dissect the huge 319 project into manageable pieces; you will now find that strategy in the county's infrastructure plan. It was our committee's presentation to the District 3 DOT Secretary (with Randy Merritt and Dave Edwards present) that illuminated this strategic possibility to the Secretary. That meeting was fortunately followed

up by a meeting the next day between DOT and CRTPA that further discussed that same strategy, and had much to do with moving 319 intersections up to the No. 1 position on CRTPA's five-year list of projects considered worthy of funding consideration.

This funding designation by CRTPA aided in the Strategic Intermodal Designation as surely as snowballs do get larger as they roll down hill.

I want to note that Commissioner Randy Merritt's role as our CRTPA representative has also been a very positive influence in heightening awareness of our needs along with County Administrator Dave Edwards, whose administrative abilities exude confidence in our abilities as a county to implement a long range plan.

The Chamber will continue to try to hit those singles and doubles as it is our mission to make life better for all of the citizens in Wakulla County.

John Shuff

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Enjoy Les Harrison's column

Editor, The News:

A letter copied to Les Harrison, who writes the weekly Natural Wakulla column:

Good Morning, Les,

For a while now, I've

wanted to tell you how much I enjoy your weekly articles in The Wakulla News. This is one of my favorite features of our weekly newspaper.

Thanks for writing these articles and for packing so much information into each one!

You're doing a great service for our county by writing about the natural world that we all see around us every day.

Best regards,

Sandy Tedder

sandytedder@gmail.com

Local youth need a community center

Editor, The News:

"Where is that Youth Community Center I heard about two years ago? Wouldn't it be great if Wakulla had a movie theater, a bowling alley, a skating rink or even a community center for our youth to just hang out?"

I heard two years ago that it was a real possibility that Wakulla County would be getting a community center for our youth, finally!

Fast forward two years later, and still, no safe place for our teens. We do, however, have the rec park, Hudson and Azalea parks and the public library.

The library has struggled with its own problems of being "shut down" and all the parks are mostly geared towards athletics. Where does that leave the rest of our young ones? Where do they "hang out" and do what normal teens do? Where do the less-fortunate teens go who don't have the transportation or the opportunity to play sports?

We don't have a place, but yet, plans have been made, a site found, and grant money sitting-in-wait to be used for such an opportunity.

I'm just a citizen, a volunteer and most importantly, a parent. I've had the opportunity to be in many diverse groups, organizations and employment, and I see a NEED for our teens/youth to have a safe youth-oriented place to have the opportunity to interact with their peers face-to-face, get from behind their computers and phones, participate in activities and express their creativity as well as having many different opportunities to receive tutoring, shoot hoops, dance,

play their music, play a variety of different games and have a place of their own to just hang out.

Though we have a great community that takes care of each other, we still lack some things needed to take care of all our county members. One of those, in my opinion, is a place for our youth. They should be as top priority as other things.

We have teens who have no sports-affiliated hobby who would still like a place where they could feel is theirs, where they belong. Everyone needs an outlet, a place, just to "hang."

We have the opportunity to create that and as to date, a place ready and waiting, that could right now, immediately become a youth center, with little initial preparation.

And on that note, a place, where we could involve the youth in developing that place as an ongoing activity to express their creativity, that would create something for them and future teens, to be proud to be a part of.

We need what's available, right now. If not now, then when? When will we ever create that place, that atmosphere, that hang out for our youth. Next year? The year after?

Our youth would still benefit from it later, down the road. But why not now?

We have teens with a need, NOW. Let's quit putting off today, what we could do tomorrow. Tomorrow could be too late.

Sincerely,

Leigh Key
Crawfordville

HOME COUNTRY

Dud on Celtic music



By SLIM RANGLES

"I believe I'll write some Celtic music," said Dud one morning at the world dilemma think tank down at the coffee shop.

"I didn't know you were Celtic," Steve said.

"I'm not, but I do get occasional bouts of depression and that qualifies me. I've thought about it a lot. Maybe they sing that way because they don't have sunsets like we do, or because the horses run around

the racetrack the wrong direction. All I know is, after two hours of Celtic music, circus clowns would look at each other and say 'Why bother?'

"But writing Celtic music should be fairly easy. To start with, just find a girl who has a voice like a mouse in an empty septic tank, then you add in some stringed instruments and a flute played by someone whose dog just died.

"Then she wails that her father was depressed one day and ran the young man off. He was told not to return until he either had more sheep than the old man or had done something worthwhile, like whittling down the House of Lords or starting a distillery."

"Then she wails that Mr. Wonderful became an outlaw and wandered freely, thinking only of her until he was either shot by some English guy or inflicted on Australia.

"But in this depression there is at least a key to the entire culture," he said.

"How do you have that figured?" said Steve.

"It's obvious," Dud said, grinning. "The application of single-malt whisky is to kill the pain, and they raise sheep so they can stick wool in their ears."

Brought to you by Home Country (the book). See it at <http://nmsantos.com/Books/Home/Home.html>.

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Rep. Southerland doesn't get our needs

Editor, The News:

Rep. Steve Southerland disappointed us again by being a petty ideologue instead of a statesman. He voted Thursday against the Senate's bipartisan Violence Against Women Act even though its expired version has already proven it can reduce crime.

Fortunately 22 Senate Republicans and 87 House Republicans saw the need

to help victims of domestic violence and rape—our mothers, daughters, wives, sisters, even grandmothers—instead of their assailants and voted for the bill with Democrats. The bill passed 78 to 22 in the Senate and 286 to 138 in the House.

Once again there is funding (less than 4/1000 per cent of the budget) so that rapists will be found and convicted and shelters

will stay open for victims. The act will train 500,000 law enforcement officers again this year

Rep. Southerland again shows he is not qualified to represent the people of the 2nd Congressional District because he doesn't understand what we need.

Linda Miklowitz
Tallahassee

Corrections

• A Letter to the Editor in last week's paper, "Stop stealing my business signs," was signed by Gloria Sanders but was actually written by Junior Sanders and should have appeared with his name.

• Because of incorrect information submitted to The News, a story on Riversprings Middle School baseball misidentified one of the players who led the Bears offense Matt Briggs. It was actually his brother, Lucas Briggs.

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Operation Migration pilot speaks at refuge

By JANICE McFARLAND
Special to The News

Operation Migration, which brings endangered whooping cranes here to the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge in their migrating flight to winter in the south, has brought attention to our area.

This month's First Sunday lecture at the refuge was presented by Operation Migration pilot Brooke Pennypacker, who delighted the packed, standing-room only crowd with his stories, anecdotes, scientific data, and humor.

He left the crowd with an understanding of the whooping cranes, their migratory behavior, and Operation Migration's role in protecting and expanding the species.

The species had only one flock of 15 birds in the 1940s to the current high of 500. At the turn of the century, there were thousands.

Now in its eleventh year, Operation Migration has served to collect the endangered species' eggs from captive and abandoned wild nesting sites, incubate, hatch, and raise the chicks to become elegant fliers and follow the ultra-light aircraft on their first migration route.

In addition to eggs that are abandoned, eggs come from five different propagation centers around the country. Pennypacker explained that once the abandoned nests and eggs are collected while at their base in Wisconsin, they are taken to Patuxent Wildlife Research Center in Maryland, a U.S. Geological Survey Wildlife Refuge, where they are incubated and turned three times a day until they hatch.

During incubation, audio recordings of bird calls and ultra-light engine sounds are played, in order to train the birds to recognize and follow



PHOTOS BY CLAIRE TIMM/ Special to The News

Operation Migration Pilot Brooke Pennypacker, above, talks to the standing-room-only crowd about the process of Whooping cranes being bred, nurtured and prepared for the 1,100 mile flight from Wisconsin to St. Marks. At left, Pennypacker shows one of the suits worn by handlers so the chicks will not imprint on a human.



brood calls, and to be desensitized to the engine noise made by their "mother" aircraft. He joked that he sometimes played Frank Sinatra's "Come Fly With Me," keeping the audience in laughter at times with his stories and anecdotes.

Once the eggs hatch, crane handlers are surrogate parents, wearing white costumes with masks and using a puppet to greet the chicks. They are always silent and never speak around the cranes, so as not to cause the chicks to imprint upon them. The puppet has a wooden head and neck that resembles the parent of the baby chick. The chicks learn how to feed and drink every day with the puppet's help, so that they do not perceive humans to be their source of sustenance.

They imprint upon the adult crane and not the handler. This method en-

ures their best chance for survival, to remain wild and not be dependent upon humans.

In their training process for migration, the next and biggest challenge is to get them to follow. They are kept in runs similar to a dog run.

At four to five days old, the chicks are out of the cage and encouraged to walk around in order to learn to follow the costumed adult crane and puppet. The puppet head dispenses mealworms – the best way to get them to follow.

They are then taken near the ultra-light in a large circle pen, where they can get used to the sounds of the aircraft. It is sometimes scary to them, as it has a 50 horsepower, 2-cycle engine like a Jet Ski.

Over time, the handlers try to build up a flock by introducing new chicks to a group – as many as 10.

One of the biggest challenges is to get the chicks to stop fighting, Pennypacker said. He said some personalities do not mix, and some die in fights.

They have to continuously monitor and work with the different birds as they try to arrange flocking behavior.

When the birds are 50 days old, they are shipped on a small freighter back to Necedah, Wis., where they learn to fly.

Whooping crane bird calls are played so the chicks will follow the ultra-light.

The birds learn about "ground effect," or flying low to the ground where they can get more lift than when higher. They learn drafting, how to find that sweet spot off of the wing, which is a vortex of wind that generates lift.

Pennypacker discussed how whooping cranes are soaring birds and not flap-fliers, so these techniques are necessary for them to learn that they do not have to work so hard flapping their wings. He said their normal way of flying in the wild is to ride the columns of heated air called thermals, effortlessly gliding up the thermal and skating down to the

next – the method used to fly across the country.

The V-formation that bird flocks typically fly in is an example of the birds flying on the draft. The lead bird does all of the work, the following birds ride on his draft, and they shift off in rotation, taking turns. The same principle works with the ultra-light being the lead, creating the draft for the birds to glide in.

The migration path is 1,113 miles from Wisconsin to the St. Marks Refuge, and can take three months, depending upon weather conditions. The birds have a small radio transmitter for tracking snapped onto their legs for the journey, in case one gets lost.

The route has 20 to 24 stops set up in advance for overnight camping, since they can only travel 55-65 miles a day. Some stops can be skipped, depending on variable factors such as favorable winds, the birds not being tired, or aviation forecasts, among other things.

Refueling needs to be taken into consideration, as there are only three and a half to four hours worth of fuel on board. Speed is typically between 36-40

mph. Stops usually have barns or hangars for the aircraft, and fenced areas or pens.

Upon arrival at the migration winter home at St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge, the cranes have a very large pen. They receive a veterinary check-up, and are released to fly and forage outside the pen, but return at night to the safety of the pen. The support from the handlers is gradually decreased, and in mid to late March, the newly-independent cranes instinctually feel the call to return to Wisconsin.

They will migrate between the north and south for the rest of their lives, ranging from 22-25 years. At this point, the goal of the project is achieved, which is reintroduction and reproduction of the endangered species, for their safeguarding and survival.

Last year the birds wintered in Alabama at the Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge in Decatur, and due to a timing issue with the FAA in their implementation of new regulatory guidelines, were not able to make it to their St. Marks winter home. The birds were already on the ground, satisfied in their layover, once the waiver to continue was finalized.

The FAA has now designated the ultra-light as a "Light Sport Aircraft" (LSA) and must be inspected every year in order to be flown. Currently, their designation is as E-LSA, for Experimental, to be upgraded to Special Light Sport Aircraft (S-LSA), along with the general aviation pilots license upgrade.

In its 11th year of annual migration, Operation Migration is a non-profit organization, and relies on the generosity of people to fund and host the chicks on their first migratory route south. For additional information, visit the website at www.operationmigration.org.

The volunteer pilots maintain a blog on the site, In the Field, where they post periodic updates on their flights.

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religious views and events

Jesus River Festival set

The fifth annual Jesus River Festival is scheduled for Saturday, March 9, in Myron B. Hodges City Park located in Sopchoppy.

The outdoor music event will start at noon and run until dark. This music festival will host a list of talented Christian musicians, speakers, dancers and performers appealing to all ages and a variety of music styles.

"This is a multi-denominational, community worship experience, and it just keeps getting better," said Nathan Lewis, a member of the planning committee. "Several hundred individuals attended last year's event, and we were very

pleased with the turnout and support. Wave 94, a local Christian radio station and long time supporter of the festival, is expected to return to visit with fans and friends. Many churches and businesses were involved in making the festival a success."

Those attending the festival will be served complimentary grilled burgers, hot dogs, chips and drinks. Booth spaces for local charities, churches and ministries to inform the public of their services will be available. Special ministries for children will take place throughout the day.

Attendees are encour-

aged to bring canned goods for the local food bank. Donations are welcomed but not mandatory. Wakulla One, a group of churches, individuals and ministries united to support Christ-centered events in Wakulla County, will sponsor the event this year. The organization will also host a night of fellowship and prayer before the festival on Friday, March 8, at 7 p.m. in the park. All Wakulla Christians are encouraged to come and pray for God's presence and blessings.

For more information visit: www.Jesusriverfest.com or www.wakullaone.com.

HEAVENS TO BETSY

Preacher feature: Pastor Susie Horner



By BETSY GOEHRIG

Our featured minister this week is Pastor Susie Horner of Wakulla United Methodist Church.

The beautiful log cabin church is located at 1584 Old Woodville Road in Wakulla Station. For more information about the church, you may call (850) 421-5741 or go online to their website at www.gbgm-umc.org/wakullaumc.

The church has two services: an 8:30 a.m. contemporary and 11 a.m. traditional. Some of the church's ministries include children, youth, Sunday School for all ages, choir, and praise team.

The church provides a Food Pantry once a month. They support a missionary in the Do-

minican Republic and send their youth there on mission trips.

Pastor Susie is new to Wakulla United Methodist Church and to our area, serving here for the past eight months. She also volunteers as a chaplain at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital one day each week.

She previously ministered at Grace UMC in Lawtey; Southwest UMC in Gainesville; and Trinity UMC in Lakeland. Her education includes a Bachelor of Music for Vocal Performance at the Opera Institute of Boston University, and Course of Study at Candler School of Theology in the Atlanta area.

Pastor Susie shared the story of her calling into ministry: "As a child growing up, church was a central part of my life. If my parents made sure of nothing else, it was that we were in church. As I entered my teenage years I became convinced that God had turned his back on me. Now, looking back on my life, I can see he was always there watching over me

because no matter how hard I ran, I could never get completely away. This became more apparent in college, which was a religious school. While attending college, I always had a job as a soloist in a church. Even though I had stopped listening during this time of my life, God never stopped trying to talk to me.

"While spending the next 24 years trying to convince myself that I didn't need God or anyone else in my life I was miserable for the most part. To know deep down inside of you that there is something vital missing from your life, but not being able to admit what that something is was so exhausting and I felt so lonely.

"In 1999, due to family circumstances, I moved to the Gainesville area to be with my mother and it was she who finally convinced me to start attending church again. The gift God gave me that first morning in church has been one of the most wonderful gifts I have ever received.

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OUT TO PASTOR

How to have your cake and eat it too

By JAMES L. SNYDER

Somebody came up with the idea that you cannot have your cake and eat it too. I am not sure where that came from, and I am not exactly sure what it means. If I cannot eat my cake, whose cake can I eat?

One of the things most important and strongly supervised in our home by the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has to do with the presence of such food items as cake. At times, I think she is overly obsessed with some diet phenomenon.

I, on the other hand, am rather open to the delicacies of such dietary niceties as cakes.

Recently my wife took a week's vacation to New York to visit her relatives. While she was away for that week, I was in charge of our little homestead. Whatever happened, happened because I did it. Whatever didn't happen, didn't happen because I didn't do it.

I have a simple rule in life. Do what you like and have fun doing it. My wife's rule in life is, do exactly what I tell you and do it now! When she is not present in the home, especially for a weeklong duration, I am the one supervising the rules. And so, during that week my rules ruled. I will not say I had fun during that week, because I would not want that kind of information to be leaked to certain people.

All during the week, I ate every kind of delicacy I could wrap my lips around. Not one shred of salad could be found in the house during the whole week. Salads were outlawed, desserts were in order.

On the day my wife was scheduled to return from her New York trip, I had to go to school and pick up one of my granddaughters. She was sick and nobody

else was available but Yours Truly.

When I picked her up she did not look quite as sick as I would have figured, but who am I to question the wisdom of a schoolteacher. We spent the entire afternoon eating lunch at McDonald's, shopping at the Dollar Tree and just having a rip snorting time of our life. If this is sick, may I be sick every day of my life.

As a supposedly sick 7-year-old, her energy ran her grandpa firmly into the ground. I am not sure I ever had that much energy. It was great to spend an afternoon with one of my granddaughters. Towards the end of the afternoon my granddaughter said, "When will grandma get home?"

I calculated it and responded by telling her that according to the schedule she should be getting home around 6 o'clock. As that information saturated her little brain she then said, "Well, can we have a surprise party for grandma?"

Off to the store we went. Things needed for purchasing to put together the surprise welcome home party for grandma. There were cards to purchase. I say cards because she could not choose between two cards and so we decided, or rather I should say, she decided to get both of them. There were ribbons to buy and then she saw a nice bouquet of roses. We bought the roses.

All this time I was thinking about a special project I had in mind. That special project took the form of a special welcome home cake. I took my granddaughter over to the case where all of the cakes were displayed and invited her to pick out one that suited her. As far as I am concerned, a cake is a cake and my favorite cake is the one I am eating at the time.

She picked out a beautiful cake and we went to the checkout counter and paid for our wonderful purchases. Now it was home to set up our little welcome home party for grandma.

