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CAMPBELL CHARGED WITH AGGRAVATED CHILD ABUSE

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Marvin Fitzgerald Campbell, Jr., 30, of Lloyd, was officially charged October 14 with aggravated child abuse due to an incident which occurred on September 21.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office reported that on Wednesday, Sept. 21.

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COUNTY MAN BUSTED FOR FORGERY



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The Monticello Police Department (MPD) busted a county man recently for forging and then attempting to pass the fake check at a local bank.

On October 7 at 11:38 a.m., Lt. Mack Norton was dispatched to Farmers and Merchants Bank in reference to a black male attempting to pass a forged check. Upon arrival Lt. Norton was met in front of the bank by

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MAN CHARGED WITH AGGRAVATED BATTERY



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A county man was arrested and charged recently with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon after wielding a pipe and threatening his

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Aucilla River Once Again To Be Focus Of An Archaeological Dig

Experts Say Long-Sought Answers Maybe There

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It appears that the Aucilla and Wacissa rivers basin may once again become the focal point of a scientific investigation into the origins of early men's first presence in the Northern Hemisphere — a project that could well have national and international implications.

So represented two amateur avid archaeologists/paleontologists who spoke to the Jefferson County Historical Association (JCHA) at the group's semiannual meeting at the Mays House on Tuesday evening, Oct. 11.

Originally scheduled to take place in the

Wirick Simmons House garden, the event's venue was changed at the last minute because of possible rain.

The two speakers were county native, longtime diver, and Nuttall Rise resident Jack Simpson, who as part of the presentation affirmed his intention to donate a priceless collection of Paleo-Indian arrowheads and other artifacts to the association for safe keeping; and Tom

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ECB Publishing Photo By Laz Aleman, Oct. 11, 2011 Jack Simpson, left, talks about the Aucilla River Prehistory Project with JCHA President Beulah Brinson following the presentation, as the two review a book that focuses on the undertaking.



GRANTS OFFICE BUILDING IS FINALLY DEMOLISHED

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For anyone wondering about the repeatedly "beaten dead horse" that came to represent the old grants office building on South Jefferson Street, the beast is finally dead and buried, to the degree that a Road Department crew demolished the old wooden structure on Wednesday morning, Oct. 12.

Considering that it

took five votes of the commission over a period of many months to get the building finally demolished, Wednesday's was no small feat for the proponents of the demolition.

Indeed, each time the commission voted to proceed with the building's demolition, Commissioner Hines Boyd would challenge the decision and argue so adamantly to the contrary that the board would waver in its

resolve and grant the building another stay of execution.

So it went for numerous months, until Thursday morning, Oct. 6, when the board affirmed its decision for a fifth and final time to proceed with the demolition. Not surprisingly, advocates of taking down the building hurried to fulfill the board's will before the latter could again

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JEFFERSON COUNTY NOW HAS A MINING EXPERT ONBOARD

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Jefferson County officials now have the services of a mining expert to advise them on how to make the rock mining operation near Goose Pasture more efficient and profitable, if not provide a reason for the operation to be shut down or sold.

The commission approved a short-term services agreement with Randy Hatch, of Hatch Enterprises, on Thursday morn-

ing, Oct. 6, subject to review and approval by Hatch and County Attorney Buck Bird.

The committee that negotiated the contract included Commissioner Betsy Barfield, County Coordinator Roy Schleicher and consultant engineer Alan Wise, of Preble-Rish Inc.

"We think it's a pretty good agreement," Schleicher told the commission in presenting the document. "It's not perfect, but it's pretty close."

Barfield offered that the

contract encompassed three months, which she said Hatch considered a reasonable time period to accomplish what he proposed to do. These activities include blasting to get at the deeper buried rock materials to determine if its of a sufficient quality to warrant excavating and to provide direction for making the overall operation more efficient and productive.

Wise said the contract pe-
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Value Adjustment Board Readies To Hear Petitions

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The Value Adjustment Board (VAB) held its organizational meeting on Monday morning, Oct. 10, preparatory to its scheduled hearing this week on the petitions filed by landowners who are challenging the assessed value on their properties.

The members of the VAB are County Commissioners Danny Monroe and John Nelson; School Board Member Ed Vollertsen; Paul Michael as the County Commission appointed citizen; and C.P. Miller as the School Board appointed citizen.

A new attorney, Carey Hardee, was also hired to represent the board.

Property Appraiser Angela Gray said last week a total of 28 petitions were filed this year. She said her office had been able to resolve 18 of the petitions dealing with the late filing of the agriculture or homestead exemptions. She said the 10 petitions left to the VAB to hear all had to do with challenges to the assessed values.

The VAB is scheduled to hear the 10 petitions at
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Hometown Royalty



Miss JCMHS Emily Howell and Mr. JCMHS Denzel Whitfield. Standing in for Whitfield was Emily's father, Nathaniel Howell. For full JCMHS Homecoming re-cap, see page 13.



Tyler Jackson and Sunnie Sorensen were crowned the 2011 ACA Homecoming King and Queen, during Friday night's Homecoming celebrations. For full re-cap from ACA's Homecoming, see page 14.

Correction:

In the *Jefferson Journal* front-page story on Friday, Oct. 14, headlined "Ruptures Clear In Superintendent, Principal, School Board Relations", a quote attributed to School Board Member Marianne Arbulu stated that the school district pays a management company a million dollars to operate Jefferson County Middle/High School. The actual amount being paid to the management company is a quarter million dollars. The *Journal* regrets the error.

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Local Weather

Wed 10/19 67/42
Variable cloudiness and windy. High 67F. Winds W at 15 to 25 mph.

Thu 10/20 68/39
Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 30s.

Fri 10/21 70/39
Sunshine. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 30s.

VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

Letters To The Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ARE TYPED WORD FOR WORD, COMMA FOR COMMA, AS SENT TO THIS NEWSPAPER.

Economic Development Strategy

If you had your way, what would future economic development look like in our county? Or are you happy with the current level of jobs here and really don't want anything to change?

Julie Conley, the Jefferson county economic development director, asked me to represent our county on a regional committee that develops the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the western panhandle of Florida. The CEDS is designed to guide economic growth by fostering a more stable and diversified economy, assist in the creation of jobs, and improve the living conditions in its seven county region (to learn more go to www.wfrc.org under the "economic development" tab). Since community interests should be represented, I'd like to hear from citizens about where you'd like our fine county to aim in the area of economic development.

I think most of us understand the benefits of economic development; jobs, tax revenue, and shopping opportunities top the list in my mind. Because of federal and state budget deficits, county revenues from those sources are expected to continue their downward trend. So it would seem prudent to try to expand our local economy thus broadening our tax base and supporting ourselves through increased local tax revenue. Taking a no-

growth stance will mean higher taxes on individuals and businesses. Even so, some feel it's worth the cost of higher taxes to protect our small town lifestyle.

Growing our business base in Jefferson County has been a guarded topic, a bit of a political hot potato, for at least the past few decades. There certainly are some whose vision of growth is very restrictive, and I'm told there are others who are downright anti-growth. Yet, many are ready to embrace just about anything that might mean jobs. I think it's both timely and constructive to begin a community conversation trying to learn just where residents stand on bringing more business and jobs to our county.

To this end, Kate Calvin, the founder of Jefferson County Voice, has volunteered to include this as an issue for consideration on the www.JeffersonCountyVoice.com web site. Go to the "proposed legislation" tab and make your opinion count or check the local restaurants for voting flyers. Additionally, the publisher of this newspaper welcomes your comments via the Letters to the Editor page. This is your chance to provide input that may shape the future of Jefferson County.

Paul Michael
Monticello, Florida

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LET'S BRING GOD BACK INTO HOLLYWOOD AND INTO AMERICA

My daughters and I went to see the movie

Stingers

"Thank you to whomever put up the sign in Wacissa on St Rd 59 stating, America, Prayer is our only hope. We need the reminder!"

"CAN'T WAIT TO LEARN WHO WILL BE THE FIRST TO ANNOUNCE TO RUN FOR THE POSITION OF SCHOOL BOARD SUPERINTENDENT. WHO IN THE WORLD IS DUMB ENOUGH TO WANT THIS JOB ESPECIALLY IN JEFFERSON COUNTY!!!"

"The county is paying \$20,000, from funds earmarked for infrastructure, for a bunch of FSU kids (mostly from South Florida) to conduct land-use visioning sessions. Where were the supporters of this contract during the many months and years of visioning sessions conducted by the Planning Commission while working on the latest amendment to the comprehensive plan? Not a one showed up!"

"Thanks for noticing and commenting about the sign on SR 59 in Wacissa-----I encourage everyone to read 2 Chronicles 7:14 and learn what prayer can do for America."

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Courageous this past weekend. What a fantastic movie. If you haven't gone to see it, I highly recommend that you do. The movie revolves around four law enforcement officers and their jobs, but dwells deeper into their Christianity and jobs/duties as a father to their children.

This movie is one of too few movies that have been released recently, as "faith-based films." *Courageous* is produced by Sherwood Pictures, out of Albany, Ga, which has also produced the movies *Flywheel*, *Facing The Giants*, and *Fireproof*. *Fireproof* became the highest-grossing independent film of 2008, with over \$33,000,000.

I, for one, am tired of all "new and improved" movies of today's times, that are filled with so much bad language and sex scenes that the plot of the movie is hard to even follow. It is virtually impossible to find a "family friendly" movie to watch anymore.

I applaud the producers of films such as *Fireproof*, *Courageous*, *Soul Surfer*, *The Blind Side*, *Letters To God* and *The Passion of the Christ*. They are taking a stand against the evil of the world and trying to keep God in our lives, while so many others are backing down from groups such as the ACLU.

Reports and statistics show that Hollywood is beginning to see a demand for more "faith-based" films. Let's hope and pray that this "demand" continues and that we will begin to see more and more of these movies in the theaters.

If it's possible to bring God back into Hollywood (of all places) one should hope that our government could be our next target. If enough Christians would grow a backbone and stand up for God, Christianity, and what this country was founded on, then we could take this country back. We could bring back prayer in school, the

Ten Commandments on the courthouse lawn, and law and order on our streets.

Our Founding Fathers were God-fearing men. Somehow, we have ALLOWED that right to be taken from us. Too many political "Christians" have backed down from groups (such as the ACLU) and WE keep voting these people in office and then not holding them accountable.

A nation, which does not remember what it was yesterday, does not know what it is today, nor what it is trying to do. We are trying to do a futile thing if we do not know where we came from or what we have been about. — Woodrow Wilson

With the upcoming election year quickly approaching; do your homework. Search out the background and beliefs of each candidate (local government, state government, congressional government, and presidency.) Search out answers on what their beliefs are on God, Country and Government (for those three things should be in that order; not reversed.)

Matthew 7:15-16: "You will know them by their fruits."

Don't look at what they are telling us or promising us.....look at their track record (What have they done in the past? For, what they have done in the past is what they will do in the future.)

Take your family to see the movie *Courageous* and then go home and start living it. The challenge in the movie is to become a Godly father/parent. We should all take that responsibility very personally. For what we teach our children at home will follow them into their adulthood and for generations to come.

Christians need to stand up and become united, in our homes and in our great country.

Until then....see you around the town.

Editorial

Father & Daughter Talk

A reader forwarded this email to us that has been circulating for a few months and has shown up on Facebook recently. We believe that this is one of the best emails that gently explains the difference in thinking between people with opposite outlooks.

A young woman was about to finish her first year of college. Like so many others her age, she considered herself to be very liberal, and among other liberal ideals, was very much in favor of higher taxes to support more government programs, in other words redistribution of wealth.

She was deeply ashamed that her father was a rather staunch conservative, a feeling she openly expressed. Based on the lectures that she had participated in, and the occasional chat with a professor, she felt that her father had for years harbored an evil, selfish desire to keep what he thought should be his.

One day she was challenging her father on his opposition to higher taxes on the rich and the need for more government programs. The self-professed objectivity proclaimed by her professors had to be the truth and she indicated so to her father. He responded by asking how she was doing in school. Taken aback, she answered rather haughtily that she had a 4.0 GPA, and let him know that it was tough to maintain, insisting that she was taking a very difficult course load and was constantly

studying, which left her no time to go out and party like other people she knew. She didn't even have time for a boyfriend, and didn't really have many college friends because she spent all her time studying.

Her father listened and then asked, "How is your friend Audrey doing?"

She replied, "Audrey is barely getting by. All she takes are easy classes, she never studies and she barely has a 2.0 GPA. She is so popular on campus; college for her is a blast. She's always invited to all the parties and lots of times she doesn't even show up for classes because she's too hung over."

Her wise father asked his daughter, "Why don't you go to the Dean's Office and ask him to deduct 1.0 off your GPA and give it to your friend who only has a 2.0. That way you will both have a 3.0 GPA and certainly that would be a fair and equal distribution of GPA."

The daughter, visibly shocked by her father's suggestion, angrily fired back, "That's a crazy idea, how would that be fair! I've worked Really hard for my grades! I've invested a lot of time, and a lot of hard work! Audrey has done next to nothing toward her degree. She played while I worked my tail off!"

The father slowly

smiled, winked and said gently, "Welcome to the conservative side of the fence."

If you ever wondered what side of the fence you sit on, this is a great test!

If a conservative doesn't like guns, he doesn't buy one. If a Liberal doesn't like guns, he wants all guns outlawed.

If a conservative is a vegetarian, he doesn't eat meat. If a liberal is a vegetarian, he wants all meat products banned for everyone.

If a conservative is down-and-out, he thinks about how to better his situation. A liberal wonders who is going to take care of him.

If a conservative doesn't like a talk show host, he switches channels.

Liberals demand that those they don't like be shut down.

If a conservative is a non-believer, he doesn't go to church. A Liberal non-believer wants any mention of God and religion silenced. (Unless it's a foreign religion, of course!)

If a conservative decides he needs health care, he goes about shopping for it, or may choose a job that provides it. A liberal demands that the rest of us pay for his.

If a conservative reads this, he'll forward it to his friends. A liberal will delete it because he's "offended."

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Aucilla River

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Pertierra, chief executive of Southeastern PaleoAmerican Survey, Inc. (SEPAS).

SEPAS, a nonprofit company based in Greenville, FL, provides direct support and logistical management to public archeology excavation projects. The company is associated with the Topper Site in South Carolina, "one of several sites in the eastern U.S. producing evidence that humans were living in the western hemisphere during the last Ice Age."

The other scheduled speaker, state archeologist Jim Dunbar, was forced to cancel at the last minute because of a death in his family.

Both Simpson and Pertierra reportedly cut their teeth in the fields of archeology and paleontology with the Aucilla River Prehistory Project (ARPP), an underwater excavation undertaking that the Florida Museum of Natural History and the National Geographic Society jointly sponsored.

Spanning a 20-year period, from 1983 to 2003, the ARPP led to the discovery of innumerable skeletal remains and other prehistoric evidence indicating that humans had inhabited this region much earlier than previously believed by the experts.

Simpson himself was partially responsible for the initiation of the Aucilla River Prehistory Project, to the degree that he and several other avid local divers early on began to discover various arrowheads and artifacts in their dives on the river and eventually contacted the University of Florida about their finds, although at the time they had no idea of the significance of their discoveries.

It was this initial contact on their part that ultimately led Dr. David Webb, of UF, to organize and head the ARPP.

Simpson quoted Dunbar as saying that the Aucilla River basin contained the most important archeological and paleontological sites in the Northern Hemisphere and possibly the world.

The reason for its importance, Simpson said, resulted in large part from the area's flat terrain, which assured that floodwaters — rather than rushing through and washing away soil deposits — instead gently deposited layer upon layer of sedimentation, ensuring for the burial and preservation of organic matter and other objects.

Simpson talked of the ARPP's uncovering of a 7½-foot mammoth bull tusk in the river bottom that was determined to be 15,400 years old and that showed marks of human tools, putting into question the prevailing theories of humans' first appearance on the North American continent.

And much more evidence of early man's presence in the region remained to be uncovered in the Aucilla River basin, making it a virtual "treasure trove of stratified prehistoric records", he said.

Which was the reason that it was so important to protect and preserve the river and its tributary, the Wacissa, he said. And it was precisely this desire to protect and preserve the two rivers that had motivated him to donate his collection, in the hope that it would inspire the JCHA membership also to appreciate and value the

two rivers' significance and work for their protection, he said.

"It's the best unpolluted river system in the Southeast," Simpson said of the Aucilla. "It's still mostly unpopulated and has no industry on it, so that it's still a pretty pristine piece of water, as is the Wacissa River. Help us keep it that way."

Pertierra expounded on Simpson's points, going so far as to assert as an absolute fact Simpson's earlier supposition that a scientific team from the Center for the Studies of the First Americans at Texas A&M University might well undertake an archeological dig on the Aucilla River basin in the near future.

"It's a done deal," Pertierra said emphatically of the proposed project. "We're definitely going to do it."

He said preparations for the undertaking were already underway, with an organizational meeting scheduled for Nov. 2 in Jacksonville. Unlike the previous excavations, however, this study would focus on archaeology (the study of ancient cultures through examination of their material remains), as opposed to paleontology (the study of prehistoric times by way of fossil evidence), he said. Pertierra said Dr. Michael Waters, the center's director, would head the expedition and SEPAS would be providing logistical support.

"We have an opportunity to go forward with archaeology as the primary focus," Pertierra said.

He said the Aucilla River basin had the potential to yield answers to the most perplexing questions concerning the peopling of the

Americas.

"Where did we come from? When did we get here and how did we get here?" Pertierra posed. "The answers to these questions we believe are in the Aucilla River. We feel that the migration actually came from the south to the north and we're going to prove this. (The prevailing theory has been that humans migrated from Siberia across the Bering Strait and spread southward across the American continents.)"

Pertierra talked also about the significance of the Topper Site and other sites across the southeastern United States and the importance of protecting the Aucilla, which was already experiencing some point pollution and salt penetration.

"It's important not to disturb the water table in this part of the world," Pertierra said. "This is an incredibly important water basin, possibly the most important in the country right now."

As part of his donation, Simpson also gave the JCHA photos and other mementos of his great grandfather, who along with three of his brothers fought on the side of the Confederacy during the American Civil War — commonly known as the War Between the States in the South — and was the only one of the brothers to survive the conflict.

On behalf of the JCHA and to commemorate the gift, Susan Anderson wrote up the great grandfather's story and had it glassed and framed, along with the donated photos, for display in the association's museum.

Campbell

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ember 21, Campbell was watching the infant son of his girlfriend, who was not at home. Campbell is not the child's father.

At about 1:15 p.m., Campbell called 911 and reported that the child was breathing but unresponsive. Upon arriving at the scene Jefferson County Fire Rescue called dispatch to send for Life-flight.

The dispatcher came back and said Life-flight would not send out a helicopter due to the declining weather. The child was placed in the ambulance and rushed to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, where he underwent emergency brain surgery.

Deputies arrested Campbell due to an outstanding Gadsden County warrant for his arrest charging him with writ of attachment for nonpayment of child support, with a bond of \$500.

He also collected the local charge of giving false information to a law enforcement officer due to giving deputies a false name at the scene.

Due to the investigation of beating the child, Campbell was being held in the Jefferson County Jail under a \$100,000 bond.

Monday afternoon, September 26, Sheriff David Hobbs said the child was still alive and in intensive care at TMH in critical condition. He added that due to the ongoing investigation being in the preliminary stages, he could not disclose any further information at the time.

The child has since been transferred to Gainesville where he is currently undergoing rehabilitation.

Campbell has an extensive arrest and prison record on charges out of Jefferson, Madison and Leon counties.

Campbell remains at the County Jail since his original arrest held on a \$100,000 bond.

Adjustment

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9 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, in the courthouse annex.

The VAB hears and rules on the petitions of landowners who aren't able to resolve their differences with the Property Appraiser's office.

In the not too distant past, the VAB was composed of three county commissioners and two School Board members, who were appointed by the chairpersons of each of the respective boards. In 2007, the law was changed to require the inclusion of two property-owning citizens on the board, one to be appointed by the County Commission and the other by the School Board.

Mining Expert

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riod would officially begin with the commencement of the blasting, given that it would take time to set up the equipment and prepare the site for the dynamiting.

His one concern was that the liability insurance requirements placed on Hatch might be too high, Wise said. But Bird assured him that the required amounts were standard, and others noted that Hatch himself hadn't objected.

Commissioner Hines Boyd's one concern was that Road Superintendent David Harvey not be excluded from the process, in terms of communicating and coordinating activities with Hatch. Schleicher assured Boyd that Harvey would be kept in the loop.

With that, the commission approved the contract unanimously, provided that Bird and Hatch found it satisfactory.

The rock mine has been an issue for about six months, with some commissioners arguing for its closure and sale and others calling for an additional investment to make it more productive.

On Aug. 4, after months of lively and sometimes contentious debate on the issue, commissioners took a series of steps designed to give them a better idea of whether to sell, lease, or continue to operate the 100-acre site. One of those steps was to proceed with the negotiations to secure the services of Hatch and establish once and for all the viability of the operation.

It's been Hatch's contention all along that despite the current deficiencies, the site represents a virtual gold mine, insofar as its capacity to produce sufficient high-quality road-building materials for the county's own use and for sale to other counties.

"I can help you turn the mine into a revenue raising enterprise," Hatch has told officials repeatedly.

Grants Office

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change its mind, at the same time making the site suitable for possible construction of a modern office building for the Solid Waste Department, should the board decide to go in this direction.

Whether the building was truly historical and worth saving, or whether a buyer would ultimately have stepped forward and purchased the structure for removal to another site are now points rendered moot, no matter how assiduously Boyd argued them.