My granddaughter spent quite a bit of time drawing pictures on the inside of the cards while I paid special attention to how to display the cake.

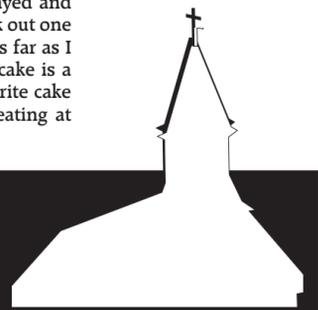
When grandma walked in the door, we yelled "Surprise" and boy was she surprised.

Then came the time for us to present the cake and eat it as well. Whoever says you can't have your cake and eat it too needs to sit down and talk with me. I have found a wonderful way of having my cake and eating it too without the sneering disapproval of You Know Who.

I like what the Bible says. "There has no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it" (1 Corinthians 10:13 KJV).

God always provides the cake and then invites us to eat it with Him. Instead of talking to myself, I spent a little time talking to God and thanking Him for the wonderful provisions He has made for my life both now and eternally.

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Obituaries

Reason Paulk Tomberlin Jr.

Reason Paulk Tomberlin Jr.

Rev. R.P. Tomberlin Jr. "Brother Tommy," 91, died on Monday, Feb. 25 at Riverchase Care Center in Quincy.

He was born in Tallahassee on Jan. 6, 1922. Survivors include his wife, Christine Edwards Tomberlin of Sawdust; his children, Richard Tomberlin (Sylvia) of Tallahassee, Jerry Tomberlin of Ottawa, Canada, Pam Oldaker (Craig) of Tampa, and Paul Tomberlin (Amy) of Houston; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Lucille McKeone of Tallahassee, Hattie Parramore of

Quincy, and Valma Cornell (Richard) of Saline, Mich.

Seminole Baptist Church at 3330 Mission Road in Tallahassee hosted the visitation beginning at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 1, followed by the service at 11 a.m. There was also a graveside and VA flag ceremony held at Providence Baptist Church at 2 p.m., at 1663 Providence Road in Quincy. Contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be sent to Providence Baptist Church.

Independent Funeral Home in Quincy, Fla. (850-875-1529) was in charge of arrangements.

Goerhig: Pastor Susie Horner



Pastor Susie Horner of Wakulla United Methodist Church in Wakulla Station.

"I have no doubt whatsoever that God has called me into His ministry. I know what it is like to be lost and confused, to live with anger, doubt and self-hate. But I also know what it is like to find redemption in Christ. By having the courage to share my past mistakes and feelings with others, I believe God can use and work through me to show those who may be facing the same life experiences I have faced, and that He can heal and restore them as He did me. This is what God is calling me to do in His church."

"If sharing my life with people will help bring one-person home to God, then I know everything I have experienced has been worth it. God has called me into His ministry so that He can use me to help others see that it is never too late, or one can never be too lost to come to Him."

A challenging time in Pastor Susie's life in which faith helped her was when her mother passed away. When she had been a teenager and young adult, she and her mother did not get along. In time, she eventually let go of the anger she had been carrying. She decided to move back to Florida and began to take care of her mother.

During the five years before her mother passed, Susie and her mother's relationship deepened. Her mother became her confidant and greatest supporter. When she died, Susie felt lost, yet she was also grateful that God had blessed them with being able to repair their relationship.

Susie's faith assures her she will see her mother again. Comforted with the knowledge of being together through eternity with those loved ones and saints who have gone before gives her great strength, comfort and joy.

Pastor Susie is grateful to be serving alongside the congregation of Wakulla United Methodist Church, which she considers to be a loving church where everyone is welcome, just as Christ welcomes everyone.

Rev. Dr. Betsy Goerhig is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Church Briefs

Macedonia to hold fundraiser banquet on March 9

Macedonia Church of Christ Written in Heaven will hold a Fundraiser Banquet on Saturday, March 9, at 6 p.m. at the Wildwood Resort in Medart.

Sheriff Charlie Creel will be the speaker and the theme is "Bridg-

ing the Gap: Where do we go from here?"

Contact Elder Delores Nelson at 850-408-7857 for tickets. \$40/person, \$70/couple and \$210 for a table of six.

Christian Worship Center to host gospel group, hold revival

The Christian Worship Center is honored to announce two upcoming events, starting with our Homecoming Dinner at 4 p.m., on March 16, immediately followed at 6 p.m. by the Drummond Family in Concert.

On March 17, the Drummonds will perform again at 11 a.m. They have been traveling the southeast sharing God's love in word and song for the past 16 years.

March 18 through March 22 is the Homecoming Revival at 7 p.m.

nightly with Pastor Dennis Hanvey and his wife Sherry from Florence, Ala. Pastor Dennis has been pastoring for 25 years and is very excited to come and share with us the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Both events will take place at the Christian Worship Center at 3922 Coastal Hwy. (Hwy 98) in Medart.

Everyone is invited to join us. For more information, call pastor Steve Taylor at (850) 509-6031.

From Page 6A

"That morning as I walked through the door, I met two of the most wonderful people, who have since become close friends. That morning, I felt warmth and a welcoming I had not felt since I was a child. To see how the love of God shone from them was awesome. I wasn't really sure what they had, but I was smart enough to know I wanted some of it. At one point it seemed as if God spoke to my heart assuring me that I was home and I was loved, and all that happened before was gone and forgotten."

"When I left the service that morning I felt a peace that I had not known for years because I knew there was a purpose for my life; I just didn't know at (that) time what it was."

"As I grew in Christ, I began feeling as though he was calling me into his ministry. I tried my best not to listen to His call, but no matter how much I tried to tell Him He was making a mistake, God kept saying, 'Come and serve me.'"

"He spoke to me through various situations, using people, prayer, and other ways, but I kept backing away because I was afraid to believe God could use the mess I had made of my life for His glory."

"In March of 2003, God finally showed me his purpose for my life. I had decided to meet with a

friend to talk about what I felt was happening in my life. I wanted to speak to her because she had been such a role model for me in the short time I had known her, and I knew she would be someone who could help me understand what was happening."

"As we talked, I made the statement to her that I was feeling called by God, but I felt like I needed a 'burning bush' moment to really make me understand. I needed God to tell me clearly what he wanted. No more than a week later, I was contacted regarding accepting an appointment. Finally, I got the message."

"However, God was not finished with me yet. In addition to confirming His call on my life, He was asking me if I was willing to make a complete commitment of my life to Him. I had pushed and tested Him, and now He was testing me to see if I would answer."

"In order to follow Him, I had to be ready to put my entire life in His hands and trust that He would provide for my needs. Was I ready to give my complete life to follow Him? You better believe it! I have not regretted my decision for a moment. Having been a person who had no direction in life and then transforming into a person that God has chosen as His servant has been without question the most wonderful, yet humbling experience one could ever hope for."



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Community

happenings in our community

Extension Office offering workshop on cooking with limited ingredients

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Do you ever look in the pantry or refrigerator and wonder what to make for supper? Do you ever feel like there is nothing to eat!!! Do you often say you have no time for cooking at home even when you know it would be better for your family than eating out or stopping for carry out or fast food on your way home? Making meals easier to prepare using recipes with fewer ingredients might make preparing meals more of a reality. Delicious dishes only need a few well-chosen ingredients to make cooking easier, faster and downright irresistible. During the workshop you will be given the opportunity to try your hand at mak-

"Five Ingredient Recipes"
March 5, 6 p.m.
Wakulla County Extension Office
\$15 per participant
Pre-Registration Necessary
Note: workshop was originally scheduled for March 7.

"Food Preservation" Hands-on Workshops
Held during February

ing meals that feature fresh food to promote healthy living. Hands-on preservation workshops

were full each Saturday in February with participants leaving with practice in research based preservation techniques, recipes and a canned product. Another pressure canning workshop is being scheduled for a Saturday in April so if you missed the February series, call the Extension Office to learn when the April one will be held. Classes are kept small to allow for quality learning. Another option is to host a preservation party with family members or friends. Gather 4-8 people together and let your friends and family members learn food preservation technique in your home, church kitchen or at the Extension Office. Call Extension Office for details.



Annette and Fred Strickland

50th anniversary

Fred and Annette Strickland celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary Saturday, March 2, 2013. They were married in Sopchoppy, FL on March 2, 1963, and have one daughter June Strickland. The couple has lived in Ivan, FL for most of their married life. After a quiet lunch, they enjoyed a celebration with their good friends, The Sanders, at Panacea Full Gospel Assembly Church, who were also celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Young actors stage Wild West Show at Senior Center



Actors David Sloan, Amber Alvarez, Emily Westmark, Emily Davis and Melissa Gentry

Historical Society to focus on Medart

Betty Green, Vice President and Program Chair of the Wakulla County Historical Society, announced that the March 12 program will focus on the community of Medart. Green said that at one time Medart was known as Pawtuxit because some of its early settlers came from a town called Pawtucket in Rhode Island. Guests share memories of growing up in the community considered the center of Wakulla County. Representatives of the Boykin, Carter, Coggins, Dickson (Dixon), Durrance, Eubanks, Gray, Green, Harvey, Linton, Loftin, Mathers, McLaughlin, Pigott, Whaley, and White families are expected to participate in the discussion at the Wakulla Public Library on March 12 at 7 p.m. Anyone who has roots, or who knows some of the stories associated with the community, is invited and urged to attend the meeting.

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Lions Club St. Patrick's Day Festival and Parade set

Special to The News

The Crawfordville Lions Club will hold its eighth annual St. Patrick's Day Festival and Parade Saturday, March 16, at Crawfordville's Hudson Park. The festivities will begin at 8 a.m. with Breakfast in the Park, continue with the parade beginning at 9 a.m. and entertainment starting at 11 a.m. and continuing until approximately 3 p.m.

Once again, the Crawfordville Lions Club will be awarding prizes for first, second and third place. Groups or individuals interested in participating should contact Marc Dickieson at 926-4440 to reserve their place in the lineup.

Free entertainment will feature local cloggers, musicians and entertainers:

11 a.m. - Ms. Denise Dance Group.

11:45 a.m. - Senior Line Dancers.

12:30p.m. - Rick Tittle and John Smith with special guests The Smith Creek Band.

2:15 - 3 p.m. - Trafton Harvey.

Food vendors will be serving seafood, hamburgers, hotdogs, barbecue, funnel cakes, and more. Tickets for individual events may be purchased on the day of the festival from any Crawfordville Lions Club member.

Just look for the distinctive yellow vests.

Barnett home from deployment

Army Spec. Tyler A. Barnett has returned to the U.S. after being deployed overseas in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Barnett is a combat medic assigned to the 4th

Airborne Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. He has served in the military for two and a half years.

He is the son of Ronald

Barnett of Gainesville. His wife, Hunter, is the daughter of Carlton Thompson of Tallahassee, and Lori Seber of Crawfordville.

The specialist is a 2009 graduate of Amos P. Godby High School, Tallahassee.

Annual St. Patrick's Day Festival
March 16, 2013

We Serve Sponsored by the Crawfordville Lion's Club

The festivities will begin at 8 AM with Breakfast in the Park

Parade lineup is at 9:00 a.m. - Parade begins at 10 a.m.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place.

Groups or individuals interested in participating should contact **Marc Dickieson at 926-4440** to reserve their place in the lineup.

Free entertainment beginning at 11:00 a.m. will feature many local cloggers, musicians and entertainers, including but not limited to:

11:00a.m. Ms. Denise Dance Group

11:45a.m. Senior line Dancers

12:30p.m. Recording artists Rick Tittle, and John Smith with special guests The Smith Creek Band

2:15-3:00p.m. Recording artist Trafton Harvey

A wide variety of activities for the young and young at heart will be on hand. Artisans will be demonstrating their crafts and marketing their wares. Food vendors will be serving seafood, hamburgers, hotdogs, barbecue, and funnel cakes, and more.

Raffle Tickets may be purchased all day, just look for the LIONS in their YELLOW VESTS. Drawings will be held all day, \$250. GRAND PRIZE drawing at 3 p.m. Need not be present to win.

School

education news from local schools

Crawfordville Elementary problem solvers win gold

Special to The News
On Saturday, February 23, seven fifth graders from Riversink Elementary School and seven fourth and fifth graders from Crawfordville Elementary competed in the Emerald Coast Odyssey of the Mind Tournament at Shoal River Middle School in Crestview, Fla. Odyssey of the Mind is a creative problem solving competition and teams worked all year to prepare the solutions to their long-term problems. Both teams also had to solve verbal and hands-on problems called "spontaneous problems" on the day of the competition.

Crawfordville team members included Gracie Bruce, Wilson Bruce, Rachel Freeman, Ally Harden, Jessica Starling, Caleb Tillman, and Kristen Walker. Coaches were Crawfordville teachers Renee Kelly, Holly Harden and Miranda Bowen. The cougars competed in an event called ARTchitecture: The Musical. The Crawfordville team won the gold medal in their problem and will continue to compete in the Odyssey of the Mind state competition in Orlando on April 6th.
Riversink team members included Isabella Barcelo, Abigail Gray, Travis

Morgan, Brittney Raley, Makenna Roddenberry, Aaron Sloan, and Jacob Stringer. Coaches were Riversink teachers Nicholas Weaver, Megan Crombie, Katrina Roddenberry and Stan Ward. The Riversink team competed in the STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) event called Tumblewood. Students had to design and construct a mechanical ramp that would propel a balsa wood tower through the air and across a designated scoring line. They came in third place in the STEM division.



Students show off their medals from competition.

Riversprings Middle School earns honorable mention at MATHCOUNTS



Pictured, left to right, on the front row: Emma Hughes and Elijah Mullens; second row: Shaleigh Mercer, Maclellan Hicks, Kaylee Meyers, Paige Pearson, Lucas Briggs, John Kane, Noah Mullens, and Logan Hicks; third row: Jason Paris and Emmylou Chason.

Special to The News
Riversprings Middle School received fourth place at Florida Engineering Society's 30th annual MATHCOUNTS competition on Saturday, February 9. Team Riversprings' performance earned hon-

orable mention and represented Riversprings' best achievement in the regional competition. Eighth grade student Jason Paris placed 22nd among all competitors and was the team's top individual scorer. He was followed by Emmylou

Chason, Lucas Briggs, and Paige Pearson. Riversprings Middle School Team members were eighth grade students Lucas Briggs, Emmylou Chason, Maclellan Hicks, Emma Hughes, Shaleigh Mercer, Kaylee Meyers, Elijah Mullens, Noah Mullens, Jason Paris, Paige Pearson, and sixth grade student Logan Hicks. The Team is coached by Riversprings teacher John Kane.

MATHCOUNTS draws top mathematicians from middle schools around the Big Bend area to compete in challenging Sprint, Target, and Team round events.



Above, Mr. and Mrs. Greene with Principal Kim Dutton. Below, The Greene Family at the Landon Greene Memorial

Greene family donates new tricycles to Pre-Kindergarten

Catherine Cutchen
Special to The News

Students at Wakulla Prekindergarten have impressive new "rides" on the playground thanks to the Greene family. On January 28 Jared and Amber Greene delivered ten new Stihl tricycles to Wakulla Prekindergarten. Each year the Greene family hosts a golf tournament to honor their late son, Landon. He was a student at Wakulla Pre-K. He frequently expressed his love of playing and running on the school playground. Over the past two years the Greene fam-



ily has donated thousands of dollars which have provided equipment for the playground. Principal Kim Dutton states "I appreciate all of the playground equipment the

Greene's have donated. I am especially thankful that Landon's joyous spirit will live on each day through the laughter and play of the children."

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Sports

sports news and team views

TRACK

Girls finish fifth overall at Jesse Forbes; boys take sixth

By PAUL HOOVER
WHS Track Coach

On Saturday, March 2, the WHS teams traveled to Godby High School to compete in the annual Jesse Forbes Track Meet, which attracted 14 teams from around the Big Bend.

All day the teams battled not just each other, but also the cold weather and a bitter NW wind.

The local girls team competed well and finished fifth overall and the boys had solid performances in the middle distances and high jump to finish in sixth place.

The boys team relied on superb performances in an event that, until this year, the local tracksters have not competed in – the high jump.

Freshman Keith Gavin continues to have an unbelievable debut season and jumped to a new personal record of 6'4" to win the event. Newcomer, junior Corion Knight had an outstanding first meet, clearing 6'2" and placed second behind Gavin.

The middle distance runners were led once again by junior Aaron Smith who placed second in the 3200 meters and fifth in the 1600 meters.

Despite tough conditions, J.P. Piotrowski ran to a new PR of 2:09.03 and placed seventh in the 800 meters and Alan Pearson continued to improve in the 300 hurdles, placing fourth and also setting a new PR of 45.09 seconds.

Travis Parks also had a good showing in the 3200 meters, running a new PR of 11:25 and placing fifth.

In the sprints, John Sanders ran an 11.73 in the 100 meters and placed sixth in an extreme-

ly competitive field.

Others scoring points for the boys team included Mitchell Atkinson (8th, 3200 meters), the 4x100 relay team (seventh) and the 4x800 meter relay team (seventh).

The girls team was once again led by junior Madison Harris, junior Margaret Wiedeman and sophomore Lydia Wiedeman.

Harris anchored the 4x800 meter relay team to a second place finish behind Bay County and the 4x400 relay team to a fifth place finish.

She also had another good outing in the 800 meters, placing second, by less than 3 seconds, to Maclay's Stefanie Kurgatt, who is one of the best 800 meter runners in the nation.

Kurgatt is scheduled to compete in the Indoor Track and Field Nationals Championships in New York City this coming weekend.

Margaret Wiedeman placed fourth in the 1600 meters and third in the 3200 meters.

Lydia Wiedeman also had a good meet, placing 4th in the 800 meters in a season best time of 2:32 and ran a leg on both the 4x800 meter relay and 4x400 meter relay teams. In her first year at WHS, junior Kayla Webbe is also proving to be a real asset to the team. She ran a strong 1600 meters, placing fifth and followed that with a sixth place finish in the 3200 meters.