The commission's discussion on Oct. 6 that finally led to the demolition of the building was more or less typical of the innumerable previous discussions on the subject, if briefer.

County Coordinator Roy Schleicher came right out in expressing his opposition to the proposed sale of the property, once he had given a brief report on the surveying of the 3.48-acre parcel's that was slated for separation from the Solid Waste Department's greater property, as well as citing several of the other legal steps that would be required to make the property stand independent and be appropriately zoned for commercial use.

"With that said, I think that to sell this parcel is not a good idea," Schleicher said.

Bottom line, it was his thinking that the county would be short-changing itself if it sold the property, given that it would crowd the Solid Waste Department's operation and possibly hinder future expansion of the department when the county's population growth demanded additional services, he said.

Plus, his office so far had received no written communication from any individual who was interested in buying the property, he

said.

Commission Betsy Barfield agreed. It concerned her that "we keep beating this poor horse to death and we keep spending money on surveys," she said.

"It concerns me also that we're doing all this work and no one has approached this board saying, 'I want the building,'" Barfield said. "This is all hearsay."

Which statement prompted a sharp response from Boyd. It was not hearsay, he said emphatically. A buyer in fact was interested in acquiring the building; but no reasonable buyer would step forward until the county indicated that it intended to sell the building, he said.

Boyd argued that the building had historic value; that the sale of the 3.48 acres would in no way crowd the Solid Waste Department and that in fact it would leave the department with sufficient property to build a new office building; that the building's demolition would essentially convert a \$75,000 asset into zero; and that its demolition and construction of another building in its place would reinforce the public's perception that county officials couldn't wait to expend the \$1.5 million surplus recently identified.

"From a business perspective it's foolish to tear the building down and turn a property from \$75,000 to zero and then build a metal building there," Boyd said. "It just doesn't make sense... What we're talking of doing is making us look foolish with the public. It makes us look fiscally irresponsible."

Commission Stephen Fulford said the risk of mold contamination in the building remained a concern with him. Like Boyd, however, he agreed that the building had value; it just didn't have value to the county. He would rather that the

county received some value from the building rather than simply tearing it down, he said. But more importantly, he indicated, he wanted to put the issue to rest once and for all.

More debate ensued, with Boyd arguing it was prudent and fiscally responsible to sell the building and adjoining 3.48 acres and the other commissioners arguing that foresight called for the county to tear down the building and keep the property for its future value.

Which again prompted Barfield to declare the conversation "a profound waste of time," given that the board had had the same conversation numerous times previously.

The board at one point briefly entertained the idea of declaring the building a surplus property and putting it up for sale, with the condition that the buyer had to remove the structure from the site within a given timeline.

When this idea failed to gain traction, however, Commissioner Danny Monroe reverted to his original motion to demolish the building, which motion Barfield seconded.

"I see where this is going, folks," Boyd said. "You better talk to your constituents. It's hard to say why we're destroying something that has value and that someone wants to buy. The perception out there is that we're going to spend the \$1.5 million as fast as we can and it makes us look bad. I think we need to do a public relations campaign to explain this."

To which Barfield responded, "I think you should do that. You've been doing a good job of it so far."

The vote to proceed with the demolition was 4-1, with Boyd the lone vote.

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MONTICELLO GARDEN CLUB DISTRICT MEETING HELD

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Staff Writer

The Monticello Garden Club hosted the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Fall District III Meeting on Thursday, Oct. 6 at the Monticello Opera House. This Regional Garden Club meeting began in the morning and went on through lunch and into the early afternoon. 'Historic Monticello' was the program, presented by local residents David Ward and Jack Carswell.

District III Director Kathy Carmichael called the meeting to order, followed with Invocation and the Blessing by Pastor Rick Kelley and the Pledge to the American Flag by Assistant District Director Jana Walling.



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, October 6, 2011.
Seated at the head table for the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Fall District III Meeting and in no particular order are: Judy Nolan, parliamentarian; Jana Walling, assistant district director; John Jones, Monticello Mayor; Anna Mara, MGC president; Rick Kelley, pastor FBC; Helen Purvis, district treasurer; Sharon Montgomery, district secretary; and Kathy Carmichael, district director.



ECB Publishing Photos By Debbie Snapp, October 6, 2011.
MGC Mignonette Circle Chairman Jan Wadsworth and MGC Magnolia Circle Member Dianne Braren collect donations at the Ways/Means table during the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Fall District III Meeting.



FFGC 3rd VP Betty Moore, on right, handles the sales and donations during the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Fall District III Meeting. Making a final purchase for her Tallahassee Club is Lennie Kennedy.

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John Jones and Jefferson County Sheriff David Hobbs welcomed and greeted those in attendance. MGC President Anna Mara also welcomed the ladies and thanked all for attending this annual event. Madison Garden Club President Martha Beggs responded in kind and welcomed everyone to join together next year in Madison for the Fall District III Meeting.

After the presentation of the state officers, the club presidents were invited to give their reports. Members from eight district clubs were in attendance. State and District Committee Chairmen also gave their reports including: Butterfly and District Website, Water and Wet-

lands, Jewelry Recycling for Youth Camps, and Wildflower and Roadside Beautification.

Ways/Means tables were set up for sales and donations, as well as a FFGC table, and a Whooping Cranes table. All the dining tables were decorated with baskets of Florida wildflowers, all given as doorprizes at meeting's end.

Before the meeting

ended a selection of gift baskets and other gifts were raffled off. Raising a tidy sum for the local Club.

The Monticello Garden Club will hold its Fall General Meeting and Luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 20 at the First Presbyterian Church, in the fellowship hall. For more information, contact MGC President Anna Mara at 850-997-8314.



Attending the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Fall District III Meeting and pictured here from left to right are: Founders Garden Circle Member Alison Acutt; Camellia GCM Georgia Joseph; Founders GC Chairman Suzanne Nelson; and Magnolia GC Chairman Chantel Romaine.



Above, Jack Carswell and David Ward were the program presenters for the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Fall District III Meeting. They offered a program on 'Historic Monticello'.



At left, MGC Founders Circle Member Suzanne Peary cuts and serves a Keylime cake for the attendees of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Fall District III Meeting. The cake was baked and decorated by Judi Persons.

LOCAL RESIDENTS ENJOY PATSY CLINE TRIBUTE



On Sept. 30, local residents Kimberli Eure, Margo Anderson and Kathy Roberts Ragan attended a star-packed show at the Monticello Opera House. Their Friday evening was complete, with 'A Tribute To Patsy Cline', starring Margo Anderson, backed by a group of award-winning musicians. The thrilling tribute to this famous star included many of her best-loved songs and the story of her life. Before the show, they enjoyed a dinner of Beef Burgundy in the Opera House ballroom, catered by Carrie Ann & Co Custom Catering.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 20

The CHP Savvy Senior monthly outreach program, sponsored by Capital Health Plan, will begin at 12:15 p.m. on Thursday at the Jefferson County Bailar Public Library. This free monthly program is one in a series of lunch and learn programs for older adults who want to learn more about creating and maintaining healthy, happy, and active lifestyles. The program 'Medicare Advantage Update: Outlook: 2012' will be presented by Melissa Dancer-Brown, RD, LD/N and hosted by Anna Johnson Riedel. Bring a bag lunch; drinks will be provided. For more information about this program and to make reservations call

850-523-7333.

OCTOBER 20

You may qualify for assistance through the Capital Area Community Action Agency Weatherization Assistance Program. The program reduces heating and cooling costs by improving the energy efficiency of the home. Contact Rev. George Smith at 850-997-6114 for an appointment from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Thursday at First Baptist Church of Lloyd. Homes in Jefferson County are needed for weatherization. Or, contact Pat Hall or Melissa Watson at 850-997-8231 for additional information, and other services currently being offered. This is free to the client.

OCTOBER 20

Jefferson County Lions Club meets at 1 p.m. on the first Tuesday and at 5 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Rare Door Restaurant, in the meeting room on North Cherry Street. For more information contact Lion Debbie at 850-997-0901, leave a message.

OCTOBER 20

Monticello Garden Club Fall General Meeting and Luncheon will be held on Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church. For more information, contact President Anna Mara at 850-997-8314.

OCTOBER 20

AA meetings are held weekly at 8 p.m. on Thursday at the Christ Episcopal

Church annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For more information call 850-997-2129 or 850-997-1955.

OCTOBER 21

Monticello Jamboree begins at 7 p.m. every Friday evening at 625 South Water Street, just three blocks north of the American Legion Otto Walker Post 49. For questions or concerns contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8138 or Bobby Connel at 850-445-0049. There are doorprizes, cold soft drinks and snacks.

OCTOBER 21

Rotary meets at 12 p.m. on Friday at the First Presbyterian Church in the fellowship hall for lunch and a meeting with a program and speaker. Contact Pres-

ident John Lilly at 850-342-0187 for more information.

OCTOBER 21-29

Big Bend Ghost Tours begin on Friday and Saturday evenings. Two tours per night: 7:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Tours leave from the Chamber. Call Chamber Director Melanie Mays at 850-997-5552 for price information and to make your reservations. Volunteers are needed.

OCTOBER 24

Alzheimer's and Dementia Support Group is held 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the fourth Monday of every month at First United Methodist Church in the Family Ministry Center on West Walnut Street in Monticello. A light lunch will be served. This is a free monthly program. Call the Alzheimer's Project at 850-386-2778 for more information or 850-997-5545 for directions.

OCTOBER 24

Palmer Place Book Club will be back at Palmer Place for its Monday meeting, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., to discuss the book 'The Paris Wife' by Paula McLain; from the point of view of the first wife of Ernest Hemmingway. If

you have questions, call the library at 850-342-0205 or Abi at 850-997-4607.

OCTOBER 24

Al-Anon meetings are held at 8 p.m. every Monday at the Anglican Church, 124 Jefferson Avenue in Thomasville, GA. For information go to www.al-anon.alateen.org

OCTOBER 24

AA women's meetings are held on Mondays at 6:45 p.m.; AA meetings follow at 8 p.m., at the Christ Episcopal Church Annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For more information, call 850-997-2129 or 850-997-1955.

OCTOBER 25

AA classes are held every Tuesday at 8 p.m. for those seeking help. The classes are held at the Harvest Christian Center, 1599 Springhollow Road. Contact Marvin Graham, pastor, at 850-212-7669 for more information.

OCTOBER 26

Monticello Kiwanis Club meets every Wednesday at noon at the Jefferson County Club on the Boston Highway for lunch, a program, and a meeting. Contact President Bob Beshears at 850-997-5054 for more information.

OBITUARIES



LEILA YOUNGBLOOD

Leila Connell Youngblood, age 94, of Limestone, FL went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, October 15, 2011 in Tallahassee, FL.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church, with burial at the Cody Cemetery. A viewing was held at the church from 12:30 until 2:00 p.m. prior to services.

Leila was a lifelong resident of Limestone and a member of Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church, where she was a Sunday School teacher for many years... and proud to be the oldest member of the church. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary. She retired in 1985 as an assistant daycare provider with her daughter, at the Mama B's Daycare.

She is survived by a son, William H. Jones of Limestone; two daughters, Lilly Mae Brumbley (Hardy) of Monticello, FL and Marge Weaver (John) of Limestone; three brothers, Artis Connell of Tallahassee, Edgar Connell of Limestone and John B. Connell of Cody, FL; 11 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, 10 great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Langford Youngblood; two brothers, Joseph B. and Harrison Connell; a sister, Ruby Boland; a great-granddaughter, Trish Jacobs; and two great-great-grandchildren, Jake Snelgrove and Stella Bryan.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church Building Fund, 3812 Tram Road, Monticello, 32344.

Beggs Funeral Home, Apalachee Parkway Chapel, Tallahassee, 850-942-2929 is in charge of arrangements. beggsapalachee@embarqmail.com

ETHELEEN RAKER

Etheleen Aaron Allen Vinson Raker, age 84, passed away on Sunday, October 16, 2011 in Tallahassee, FL.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, October 19, 2011, at 11 a.m. at Beggs Funeral Home Monticello Chapel, 485 East Dogwood Street, Monticello, FL, 32344, 850-997-5612, beggschmonticello@embarqmail.com

The family received friends on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at the Funeral Home from 6 to 8 p.m. Interment will follow the service at Roseland Cemetery in Monticello.

Mrs. Raker was a native of Jefferson County and had lived most of her life in Monticello. She was a homemaker and raised nine wonderful children and loved spending time with them and her grandchildren. She was of Baptist faith and attended the Calvary Baptist Church in Monticello.

She is survived by five sons, James (Janet) Allen, Charles (Janice) Allen and David (Betty Sue) Allen of Wakulla Station, FL; Stevie (Sherry) Allen of Monticello and Ronnie Allen of Crawfordville, FL; three daughters, Sarah (Terry) Byrd of Tallahassee, Mary Ann (Mickey) Asbell of Crawfordville and Debbie (Glen) Abbott of Monticello; brother L.V. "Buddy" Vinson and sister Judy Vinson of Jacksonville, FL; 21 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Herbert Allen and one daughter Betty Earnest.

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Financial Focus...

*IT'S A GOOD WEEK TO THINK
ABOUT RETIREMENT SAVINGS*

Provided by Robert J. Davison

You may not see it posted on your calendar, but Oct. 16 - 22 is National Save for Retirement Week. This annual event, endorsed by Congress, is designed to raise awareness about the importance of saving for retirement — so you may want to take some time this week to review your own strategy for achieving the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned.

If you're not convinced of the need for an event such as National Save for Retirement Week, just consider these statistics, taken from the Employee Benefit Research Institute's 2011 Retirement Confidence Survey:

- The percentage of workers not at all confident about having enough money for a comfortable retirement grew from 22 percent in 2010 to 27 percent — the highest level measured in the 21 years of the Retirement Confidence Survey.
- 56 percent of respondents say that the total value of their household's savings and investments, excluding the value of their primary home and any defined benefit plans (i.e., traditional pension plans) is less than \$25,000.
- Less than half of the respondents say they and/or their spouse have tried to calculate how much money they will need for a comfortable retirement. These numbers are obviously troubling — and they indicate that most of us probably need to put more thought and effort into our retirement savings. What can you do? Here are a few suggestions:
- Determine how much you'll need in retirement. Try to define the lifestyle you want during retirement. Will you travel the world or stay close to home? Will you work part time or spend your hours volunteering or pursuing hobbies? Once you know what your retirement might look like, try to estimate how much it might cost.
- Identify your sources of retirement income. Take into account your IRA, 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, Social Security and other savings and investments. How much income will they provide? How much can you withdraw from these vehicles each year without depleting them?
- Calculate any retirement shortfall. Try to determine if your savings and investments will be enough to provide you with an income stream that's adequate to meet your retirement needs. If it isn't, develop an estimate of the size of the shortfall.
- Take steps to close savings "gap." If it doesn't look like you'll have enough to meet your retirement needs, you may consider adjusting your savings and investment strategy. This may mean contributing more to your IRA, 401(k) and other retirement accounts. Or, perhaps your investment mix may need to be reviewed to find a better balance growth potential with risk. Or you may need to take both of these steps.
- Monitor your progress. Once you've put your investment strategy into place, you'll need to monitor your progress to make sure you're on track toward achieving your retirement savings goals. Along the way, you may have to make adjustments, if there are changes in your objectives or your specific situation.

Taking these types of action can be challenging, so you may want to work with a professional financial advisor who has the experiences and resources necessary to help you identify and work toward achieving your retirement goals. In any case, though, National Save for Retirement Week is a great time to consider your course of action.

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Okay, it's not quite so easy. But it's not far from

the truth, if you talk to 26-year-old county resident Natalie Binder, whose first self-published e-book, titled *Redshift: New Year's Day*, is available on Amazon, Smashwords and other e-book publishing and distributing platforms. Right on the e-book cover it states, Book 1, alerting readers to the intended series, which Binder confirms. Indeed, she has a self-imposed deadline of November to complete the second e-book in the series.

Binder, a Fulbright Scholar and FSU graduate

with a Masters in Information Science, currently works at the Jefferson County Bialar Public Library as a technology specialist. She says it took her about three months to complete the book, which she started writing right after her graduation from graduate school in April 2011. We're talking about a publication that's fresh off the e-press.

Online reviews describe the book as "a mix of Buck Rogers and Firefly with a bit of Farscape thrown in", and Binder as a skilled writer who weaves an interesting story, displays a sharp eye for character delineation, and injects humor into her tale.

The storyline centers on J.D. Mitchell, a once ordinary guy who wakes in the middle of a daring prison escape in a dangerous galaxy in a distant future and finds himself subsequently the prisoner of a group of intergalactic enforcers.

What's more, everything that has happened to him since his frightening awakening those 18 months ago will now be revealed to his interrogators as the story unfolds, including his membership in two violent smuggling gangs, his leadership of one of the gangs, and other of his doings that have led to his "day of reckoning".

The book promo asks: "What will happen when the past meets the present? What secret are Mitchell's interrogators really looking for? Why was a 21st Century engineer kidnapped by the distant future?"

Each *Redshift* novella will cover an important

aspect of Mitchell's past, the promo promises.

Book 1 of *Redshift* begins: "J.D. Mitchell didn't look like a space pirate. He was clean-shaven, with few scars and no tattoos. He'd never spoken to his interrogators in the broad spacer accent that marked the poor and the rebels. His teeth and fingertips were slightly yellowed -- sign of a tanned habit -- but sobriety was his preferred state, and his eyes were bright and clear. There was certainly no indication that he'd spent the last 18 months as a member of two violent smuggling gangs... and was personally responsible for the deaths of six people..."

Binder's enthusiasm for her project is refreshingly unbounded, a sure mark of youth.

"It's a serial," she says of her first e-book. "It's like the pilot of a TV show or the first book of comic series. I have a detailed plan for the series on my bedroom wall. It tracks my character's adventure through space and time. This first story starts with a flashback and ends on an ambiguous note. But the past and future will meet eventually in the series."

Yet proud and enthusiastic as she is about her project and its future manifestations, Binder -- who lives with her parents on a Jefferson County organic farm that specializes in raising a variety of garlic plants -- manages all the same to keep a well-grounded and levelheaded perspective on the overall situation.

Which is to say that she recognizes the limitations of self-publication and that Amazon, Smashwords and other such publishers are nowhere near the traditional publishers, in terms of editorial reviews and other quality-control mechanisms.

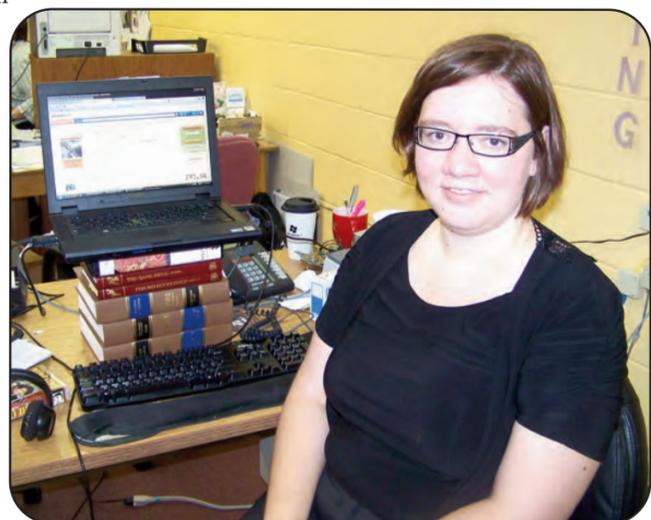
"Their barriers aren't as high," Binder says of

the e-book publishers. "Theirs is really a technical process and they get a percentage of the books sale prices. But the author is really the publisher."

Which is the reason she circulated her work and solicited input from friends and strangers alike on its quality before

start somewhere. And she is thankful for the opportunity of e-books and the wider array of options afforded young writers nowadays, she says.

"There's a wider range of possibilities," Binder says, noting that already a few e-book writ-



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Natalie Binder, a technology specialist at the Jefferson County Bialar Public Library, discusses her science-fiction e-book titled "Redshift", which may be viewed and purchased online.

ers have gone on to distinguish themselves to a degree and establish viable readerships and reputations online.

"I think that as this medium develops maybe one day there will be a guild of writers or editors who will help separate the wheat from the chaff," she says.

For the present, however, she is simply glad to have her book online and selling and receiving favorable reviews.

"I'm not making enough to live on, but it's a nice addition to my income," Binder says of her book sales. "Anyway, the goal now is not to make money, it's to practice my craft and do something I love."

The book sells for \$2.99 online. To view Binder's book, visit www.amazon.com, select "books" in the "all department" box, type "Redshift" in the adjacent box, and click Go. You can read several pages of the book free, before deciding whether to purchase it.

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Monticello/Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce News

President's Pen
Julie Conley

I am honored and delighted to be your new Chamber President. I appreciate your confidence and I promise to do the best I can to build on the success of Gordon Dean and others; to honor the good traditions that make this Chamber such a special organization; to look for new ideas and approaches; and to make the Chamber the go-to organization for local businesses.

As most of you know, I am the executive director of the Jefferson County Economic Development Council. From an economic developer's perspective, the last three years have been brutal. Florida has seen an increase in tourism



and retail sales over the last two quarters, but, for the most part, we've been hammered almost daily with bad news. Most of you would agree that times are tough for everyone.

Now, more than ever, we need to be a resource for our local business community. The very name "Chamber of Commerce" suggests that it's

a venue where business takes place. We need to live up to the name, operate as a model of best business practices and support businesses that re-invest our money within our community.