Junior Taylor Vaughan continues to place well in the 100 meter hurdles by placing 3rd.

Others scorers for the girls team were Liliana Broadway (8th, 1600), Raychel Gray (5th, 3200 meters), Amber Stewart

(6th, 100 meter hurdles), the 4x400 meter relay team (5th) and the 4x800 meter relay team (2nd).

The local teams will compete in two meets this week. They will travel to East Gadsden High School on Tuesday and then to Rickards High School on Thursday for their first Freshman/Sophomore Meet.

FORMER WHS TRACK ATHLETE WINS NATIONAL TITLE

Former WHS track athlete Nickola Shingles, who won a state high school championship three years ago in the 300 meter hurdles, continues to compete and excel in track and field at the collegiate level and is currently competing for Hannibal-LaGrange University in Hannibal, Mo.

In this year's indoor track season he was named the American Midwest Conference "Newcomer of the Year."

At the conference championship meet he won the 60 meter dash and the 60 meter hurdles.

He also placed third in the 200 meters and long jump and ran a leg on the 4x400 meter relay team that also placed third. Then this past weekend, competing in the NAIA National Indoor Championships in Geneva, Ohio, he not only won the 60 meter hurdles and an individual national championship, but set a new National Championship meet record of 7.86 seconds in the process!

Shingles was the first-ever WHS individual state track and field champion.

SOFTBALL

Cooper and Lee lead Lady War Eagles to multiple victories

By AMY LEE
Special to The News

The Lady War Eagles fell 11-0 to Chiles at Chiles on Tuesday, despite Kelbi Davis' effort.

Davis had the only hit for the Lady War Eagles. Davis went 1-2, hitting a single in the second inning.

Michael Cooper handled Chiles' lineup with ease, racking up three strikeouts. Cooper allowed nine earned runs, 13 hits and three walks over 4 2/3 innings.

Sam Martin got the win for Chiles. She pitched five shutout innings. Martin struck out 10, walked none and gave up one hit.

Adrienne Van Atta, Allison Van Atta, Hannah Hilaman, and Bre Nesmith helped lead Chiles. They combined for eight hits and six RBIs.

COOPER LEADS THE WAR EAGLES TO 10-5 VICTORY

Michael Cooper powered the War Eagles at the plate and on the rubber Thursday, willing the War Eagles to a 10-5 victory over Rickards.

Cooper got on base three times in the game for the War Eagles. She scored two runs and had one RBI. She doubled in the third inning and singled in the fourth inning. Kayla Hussey was 3-4 with 1 RBI, Kenzie Lee was 2-4 with 3 RBIs, and Chris Romanus was 2-3.

Cooper put together

a nice outing. Rickards managed just two hits off of Cooper, who allowed one earned run, walked none and struck out four during her 4 2/3 innings of work.

Meghan got the win in relief for the War Eagles. Sarvis pitched 2 1/3 innings and allowed three runs.

LEE LEADS LADY WAR EAGLES TO WIN AGAINST SUWANNEE

Suwannee was outdone by Kenzie Lee and the War Eagles, 8-3.

The War Eagles beat Suwannee, 8-3 in seven innings on Friday at Suwannee behind Kenzie Lee, who went 4-4 at the plate.

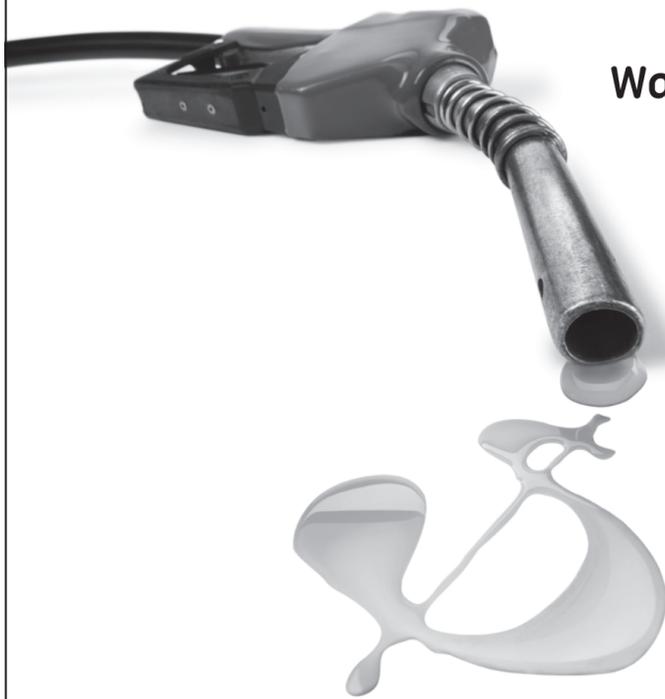
She singled in the first, third, fifth, and seventh innings with 1 RBI. Kayla Hussey was 2-4 with 2 RBIs, Kelbi Davis was 3-4, and Michael Cooper was 2-4 with 1 home run and 3 RBIs.

Michael Cooper worked out of 10 tough spots for the War Eagles. She pitched seven innings and allowed no earned runs on two hits.

The Lady War Eagles are now 2-0 in District games this season.

The War Eagles have no games scheduled this week, however, they will play this Friday and Saturday in the Lady T-Wolves North Florida Classic at Messer Park.

They are scheduled to play Friday night at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.



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Outdoors

outdoor sports and fishing reports

Weather has made the fishing tough right now - and writing a column

This time of year it is pretty tough writing a fishing report.

First of all it's tough finding anyone who's been fishing and then even harder finding anybody that has caught anything.

The 12 or so inches of rain we got and even more in South Georgia combined with the cold weather for the last three nights will change our fishing.

In my opinion all the fresh water coming down the Ochlockonee River is gonna move all of those trout and reds that were up around the state park and move them to saltier water.

I believe the same thing is gonna happen with the St. Marks, Aucilla and Econfina.

The next place trout will be caught is gonna be on the flats or very close.

I think reds can tolerate the freshwater a little better than trout but think they will also move, at least to oyster bars at the mouth of creeks and rivers.

JR and I have talked a lot about how the rain affects our fishing and he has always said, when you get enough rain that you see leaves floating in the river because the swamps are draining, there aren't gonna be any more fish in the Aucilla.

I just got off the phone with JR and he said he had talked to several



From The Dock

BY CAPT. JODY CAMPBELL

people who went out fishing yesterday and none of them had a bite much less caught anything.

He also talked to some people who went Sunday and Monday evening limited out on trout both days. Someone also told him that they went out in front of the Aucilla in 4 to 5 feet of water a limited out.

By the weekend the weather should be in the 70s, the water temperature should be hopefully in the low to middle sixties and fishing will be good.

JR said the Christian Academy in Perry is having a fishing tournament down there this weekend so hopefully fishing will be good.

Last Wednesday Capt. David Fife and I went out for several hours to see what the heavy rains had done. The water was still fairly clear and we managed to catch 11 nice trout using the Gulp and Gotcha Motor Oil curly tail grub. We caught fish everywhere we stopped except the spot where I had caught them several days before and I just knew they would be there.

When I walked down to my dock yesterday I noticed that the water

had gotten fairly dirty over the past couple of days and when I walked down there a few minutes ago, it has turned black. That means a lot of fresh water has come down from the Ochlockonee and the salinity has changed completely.

Capt. Kenny out of Shell Island fish Camp fished with a party last Thursday had 4 trout over 20 inches and one about 25 inches.

Tomorrow night they are having a meeting to discuss the RESTORE Act and I plan on going and suggesting the reefs be put out in shallow water like I had talked about in my last column.

The two areas that I fish in 16 feet of water have produced trout, reds (big reds in the fall), flounder, Spanish, drum, sheepshead, king mackerel, pompano, cobia, several legal grouper, three hogfish and plenty of sharks of all makes and sizes.

Can you imagine if we had about 15 of these places out in Apalachee Bay that a person could run out to on a calm day in almost any size boat. I think it would be good for our fishing, good for the fishermen and good for the county.

Remember to know your limits and start getting those rods and reels cleaned up cause it isn't be long.

Good luck and good fishing!

Refuge pools open to boats on March 15

Special to The News

St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge will open the pools along Lighthouse Road to hand launch boats with electric trolling motors on March 15.

The pools remain open to boats until Oct. 15. Anglers are reminded that the daily entrance fee is \$5 per car or an annual 12 months pass is available for \$15. Stoney Bayou Pool No. 1 is the first large pool on the left traveling south on Lighthouse Road. It is a mixture of salt and freshwater, so fishing may be very spotty in this pool.

A new roller device has been constructed in the East River Pool boat ramp (first pool to the west of Lighthouse Road). Please be careful when moving boat down the device and back up the device.

Also, please do not block pier entrance when parking after unloading boats at the East River boat ramp.

Gates will also be opened to access refuge road 316 in the Panacea Unit from March 15 to May 15, leading to ponds in the Otter Lake vicinity.

Otter Lake and lakes adjacent to Surf Road are open year round for boating. Outboard motors larger than 10 hp are not allowed on any lake or pond on the Panacea Unit. Fishing is allowed year round from the bank, according to state regulations.

The refuge staff appreciates the cooperation of our anglers to prevent the invasive exotic weed Hydrilla from spreading into refuge waters. Healthy lakes and ponds are best for fishing and for wildlife!

Also, note Daylight Savings Time begins on March 10 and the electric gates on Lighthouse Road and Otter Lake Road will then open at 6 a.m. and close at 9 p.m.

For more information and a copy of the fishing regulations, please call (850) 925-6121 or see www.fws.gov/saintmarks/fishing.

FWC Law Enforcement operations

From FWC

This report represents some events the FWC handled in the Northwest Region over the week of Feb. 22-Feb. 28, but it does not include all actions taken by the Division of Law Enforcement.

GADSDEN COUNTY: Officer Ben Johnson arrested a subject for possession of an antlerless deer during closed season and trespassing on private property. Johnson was patrolling Hanna Mill Pond Road, when he drove up on two vehicles sitting stationary on the highway. One of the subjects had allegedly just loaded an illegally killed doe deer and concealed it in his dog box. The

second subject had responded when he heard the shot while hunting nearby in his tree stand. The subject was cited and the doe deer was taken into evidence.

• Officer Ben Johnson arrested a man for cast netting freshwater game fish. Johnson observed three subjects fishing with rod and reel combinations. One of the men picked up a cast net and said he was going to throw again because he wanted to catch something other than baitfish. Johnson allegedly observed the subject catch and keep one white bass and one sunshine bass. A citation was issued for the violation and the two illegally taken bass were seized as evidence.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY:

Officer Faris Livesay observed a vehicle driving slowly down Cox Road after dark. The driver shined several fields with a flashlight in a manner to disclose deer and slowly turned his vehicle in a manner to allow the vehicle headlights to illuminate a field. This area routinely has a large number of deer. Officer Livesay conducted a traffic stop and found the driver had a loaded rifle in the vehicle. The driver admitted to looking for deer and stated he would have shot a buck if he had seen one. Officer Livesay issued the subject a notice to appear

citation for attempting to take deer with a gun and light.

BAY COUNTY: Lt. Jay Chesser conducted surveillance on a group of deer along Highway 22 near the Bay/Gulf County

line prior to the season ending. Around 11 p.m., a vehicle approached the deer and a gunshot was heard. Lt. Chesser approached the vehicle, which was turned in such a way that the headlights had illuminated

the deer, and conducted a stop. One subject was cited for attempting to take deer at night with a gun and light and road hunting. A 12-gauge shotgun was seized. The deer could not be located.

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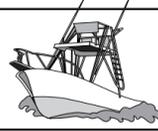
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a peek into life on and under the water



Coast Guard Auxiliary Reports

By Carolyn Brown Treadon



March 1 brought about many unknowns for everyone.

However, the National Commodore of the Auxiliary, Thomas C. Mallison, sent out a letter to all auxiliaries reconfirming for us our mission.

In the letter, he stated, "Please keep in mind that our mission to promote recreational boating safety (vessel safety checks, public education, public affairs, etc.) is not solely dependent upon Coast Guard funding. We will continue to serve the boating public as the foremost volunteer maritime organization in the world, and we will continue to be Semper Paratus."

It is reassuring for those of us in the auxiliary that we have leadership that is not only following closely the changes that may come, but also keeping us focused on our primary reason for being members of such a great organization.

It is fitting that Duane Treadon sent in the following report.

The greatest mission of the Coast Guard Auxiliary is promoting recreational safe boating. One key program in accomplishing this mission is Public Education.

With many course offerings, the Auxiliary provides instruction to the boating public in the areas of navigation, global positioning system (GPS),

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safe boating, sailing, and many more.

The most popular course offering is the one-day, 8-hour "About Boating Safely" class. It serves as the anchor class for most Flotillas.

Putting on the ABS class can be complex with production - student registration, finding a location to hold the class, ordering materials, scheduling instructors and administering the end of course test.

Because of all the work needed to put on an ABS class many Flotillas set a minimum of five students. In the past this limit was not a problem as classes typically had 15-20 students. However in recent times having enough students to meet the minimum limit has been difficult.

On March 2, instructor Duane Treadon took a new approach, holding a class for two students - a father and son.

The father was interested in taking the course

with his son back in January when the Flotilla offered its first ABS course of the year but a scheduling conflict prevented him from attending. The same reoccurring scheduling conflict was going to prevent him and his son from attending the upcoming April ABS offering.

So that these boaters, interested in improving their boating knowledge, didn't miss out yet again, Treadon offered to teach the class to them when their schedule permitted.

Meeting at Treadon's house the group spend the day going over the course materials. Treadon was able to review the chapter PowerPoint presentations and facilitated a discussion on safe boating.

This discussion was further enhanced by going outside using a kayak, boat and jet ski for a hands-on demonstration of boat parts and proper safety equipment.

The success of this new approach was affirmed when the father stated that though he had been boating forever, he learned new material during the day.

The son commented that the course had sparked an interest in getting more involved in boating and that he felt more confident in taking their boat out on the water.

He further commented that being a responsible boater will make it all the more fun.

And as Sherrie says, safe boating is no accident. You can help make a good day on the water great by ensuring that your boat is up to the challenge!

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 Please contact us for more information on a safe boating class at fso-pe@uscgaux.net

Our next meeting will be on March 9 at 9:15 a.m. at the Naval Reserve Training Center. If you are interested in attending, please contact Fran Keating to make arrangements.

Underwater Wakulla

By Travis Kersting

Used SCUBA cylinders.

Nearly every week I see a customer who has purchased a used scuba cylinder at a local yard sale or off Craigslist. The individual is usually very proud of the wonderful deal they found and I'm often wishing I had found it for myself.

Not all scuba cylinders are created equal and not all cylinders used for scuba are designed for it. Prior to my generation of diving it was not uncommon for divers to repurpose CO2 cylinders for scuba. This requires adapters and is actually illegal.

If you are looking at a cylinder, be sure it is EMPTY. Secure it from tipping over and slowly open the valve. If nothing comes out or the handle doesn't turn then treat the cylinder with caution. There are safe alternate ways to drain a cylinder but please call me first. Under NO circumstances should you try and remove the valve while the cylinder could be pressurized.

Once the cylinder is empty carefully pick it up by the valve and tap the side with a block of wood or a mallet. If you hear a bell tone then it is steel. If you don't then it is either aluminum, badly corroded inside and steel, or full of water. A magnet will tell you if it is steel or aluminum. In the case of corroded or water-filled cylinders tread lightly and avoid the purchase.

The next thing to examine is the stampings in the "crown" of the cylinder. You should see the letters DOT or ICC, these are required marking for filling and transport within the USA. You will also see markings like 3AA (Steel) or 3AL (Aluminum) and other variations starting with the letters "SP" or "E." These marks represent the permit that the cylinder was manufactured under. Usually that set of markings is followed by the rated service pressure in PSIG. Together these will look something like: DOT 3AA 2250.

The manufacturers mark the cylinders in cryptic ways that are sometimes difficult to determine without training. If you can read the stampings the easiest thing is to call me and tell me what you see. If you see the letter "M" followed by a number then this is the manufacturer's designation number and you could search it online. If you find any stamp marks in the wall of the cylinder it cannot be filled or transported legally.

You will see a series of stampings from hydrostatic requalification too. This process is done every five years. You should see a month, a symbol or series of small numbers, and a year for every requalification. If the date is past five years from today you will need to have it re-qualified. This costs usually \$20-50.

At the time of hydro, or annually on cylinders used often, it is good to replace the pressure relief device too at an added expense. Older cylinders may need new valves or a valve service, as well, adding to the cost of bringing this used cylinder back to service.

Cylinders made of aluminum should be treated and handled with great caution until they have been properly evaluated. Never pick up a mystery aluminum cylinder when it is under pressure.

Trying to decide if a cylinder is worth \$25 or \$200 is, frequently, a complicated process. Scrap value is normally less than \$10 and many scrap metal facilities will not take cylinders without some specific destructive measures on your part.

I encourage you to call me when you encounter any cylinder of unknown origin, contents, or age. Determining if a cylinder should be condemned is often subjective and difficult. Properly destroying a dangerous cylinder is also not so straight forward.

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For tides at the following points add to Dog Island Listings: High Tide Low Tide

Carrabelle	28 Min.	25 Min.
Apalachicola	1 Hr., 53 Min.	2 Hrs., 38 Min.
Cat Point	1 Hr., 13 Min.	2 Hrs., 31 Min.
Lower Anchorage	1 Hr., 36 Min.	2 Hrs., 3 Min.
West Pass	1 Hr., 26 Min.	2 Hrs., 39 Min.