As your president, I see the Chamber as a big tent. One that is: big enough for businesses of all types and all sizes; big enough for individuals who are not necessarily in business but who have an interest in what's going on in our business world; big enough for non-profit organizations and elected officials, and just about anyone who can fog a mirror and pay the membership fee.

And, when you get all these folks together, the tent should also be big enough for all sorts

of ideas, opinions and management styles. The one thing I don't think we should make room for is disagreement about the ultimate mission of the Chamber, which is... "to be the frontline advocate for businesses, promoting activities that bring economic growth and prosperity to the entire community, while protecting our natural, historic and cultural resources."

We can argue about how we're going to deliver services, or which

strategies we should use to accomplish something, and we can respectfully disagree about who should be in charge of what. But when we're finished, if what we've decided supports that mission, then we're on the right track.

Every organization has its ups and downs and this one is no exception. But we've survived and we've been successful because of our resilience and because the people who've stayed involved, through the ups and downs, care deeply

about the success of this Chamber. They know that success doesn't come without risk. But, they're emotionally connected to this community and this Chamber and they're willing to do what it takes to succeed.

That's what motivates volunteers like you who serve on the board, work on committees, and help with events; and it's what motivates me, with your help and support, to keep this Chamber moving forward.

I look forward to serving you.

Kiwanis And The Dairy Industry

DEBBIE SNAPP
ECB Publishing Staff Writer

John Miller was guest speaker to the Oct. 12 meeting of the Monticello Kiwanis. He is Bureau Chief with the State Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, in the Bureau of Dairy Industry, Division of Food Safety. He spoke to the members about inspection and standards in milk production and sales. He may be contacted in Tallahassee at 850-245-5414 or email to john.miller@freakfromflorida.com



Book Club To Meet

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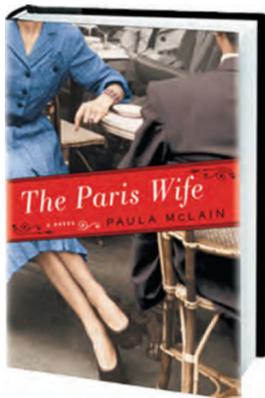
The Palmer Place Book Club will meet at the Palmer Place for its monthly Monday meetings on October 24 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Discussion will be on the book titled 'The Paris Wife' by Paula McLain,

from the point of view of the first wife of Ernest Hemmingway.

If you are interested in joining this group, or

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All type cans - Tin cans - food cans, dog food cans, cat food cans, etc.
Aluminum cans - soda cans, beer cans, etc.

Newspapers, Magazines, etc.

All Cardboard Products - grocery bag, cereal boxes, food boxes, laundry detergent boxes, shipping boxes, etc.

Residents can bring these items directly to the Recycling Center located at 1591 Waukeenah Street or they may drop them off at any one of the collection sites in the County.

Remember, every time you recycle you are extending the life of our Landfill and saving your County dollars in Tipping fees. How could you go wrong?

Additional items accepted at the collection sites:

Household garbage

***Waste Tires** (not accepted at the Recycle Center)

Batteries

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Used Oil & Oil Filters

Household Hazardous Waste - pesticides, swimming pool chemicals, paint, paint thinner, etc. (Please have all containers clearly marked to identify contents)

****The Recycle Center** - Household Hazardous Waste Office will accept medical & pharmaceutical waste. These items must be turned into an employee of the facility and not just dropped off.

Please take notice to all of the **signage** posted in the collection site for the proper disposal of above items.

The City of Monticello Offers Curbside pick-up for city residents for recyclable items on each Wednesday Morning. For further information on other items for disposal in the City, please call Steve Wingate at 342-0154.

Please visit the Jefferson County web page <http://www.cojefferson.fl.us/SolidWaste.html> for the locations & hours of operation for each individual site.

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CHURCH

The Pulpit

What Are You Thinking?



Pastor Eddie Yon Restored Glory Christian Center
"For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he..." Proverbs 23:7
 The question I want to ask you today is, "What are you thinking in your heart about yourself?" In other words, how do you value yourself? I pray that you believe that you are special, one of a kind and irreplaceable. But for some reason, many of us

tend to think positive thoughts about ourselves when things are great and not when they are challenging? There are, however, some exceptions.

Back in the year 2000, a quarterback was selected in the sixth round of the NFL draft. The 199th player to be chosen, he went through agonizing days waiting and hoping that someone would pick him.

Even as I recently saw him discuss these moments, which happened years ago, he still shed tears and showed deep emotions because it was really hard to just sit there and wait for a team to select him. But he finally got selected.

As the story goes, one day as practice was concluding, the owner of the team was coming down toward the field. At the time, this rookie quarterback was, I believe, third or fourth in line to be the starter and had recently gone through the toughest of times waiting. As the owner approached the QB, their conversation went something like

this...
 QB: "Hi sir. How are you doing?"
 Owner: "Fine."
 QB: "Do you know who I am?"
 Owner: "Yeah... You're our sixth round draft pick!"
 QB: "No! I'm the best investment you've ever made for this team!"
 Now can you image that? This unknown, no name, sixth round quarterback had the nerve to tell his boss, "I am the best investment you've ever made for this team!" Not only that, but he wasn't even in a decent position to be the starter. But this guy was truly "thinking some-

thing in his heart" and man was he thinking big. Who was he? The best investment the New England Patriots ever made... Tom Brady. The bible tells us, as a person thinks in his/her heart, so is he/she. So, what you are isn't based on your situation; it's based on your thinking. Where you're going isn't really based on your wallet; it's based on your thinking. Every great step, change and idea started with a single thought.

Tom Brady's Hall of Fame career started with a thought. But here's what makes Brady's situation all the more interesting. I don't believe the positive thought about himself came to him when he spoke with the owner that day after practice. I believe he was thinking that very thought before he stepped on the plane and headed to New England, and he had to think it and keep thinking it, then work it and keep working it until it came

to pass. Whatever change you need to happen in your life starts with what you're thinking. Putting down the cigarettes, alcohol, drugs, and bad habits starts with what you're thinking. Being the best investment the company will ever make starts with what you're thinking. Being the best Husband, Wife, Friend, Teacher, Student, or Parent starts with what you are thinking. So again, my question is this: "What are you thinking?"

Today, I pray that you are thinking what God is thinking about you! That you are an overcomer, you are victorious in the Lord, you are blessed and not cursed, you are healed, whole set free, and delivered and you are the righteousness of God through Christ! God made you that way, so start thinking that way!

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 Sunday Morning.....10:55 AM
 Sunday Bible Study.....6:30 PM
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 Prayer Meeting.....6:30 PM
 Youth Group.....6:00 PM
 Choir Practice.....7:30 PM

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Pastor Derrick Burrus 850-345-0425
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Sunday School.....10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
 Children's Chapel.....11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 PM
 Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
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Debra@monticellonaz@gmail.com
Rev. Timothy Hildreth

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....10:45 AM
 Wednesday Evening
 Supper.....5:30 PM
 Small Group Breakout.....6:30 PM
 Bible Study & Prayer Meeting.....6:30 PM
 Saturday
 Spanish Church Services.....7:30 PM

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 Email: ebcmonticello@centurylink.net

Dr Dean Spivey, Pastor
Student Pastor, Don Self

Sunday Worship Service.....8:30 AM
 Sunday: Bible Study.....9:45 AM
 Worship Service.....11:00 AM
 Choir Practice.....6:00 PM
 Worship Service.....7:00 PM
 Wednesday
 Children/Student Ministry.....3:00 PM
 RA's, GA's, Mission Friends & Youth.6:00 PM
 Bible Study/Prayer Meeting.....6:00 PM

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 Sunday School (every Sunday)....9:30 AM
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
 Children's Worship.....11:00 AM
 Wednesday
 Fellowship Meal.....6:30 PM
 Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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Fr. Viet Tan Huynh

Sunday Mass.....11:00 AM
 Wed. followed by Novena.....7:00 PM
 1st & 3rd Saturday
 Spanish Mass.....7:00 PM

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Transforming Life Church

Most people dream throughout the night. Some dreams you remember when you wake up and others you quickly forget. Have you ever had one of those dreams, though, when you just knew it meant something? It could very well be that it was a 'spiritual dream'; an often overlooked way God speaks to us. Unfortunately, we write off these spiritual dreams as the result of eating too much pizza before going to bed. We treat them like 'junk email' and toss them aside without taking time to study and discern these dreams properly.

We need to begin to take our dreams more seriously. God is using our dreams to say something to us. Recorded in the book of Job, yes the book we don't want to ever apply to us, it says, "For God does speak - now one way, now another - though man may not perceive it. In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls on men as they slumber in their beds, he may speak in their ears..." Job 33:14-16 NIV.

The biggest challenge to these 'spiritual dreams' is deciphering what God is trying to say. There are all these odd occurrences and symbolic goings on. Why can't God just give it to us straight? Not sure I have a perfect answer to that question but we do know Jesus often spoke in parables making it difficult for the casual listener to understand what He was saying.

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Services:
Sunday

Bible School.....9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 1st Sunday Holy Communion Service
Monday
 Wings of Prayer.....5:00 PM
Wednesday
 Noonday Prayer.....12:00 PM
 (Mid-Week Church Fasting Day)
1st Wednesday
 Praise and Worship.....7:30 PM
 Prayer.....7:00 PM
 Bible Class.....7:30 PM
1st, 4th, 5th Saturday
 Prayer.....9:00 AM
Everyday
 Morning Universal Prayer.....6:00 AM

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Pastor George L. Smith
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 Impact 4Jesus (Grades 6th-College)5:30 PM
 Praise & Worship.....6:00 PM
 Adult Choir.....7:00 PM
Wednesday
 Family Supper.....5:45 PM
 Worship.....7:00 PM
 Joyful Sounds Children's Choir...7:00 PM
 5th quarter Youth.....7:00 PM
1st & 3rd Monday
 Mighty Monday-Ladies Bible Study...6:30 PM
2nd Thursday
 Lloyd Silver Saints.....11:00 AM
3rd Thursday
 W.W. Diners(Widows/Widowers outing)...5:30 PM
3rd Saturday
 Brotherhood.....8:00 AM

Dreams: What Is God Saying To You At Night

stand your dreams, and I hope you are, over the course of the next several weeks I will be sharing excerpts from our series on Dreams. You are also welcome to join us each Wednesday evening at 7 p.m., beginning Oct. 19, for a five part series on understanding dreams.

Transforming Life Church is located in the Lloyd area at 1206 Springfield Road. Call for directions to 850-997-8527 or visit online at TranformingLifeChurch.com for more information.

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 2nd Sunday Youth.....11:00 AM
 4th Sunday Service.....8:00 PM
 Tuesday Prayer Meeting
 and Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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 850-997-1596
Bro. Art Beal, Interim Pastor

Sunday Bible Study.....10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday
 Bible & Prayer Meeting.....7:00 PM

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

325 West Washington Street
 Monticello • 997-2349
Dr. Rick Kelley, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM
 Children's Church - Ages 4-6...11:30 AM
 -Nursery for all services-

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

625 Tindell Road • Aucilla • 997-2081
 P.O. Box 163 • Monticello
Pastor Daryl Adams 850-251-0129

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
 Sunday Worship Service.....11:00 AM
 Choir Practice.....5:00 PM
 Worship Service.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday
 Fellowship Meal.....6:30 PM
 Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

CHURCH

Wilburn/Wilburn And LifeSong In Concert

Wilburn and Wilburn and LifeSong will be in concert on Thursday, Oct. 27, at Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park in Madison, FL. The concert will begin at 7 p.m.

The name Wilburn has been a part of the music industry for several years. It seems as though when you mention this family, people recognize that you are talking about music. Not just any music, but Gospel Music, that is sang from the heart. Wilburn and Wilburn is a new name but familiar faces. This father and son duo, combine a solid foundation of "Old School" with a flare of youthful presence to bring the message of Christ in a song.

Jonathan Wilburn has taken the stage with his family The Wilburns and Gold City Quartet. His tenure in Gospel music has brought him close to the heart of people from all ages. Jonathan states, "Gospel music is my way of telling people what Jesus means to me." You will definitely understand what he is talking about the moment you have the experience of watching this seasoned veteran perform.

It seems as though the fans agree, for Jonathan has been nominated and voted America's #1 lead vocalist five times by the subscribers of The Singing News magazine. "My goal was never set on winning any award. I just wanted to sing and pray God would use my efforts to bring a little joy to somebody." His singing started at a young age sitting beside his mother in church. Jonathan says, "My greatest influence in singing was my mom (Elaine Wilburn). She sings alto like nobody else." After a long and fruitful time with his family group, Jonathan became part of one of the most award-winning



Above, LifeSong. At right, Wilburn and Wilburn.

gospel quartets of all time, Gold City. During his tenure of over 12 years this group experienced continued success with Jonathan as the group's lead vocalist. Tim Riley says this about Jonathan, "He (Jonathan) is a Spirit



filled singer with great energy on stage and I would recommend Wilburn and Wilburn for any church or promoter."

Jordan Wilburn is a new name for Gospel music but with his ability to present a song with conviction and honesty, this talented young man will be singing his way into your heart very soon. Jordan states, "I have always loved singing about the goodness of Jesus. My dad has always been my

hero and I am looking forward to being up there with him every night doing what God has for us to do. Jordan will be finishing his history degree while on the road with his father. I believe America is ready for the fresh new talent of this dynamic singer. You will definitely be blessed by this new generation of Wilburns!

For more information contact Bryant Thigpen at 850-464-0114, or visit www.lifesonggospel.com

WORD EXPLOSION 2011

Saturday, October 22, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

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325 W. Walnut Street • Monticello
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- Sunday School.....9:30 AM
- Traditional Worship.....11:00 AM
- Youth Group.....5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

- Bible Study.....4:15
- Musical Academy.....5:00
- Prayer Group.....5:15
- Fellowship Meal.....6:00
- Chancel Choir Practice.....6:30

LAMONT BAPTIST CHURCH

850-997-6870----P. O. Box 188
US 27 Lamont, FL 32336
www.lamontbaptistchurch.org

Mark Holley, Pastor

- Sunday School.....10:00am
- Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am
- Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm
- Bible Study and Choir Practice.....6:00pm (each Wed. night)
- JOY Club (just older youth 50+).....6:00pm (3rd Monday of each month)

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- Wednesday
- Prayer & Bible.....7:00 PM

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13 Barrington Road • Monticello • 850-997-8747

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- Sunday School.....(Every Sunday)...9:45 AM
- Morning Worship.....(1st & 3rd Sundays)11:00 AM
- Bible Study/Prayer Meeting- (Thursday before 1st & 3rd sunday)..... 7:30 PM.

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- Wednesday.....7:00 PM
- Praise & Worship
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- Wednesday with Pastor.....10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
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- Men's Ministry every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month.
- 4th Saturday**
- Morning Glory for women.....8:00 AM

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Pastor Donald Thompson, Jr.

- Sunday School.....9:45 AM
- Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
- Youth Group.....7:00 PM
- Wednesday
- Choir Practice.....7:00 PM
- Youth Group.....7:00 PM
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- Sunday School.....9:45 AM
- Sunday Morning.....11:00 AM
- Sunday Evening.....6:30 PM
- Wednesday Evening.....7:00 PM
- Wed. TRAC Club for teens.....7:00 PM

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415 E Palmer Mill Rd • Monticello • 997-1119
newhope415@yahoo

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- 3rd Sunday Holy Communion
- Wednesday Evenings
- Prayer Meeting.....6:30 P.M.
- Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

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- Sunday School.....9:45 AM
- Sunday Worship(except last Sunday of month)..11:00 AM
- SonShine Worship(last Sunday of month).....9:00 AM
- Adult Bible Study-Wednesday.....6:30-7:30 PM
- Men's Breakfast.....8:00 a.m. on 2nd Saturday

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3862 Tram Rd. • Monticello • 997-6774
Pastors Donnie and Nancy Thomas

- Sunday School.....10:00 AM
- Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
- Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 PM
- Wednesday Worship.....7:00 PM

INDIAN SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

5593 Veterans Memorial Drive (Hwy 59)
Tallahassee • 850-893-5296
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Rev. Greg Roberts

- Sunday School.....9:45 AM
- Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
- Children's Worship.....11:00 AM
- Wednesday
- Fellowship Meal.....7:00 PM
- Prayer Meeting.....7:45 PM

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4543 Waukeenah Hwy • Monticello -850-264-0802

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- Sunday School.....9:45 AM
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- email=lenzos@his-body.com

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- Sunday Worship.....10:30 AM
- Sunday Worship 1 & 3.....2:00 PM-4:00 PM
- Every 2nd & 4th Sunday.....6:00 PM
- Tuesday Bible Study.....7:00 PM
- AA Tuesday.....8:00 PM
- Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 PM
- Wed. Young People Bible Study.....7:00 PM
- Wed. Counseling.....5:30 PM-8:30 PM
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OCTOBER 19 - NOVEMBER 16

Understanding and Interpreting Dreams Series will be offered over the course of five consecutive Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. hosted by Transforming Life. The community is invited to come and learn the principles of biblical dream interpretations. The church is located in the Lloyd area at 1206 Springfield Road. For directions, call 850-997-8527 or visit online at TransformingLifeChurch.com for more information.

OCTOBER 21

Tent of the Holy Guests offers prayer for the sick and a special scripture message every Friday at 7:30 p.m. The Tent is located at 295 West Palmer Mill, in downtown Monticello.

OCTOBER 21, 22

USDA Commodities Food Program and Second Harvest Food Bank have joined with New Bethel AME, Elizabeth MB, Hick-

ory Hill MB, Mt. Pleasant AME and Philadelphia MB churches to provide food to anyone needing assistance including the needy, infants and the elderly. This is done monthly with distribution from 8 to 9 a.m. usually on the fourth Saturday at the New Bethel AME Church located at 6496 Ashville Highway. Volunteers are also welcome to come on Friday evening at 6 p.m. to help bag the food packages. Contact Nellie Randall at 850-997-5605 or 850-997-6929 to volunteer or for more information about the program.

OCTOBER 22

Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, beginning at 4 p.m. at 3812 Tram Road. This year there will be a Chili Cookoff, jungle jump, cotton candy, prizes, games, food, fun and lots of good Christian fellowship. All free to everyone.

OCTOBER 23

Children's Day at Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church begins at 11a.m. on Sunday at 3812 Tram Road.

OCTOBER 23

Memorial Missionary Baptist Church Senior Choir will celebrate its 51st Anniversary at 3 p.m. on the fourth Sunday. Rev. George Proctor and Gethsemane MB Church will be in charge of the service. The community is invited to attend this evening of praise and worship. Those unable to attend are asked to pray that the program will be blessed. Rev. JB Duval, pastor and moderator. For

more information call 850-997-2712.

OCTOBER 23

Casa Bianca Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its annual Men and Women Day on Sunday beginning at 9:30 a.m. with School Sunday and continuing with Morning Worship at 11 a.m. Your presence is requested to come and help to lift the name of the Lord. Pastor J.W. Tisdale and the St. Phillip AME Church of Monticello will be guest pastor and congregation. Contact Burnette Thompson at 850-997-4484 for more information. Rev. Tobbie Berrian III, pastor/teacher

OCTOBER 28

First Baptist Church Fall Festival will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday with fun, food and fellowship, in the parking lot behind the fellowship hall. There will be fishing games, face-painting, goodie bags, hay rides, hot dogs and drinks... and all at no charge. Just bring the kids, visit, eat and have some good, clean Halloween fun. For more information contact the church at 850-997-2349.

OCTOBER 29

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church Harvest Fall Festival is set for Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 410 East York Street. The annual event will be held on the property of this historic landmark. Come enjoy the food, fun and games. This event is committed to delivering a quality experience for both vendors and patrons. Rev. Helen L. Johnson Robinson, pastor.

NOVEMBER 5

Union Hill AME Church will host a parade and carnival on Saturday, at 148 Tin Top Road in Wacissa. The parade will start at 9 a.m. and the carnival will follow at 10 a.m. There will be lots of carnival style foods, fun games, train rides, jumpers and live Gospel music and singing. If you'd like to participate in the parade contact Velda Alexander at 850-322-0006, Shirley Huggins at 850-294-3431, or Angela Jordan at 850-345-8461.

NOVEMBER 13

Sunday of Silence will be held from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. every second Sunday of each month at One Heart Earth Center. It's a non-denominational time of stillness and reflection. Consider spending this special day in silent remembrance. A meditation room, sunporch, gardens and Labyrinth await you. Come before church, after church, spend a little time, or a day. Reservations would be nice, as to know just how much food to prepare. A vegetarian lunch is offered at noon; served and eaten in silence. Gentle Hatha Yoga will begin at 10 a.m. with instructor Joy Moore. Mats are provided. OHEC is located at 450 West Madison Street in downtown Monticello and is a non-profit 501c3 public charity. Donations appreciated and are tax deductible. For more information contact Sallie Worley at oneheartearthcenter@embarqmail.com or 850-997-7373.

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“Keeping the Faith” The End Of The World As We Know It

I don't know how it is that you are reading this. In fact, I don't know how any of us are even here. In case you missed it, the entire cosmos was destroyed by the avenging judgment of God this weekend, and you can't plead ignorance - you were properly warned. Oh, forget the cryptic evidence of the Jewish prophets, the predictions of Nostradamus, the ancient Mayan Calendar, or the inexplicable visions of the Apostle John on the Isle of Patmos. No, for the last several years we have been advised by radio broadcaster and prophet Harold Camping that the end was near, and now overdue.