Day	Sun rise/set	Moon rise/set	Brightness
Thursday	6:56 am / 6:40 pm	3:40 am / 2:41 pm	33%
Friday	6:55 am / 6:41 pm	4:27 am / 3:45 pm	25%
Saturday	6:53 am / 6:41 pm	5:10 am / 4:49 pm	18%
Sunday	6:52 am / 6:42 pm	5:50 am / 5:50 pm	11%
Monday	6:51 am / 6:43 pm	6:27 am / 6:51 pm	4%
Tuesday	6:50 am / 6:43 pm	7:04 am / 7:49 pm	3%
Wednesday	6:49 am / 6:44 pm	7:40 am / 8:47 pm	10%

Day	Major Times	Minor Times
Thursday	9:09 AM - 11:09 AM 9:37 PM - 11:37 PM	3:39 AM - 4:39 AM 2:40 PM - 3:40 PM
Friday	10:04 AM - 12:04 PM 10:31 PM - 12:31 AM	4:26 AM - 5:26 AM 3:44 PM - 4:44 PM
Saturday	10:57 AM - 12:57 PM 11:22 PM - 1:22 AM	5:09 AM - 6:09 AM 4:47 PM - 5:47 PM
Sunday	12:22 AM - 2:22 AM 12:47 PM - 2:47 PM	6:49 AM - 7:49 AM 6:49 PM - 7:49 PM
Monday	1:12 AM - 3:12 AM 1:36 PM - 3:36 PM	7:27 AM - 8:27 AM 7:50 PM - 8:50 PM
Tuesday	2:00 AM - 4:00 AM 2:24 PM - 4:24 PM	8:05 AM - 9:05 AM 8:48 PM - 9:48 PM
Wednesday	2:47 AM - 4:47 AM 3:11 PM - 5:11 PM	8:39 AM - 9:39 AM 9:16 PM - 10:16 PM

Location	Date	High	Low	High	Low	High	
St. Marks River Entrance	Thu Mar 7, 13	-0.3 ft.	2.7 ft.	1.4 ft.	3.0 ft.	10:51 PM	
	Fri Mar 8, 13	-0.5 ft.	3.0 ft.	1.0 ft.	3.2 ft.	11:57 PM	
	Sat Mar 9, 13	-0.5 ft.	3.2 ft.	0.6 ft.	3.4 ft.	12:53 PM	
	Sun Mar 10, 13	3.4 ft.	-0.4 ft.	3.4 ft.	0.2 ft.	7:28 PM	
	Mon Mar 11, 13	3.5 ft.	-0.2 ft.	3.5 ft.	-0.1 ft.	8:08 PM	
	Tue Mar 12, 13	3.4 ft.	0.0 ft.	3.6 ft.	-0.3 ft.	8:45 PM	
	Wed Mar 13, 13	3.3 ft.	0.3 ft.	3.6 ft.	-0.3 ft.	9:21 PM	
City of St. Marks	Thu Mar 7, 13	-0.3 ft.	2.5 ft.	1.3 ft.	5:49 PM	10:35 PM	
	Fri Mar 8, 13	-0.4 ft.	2.8 ft.	0.9 ft.	6:52 AM	12:53 PM	
	Sat Mar 9, 13	3.0 ft.	-0.4 ft.	3.0 ft.	0.5 ft.	7:38 AM	1:29 PM
	Sun Mar 10, 13	3.2 ft.	-0.3 ft.	3.2 ft.	0.2 ft.	8:18 AM	2:02 PM
	Mon Mar 11, 13	3.2 ft.	-0.2 ft.	3.3 ft.	-0.1 ft.	8:52 AM	2:32 PM
	Tue Mar 12, 13	3.2 ft.	0.0 ft.	3.3 ft.	-0.2 ft.	9:23 AM	2:59 PM
	Wed Mar 13, 13	3.1 ft.	0.2 ft.	3.3 ft.	-0.3 ft.	9:50 AM	3:24 PM
Shell Point, Spring Creek	Thu Mar 7, 13	-0.4 ft.	2.7 ft.	1.5 ft.	3.1 ft.	10:48 PM	
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	Sun Mar 10, 13	3.5 ft.	-0.4 ft.	3.5 ft.	0.2 ft.	12:47 AM	
	Mon Mar 11, 13	3.5 ft.	-0.2 ft.	3.6 ft.	-0.1 ft.	7:11 AM	
	Tue Mar 12, 13	3.4 ft.	0.0 ft.	3.6 ft.	-0.3 ft.	7:11 AM	
	Wed Mar 13, 13	3.4 ft.	0.3 ft.	3.7 ft.	-0.3 ft.	7:25 PM	
Alligator Point, Ochlocknee Bay	Thu Mar 7, 13	-0.3 ft.	2.0 ft.	1.0 ft.	2.3 ft.	10:43 PM	
	Fri Mar 8, 13	-0.3 ft.	2.2 ft.	0.7 ft.	2.4 ft.	11:49 PM	
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	Wed Mar 13, 13	2.5 ft.	0.2 ft.	2.7 ft.	-0.2 ft.	8:57 AM	
St. Teresa, Turkey Pt.	Thu Mar 7, 13	-0.3 ft.	2.1 ft.	1.4 ft.	2.4 ft.	10:35 PM	
	Fri Mar 8, 13	-0.4 ft.	2.3 ft.	1.0 ft.	2.5 ft.	11:41 PM	
	Sat Mar 9, 13	-0.5 ft.	2.5 ft.	0.5 ft.	2.6 ft.	12:37 PM	
	Sun Mar 10, 13	2.6 ft.	-0.4 ft.	2.6 ft.	0.2 ft.	7:34 AM	
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	Tue Mar 12, 13	2.7 ft.	0.0 ft.	2.8 ft.	-0.3 ft.	8:24 PM	
	Wed Mar 13, 13	2.6 ft.	0.2 ft.	2.8 ft.	-0.3 ft.	8:25 AM	
Dog Island West End	Thu Mar 7, 13	-0.3 ft.	1.9 ft.	1.3 ft.	2.3 ft.	10:35 PM	
	Fri Mar 8, 13	-0.3 ft.	2.0 ft.	1.1 ft.	2.4 ft.	11:11 PM	
	Sat Mar 9, 13	-0.2 ft.	2.0 ft.	0.8 ft.	2.5 ft.	12:27 PM	
	Sun Mar 10, 13	2.4 ft.	-0.0 ft.	2.1 ft.	0.6 ft.	12:21 AM	
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	Tue Mar 12, 13	2.3 ft.	0.4 ft.	2.2 ft.	0.2 ft.	7:52 AM	
	Wed Mar 13, 13	2.1 ft.	0.6 ft.	2.3 ft.	0.1 ft.	8:15 AM	

Phase 4 of Ochlockonee Bay Bike trail completed

By JENNIFER JENSEN
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Wakulla County can now mark off another completed phase of the Ochlockonee Bay Bike Trail.

The nearly 5-mile phase within the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge on Surf Road, phase 4, was completed earlier this year. This follows the already completed first phase of the project, which starts at Mashers Sands and runs 2 miles ending east of the Tide Creek Bridge.

Once it is completed, the entire 13-mile trail will run from Mashers Sands Park to the historic train depot in Sopchoppy and eventually connect to the planned Capital City to the Sea Loop.

The trail, which consists of 5 phases, is a paved, off-road path for walkers and bicyclists that leads to several outdoor sites, including the Ochlockonee State Park, the Florida Trail and the refuge.

"This will be a big economic engine for the county and the area," said County Administrator David Edwards.

The next phase to be completed runs along Surf Road ending at the southeastern boundary of the refuge. Edwards said this phase, phase 3, is currently under design and construction is expected to begin this summer. The cost of this phase is included in the Department of Transportation's Work Program for 2013.

Phase 5a, which picks up where phase 4 left off,



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER JENSEN/THE WAKULLA NEWS
Once it is completed, the entire 13-mile trail will run from Mashers Sands Park to the historic train depot in Sopchoppy.

has received funding for design, permitting and construction from the CRTPA, Edwards said. This phase will run along Surf Road to the intersection of U.S. Highway 319 and the Sopchoppy city limits.

Funding for this phase will be included in next year's budget and construction is anticipated to begin in spring 2014, Edwards said.

Two phases, 2 and 5b, still require funding.

Edwards said the county has approached DOT and

the CRTPA about funding for these phases.

In addition to these phases needing funding, there is also currently no money available for the proposed trailheads at Mashers Sands and the train depot, rest areas, signage and other amenities.

The proposed trailhead in Sopchoppy would be located on property recently given to the city. The city has begun to clean up the property in case funding is made available to turn it into a park and trailhead.



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER JENSEN/THE WAKULLA NEWS
A sign to remind ramp users to please pay your \$5.

Boat ramp fees collected to fund improvements

By JENNIFER JENSEN
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In an effort to improve the county's boat ramps and other waterway amenities, a user fee was established. These fees are then put into a fund that has one purpose, to pay for improvements and upgrade to these facilities.

"It's sole purpose in life is to maintain, upgrade and improve these facilities," said County Administrator David Edwards.

When the county started collecting the fees last spring, several residents and users of the boat ramps were upset. But Edwards said once people started to see where the money was going, many became OK with paying it.

"We want to have top notch boat ramps," Edwards said.

The cost is \$5 to use the ramp, or a yearly pass can be purchased for \$40 at the Medart Recreation Park office or the county office.

So far, the county has spent well over \$20,000 and improvements have been made to the boat ramps at Levy Bay, Rock Landing, Newport Park and Lower River Bridge.

The county also added channel markers in Ochlockonee Bay, which Edwards said were desperately needed.

Public Information Director Jessica

Welch said if those were not added, "The Coast Guard was about to come down hard on us."

Several projects are next on the list, but until the county has funds to do them the right way, they won't be done.

"We don't like doing band-aids any more," Welch said.

Future projects include major improvements to the boat ramp at Mashers Sands. They plan to change the angle of the ramp and dredge the entry way. As well as improvements to the boat landing on the Ochlockonee River and paving the parking lots at each facility and add kiosks.

"We want to bring up all the Wakulla County maintained ramps, bring them all up to a first-class level," Edwards said. "That's our goal."

He added that there have been some issues with people vandalizing the money boxes. When they are ruined, the county has to spend the \$12,000 to replace it. This money comes out of the boat ramp fund and takes money away from improvements. Edwards encouraged people who see someone vandalizing these boxes to report it or try to stop it.

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On Feb. 27, Robert Keith Krueger, 45, of Crawfordville was arrested for knowingly operating a motor vehicle while his license was suspended or revoked. Deputy Scott Powell allegedly observed Krueger driving 50 mph in a 35 mph zone on Crawfordville Highway and conducted a traffic stop. A passenger in the vehicle, Theodore Eldon Hicks, was determined to have active warrants for failure to appear out of Wakulla County. He was also placed under arrest. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

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

FEBRUARY 21

- Melody Cooley of Crawfordville reported a residential burglary. The victim reported the theft of her purse, personal items and medications. Her vehicle was ransacked as papers were tossed around inside. The value of the stolen items is \$326. Deputy Gibby Gibson investigated.

- Gregory Rosier of Crawfordville reported a vehicle fire. Lt. Mike

Kemp arrived on scene on U.S. Highway 319 and Donaldson-Williams Road and observed everyone outside the vehicle and flames spreading to the front seats. Lt. Kemp extinguished the fire with the agency issued fire extinguisher. Damage was estimated at \$3,000 and the vehicle was not operable. There were no injuries. Deputy Gibby Gibson also investigated.

- Amy Marcelja of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. The victim observed \$1,491 worth of unauthorized charges on her bank card. The charges were created in Lantana and Lake Worth at Dollar General stores. Deputy Clint Beam investigated.

- Criminal Investigations Analyst Angie Gardner discovered an overdue sexual offender/predator registration date of a Wakulla County man. A sexual offender, Eric J. White, failed to register his home address in August 2012 as required by Florida Statute. Detective Josh Langston contacted a relative of White's and determined that the offender moved to New York. Detective Rachel

Wheeler contacted law enforcement in New York to inform them of the lapse in registration. A warrant was requested for White for failure to register and failure to update his address.

- Gardner discovered that sexual offender Michael Lee Dempsey failed to register his home address in January. Dempsey was contacted by the WCSO and arrested for failure to register his home address. Detective Rachel Wheeler investigated.

- A 16-year-old Wakulla High School student was found to be in possession of marijuana at school by Assistant Principal Simeon Nelson. A custodian noticed the smell of burned marijuana in a restroom. The female student was in possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and a smoking pipe. She was given a civil citation for misdemeanor marijuana possession. The marijuana weighed .3 of a gram. Deputy Scott Rojas investigated.

- A 17-year-old student was issued a civil citation for misdemeanor possession of marijuana at Wakulla High School. Assistant Principal Sunny

Chancy and Deputy Scott Rojas approached the student who turned his marijuana over to Deputy Rojas. He was in possession of 1.1 grams.

FEBRUARY 22

- Haley Buchanan and Pamela Pilkinton, both of Crawfordville, were involved in a two-vehicle traffic crash near Hardee's. Both vehicles suffered damage that required them to be towed from the scene. There were no injuries. Deputy Ward Kromer investigated.

FEBRUARY 23

- Jerahme Ryan of Crawfordville reported a vehicle burglary. A laptop computer was stolen from the victim's vehicle while at his home or perhaps a business establishment. The victim did not secure the vehicle and the missing property is valued at \$700. Deputy Elisee Colin investigated.

- A Gretna Police officer conducted a traffic stop in Gadsden County and during the course of the stop discovered and seized a WCSO laminated identification card inside the vehicle. The card was issued during Sheriff Donnie Crum's time in office. The card is being held at the Gretna Police Department as evidence.

- Two teenagers, ages 17 and 16 from Crawfordville, were involved in a single vehicle traffic crash on Mose Strickland Road at Revadee Spears Road. The 16-year-old lost control of his vehicle while braking. Neither individual was injured as a result of the crash but the vehicle had to be towed from the scene. Deputy Ward Kromer investigated.

- James Lowe of Crawfordville reported a business burglary at Hamaknockers in Medart. Cash and several jars of barbecue sauce were stolen. A forced entry was observed. Damage to the building was estimated at \$300 and the lost property was valued at \$342. Deputy Will Hudson and Detective Lorne Whaley

investigated.

FEBRUARY 24

- Ethan Fletcher of Crawfordville reported a criminal mischief at the Wakulla County Park in Newport. A soft drink vending machine was vandalized and damage was estimated at \$600. The suspects attempted to unsuccessfully gain money from the machine through a forced entry. Deputy Cole Wells investigated.

- George Williams of Crawfordville reported two vehicle burglaries. One unsecured vehicle had papers tossed about the vehicle and the glove box was left open. The unsecured second vehicle burglary resulted in the theft of headphones and a carry bag, valued at \$30. Deputy Cole Wells investigated.

- Miguel Morales of Crawfordville reported three vehicle burglaries. Cigarettes, credit cards, a purse and miscellaneous papers were taken. The total value of all of the stolen items is \$300. Deputy Nick Gray investigated.

- A Crawfordville woman reported harassing telephone calls received by her, her husband and church pastor. Deputy Vicki Mitchell advised that the telephone provider may have the identification of the incoming calls which were listed as blocked numbers.

FEBRUARY 26

- Ronald Price of Crawfordville reported a criminal mischief. Someone damaged the entrance sign and fence at the Merida Blanca subdivision. Damage to the sign and fence is estimated at \$40. Deputy Gibby Gibson investigated.

- Heide Clifton of Crawfordville reported a fraud. The victim observed an unauthorized charge of \$1,687 on her bank account. A person of interest was identified. Deputy Vicki Mitchell investigated.

- Mary Ward of Crawfordville reported a grand theft. The victim reported

the theft of \$800 worth of jewelry from her home. Two individuals of interest have been identified. Deputy Vicki Mitchell investigated.

- Mark Harrelson of Smart Styles in Crawfordville reported the theft of a bank deposit. The victim reported the loss at \$170 which was never deposited into the bank. A suspect has been identified. Deputy Clint Beam investigated.

- John Coulliette of Crawfordville reported a theft. A curl bar and weights were stolen from the victim's property. The weightlifting equipment is valued at \$100. Deputy Scott Powell investigated.

- Arthur Gene Hollis, 63, of Crawfordville was operating a motor vehicle on the Old Woodville Highway when he was observed by Sgt. Mike Helms, who reportedly had knowledge that Hollis was a habitual traffic offender and was out of jail on bond for the offense of driving while license is suspended. Helms conducted a traffic stop and Hollis was transported to the Wakulla County Jail.

FEBRUARY 27

- Charles Friz of Crawfordville reported a credit card offense. Five unauthorized charges were observed on the victim's bank card for a total of \$71. Deputy Will Hudson investigated.

- Jeffrey Paul Deas, 27, of Crawfordville was arrested for operating a motor vehicle while license suspended or revoked with knowledge. Deputy Elisee Colin conducted a traffic stop and determined that the tag displayed on the vehicle came back to a different vehicle. Deas was also cited for attaching a tag not assigned to the proper vehicle.

- Kathleen Newton of Sopchoppy reported a fraud. The victim discovered her bank account had an unauthorized withdrawal from Georgia. Two people of interest were identified. Deputy Richard Moon investigated.

- David Yarbrough of Crawfordville reported a theft of his vehicle. A wrist watch was taken from the vehicle. It is valued at \$262. The vehicle was left unsecured. Deputy Randy Phillips investigated.

The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office received 1,227 calls for service during the past week.

Sheriff's office gets 10 consoles

The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office recently received 10 donated surplus center vehicle consoles which were no longer needed by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

The WCSO Maintenance Division is outfitting 10 of the road patrol trucks with the new consoles which include a place for the in-vehicle computers, a spot for the light and siren controls and a place for the communications equipment. FWC also donated 20 blue light and siren control modules.

In addition, the new consoles have an adjustable computer table and a place for law enforcement officers to store valuable items inside a locked compartment.