If that name sounds familiar, it should. Harold Camping was convinced - and so were many of his followers, some spending their life's savings to warn their wayward neighbors - that the end of the world would arrive this past May. When that did not occur, Camping amended his prophecy with a gargantuan amount of imagination and interpretive gymnastics, giving the universe a drop-dead date of October 21, 2011.

It really doesn't bother me when the end-times prophets and Harold Campings of the world show up with their placards, tracts, broadcasts, and sandwich boards of doom. It used to rally get under my skin, but now I recognize such predictions as an eccentric Christian tradition, one of those family customs that cannot be stopped, only endured.

The winds of world upheaval begin to blow and spiritual forecasters likewise begin to paint pictures with the terrible brush strokes of God's consuming fire. Sinners are threatened. The blatantly unrepentant are dangled over the inferno. There is a frenzied relish to it all, some doomsdayers seemingly more happy to see all reprobrates burn, than to move on to eternal bliss.

So when a radio preacher misfired once again on his prediction, it was just more of the same, and just as Jesus said it would be. "No one knows the day or the hour," Jesus loudly proclaimed. The expiration date set for the universe is knowledge that belongs exclusively to God, and he doesn't seem

interested in sharing it with Harold Camping or anyone else who fancies making bold prophecies.

Further, as wrong as these would-be-prophets are about actual dates, their divination seems to also distract them from the nature of the end of the age. "Look, I am making everything new!" God says in the end (See Revelation 21). The cosmos doesn't conclude with retribution, but with renewal. The final chapter is not extinction, but transformation. That is our Blessed Hope.

Simply, God believes in and loves his creation in a way that no televangelist or talking-head prophet can ever come close. God has bigger and better plans for his world than just throwing it into the intergalactic trash can. In the words of C.S. Lewis, "We may be tired of this world, but God isn't." He has great things in store, and we get the chance to get in on it and live it beginning today. This is a far better approach to life than pinning for a fictitious apocalypse.

My Hebrew friends will have to forgive me for simplifying one of their marvelous parables, but there is a story in the Jewish literature about an old man who planted a fig tree. When asked if he really expected to live long enough to eat fruit from that tree, the old man laughed and said: "I was born into world that had fruit ready to eat. My ancestors planted trees for me, and now I plant fruit for my grandchildren."

We can't give up on the world because it's not what we wish it was, or because we think it's all going down the drain with no time left, or because some crackpot makes a bold but foolish prediction. What we call the "end" is not the end at all. True to his nature, God has not given this world a drop-dead date. Instead, it has been stamped with a renewal date, a date we pray and work for until it finally comes.

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A Ghostly Guide to Area Halloween Happenings

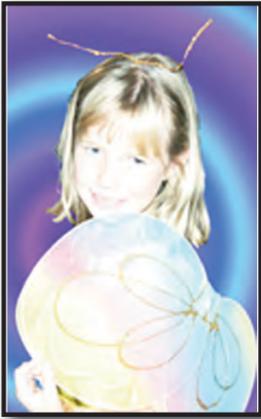
Third Annual Boo Fest October 29

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Staff Writer

Hayley's Angels, an organization created in the memory of Hayley Grantham after her passing, will be hosting the third annual Boo Fest, 6 p.m., Saturday, October 29 at the Jefferson County Recreation Department, located at 1380 Mamie Scott Drive.

The Halloween fundraiser consists of a haunted hayride with two trailers available so there will be no long lines, beginning at 7:30 p.m., a kiddy train ride, also known as "The Boo Train," inflatables, a costume parade at 7 p.m., carnival games, including a wide variety of toss games such as toilet paper toss, ring toss, baseball toss and ring toss, food, drinks, Halloween music and more.

"We are asking members of the community to support our cause by attending the fundraiser and/or by volunteering," said Hayley's mom, Tracie Grantham. "We are looking for groups such as youth groups, businesses, churches, sports groups, etc, to provide a game booth and prizes for the patrons of the event or by



performing a skit for the haunted hayride. Potential volunteers should call Tracie at 251-7946.

Tickets are \$10 each and they include entry to all attractions, including the haunted hayride, the Boo Train, inflatables and games, an unlimited amount of times, or \$5 for the haunted hayride only. Children three years old and younger are free.

"We would like to bring the community together for a good cause and to help a charity that was created in memory of a young, loving member of our community, said Tracie. "Our mission, is to reduce the burden on families who have a child(ren) with a critical illness or injury by pro-

viding financial and emotional support," she added. "We offer support to families, allowing parents to spend less time thinking about their financial worries and more time concentrating on the most important thing, their child!

"Our goals are to offer care packages to our families containing items such as: pre-paid gift cards for gas, long-distance phone cards, grocery stores and eventually an apartment close to the hospital where the child has medical treatments," Tracie said. Hayley's Angels is a family-first non-profit charity raising spirits and funds to support those who need it most.

"When Hayley came into our lives we were forever changed. We never knew how to love so unconditionally until then. She was both beautiful on the outside and, more importantly, on the inside," she added.

"She joined the angels in Heaven on February 8, 2006, at the tender age of ten, after battling a pontine glioma brain tumor for 10 1/2 months. She taught us true courage during her illness," Tracie concluded.

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Halloween Coloring Contest

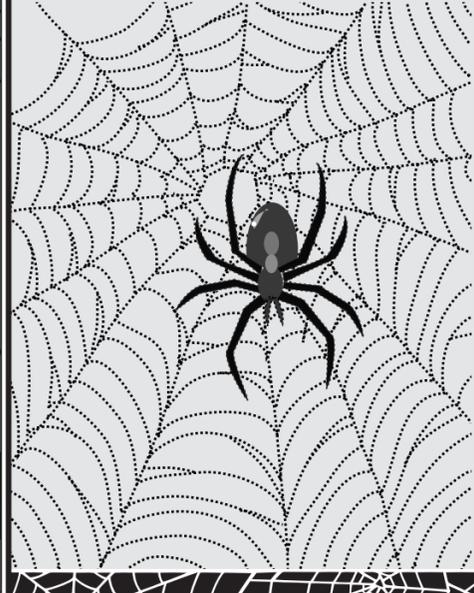
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SPORTS

Aucilla Prevails on Homecoming 49-0, Improves Record to 5-2

WILLIAM SMITH
ECB Publishing

Much was at stake as the Warrior football team took the field last Friday evening in the crisp October twilight air, ushered in by the roar of the many hundreds of Aucilla faithful who had flocked to the school in commemoration of the ritual that has defined alumni for generations.

For the entirety of the previous week, Aucilla had been celebrating its 41st year of existence with traditional celebrations and festivities that mark the anniversary of one of the pillars of Jefferson County's education and social system.

However, all of these events were simply the hors d'oeuvres that signal the arrival of the much-anticipated main course for the special week: the annual homecoming game.

While these circumstances alone would provide abundant motivation for any squad of players, the Warriors had even more incentive that night, a fire in their bellies supplied by the need for one simple thing: redemption.

The week prior to Aucilla's homecoming, the Warriors had fallen to their most hated adversary, the Bobcats of Robert F. Munroe. It was a loss that left players and coaches with a proverbial black eye that could only be cured by the self-assuring feeling of a well-earned victory.

And so, the student-athletes suited up with a



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Bradley Holm is pictured running the ball in for a touchdown for the Aucilla Warriors, during last Friday night's Homecoming game against the Seacoast Christian Eagles. The Warriors won the game 49-0.

single mentality: to exert their will upon the Seacoast Christian Eagles. Four quarters, 49 points, and one shutout later, the Warriors had finally exorcised the bitter feeling of defeat that had hung over their heads like a mist.

It was a victory that was earned through complete authority in every aspect of the game, including offense, defense, and special teams. Almost all of the damage was done in the first half, when the starting squad of Aucilla players scored no less than 42 of their eventual 49 points.

The Warriors hearkened back to the old days of football tradition for their success, staying true to the foundational goals of rushing the football and stopping the opponents' rushing attack.

This shutout represents Aucilla's third this

season, and according to the coaching staff, was achieved long before the last second ticked off of the clock Friday night.

"From the very first meeting this week, we had once again set the goal for our defense that we force a shutout against Seacoast Christian," said head coach Colby Roberts. "We made the players understand that success is gained Monday through Thursday, and that after a great week of practice, the game itself is a reward."

The defense responded to the coaches' challenge by forcing four turnovers, sacking the Seacoast quarterbacks nine times, and recording its second safety in what ranks as one of its best performances so far this season.

Despite being the smaller squad of players,

the Warriors displayed impressive speed and a physicality that quickly subdued any offensive progress by the Eagles of Seacoast Christian. An aggressive defensive scheme of rush blitzes and stout play by the Aucilla linebacker corps corralled the misdirection running attack of Seacoast, forcing them into the perimeter pressure of Aucilla defensive ends as they vainly attempted a passing attack as the score increased.

The defensive success was a total team effort, with 8 different players contributing to the sack total, as well as four players each securing a turnover. Defensive team leaders include senior defensive end Trent Roberts, who finished the game with 2 1/2 sacks and a forced fumble; junior linebacker Bradley Holm, who returned an intercept-

tion for a touchdown, as well as securing three tackles for loss and a blocked punt; senior defensive tackle Corey Burrus, who had two sacks to go along with two tackles, and sophomore defensive tackle Cole Schaub, who recorded a sack, recovered a fumble, and scored the defensive safety late in the first quarter.

The Aucilla offense established a bullish rushing attack complimented by a play-action passing game that was extremely effective in establishing the physical presence that was so lacking in the previous loss to Munroe. In total, Aucilla backs were responsible for six rushing touchdowns and 243 yards of the 377 yards of total offense, led by Bradley Holm's 97 yards rushing and two touchdowns. Holm carried the ball only five times, gashing his way to 19.5 yards-per-carry average. Senior Phillip Watt also contributed with two scores to go along with 33 rushing yards, and junior Jarrod Turner finished with 63 yards on nine carries.

As the second half began, Aucilla's starters gave way to several freshman backups who gained valuable game experience for the future as the offense began to wind down. Most notably, backup quarterback Timmy Burrus completed two passes for 33 yards, as well as contributing another 34 yards rushing and a touchdown.

As the fireworks boomed in the back-

ground and the cheers rose from the stands, the Warriors regained their swagger in front of a homecoming crowd with their own pride on the line, a victory that signals that the season isn't quite over for the Warriors. This is a fact that is not lost on Coach Colby Roberts.

"It was very important to get this win after what happened last week. So far, this has been a season of overcoming adversity, and with a 5-2 record, we are still very much alive in our conference. Next week's game against Maclay will be the most important game to date," said Roberts.

A loss against Maclay (4-2, 2-1) would seal Aucilla's (5-2, 1-1) fate for its conference hopes, while a victory would improve its chances at catching Munroe (3-4, 3-0) in the divisional standings. Maclay features a brilliant rushing attack behind speedster back Lee Williams, who is the reigning Class 1-A champion in the triple jump, as well as the 100-meter dash. All efforts will conceivably be focused on stopping the one-man highlight reel that rushed for 127 and three scores on just eight carries in Maclay's 31-0 victory over St. Joseph Academy Friday night.