WCSO Maintenance staffer Gene Darby estimated that each console that was donated is valued at \$500. In addition, a local business, Residential Elevators, donated thousands of dollars worth of wood that is being used to spruce up the offices and other locations at the WCSO Range and Training Center. Inmate labor is also being used to create new desk tops in

the jail for the detention staff. Darby estimated the value of the donated wood at \$50,000.

The tool boxes have been carpeted to provide the best storage area possible for the deputies. The maintenance crew created new storage space in the back seat of the Chevrolet Silverado trucks to provide law enforcement with a work table and storage space behind the passenger seat.

Darby also installs all of the emergency lighting in the patrol vehicles which includes lights in the third brake light and stop lights, the front of the vehicle and the top of the cab for extra safety for the deputies when they are stopped with a vehicle on the side of the road.

"Our maintenance department is second to none," said Sheriff Charlie Creel. "The crew does an outstanding job handling all of the demands this operation puts on them while also saving the taxpayers money whenever possible. We will use inmate talent and labor whenever possible to get the biggest bang for our buck."

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Two month investigation leads WCSO to meth lab and marijuana grow house

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The Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit issued an arrest warrant for Leonard William Mathews, Jr., 46, of St. Marks Feb. 28 after a search warrant was executed at a Mock Street residence involved in the manufacture of methamphetamine, according to Sheriff Charlie Creel.

During the execution of the meth lab warrant, a marijuana grow operation was also discovered. The owner/ landlord of the structure, Leonard Mathews Jr., was contacted during the raid. Marijuana was observed in plain view and the owner gave consent to search the residence. During the search a total of three indoor grow sites were located inside the residence. The grow rooms were outfitted with grow lamps, fans and associated air duct work.

The meth lab search warrant was based on a two month investigation

where methamphetamine was being manufactured inside an apartment rented and occupied by Eric Nelson Taylor, 37. During the search detectives located an active meth lab inside the residence as well as remnants of at least four prior cooks. The search revealed several other components and chemicals commonly used in the production of methamphetamine. Taylor was arrested on charges of methamphetamine manufacture, trafficking methamphetamine, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The marijuana growing operations were dismantled and seized by the Wakulla Sheriff's Office. A total of 86 marijuana plants were seized, valued at \$86,000. The plants were all in different stages of maturity. An additional amount of drying marijuana leaves and buds totaled 502.6 grams. Arrest warrants are being issued for Mathews charging him with marijuana cultivation.

Riversink Elementary security boosted as U.S. Marshals arrest Hilliard

Special to The News

The U.S. Marshal's Violent Fugitive Task Force, of which the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office has several members, was in Crawfordville Wednesday, Feb. 27 seeking Matthew Carl Hilliard, 26, of Crawfordville for several outstanding warrants from Leon County.

Hilliard escaped from the Task Force at a Crawfordville home on Cutchin Court, but was captured later in Havana at a home on Paradise Lane. He is being held by law enforcement in

Leon County.

Hilliard is also a suspect in a Wakulla County battery case in addition to his five felony warrants in Leon County.

The Wakulla County School District took normal security protocol at Riversink Elementary School since the school is a few miles from where the Task Force executed the search warrant. The WCSO sent extra security to the school at the request of the school district.

There were no injuries and no threat to the elementary school.

February automobile crashes slightly lower than last year

Special to The News

The month of February drew to a close with 32 traffic crashes being worked by the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office over the 28 day period.

The crash statistics were slightly improved when compared to the February 2012 statistics where 34 traffic crashes were investigated.

The 2013 running total from Jan. 1 to Feb. 28 is 52 traffic crashes. From Jan. 1, 2012 to Feb. 29, 2012 there were 67 traffic crashes investigated by the WCSO.

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Court backs online travel firms in fight over hotel tax

By JIM SAUNDERS
THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE, Feb. 28 – Rejecting arguments that counties have been shortchanged, a state appeals court Thursday sided with the online-travel industry in a major legal battle about payment of hotel bed taxes.

The 1st District Court of Appeal, in a 2-1 ruling, said companies such as Expedia and Orbitz cannot be forced to pay local tourist-development taxes on part of the money they collect from customers. The majority found that the disputed amounts relate to reservation charges -- not to the actual amounts paid to rent hotel rooms -- and described the companies as "conduits."

"In this role, the com-

panies collect the monies owed for the room, including taxes and fees, and pass on to the hotels the money for the room rental and the taxes on the price of the room," said the opinion, written by Judge Brad Thomas and joined by Judge Marguerite Davis. "The consideration the companies ultimately keep is not for the rental or lease, but for their service in facilitating the reservation."

But Judge Philip Padovano dissented, writing that the taxes should be based on the overall amount that customers pay. He wrote that he did not think state law was "ambiguous" on the issue, a rationale that a Leon County circuit judge cited last year in ruling in favor of the online-travel companies.

"The tax at issue is a tax on the total amount of money a tourist pays to stay in a hotel room."

Judge Philip Padovano

"(It) is not confusing or unclear," Padovano wrote. "It imposes a tax on the funds paid by a tourist to rent a room in a hotel. The matter is no more complicated than that."

The lawsuit -- and others like it in Florida and across the country -- focuses on a major part of the way online-travel companies do business. They serve as sorts of middlemen between travelers and hotels, charging customers for room rentals and fees related to providing the service.

If online-travel companies were forced to

pay tourist-development taxes on the full amounts they collect from customers, not just on the amounts that go for room rentals, it would cost the industry millions of dollars a year.

Thursday's ruling upheld a decision last April by Leon County Circuit Judge James Shelfer in a case that was filed in 2009 and has involved 17 counties. State lawmakers in recent years also have grappled with the tax issue but have not agreed on a bill that could help resolve the disputes about the taxes.

During oral arguments

earlier this month, Thomas alluded to the Legislature considering bills about the issue, an issue he also mentioned in the 13-page majority opinion.

"As the trial court (Shelfer) here correctly determined, it is for the Legislature, and not the judiciary, to decide whether to apply the tax to the full amount that the companies charge their customers who utilize their website to obtain a hotel reservation," Thomas wrote.

But Padovano wrote that, while the issue is "emerging" in Florida, courts in some other states have ruled against the online-travel industry.

"There are certainly differences in the wording of the statutes in

these cases, but the fundamental principle is the same in all of them," he wrote. "The tax at issue is a tax on the total amount of money a tourist pays to stay in a hotel room."

The counties that have been involved in the case are Alachua, Charlotte, Escambia, Flagler, Hillsborough, Lee, Leon, Manatee, Nassau, Okaloosa, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, St. Johns, Seminole, Wakulla and Walton.

Another Leon County circuit judge, Terry Lewis, also sided with online-travel companies last year in a case spearheaded by Broward County. A notice of appeal was filed Feb. 5 in that case, according to a docket on the 1st District Court of Appeal website.



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It's March and the spring bloom is upon us



Natural Wakulla
By Les Harrison

Recent cold weather notwithstanding, spring is almost here. The spring equinox is March 20 and on that date the day and night will be the same length.

Lexicographers, the people who study language, have concluded the term "spring" originated about 2,000 years ago in what is now Germany. It loosely translated to the phrase "to jump" or "to run."

It seems the word's implication in those simpler times was directed at the flora and fauna. Basically, the plants and animals sprang back to life, either by jumping out of the bud or running.

In 21st century Wakulla County, the month of March finds the plants springing back from winter's chilly grip, albeit a rather mild one in late 2012 and early 2013.

A visit to the forest, field or yards now yields an assortment of Technicolor blooms in progress.

One of the traditional springtime blooming favorites are the dogwoods. This deciduous hardwood is native, but with related species over most of the northern hemisphere.

There are actually two varieties of dogwood native to Wakulla County - the roughleaf and the flowering. Both have large, profuse white blooms and both flower in the spring.

In addition to their striking spring appearance, dogwoods have a long and varied history as a resource utilized by the population. Early settlers used dogwood twigs as toothbrushes by chewing them into coarse bristles.

The strength and dense qualities of the wood made it an excellent choice for material to construct durable tools. Dogwood was the first choice for spindles and spool in textile mills because of its robust qualities.

Wildflowers are making a strong showing in March.



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Yellow Jessamines in bloom. When mature, the petals rain down on the forest floor.

The Roundleaf Bluet or Innocence is peering through dead grass and pine needles.

This tiny flower is about the size of a dime and appears in clusters. The only function for this low growing plant seems as a herald of warmer days to come.

Yellow Jessamines are displaying clusters of bright yellow blooms from the top of any plant or structure this vine is able to climb. The blooms soon

mature and rain down to the forest floor.

While attractive and showy, the entire plant contains alkaloid toxins. Honeybees seem particularly vulnerable to this lovely, but fatal attraction.

Chickasaw plums are producing copious volumes of delicate white blooms on an otherwise leafless tree. This native understory tree reaches a maximum height of less

than 10 feet, but its spring blooming capacity far outstrips its stature.

In addition to the showy nature of this tree, it also produces small fruit, some sweet and some bitter. The plums produced are popular with birds and animals, and people lucky enough to have access to the sweet fruit variety.

Its early bloom nature makes it susceptible to late frost and fruit loss. If a late hard freeze occurs, the yel-

low to red fruit will be lost until the next year.

To learn more about Wakulla County's spring bloom, contact your UF/IFAS Wakulla Extension Office at 850-926-3931 or <http://wakulla.ifas.ufl.edu>.

Les Harrison is the Wakulla County Extension Director. He can be reached by email at harisog@ufl.edu or at (850) 926-3931.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Low Country Boil is approaching



By TAMMIE BARFIELD

If you haven't gotten your tickets for the Low Country Boil on April 6 you better hurry!

This is the Chamber's third year for hosting the boil, which is our only fundraising event for the year. Proceeds go to the beautification and maintenance of the old Wakulla County Courthouse.

Tickets to the Low Country Boil are still available at the Chamber office, The Wakulla News, Cook Insurance in Centennial Bank's Crawfordville office, and Capital City Bank.

The Foundations of Marketing for Successful Advertising workshop held Feb. 20 at the chamber office piqued the interest of a lot of chamber businesses and was very well attended, attracting 24 participants.

If there is a workshop topic you are interested in please contact the chamber office and let

us know. We are always looking for ways to increase your business knowledge at no cost to you as well as enhance your chamber member benefits.

The Wakulla County RESTORE Act Advisory Committee will hold public meetings in an effort to provide county residents with information. Meetings will be held in Crawfordville, Panacea, St. Marks, Shell Point, and Sopchoppy.

The Wakulla County Chamber has formed an advisory committee to attend the meetings on behalf of our members and will bring back information to our board that is pertinent to Wakulla businesses.

Many of our board members go above and beyond the call of duty. Doug Gove is one of those board members who just recently stepped up to assist Tara Keiser with our Membership Committee.

Doug will be moving through the community encouraging more businesses to get involved with their local chamber. If you are not currently a member of the chamber, don't be surprised if Doug walks in your door to ask you to join.

Membership in the Chamber is important for your business and for the Wakulla County community your business serves.



LYNDA KINSEY/THE WAKULLA NEWS

Chamber members chat at the networking luncheon at La Parrillada

La Parrillada hosts Chamber networking luncheon

By PETRA SHUFF
Of the Chamber

We had a crowd of 51 at our monthly luncheon at La Parrillada.

People seem to have a difficult time pronouncing the name of this restaurant, and it is often referred to as "the other Mexican restaurant." When Mary introduced Chamber President Tammie Barfield, who is known for having a sense of humor, Tammie broke the ice by first welcoming everyone, and then asking everyone to repeat after her: "La Parrillada" - getting chuckles from our guests.

This might be one of the only times we will get to see our president at the luncheons as she and Mary Katherine Westmark are

embarking on a new endeavor, the opening of their store Bay Leaf Market. We all know how busy one can be getting ready to open a new business.

Mary then announced the chamber's one and only annual fundraiser, the Low Country Boil on April 6, from 6 to 10 p.m. at 3Y Ranch in Crawfordville.

This event is presented by Capital City Bank, TCC, The Wakulla News, and Waste Pro, and will fund two Green Guide scholarships, and continuing improvements to the historic courthouse.

New members for February were announced as Palaver Tree Theater, Simply Done Marketing, Chris and Valerie Russell, and Stow Away Marine & More.

Glenn Williams, owner of Sim-

ply Done Marketing was present. The company developed services to increase traffic on websites, improve performance, optimize usability, and offers them in affordable packages to fit a business of any stature.

Melinda Hill was introduced as the new office manager of Drs. Carey and Jones, our well-known dental office in Crawfordville.

Walter Dodson introduced his guest Donnie Gay, marketing president for Centennial Bank in Wakulla, Liberty, Gadsden, Gulf and Calhoun counties.

Our new member spotlight was presented by Sally Leonard of the Ochlockonee Bay office of Century 21 Florida Coastal Properties Inc./ Silver Coast Realty:

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Yoga class with Tamara at the senior center at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Monday

Government Meetings

Monday, March 11

- SCHOOL BOARD OF WAKULLA COUNTY will hold its regular meeting at 5:45 p.m. in the School Board Room, 69 Arran Road.
- SOPCHOPPY CITY COMMISSION will hold its regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. at city hall.

Thursday, March 14

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

Clubs, Groups, Regular Meetings

Thursday, March 7

- 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. AARP Tax Aide provides free tax preparation for low-and moderate-income individuals, with special attention to those 60 and older.

Friday, March 8

- 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, March 9

- 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 in the market, 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. AARP Tax Aide provides free tax preparation for low-and moderate-income individuals, with special attention to those 60 and older.

Sunday, March 10

- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 6 p.m. at 54 Ochlockonee Street in Crawfordville. For more information, call
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS will meet at 6 p.m. at the Station House, 3106 Shadeville Highway. Call (850) 544-0719 for more information.

Monday, March 11

- 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, March 12

- 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.

Wednesday, March 13

- 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 AARP Tax Aide provides free tax preparation for low-and moderate-income individuals, with special attention to those 60 and older.

Thursday, March 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.
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Special Events

Saturday, March 9

- ANNUAL JESUS RIVER FESTIVAL will be held at Myron B. Hodges City Park in Sopchoppy from noon until dark. The outdoor music event will host a list of talented Christian musicians, speakers, dancers and performers appealing to all ages and a variety of music styles. Those attending the festival will be served complimentary grilled burgers, hot dogs, chips and drinks. Booth spaces for local charities, churches and ministries to inform the public of their services will be available. Special ministries for children will take place throughout the day. Attendees are encouraged to bring canned goods for the local food bank. Donations are welcomed but not mandatory. For more information visit www.Jesusriverfest.com or www.wakullaone.com.
- 47TH ANNUAL YOUTH FAIR SWINE SHOW will be held at 9 a.m. at the Livestock Pavilion, 84 Cedar Avenue, Crawfordville. There will be entertainment, vendor booths and the first barbecue cooking contest. People can still register to compete in the cooking contest or to have a booth. Contact PJ Piland at ppiland@comcast.net or 509-3263 for more information.

Saturday, March 16

- ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL AND PARADE will be held at Hudson Park. Parade will line up at 9:30 a.m. and start promptly at 10 a.m.

Saturday, March 23

- SOPCHOPPY TOUGH LITTLE MUDDER will be held at 10 a.m. at Sopchoppy City Park. This is a series of obstacles stretched over a 1-mile trail that challenges individuals and promotes teamwork. All proceeds go to the Warriors and Quiet Waters foundation (Southern Chapter) and FSU Autism Institute. It open to ages 5-18 under 10 must be accompanied by teammate who is 16 years or older. The minimum Team Pledge is \$100, individual is \$40. For information contact Joey at (850) 566-2634 or bonefishjoe@hotmail.com.
- SEVENTH ANNUAL LIFEWALK by the Wakulla Pregnancy Center will be held at Wakulla Station Historic Railroad Trailhead Park. Registration begins at: 9 a.m. and the walk starts at 9:30 a.m. There will be a bake sale and a silent auction. Pastor Bill Jenkins from Sopchoppy Southern Baptist will lead an inspirational prayer. For more information, call (850) 210-1276.

Thursday, March 28

- RIVERS AND ROADS 4-H CLUB will hold its first meeting from 3 to 5 p.m. at Riversprings Middle School in Mrs. Broome's room. All interested youth ages 10—18 are invited to attend. Those who like to kayak, canoe, bike, hike and be outdoors will enjoy this club. For further information, contact Sherri Kraeft, 4-H agent, at sjkraeft@ufl.edu or 926-3931.

Friday, March 29

- WAKULLASTORY Heritage Play will be presented at 7 p.m. at the Wakulla County Courthouse. It is presented by the Wakulla County Historical Society and Palaver Tree Theater. The play will be a courtroom drama on the Forbes Purchase. A performance will also be held on Saturday at 2 pm.

Saturday, March 30

- WAKULLASTORY Heritage Play will be presented at 2 p.m. at the Wakulla County Courthouse. It is presented by the Wakulla County Historical Society and Palaver Tree Theater. The play will be a courtroom drama on the Forbes Purchase.

Saturday, April 6

- THIRD ANNUAL LOW COUNTRY BOIL will be held at 3Y Ranch. Enjoy great food and live music by Locomotive. To sponsor, purchase tickets, or reserve a table, call the Chamber office (850) 926.1848. Individual tickets are on sale for \$35, table \$350, seats eight.

Saturday, April 27

- JAM 4 CAMP will be held at Hudson Park from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be bands, food and family fun. Camp sign-ups and scholarships will be available. Contact 4-H Agent Sherri Kraeft at (850) 926-3931 for more information.

KWCB News...



KWCB volunteers pose with Woody Owl after a morning of picking up trash in the Apalachicola National Forest.



By JO ANN PALMER
KWCB Director

On Saturday, March 2, a dedicated group of U.S. Forest Service personnel, along with friends and board members of Keep Wakulla County Beautiful, braved the cold morning and windy conditions to participate in the Great American Cleanup event, KWCB Seas to Trees – Pick It Up, Apalachicola National Forest Cleanup.

Volunteers were divided into teams, then given safety instructions, provided gloves, pickers and trash bags. The teams were then escorted by volunteer U.S. Forest Service personnel.

Three hours later, truck and trailer loads full of debris was returned by the volunteers.

Unfortunately, litter can potentially destroy sensitive environmental areas, as well as entire ecosystems. The best we can do as citizens, is continue to educate each other and practice proper disposal of trash.

Nancy Paul, President Elect of KWCB, picked up a mile of the dirt portion of FH 13, her bags each contained an average of 35 pounds of plastic bottles, beer bottles and cans.

All these are recyclable materials that, when put back into the system, save our natural resources and especially our environment. Aluminum takes 50 to 60 years to decompose and glass

never decomposes.

Brent Thurmond brought his truck loaded to capacity with debris from the Sopchoppy area. His load contained televisions and similar items common in illegal dump sites.

Construction debris, cans, bottles and tires. Televisions and electronic devices contain hazardous waste and should always be disposed properly.

Goodwill in Crawfordville is now taking any electronic equipment, regardless of condition and properly disposing of those items that cannot be reused.

Following the cleanup, volunteers were treated to a pizza lunch compliments of KWCB at Hickory Park.

We had a visit from Woody Owl, the original and official environmental icon of the U.S. Forest Service. In the early 70's Woody Owl's slogan was, "Give a hoot; don't pollute." A more modern version of Woody is now promoting the same message with an updated slogan, "Lend a hand care for the land."

This campaign targets our young people with the hope of reaching new generations of citizens to be responsible for the land.

The areas reached on Saturday are just a drop in the bucket of the known debris sites within the national forest.

At the end of the day, the volunteers collected roughly 4,360 pounds of debris.

Remember, recycle, reduce and reuse.

For more information on upcoming activities or to report dump sites, go to kwcb.org or contact us at helpkwcb@gmail.com. Follow us on Facebook at Keep Wakulla County Beautiful.

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SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Skybox Sports Bar & Grill

New Wakulla Chamber members Harold and June Lee owners of Skybox Sports Bar & Grill celebrated their grand re-opening on Feb. 3. The Skybox started the new year by going smoke-free, although smoking is still allowed in the Beer Garden. The kitchen is now open at 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. with daily lunch specials. The new menu includes hamburgers, hotdogs, several different salad selections, homemade soup and chili and our almost world famous American Dip is

back. The warm and friendly atmosphere at the Skybox makes it the perfect place to meet friends and family. Reserve the outside Beer Garden for your next meeting or event. The couple has owned and operated Lee's Liquor & Fine Wine since 1997. We feel very blessed in many ways and deeply touched by the overwhelming support and patronage of the citizens of Wakulla County, where friends become family!



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Hamaknockers Bar-B-Q

The Chamber held a ribbon cutting for Hamaknockers on Wednesday, Feb. 20. Jim Lowe, a longtime member of the Chamber of Commerce, just recently moved his restaurant to a new location, 2837 Coastal Hwy., in Crawfordville. Driving down Coastal Highway, you cannot miss this inviting bright yellow building, flags fluttering in the breeze and smoky aroma filling your nostrils. A lively open dining area seats 49, or you can enjoy

lunch or dinner in the open patio area. You can still get all of the dishes you probably have tasted and enjoyed before, and you will surely love the addition of the beef brisket. Planning a party? Call Hamaknockers for an old fashioned, wood-fired barbecue feast, (850) 926.4737. Hours: Monday through Thursday from 11 am to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Closed Sundays.



North Florida Financial Corp.

Brian English and Bill Versiga are proud to announce the opening of their Crawfordville office, at 3119-B Crawfordville Highway, right next door to The Wakulla News. They can be reached at 926-7487.

Bill Versiga worked for one year as a parole officer before entering a successful career in banking that spanned 37 years. He has two daughters, Marni Smith and Hunter Tucker, and two grandsons, Kanoa and Kane Tucker.

Brian's hometown is Crawfordville where he resides with his wife Tanya, daughter, Elizabeth Ann and a son, Justin. He earned a Bachelor's Degree from Mercer University in Macon and has furthered his financial education by earning the coveted Chartered Financial Consultant

designation. Brian obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Mercer University in Macon, Ga.

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Chamber Spotlight

St. Marks Yacht Club

Owner: Members own the club. Stock is issued annually to each member therefore the longer a person remains a member, the greater their share of ownership.

Tell us about your business: We are located on the beautiful Wakulla River in St. Marks. The club was founded in 1961 and has continued to be active ever since with both boaters and non-boaters as members.

What services, products do you offer? Monthly socials which are included free of charge as part of membership, a greatly discounted fee for renting the facilities for a private party but rental is available to the general public as well. Members also enjoy the use of the downstairs and pool. We offer dockage for both motor and sail boats. We are located next to a city park with play equipment for

children. There are several places to enjoy a good meal or snack in the area. We rent the facility for parties and weddings.

What sets your business apart from the competition? We have a beautiful facility located on the Wakulla River in St. Marks. Our main room will accommodate approximately 125 or more reception style and can seat approximately 100 persons for a sit down meal. Our rental rates are very competitive and we allow anyone that rents to bring in their own food/caterer and bar. In addition to our main room, we have a sitting area with fireplace, a small bar area, a large kitchen with a commercial stove, two refrigerators and tables of various sizes and shapes plus folding chairs. We also have two 12-foot porches with rockers that surround two sides of the clubhouse and are great for relaxing and watching the boats and/or wildlife. The club also has an elevator.



St. Marks YACHT CLUB

Marketing workshop was held by Chamber Feb. 20

Special to The News

"You have to think like your customer."

That is just one of the tips offered by Christine Urban, Small Business Development Center (SBDC) of FAMU, as she presented Foundations of Marketing for Successful Advertising workshop on Feb. 20.

The group of 24 listened to tried and true techniques on marketing and promoting your business and participated in group discussions where they shared their own ideas.

Ray Cade, owner of Ray's Kayaks & Excursions LLC said, "Excellent examples of marketing concepts were shared. It's now our task to use those marketing techniques and tools where necessary for our business promotion."

Catherine Cameron, LKR Communications & Translation, shared her thoughts on the workshop, "Wow! It was packed with lots of good tips and ideas on how to promote your business. The slides and handouts were very helpful. Christine did a

great job to bring her point across in addition to her follow up email. These types of workshops are one of the Chamber's great resources."

The SBDC along with the Wakulla County Chamber of Commerce Education Committee and FOCUS Wakulla hosted this informative workshop at the old courtroom of the Chamber office.

This was the first of three free workshops that will be offered to businesses in Wakulla County this year.

Chamber Chatter

New members:

- Palaver Tree Theater Co
- Simply Done Marketing
- Chris and Valerie Russell
- Stow Away Marine & More

Next Chamber luncheon:

Noon to 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 27, Barwick's Seafood, 1349-B Coastal Hwy, Panacea.

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

Getting ready for the session, quietly

By BRANDON LARRABEE
THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE, March 1 – When Carlos Carbonell, the CEO of the company charged with building the House's smart-phone app, decided at a press conference to demonstrate the video stream that would soon show live action on the House floor, there ended up being a slight echo in the room.

The app was providing streaming video of the press conference.

It was a lot like that over the last week: plenty of signs that the annual legislative session was about to get started, but little happening that actually demanded attention.

Gov. Rick Scott spent much of the week dashing around the state, whether working at spring training in Lakeland or touting his initiative to get rid of sales taxes on manufacturing equipment.

Many lawmakers spent a few last, fleeting days in their home districts. And the courts were still in action, much to the chagrin of Scott and supporters of drug-testing welfare applicants. Artifact thieves had a bad week as well, after 13 people were hit with more than 400 combined felony charges.

Foreshadowing echoes of what will get started on Tuesday: Scott pitching his ideas to lawmakers, hopes that new laws will pass muster with the courts, and some people undoubtedly left unhappy with what's happened on state property. All of it captured on live, streaming video.

COURTS ON DRUG-TESTING LAW: NEGATIVE

Even as legislators

were preparing to get started on the 2013 session, some of their old handiwork looked like it could be headed to the U.S. Supreme Court. The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta struck down a law requiring drug testing of applicants for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and Scott vowed to take the measure to the highest court in the land.

"The evidence in this record does not suggest that the population of TANF recipients engages in illegal drug use or that they misappropriate government funds for drugs at the expense of their own and their children's basic subsistence," the court wrote in a 38-page opinion. "The state has presented no evidence that simply because an applicant for TANF benefits is having financial problems, he is also drug addicted or prone to fraudulent and neglectful behavior."

Scott, whose administration has undoubtedly gotten used to the mechanics of court appeals over the last two years, promised another.

"Welfare is 100 percent about helping children," said Scott, who along with the Republican-controlled Legislature, approved the law. "Welfare is taxpayer money to help people looking for jobs who have children. Drug use by anyone with children looking for a job is totally destructive. This is fundamentally about protecting the well-being of Florida families."

The judges were just the latest in a line to have turned back, at least temporarily, some aspect of policy passed by Scott and the Legislature in the first half of his term. And

critics were once again giddy at having done in court what they couldn't do during the legislative debate.

"The state of Florida can't treat an entire segment of our community like suspected criminals simply because they are poor and are trying to get temporary assistance from the government to support their families," said Maria Kayanan, an ACLU of Florida attorney and lead counsel in the case.

In state court, the on-line travel industry scored another victory.

The 1st District Court of Appeal, in a 2-1 ruling, said companies such as Expedia and Orbitz cannot be forced to pay local tourist-development taxes on part of the money they collect from customers. The majority found that the disputed amounts relate to reservation charges – not to the actual amounts paid to rent hotel rooms – and described the companies as "conduits."

SEQUESTER THIS

Looming over the entire week was something that wasn't about to happen in Tallahassee, but something that was happening hundreds of miles away, in a city where lawmakers spend even more time arguing than they do at the state Capitol. In Washington, D.C., Republicans and Democrats couldn't figure out what to do about the sequester.

The sequester is a series of cuts set to hit domestic and military programs in the haphazard fashion, slicing tens of billions of dollars in federal spending in a more or less across-the-board manner.

And Florida stood to get hit hard as the deadline for stopping the sequester came and went with no agreement.

"No one should get paid for inaction," said U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., announcing his support for legislation cutting congressional pay while federal workers are furloughed. "And Congress clearly hasn't done the job to avert the sequester."

Scott agreed, but took things a step further.

"I don't believe Congress or the President should continue to get paid while they haven't solved this problem," he said.

MULLING OBAMACARE

There was no blockbuster decision like Scott's declaration last month that he would support the optional expansion of Medicaid under the federal health-care law Obama signed in 2010, but there were signs that the Legislature was prepared to go along with another of the law's provisions.

Faced with the possibility of huge penalties under the Affordable Care Act, a Florida House committee charged with looking at the impact of "Obamacare" appeared likely to support offering health-insurance coverage to about 8,700 temporary state workers.

Members of the committee Thursday unanimously expressed support for the move, which would affect temporary employees in state agencies and the higher education system who work an average of 30 or more hours a week. If Florida doesn't start offering coverage to those workers, it could face fines of about \$320 million.

Officials said the coverage would cost an estimated \$35.6 million during the upcoming 2013-14 fiscal year, only a fraction of the potential fines.

"You either play their (the federal government's) way or you get hit with a significant penalty," committee member John Wood, R-Winter Haven, said.

Meanwhile, Attorney General Pam Bondi said she was against Scott's endorsement of Medicaid expansion, becoming the second member of the Cabinet to speak out, after Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam.

"I am opposed to this dramatic expansion of Medicaid, because of the ultimate cost to Florida's taxpayers and because I don't think our state should surrender even more control over health care to the federal government," Bondi said in an email Tuesday.

CFO Jeff Atwater also criticized the expansion Friday.

GUN FIGHT?

Meanwhile, with the final days ticking off the clock for lawmakers to file their bills, a few proposals that could be highly controversial were added to the fray.

Perhaps most prominent was a set of gun proposals, coming from either side of the aisle.

Rep. Neil Combee, R-Polk City, marked the one-year anniversary of the shooting death of Trayvon Martin by filing legislation to clarify that those firing warning shots could be protected from harsher penalties that they could otherwise face under criminal gun laws.

Co-sponsor Rep. Den-

nis Baxley, R-Ocala, the original sponsor in 2005 of the state's "stand your ground" bill, and a member of a task force that examined the law in the wake of Martin's shooting, said Combee's bill is based upon a task force recommendation to clarify Florida's 10-20-Life law regarding displaying a firearm.

Meanwhile, Rep. Greg Steube, R-Sarasota, filed a measure asking school principals to decide which teachers and staff can carry concealed weapons while at work. Conservatives nationwide and in Florida have called for arming teachers and guards after the December shooting in Newtown, Conn., that killed 20 children and six adults. But some educators are nervous about proposals to allow firearms into schools.

Sen. Arthenia Joyner, D-Tampa, filed a bill that would impose a 4 percent fee on dealers' sales of guns and ammunition, with the money going to mental health treatment. It wasn't clear whether the bill would get any traction in the GOP-dominated Legislature.

STORY OF THE WEEK: A federal appeals court strikes down a law allowing the state to drug-test applicants for public assistance.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "If we can make people drive to Georgia and Alabama and South Carolina to buy fireworks that are illegal in the state of Florida, then certainly we can make them drive to get crack pipes and marijuana pipes." – Rep. Darryl Rouson, D-St. Petersburg, on a bill banning drug paraphernalia.

Just a Pinch

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By Janet Tharpe

Flavor & Texture Star in Yummy Oatmeal Cake

"This is one of my favorite cakes from when I was little...I always asked for it for my birthday!"



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Versatile oats are known as a nourishing breakfast, but they also star in some deliciously decadent baked goods!

Home cook JoLayne Cooper's recipe for Oatmeal Cake came from her mother and is a longtime family favorite. Sweet, nutty and moist, this recipe is chock full of flavor and texture. Delish with or without the coconut topping, the whole family will love this cake!

See step-by-step photos of JoLayne's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/oatmealcake

You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a pinch"...

Oatmeal Cake

What You Need

Cake
1 1/4 c boiling water
1 c old-fashioned oats, uncooked
1/2 c butter
1 c sugar
1 c brown sugar, firmly packed
2 eggs
1 tsp vanilla
1 1/2 c all-purpose flour
1 tsp baking soda
3/4 tsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp salt
1/4 tsp nutmeg

Topping

1/2 c butter
2 c coconut
1 c nuts (finely chopped)
1 1/2 c brown sugar, firmly packed
8-10 tbsp evaporated milk

Directions

- Preheat oven at 350 degrees F. Pour boiling water over oatmeal and set aside for 20 minutes.
- Cream butter and sugars, add eggs. Beat well.

- Add vanilla and oatmeal mixture to butter/sugar mixture. Add flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, and nutmeg. Mix well. Put in greased 9x13 inch pan. Bake for 30 minutes.

- For topping: Melt butter and add coconut, nuts, brown sugar, and milk. Mix well. Frost cake when you take it out of the oven, and broil until the topping browns. (Watch carefully so it doesn't burn.)

Submitted by: JoLayne Cooper, Americus, GA (pop. 17,041)

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WHITE'S WINES

Identifying flaws and faults in wine

By DAVID WHITE

Sniff, swirl, sip.

Whether at home or at a restaurant, analyzing wine is a fairly straightforward process. And when you stick your nose in a glass of wine, you'll typically encounter pleasant aromas like fruits, flowers, and spices.

Sometimes, though, a wine will seem off.

One unfortunate truth about wine is that a decent percentage is flawed – somehow spoiled along the way to your table. Flawed wines should be poured down the drain or returned to your server. Wine should be delicious – and life is too short to drink bad wine.

Recognizing common wine flaws is at least as important as memorizing grape names and tasting descriptors. So here's a quick primer on some common faults.

Cork Taint. Wines bottled under natural cork are vulnerable to damage from a fungus that feeds on the cork. This fungus produces a compound called "2,4,6-trichloroanisole," or TCA. If the wine is affected by TCA, it's "corked," and the fruit will be masked by aromas reminiscent of wet cardboard or a damp basement. While TCA won't make you sick, it's not a pleasant odor.

Fortunately, corked wines are becoming less common. As recently as 2005, according to study by Wine Spectator, about one in 15 bottles was affected by TCA. But technological advances in the cork industry – combined with the increasing popularity of screw caps and artificial corks – have dramatically reduced incidence levels.

Heat Damage. Wine is perishable. And if it's exposed to high temperatures – an all-too-common occurrence in the summertime – it may be "cooked."

When you open a bottle of wine, check the cork to see if it's streaked or drenched with wine. If it is, the wine might be heat-damaged, as heat causes wine to expand and push against the cork. But you'll need to smell the wine to make sure, as it could also mean that the bottle was simply overfilled.

If the wine has been exposed to high temperatures, it will seem flat,

with muted aromas and minimal flavor.

Unfortunately, it's extremely difficult to determine if a bottle has mild to moderate heat damage. But a completely cooked bottle is hard to miss.

Oxidation. When you open a bottle of wine, also check to see if the cork is crumbly. If the wine is relatively young, this could be a sign of improper storage or a faulty cork and the wine could be oxidized.

Wine exposed to a significant amount of oxygen loses its freshness, and will give off aromas of caramel, candied almonds, and dried fruits. It may be reminiscent of Sherry and Madeira, as the production of those wines relies on oxygen.

The color can also be a giveaway – white wine will appear more golden than you expect; red wine may take on a brown tinge.

Barnyard Funk. Ever encountered aromas of manure, sweat, wet dog, or Band-Aids in your wine?

Those smells typically signal the presence of *brettanomyces*, a spoilage yeast typically called "brett."

At low levels, the flavors imparted by brett can be enjoyable – in fact, they're often desirable in wines from the Rhône Valley and Burgundy.

But brett yeasts can't be controlled. As wine blogger Joe Roberts once explained, "whether or not the wine has pleasant smoked meat characteristics or instead smells like one of my daughter's diaper blow-outs is almost entirely dictated by chance."

If you think your wine might be flawed and you're at a restaurant, give your glass to the server and solicit her opinion. If she's familiar with the wine, she'll be able to let you know if something is off.

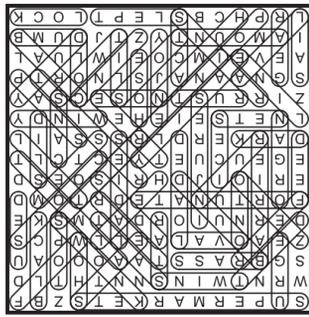
And if she's not familiar with it, she'll probably trust your judgment or have someone with more expertise come to the table.

If you're at home, just trust your nose.

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

Thinking OUTSIDE the Book

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

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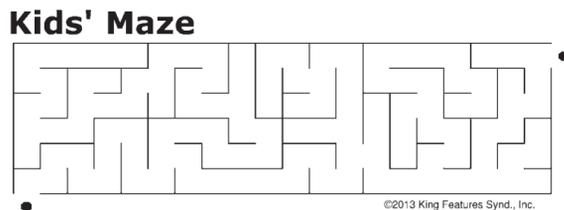
Even Exchange

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.

1. Titan	___ I ___	Civil War general	___ R ___
2. Bunch of cookies	___ A ___	Make a mess of	___ O ___
3. "High Noon" actor	___ O ___	Tea kettle metal	___ P ___
4. Enumerate	___ N ___	Trial locale	___ R ___
5. Socialize	___ I ___	Crush	___ A ___
6. Schoolyard tyrant	___ L ___	Large & cumbersome	___ K ___
7. Feel the need for food	___ G ___	Orion, e.g.	___ T ___
8. Fossil resin	A ___	Fireplace cinder	E ___
9. Client	___ N ___	Walk the beat	___ L ___
10. Norris or Connors	___ H ___	Thump sound	___ L ___

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Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman

SUM SET-UP! You are challenged to insert the numbers 1, 2, 3, and 6 in the four blanks of the diagram at right so that each of the four straight-line, three-number rows totals exactly 18.

Present numbers remain in positions shown.

Remember, just four numbers — 1, 2, 3, and 6 — are missing. Proceed by trial and error. How quickly can you insert the four numbers correctly? No fair peeking at answer.

Place 1 and 3 in top row across; 6 and 2 in lower row.

SAY FAST! Say this old weather verse three times, fast and faster: Whether the weather be cold, whether the weather be hot, we'll weather the weather whatever the weather whether we like it or not.

BIRD-SPEAK CONFUSION!

PONDER this: If a bird-in-hand is worth \$2, what is the value of two in the bush? \$2? \$4? Fifty cents each? It's a puzzlement.

For another puzzlement, see the names of 10 birds listed below that have been deliberately altered. No. 1, for instance, is a robin red-breast. See if you can recognize the others.

1. Robin red-cheek.
2. Baltimore oracle.
3. Scarlet teenager.
4. Red-eyed video.
5. Purple martian.
6. Moaning dove.
7. Tifted tutmouse.

Time limit for this exercise is two minutes.

1. Robin red-breast. 2. Baltimore oracle. 3. Scarlet teenager. 4. Red-eyed video. 5. Purple martian. 6. Moaning dove. 7. Tifted tutmouse.

ON THE MOVE! Ready or not, it's moving time. Add lines dot to dot to complete the picture. What can you draw?

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Possible twosomes: Plan, nite.

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. Neckline is different. 2. Pant is missing. 3. License is different. 4. Windshield is missing. 5. Hair is different. 6. Poster is missing.

- ## Answers
1. Giant, Grant
2. Batch, Botch
3. Cooper, Copper
4. Count, Count
5. Mingle, Mangle
6. Bully, Bulky
7. Hunger, Hunter
8. Amber, Ember
9. Patron, Patrol
10. Chuck, Cluck
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Meeting Notices

5565-0307 TWN PUBLIC NOTICE
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF WAKULLA COUNTY announces a school board meeting.

DATE: Monday, March 11, 2013
TIME: 5:45 p.m.
PLACE: School Board Room, 69 Arran Board, Crawfordville, Florida

PURPOSE: Regular School Board Meeting
For further information please contact: Superintendent's Office, Wakulla County School, P.O. Box 100, 69 Arran Road, Crawfordville, FL 32326, 850-926-0065
March 7, 2013

Meeting Notices

5566-0314 TWN PUBLIC NOTICE
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA
69 Arran Road
Crawfordville, Florida 32327
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
A Business-Community (ABC) School Program,
Wakulla County
RFP# 1314 - 01

The School Board of Wakulla County requests interested parties to submit formal sealed bids/proposals for the above referenced bid.

SCOPE OF WORK: The School District of Wakulla County, Florida is seeking proposals from qualified businesses with operations in Wakulla County, Florida interested in partnering with the District in a Business-Community (ABC) School Program. The proposal is for the Business to provide the facility, including the associated operating and upkeep expenses, in which the Wakulla County School District (WCSD) will provide an educational program for the children of the business' employees for 6.5 hours per day or as consistent with the Wakulla County School Board (WCSB) approved elementary school hours and calendar. A Business-Community (ABC) School is defined as a public school offering instruction to students from kindergarten through third grade in a facility owned or leased and operated by a business. The Department of Education 2013-2014 average class size requirement is eighteen students. Eighteen is also the minimum average class size to achieve the effective, efficient use of the taxpayer's educational and fiscal resources. Proposals that commit to meeting the maximum and minimum class size criteria or that provide for reimbursement to the Wakulla County School District for any loss in FTE educational funding revenues resulting from the failure of the business to achieve the minimum enrollment will receive the highest consideration. Students in need of or enrolled in special programs or that require special services can best be served at the Wakulla County Schools that offer those programs and services identified in the students' individual educational plan. Parents shall be responsible for providing all transportation to and from school or to other WCSD facilities during, before and after school for the students enrolled in a Business-Community

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(ABC) School. Florida Business-Community (ABC) Schools shall comply with the constitutional class size requirements. Facilities to house a Florida Business-Community (ABC) School must comply with the State Uniform Building Code for Educational Building Construction adopted pursuant to section 1013.37, Florida Statutes, and must meet state and local health, environmental, and safety laws and codes.
ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS: This package can be requested by mail at Wakulla County School Board, Post Office Box 100, Crawfordville, Florida 32326 or by calling 850-926-0065.
DOCUMENT COST: \$150
BID BOND: None
PRE/BID PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: Pre-Proposal Conference Wednesday, March 27, 2013, 10:00 A.M.
 Wakulla County School Board Administrative Offices Conference Room
 69 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32327
DUE DATE/TIME: April 10, 2013 @ 2:00 P.M. Eastern
 The School Board of Wakulla County, Florida must receive bids no later than said date and time. Bids received after such time will be returned unopened.
CONTACT: WILLIAM R. BRISTOL
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 March 7 & 14, 2013

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5569-0307 TWN
 03/21 sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF SALE
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 Located at: 2235 CRAWFORDVILLE HIGHWAY, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
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5568-0307 TWN
 03/28 sale
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NOTICE OF SALE
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 (850) 926-4466 Owner: GARY ROBERT JEZIORSKI, 41 PAWNEE TRL., CRAWFORDVILLE FL 32327 Customer: M AND L PLUMBING, 4417 CRAWFORDVILLE HWY, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327.
 Lienholder: STRATEGIC

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5567-0314 TWN
 65-2010-CA-000180 Notice of Foreclosure
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION, CASE NO.: 65-2010-CA-000180
 WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 SETH WAGNER, et al, Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated February 20, 2013 and entered in Case No. 65-2010-CA-000180 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA is the Plaintiff and SETH WAGNER, KATHY WAGNER, DEER TRAIL ACRES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell at the highest and best bidder for cash at FRONT FOYER OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 6th day of June, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
LOT 5 OF DEER TRAIL ACRES PHASE II, AS PER MAP OR PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 117, PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 281 ACCORN TRAIL, 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.
 WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on February 20, 2013.
 Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
 (SEAL) By:/s/ Becky Whaley, Deputy Clerk

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 March 7 & 14, 2013

5564-0314 TWN
 2012-CA-000275 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 2010-CA-000275
 JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,
 vs.
 KIMBERLY J. HOFFMAN; MICHAEL T. HOFFMAN, II; UNKNOWN TENANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II, and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants, Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION
KIMBERLY J. HOFFMAN
 100 MELODY LANE
 CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
MICHAEL T. HOFFMAN, II
 100 MELODY LANE
 CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
UNKNOWN TENANT I
 100 MELODY LANE
 CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
UNKNOWN TENANT II
 100 MELODY LANE
 CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
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 UNKNOWN
 And any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the above-named Defendant(s), if deceased or whose last known addresses are unknown.
 WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on February 20, 2013, covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:
Lot 5, Block N, MAGNOLIA GARDENS, A SUBDIVISION, as per Map or Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 37, of the Public Records of Wakulla County, Florida.

5566-0314 TWN
 65-2010-CA-000191 Notice of Foreclosure
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION, CASE NO.: 65-2010-CA-000191
 CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC Plaintiff,
 vs.
 OTONIEL M. SARDINAS, et al, Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated February 18, 2013 and entered in Case No. 65-2010-CA-000191 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, is the Plaintiff and OTONIEL M. SARDINAS; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF OTONIEL M. SARDINAS NIKIA MIREDDITH SARDINAS; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell at the highest and best bidder for cash at FRONT FOYER OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 28th day of March, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
LOT 31, BLOCK 50, WAKULLA GARDENS, UNIT 5, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 56, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA A/K/A 95 EJ STRINGER ROAD, 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.
 WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on February 18, 2013.
 Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
 (SEAL) By:/s/ Desiree D. Willis, Deputy Clerk

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 WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 19th day of February, 2013.
In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration at 3056 Crawfordville Hwy, Crawfordville, Florida 32328, telephone (904) 926-0905, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.
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5563-0314 TWN
 Vs. Dozier, William Case No. 2011-03005-CA Notice of Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.:2011-000305-CA
 SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC. Plaintiff,
 v.
 WILLIAM C. DOZIER; DIANE DOZIER; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; SONGBIRD SUBDIVISION PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
 Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 19, 2013, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in WAKULLA County, Florida, described as:

LOT 12, BLOCK "G", SONGBIRD SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 113, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 43 NUTTHATCH TRAIL, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327

at public sale on March 28, 2013, at eleven o'clock a.m., in the front lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse located at 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327, to the highest bidder for cash, except as prescribed in paragraph 4, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.
 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 at Crawfordville, Florida, this 19th day of February, 2013.
 Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
 (Seal) By:/s/ Desiree D. Willis, Deputy Clerk

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 St. Petersburg, FL 33716
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***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 LETHA WELLS, (850) 926-0905 EXT 222, WITHIN 2 WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS TEMPORARY INJUNCTION. IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL TDD 1-800-955-8771.**
 March 7 & 14, 2013 617114161

5562-0314 TWN
 Vs. Loomis, Robert Case No. 65-2011-CA 000214 Notice of Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 65-2011-CA-000214
 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,
 v.
 ROBERT W. LOOMIS; JULIE A. LOOMIS; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
 Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 19, 2013, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in WAKULLA County, Florida, described as:

LOTS 193 AND 194, BLOCK 37 (A/K/A/AL OF BLOCK 37) OF TOWN OF SOPCHOPPY EAST ADDITIONS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 37 DUSTY LN., SOPCHOPPY, FL 32358

at public sale on March 28, 2013, at eleven o'clock a.m., in the front lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse located at 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327, to the highest bidder for cash, except as prescribed in paragraph 4, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.
 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 at Crawfordville, Florida, this 19th day of February, 2013.
 Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
 (Seal) By:/s/ Desiree D. Willis, Deputy Clerk

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***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 LETHA WELLS, (850) 926-0905 EXT 222, WITHIN 2 WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS TEMPORARY INJUNCTION. IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL TDD 1-800-955-8771.**
 March 7 & 14, 2013 665112331

5561-0314 TWN
 Vs. Hill, Adrienne Case No. 65-2009-CA 000118 Notice of Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 65-2009-CA-000118
 U.S. BANK, N.A. Plaintiff,
 v.
 ADRIENNE N. HILL; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ADRIENNE N. HILL; JOHN DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
 Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 19, 2013, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in WAKULLA County, Florida, described as:

any 19, 2013, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in WAKULLA County, Florida, described as:

LOT 22 AND THE WESTERLY HALF OF LOT 23, BLOCK "56", WAKULLA GARDENS, UNIT 5, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 56 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 67 SUMMER BROOKE LANE, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327

at public sale on March 28th, 2013, at eleven o'clock a.m., in the front lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse located at 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327, to the highest bidder for cash, except as prescribed in paragraph 4, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.
 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 at Crawfordville, Florida, this 19th day of February, 2013.
 Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
 (Seal) By:/s/ Tamika Peterson, Deputy Clerk

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 March 7 & 14, 2013 665102578

5560-0314 TWN
 Vs. Sardinas, Otoniel M. Case No. 65-2010-CA-000191 Notice of Foreclosure
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION, CASE NO.: 65-2010-CA-000191
 CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC Plaintiff,
 vs.
 OTONIEL M. SARDINAS, et al, Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated February 18, 2013 and entered in Case No. 65-2010-CA-000191 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, is the Plaintiff and OTONIEL M. SARDINAS; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF OTONIEL M. SARDINAS NIKIA MIREDDITH SARDINAS; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell at the highest and best bidder for cash at FRONT FOYER OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 28th day of March, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
LOT 31, BLOCK 50, WAKULLA GARDENS, UNIT 5, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 56, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA A/K/A 95 EJ STRINGER ROAD, 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.
 WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on February 18, 2013.
 Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court
 (SEAL) By:/s/ Becky Whaley, Deputy Clerk

Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L.
 P.O. Box 25018
 Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
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****See Americans with Disabilities Act**
 Any persons with a disability requiring reasonable accommodations should call Clerk of Circuit Court at (850) 926-0905.
 March 7 & 14, 2013 F10027834

5558-0314 TWN
 Vs. Hicks, Thomas Case #2012-CA-274 Notice of Foreclosure Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE#2012-CA-274
 CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to Wakulla Bank Plaintiff,
 v.
 THOMAS GERALD HICKS, et al, Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment on Foreclosure as to Count II dated February 6, 2013, entered in Case No. 12-CA274 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to Wakulla Bank, is the Plaintiff and THOMAS GERALD HICKS, DR. A/K/A TOMMY HICKS; BRENDA SUE HICKS; CALVARY PORTFOLIO SERVICES, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANTS #1 and UNKNOWN TENANTS #2 are the Defendants, the undersigned will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on March 28, 2013 the following described property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment on Foreclosure to-wit:

SEE EXHIBIT A
 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 of the sale.
DATED this 7th day of February, 2013. Brent X THURMOND, Clerk of Circuit Court
 (seal) By:/s/ Desiree D. Willis, As Deputy Clerk

EXHIBIT A
 Commence of a concrete monument being used as the Southeast corner of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 25, Township 3 South, Range 2 West, Wakulla County, Florida and thence run North along the East boundary of said Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter (as monumented) a distance of 992.43 feet, thence run North 89 degrees 47 minutes 18 seconds West 332.00 feet to a re-rod (marked #4261) marking the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said POINT OF BEGINNING run North 87 degrees 43 minutes 56 seconds West 340.42 feet to a re-rod (marked #4261) lying on the West boundary of the East half of said Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, thence run North 00 degrees 19 minutes 45 seconds East along said West boundary (as monumented) 369.78 feet to a concrete monument lying on the North boundary of said Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, thence run South 89 degrees 47 minutes 18 seconds East along said North boundary (as monumented) 338.03 feet to a re-rod (marked #4261), thence run South 382.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 Begin at the Northeast corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 25, Township 3 South, Range 2 West, and run South along the East boundary of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 25, the distance of 118 feet to a point on the North boundary of the Arran to Wakulla Public Road, thence West along the North boundary of said road 30 feet, thence run North parallel with the East boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter 120 feet, thence East 10 feet to a point 20 feet from the Southeast corner of property described to Joseph D. Oltz and Harriet Oltz at Official Records Book 45, Page 01, of the Public Records of Wakulla County, Florida, thence run North 610 feet more or less, along the West boundary of an easement reserved in said deed recorded at Official Records Book 45, Page 01, said easement runs parallel to and 20 feet from the east boundary of property described in said deed at Officials Records Book 45, Page 01, thence run West 312.00 feet along the South boundary of property described in said deed to Y.L. Love and Lidamay Love, his wife and recorded at Official Records Book 40, Page 81 of the Public Records of Wakulla County, Florida to the Southeast corner of said property, thence continue West 15 feet thence North 5 feet to the Southeast corner of property deeded to Leonard P. Hicks and Jewell L. Hicks, his wife in Official Records Book 42, Page 826 of the Public Records of Wakulla County, Florida, thence run North 377 feet more or less along the East boundary of property described in said deed to the South boundary of subject property described in this deed, thence run East 15 feet along the South boundary of subject property to the West boundary of property described in deed to Y.L. Love and Lidamay Love, his wife and recorded in Official Records Book 40, page 81 of the Public Records of Wakulla

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2797 Surf Rd. - 2797 Surf Rd. - Ochlockonee Bay, 3 BR/1BA Bayfront Block Home. 1,444 Sq. Ft., Fireplace, Screen Porch, \$700. mo./\$700 Security Deposit No Pets, No Smoking.

2619 Surf Rd. - Bayfront 2BR/1BA \$650 mo./\$650 Security Deposit Pets Considered

2669 Surf Road - Ochlockonee Bay 2BR/1BA Bayfront home with fireplace, carport, large screened porch and utility room. No Smoking. No Pets. \$750 mo./\$750 Security Deposit

1119 Alligator Dr. Beachfront home- Alligator Point 2BR/2BA Furnished, w/fireplace, deck on the Gulf of Mexico \$1,300 mo./\$1,300 Security Deposit. No smoking. No Pets.

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County, Florida, thence run South 357 feet more or less to a point 15 feet from the South boundary of said property described in Official Records Book 40, Page 81, thence run East 332 feet more or less to the East boundary of said Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 25 (as monumented), thence run South 630.00 feet more or less along East boundary of said Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter to the Southeast corner of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 25, Township 3 South, Range 2 West, Wakulla County, Florida and the POINT OF BEGINNING. Together with that certain mobile Home a 1987 Destiny Omni ID # OM10461 and Title #44597497. March 7 & 14, 2013

TO: UNKNOWN TENANT I
11 D GUINEVERE LANE, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
UNKNOWN TENANT II
11 D GUINEVERE LANE, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE (seal)

And any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the above-named Defendant(s), if deceased or whose last known addresses are unknown.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:

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 6th day of February, 2013.

Brent Thurmond, As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Desiree D Willis, as 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 28 and March 7, 2013 12-01747

5557-0314 TWN
Vs. Hicks, Thomas Case #2012-CA-274 Notice of Foreclosure Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE #2012-CA-274
CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to Wakulla Bank
Plaintiff,
v.
THOMAS GERLAD HICKS, et al,
Defendants.

LOT 37, OF CAMELOT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 122, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Latasha Moore-Robinson, Butler & Hosch, P.A., 3185 South Conway Road, Suite E, Orlando, Florida 32812 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 13th day of February, 2013.
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: 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.

5550-0307 TWN
Vs. Scott, Amber Case No: 12-CA-000343 Notice of Action
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 12-CA-000343
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
AMBER V. SCOTT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF AMBER V. SCOTT; THOMAS M. DUDLEY, JR.; CATHERINE SHERRILL BLANKENSHIP; UNKNOWN TEANANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II, and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure as to Court V dated February 6, 2013, entered in Case No. 12-CA-274 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein CENTENNIAL BANK is the Plaintiff, and THOMAS GERLAD HICKS, SR., a/k/a TOMMY HICKS; BRENDA SUE HICKS; CALVARY PORTFOLIO SERVICES, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANTS #1 and UNKNOWN TENANTS #2 are the Defendants, the undersigned will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida, 32327 at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on March 28, 2013 the following described property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure to-wit:

LOT 37, OF CAMELOT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 122, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Latasha Moore-Robinson, Butler & Hosch, P.A., 3185 South Conway Road, Suite E, Orlando, Florida 32812 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 13th day of February, 2013.
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: 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.

NOTICE OF ACTION
THOMAS M. DUDLEY, JR.
137 SHAR MEL RE LANE, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
OR: 141 OLD SHELL POINT ROAD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327
OR: 2310 CHERRY RIDGE LANE, BRANDON, FL 33511
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE

And any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the above-named Defendant(s), if deceased or whose last known addresses are unknown.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 6, WHIDDON LAKE ROAD ESTATES, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 99 AND 100 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 of the sale.

DATED this 7th day of February, 2013
BRENT X. THURMOND, Clerk of Court
By: /s/ Desiree D. Willis, Deputy Clerk
March 7 & 14, 2013

5551-0307 TWN
Vs. Cesar, Markly 65-2009-CA-000427CA 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. 65-2009-CA-000427CA
HSBC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
MARKLY CESAR AND HAYDEE CESAR, et. al.,
Defendant(s).

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit:

5552-0307 TWN
Vs. West, Clinton Case No: 652012CA000349CAXXXX Notice of Foreclosure Sale
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 652012CA000349CAXXXX
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
CLINTON R. WEST; MICHELLE R. WEST; UNKNOWN TENANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II; CAMELOT TOWNHOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants,
Defendants.

LOT 30, BLOCK F OF THE FARM PHASE I, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE(S) 93-98, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Latasha Moore-Robinson, Butler & Hosch, P.A., 3185 South Conway Road, Suite E, Orlando, Florida 32812 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 12th day of February, 2013
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		1				2
	3		4		5	6
	7		3	6		8
2	8	5				4
1	4				7	3
	9			4	8	2
	8		7	6		4
	3	6		2		1
	5			9		

Each puzzle is divided into nine sections, and each section has nine blank squares. Fill in all 81 squares on the puzzle with numbers 1 to 9. You may not repeat any numbers in any one of the nine sections that you've already used elsewhere in that section. Also, you can use each number 1-9 only once in each horizontal line of nine squares, and in each vertical column of nine squares. The puzzle is completed when you correctly fill every square.

- ACROSS**
- Peace treaties
 - School orgs.
 - They're dubbed
 - Martin's "That's ___"
 - Lily Pons specialty
 - Somali-born model
 - Flat sign
 - Cyber-browse
 - Kilauea output
 - Radio honcho
 - Part of a royal flush
 - Lamp fuel
 - Murphy's ___
 - LAX datum
 - Diarist Anaïs
 - Footnote abbr.
 - Brazilian hot spot
 - Dracula's title
 - Orchestra honcho
 - Lucy's pal
 - Gay Nineties, e.g.
 - Intro to marketing?
 - Surgery sites, briefly
 - Env. extra
 - "Lenore" poet
 - Treatment for the stressed-out
 - Driver's lic. info
 - School honcho
 - Deliver a tirade
 - List ender
 - Lose tautness
 - Director Preminger
 - Khartoum's river
 - Time on shore
 - "In the headlights" animal
 - Feeder filler
 - Old anesthetic

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
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60							61			62	63		
64						65				66			67
68						69				70			
71						72				73			

American Profile Hometown Content 3/3/2013

- Revolver inventor
- Pick up the tab
- Parlor piece
- El __, TX
- Mastodon feature
- B-29 crew
- Sightsee in the Serengeti
- Eliot's Mamer
- Publicist's concern
- Croaking bird
- Part of Ringo's kit
- IV part
- Time being
- Fruit for a twist
- Touch on
- Candle-blower-outer's thought
- Have the blahs
- Sputter and stall
- Shelley work
- Mo. to rake leaves
- Lone Star State sch.
- __ contendere
- Alder or elder
- Circulatory problems
- Ill will
- "Amazing" magician
- Turns edible
- Bombing run
- Treat like a mama's boy
- New England catch
- Make jubilant
- "Inferno" poet
- Fur tycoon
- 1960 Wimbledon champ Fraser
- Flat hat
- Malamute's tow
- Genesis boatwright
- Carroll's "slithy" thing
- A pop

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

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		3	2		
		3	2		

Star★Map solution

Solutions

1-c, 2-e, 3-d, 4-a, 5-b

Sticklers Answer

Star★Map By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram below so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.

		1		3	
			2		3
		1			
			3		1
	4		2		
2		2		1	

DIFFICULTY: ★★
Easy ★★ Moderate ★★★ YOWZA!

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STICKELERS [sic].
by Terry Stickels

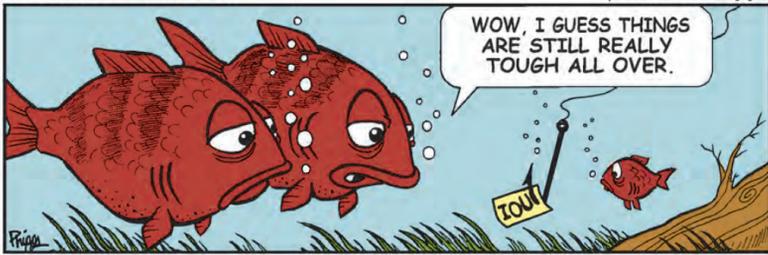
Match the words on the left with their respective meanings on the right.

1. sobriquet	a. merciful
2. sapid	b. shield, protection
3. kismet	c. nickname
4. clement	d. fate
5. aegis	e. flavorful

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



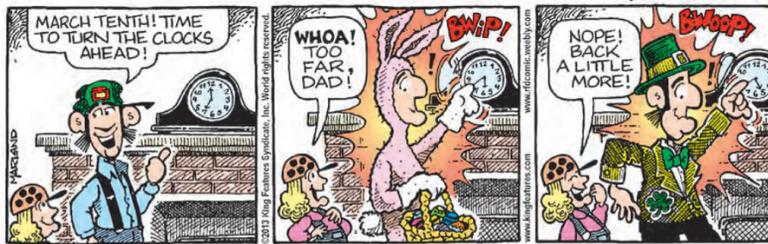
Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



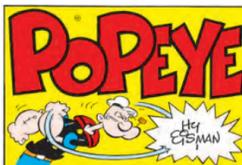
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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!

Elude
OVIDA

Slip
DELIS

Vast
GRALE

Imagine
MARED

TODAY'S WORD

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.

FGKV ZCT'XK HOXCHI
 ZCT'XK H NDHDKNEHV; FGKV
 ZCT'XK HD GCEK ZCT'XK
 WTND H RCPADAQAHV.
 - GHXCPI EHQEAPPHV

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King Crossword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12										
15										
20	21									
24										
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37	38	39								
41										
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49										

ACROSS
 1 Humongous
 4 Unfriendly
 8 Took to the skies
 12 Commotion
 13 Eye layer
 14 Emanation
 15 1849 California event
 17 Commotion
 18 Campus digs
 19 Trusty mount
 20 "Yippee!"
 22 Create
 24 Equal
 25 Shirk work
 29 Mess up
 30 Analogy mark
 31 Have debts
 32 Paris airport eponym
 34 Winter transport
 35 Guitars' smaller kin
 36 Director Almodóvar
 37 Put into words
 40 Complaint
 41 Stead
 42 Source of wealth
 46 Teensy bit
 47 Vicinity
 48 Junior
 49 Former European

DOWN
 1 Satchel
 2 Bachelor's final utterance
 3 Cohort of Behar and Hasselbeck
 4 Pungent dish in Indian cuisine
 5 Egg
 6 "Miserables"
 7 Doo follower
 8 Zip up, capital
 9 Troubadour's instrument
 10 Great Lake
 11 Actress Sela
 16 Entryway
 19 Epidermis
 20 Newspaper page
 21 Present
 22 Shopping centers
 23 Lotion additive
 25 Beauty spot
 26 Pepperidge Farms favorites
 27 Basin
 28 Start over
 30 Potential pickle, for short
 33 Fall
 34 Appear
 36 Go by bicycle
 37 Thick slice
 38 One of The Jackson 5
 39 A billion years (Var.)
 40 Huffed and puffed
 42 Festive
 43 Man-mouse link
 44 Neither mate
 45 Type measures

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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!

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Cape Verde islands?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many presidents have won Nobel Peace Prize?
- ANATOMY: Where is the sacrum in the human body?
- LANGUAGE: What is meant by the term "fifth column"?
- HISTORY: In what year did the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations merge into the AFL-CIO?
- MILITARY: What is the moral code of the Japanese samurai?
- GAMES: What kind of game is "Millipede"?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is arrow-root powder used for?
- MUSIC: What were the first names of the Allman Brothers?
- THEATER: Who wrote the play "The Iceman Cometh"?

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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. Headlight is missing; 2. Tire is missing; 3. License is different; 4. Windshield is missing; 5. Hair is different; 6. Front tire is missing.

Answers

1. Colliumwood
 2. Four — Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Jimmy Carter and Barack Obama
 3. At the base of the spine
 4. Enemy sympathizers who might give aid to an invader
 5. 1955
 6. Bushido
 7. Arcade game
 8. A thickening agent
 9. Eugene O'Neill
 10. Eugene O'Neill

Answers

B	A	T	L	A	V	A	N	N	O	A		
O	T	O	M	A	R	E	A	S	E	Z		
S	O	N	I	O	L	D	O	M	I	N		
S	T	A	T	E	R	E	F	E	R	E		
P	E	R	E	R	M	A	L	I	N	G	E	R
O	B	A	L	I	M	A	K	E				
D	O	R	M	S	T	E	R					
G	O	L	D	R	O	S	H	S	T	R		
A	D	O	U	V	E	A	U	R	A			
B	I	G	C	O	L	D	F	L	E	W		

Solution time: 27 mins.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: V equals Y

IADS E UTRDWKS CJ
 VDTTCIWKZ'Z FKESC KZ UEGTV
 WTEB CJ ZAEJF, ICRTG VCR ZEV
 KB Z CRB CW BRSE?

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King Crossword

Answers

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

Answer

SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word: **SALAMI**

1. Avoid; 2. Slide; 3. Large; 4. Dream

CryptoQuip

When a blueriff or yellowfin's piano is badly flat or sharp, would you say it's out of tuna?

answer

Leave Nothing But Your Footprints

Keep Wakulla County Beautiful

CryptoQuote

When you're abroad you're a statesman; when you're at home you're just a politician.

- Harold MacMillan



Deirdre Farrington, center, mingles with Chamber guests.

After hours networking at the Farrington Law Office

Special to The News

On Thursday, Feb. 21, attorney Deirdre Farrington of Farrington Law Office hosted the Chamber's monthly business mixer.

About 30 chamber members enjoyed a Mardi Gras-style celebration at Farrington Law Office, located at 3038-A Crawfordville Highway.

Farrington showed off her love of cooking by preparing a number of traditional Mardi Gras dishes such as muf-

letta sandwiches, jambalaya, pecan-date loaf and other sweets.

There was even a King Cake, but no one admitted to finding the baby, so no one knows who will have good luck in the coming year!

Farrington Law Office has served Wakulla County in family law, bankruptcy and other legal issues since 2005, but the mixer showcased the office's new location just north of the Wakulla County Courthouse.



Chamber members chat at the Mardi Gras-themed gathering.

La Parrillada hosts Chamber networking luncheon

From Page 1B

Ted and Thelma Gaupin founded Florida Coastal Properties in 1973 in a singlewide mobile home at Shell Point. In 1999, the Gaupins purchased Silver Coast Realty after the death of Wayne Clark. In 2000, Florida Coastal Properties Inc./ Silver Coast Realty became affiliated with Century 21. Today, there are three offices, located in Shell Point, Crawfordville and Ochlockonee Bay, with 11 active agents.

Ted was the President of the Southern Technology and Development Corporation and developed Innovation Park in Tallahassee from one to 50 tenants. The Florida Advantage Corporation was formed to assist Wakulla County in locating jobs for local residents. The first venture was to convince a property owner to donate 400 acres to the State of Florida for job development. The Wakulla Correctional Institution is located on this property today with 502 employees.

Opportunity Park, another land parcel, is developed through Ted's efforts. The CSG Company moved to Wakulla County from Omaha, Neb., and currently occupies approximately 78,000 square feet in the Park and employs 150.

Ted and Thelma are active in community organizations such as the Economic Development Council of Wakulla County, and the Wakulla County Industrial Development Authority, the Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta (held at Shell Point yearly and benefits the American Cancer Society) and were involved

in the founding of the Wakulla County Welcome Center in Panacea. Thelma was past President of the Chamber of Commerce and was instrumental in the Chamber's networking event "Meet the Businesses of Wakulla" which had tremendous participation.

Sally also introduced her office manager Carol Odell, Crawfordville office manager Susan Schatzman and Shell Point office manager Linda Nicholson.

Ron Piasecki, president of Friends of Wakulla Springs Park, shared the complete renovation of the river boat "Wood Duck," now also decked out with solar panels. The \$80K renovation was paid for through fundraising and donations from the collection boxes installed on all the boats.

Ron also shared the upcoming Wildlife Festival, a celebration of outdoor activities and area heritage, held at the park April 20, and Run for Wakulla Springs 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run on May 18. To sponsor, or to participate in events, please contact Friends of Wakulla Springs Park.

Ellyn Scanlan, representative of BBBS was excited to share Big Brothers Big Sisters is starting a mentoring program with 21st Century Community Learning Center in Wakulla. Volunteers will meet with their child at the Learning Center for an hour once a week. High school students and adults are welcome to become volunteers. If you are interested in learning more contact Ellyn at ellyn.scanlan@bbbsbigbend.org.

Loving American host families are needed for

high school exchange students from Germany, Taiwan and Brazil. All students speak English and are fully insured. They can share a bedroom and bathroom with a child of the same sex and will attend a local American high school for the academic year. Referral fees are \$50 to \$100. Please Ellyn know if you know anyone who would be a good fit for the program. Tax incentives included. More information at www.iseusa.com or call (850) 322-1170

Bruce Ashley announced the May 18 Kids Fishing Tournament and May 30 Project Graduation hosted by the sheriff's department. Sponsor requests will be sent shortly via chamber announcements.

Ralph Thomas announced the free to the public viewing of the film documentary "Not Yet Begun to Fight" at the Moon, as a kick-off for fundraising events to sponsor a weeklong "get-away to Wakulla" for several wounded soldiers.

Closing the luncheon, our cash drawing of \$51 was won by Linda Nicholson.

Our March member spotlight will be presented by Simply Done Marketing.

We want to thank the following for contributing to the prize drawing: Cook Insurance - bird feeder, Lionel Dazevedo - framed art, Susan Schatzman - pepper jelly, The Wakulla News - gift certificate, Petra Shuff - scarf, CHP - gift basket, Ed Gardner O.D. - pen set, Ouzt's Too - three free dinners, Drs. Carey & Jones - care bag, Catherine Cameron - Jafra Cosmetic gift bag.

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WARRIORS AND QUITE WATERS FOUNDATION, INC will be here accepting donations to raise funds to help four Wounded Warriors make the trip from a depressing hospital setting to our neck of the woods for a great weekend on our waters. Find out more online at <http://fishingwithwarriors.org> or come by Crum's Mini Mall for more information.