The Warriors will travel to Tallahassee to decide their conference fate against Maclay this Friday evening at 7:30. Tickets may be purchased at the gate.

Tigers Suffer Defeat In Homecoming Game



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At left, #51, defensive player of the week, Denzel Whitfield had the defense of Taylor County doing everything they could to prevent him from making his tackles during the game, even grabbing him around the ankle, but that doesn't prevent the tackle.

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After a back and forth game on the gridiron between the Jefferson County Tigers and the Taylor County Bulldogs, with the Tigers only three points behind at halftime, Jefferson wound up suffering a 37-27 loss in the hard-fought battle.

Alphonso Footman was named the offensive player of the week he had 23 rushes for 183 yards and two touchdowns.

Denzel Whitfield was

named the defensive player of the week for 10 tackles.

On the offensive side of the field, quarterback Lenorris Footman completed 15 passes out of 27 attempts for 225 yards and one touchdown.

Ladarius Smiley had six pass receptions for 103 yards and one touchdown.

On defense Levi Cobb had nine tackles.

The Tigers now stand 4-3 on the season and will face off Friday against Mayo, 7:30 p.m. at Death Valley.

Players Of The Week

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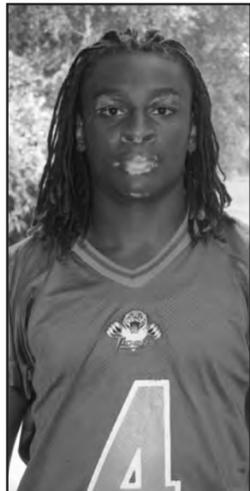
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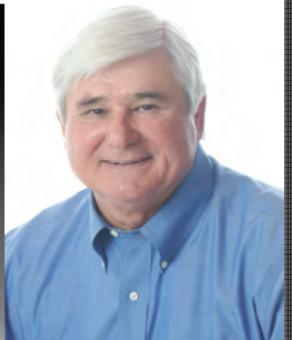
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#4, offensive player of the week, Alphonso Footman heads for a hole cleared by his offensive line and some additional Tiger yardage. He had 23 carries for 183 yards and two touchdowns during the game.

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TIGERS HOMECOMING WEEK

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The students at Jefferson County Middle High School celebrated Tigers Homecoming week last week and the Mighty Tigers were geared up and ready for a showdown with the Taylor County Bulldogs Friday night during the homecoming game.

Monday was Pajama Day with students dressed in their favorite nighttime wear; Tuesday was Tacky Day with students dressed in the tackiest clothes they could dream up; Wednesday was Dress For Success Day when students dressed in their best business attire; Thursday was Support Your Team Day and Friday was Spirit Day featuring the annual Homecoming Parade.

The parade started at 1 p.m. beginning at Jefferson Elementary School and ending at the old Jefferson County High School campus. The Tigers fans densely lined the parade route, cheering on the many entries in the parade.

During the halftime festivities at the Homecoming game against Taylor County, announcer Sandra Saunders announced the Royal Court.

Miss Sixth Grade Ja'Lecia Williams and her escort, Kevin Shuler, Jr. Ja'Lecia is the daughter of Thelma and Lance Footman. Kevin is the son of Kevin Shuler,

Sr. and Kimberly Walker.

Miss Seventh Grade Ja'Mya Madry and her escort Adnes Bronson. Ja'Mya is the daughter of Jessica Graham and Cedric Madry. Adnes is the son of Ona Bronson and Adnes Bronson, Sr.

Miss Eighth Grade Audrianna Noel and her escort, Azenda Thompson. Audrianna is the daughter of Nartosa Miller and Herbert Thomas. Azenda is the son of Charlene Webb and Willard Thompson.

Miss Freshman Ambrosia Branham and her escort Nikolas Branham. Ambrosia and Nikolas are the daughter and son of Alice G. Branham.

Miss Sophomore Jakeia Morris and her escort Malik Carter. Standing in for Carter was JCMHS Principal Guy Cooper. Jakeia is the daughter of Tammy Williams, Ben Morris and Latonah Martin. Malik is the son of Ginger Carter, Shedrick Green and Fontella Green.

Miss Junior Samiria Martin and her escort Tre'veyon Edwards. Standing in for Edwards was Denard Holmes. Samiria is the daughter of Latonah Martin and Sampson Martin. Tre'veyon is the son of Jennifer Powell.

Miss Senior Shanice Young and her escort Tony Jackson. Shanice is the daughter of Voncell Thomas and Darrell Young. Tony is the son of Tony and

LaKaysia Jackson, Sr.

Miss Orange Jana Barber and her escort Witness Davis. Standing in for Davis was Deandre Tucker. Jana is the daughter of Susan and Charles Barber. Witness is the son of Willie and Crystal Davis.

Miss Blue Lanesiya Massey and her escort Zachary Lucero. Lanesiya is the daughter of Martha and Tony Massey. Zachary is the son of Allison and Travis Lewis.

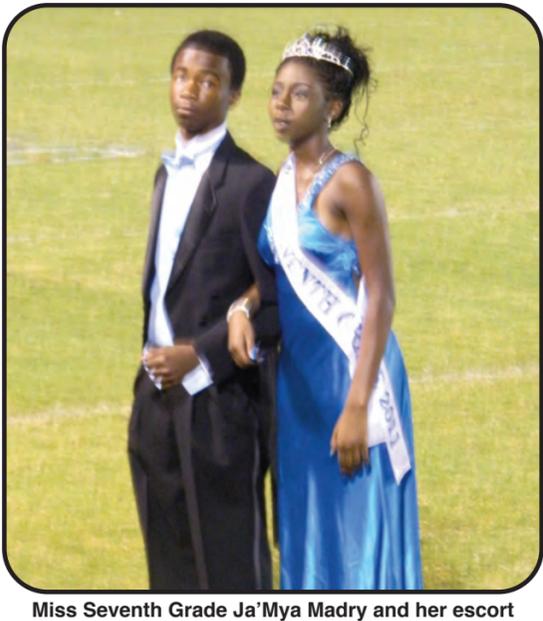
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Miss JCMHS Emily Howell and Mr. JCMHS Denzel Whitfield. Standing in for Whitfield was Howell's dad, Nathaniel Howell. Emily is the daughter of Sandra Saunders and Nathaniel Howell. Whitfield is the son of Cynthia Whitfield. Emily was teary-eyed as they dedicated the halftime festivities to the memory of her grandmother and her aunt who recently passed from breast cancer. The tears continued to stream down her face as she was crowned Miss JCMHS.

Wrapping up the homecoming Week festivities, the Tigers suffered an agonizing and heartbreaking 37-27 loss to the Taylor County Bulldogs.



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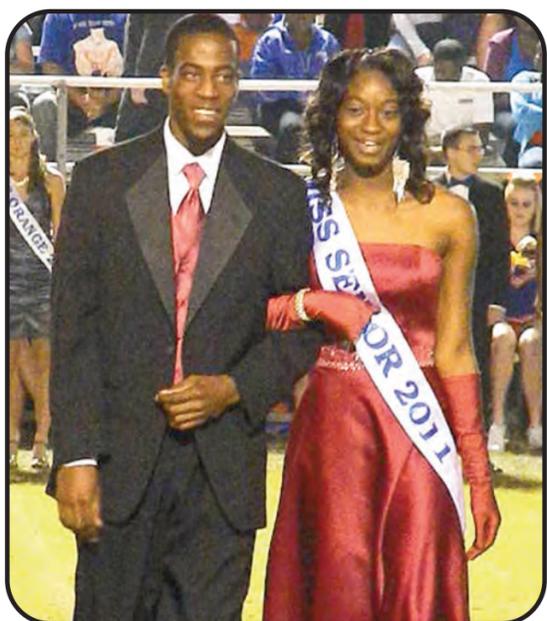
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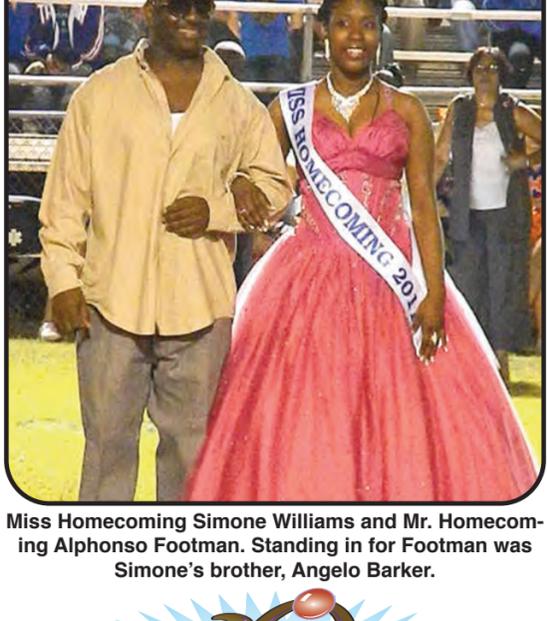
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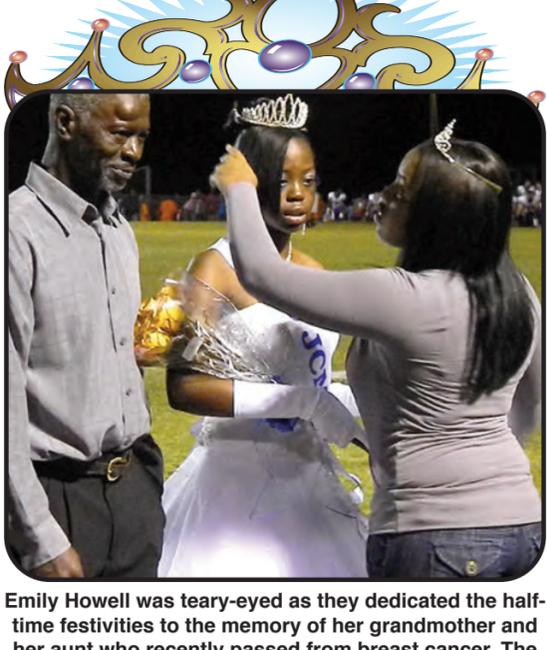
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ACA HOMECOMING WEEK HUGE SUCCESS ENDS WITH VICTORY

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The Warriors were celebrating their Homecoming week festivities last week and the Warriors were geared up for the showdown against Seacoast Christian during the big homecoming game.

Monday was Pajama Day with students dressed in their favorite nighttime attire; Tuesday was Rat Day, Wednesday was Hippie Day and Thursday was Twin Day with FCA Field Day beginning at 11:35. Filed day featured such games as ultimate Frisbee, dodge ball, tug of war, the trivia contest and the eating contest where each contestant had to down a pack of Oreo cookies with the winner being the first to finish the pack. The junior won field day for the high school and the eighth grade won field day for the middle school. at 1:35, everyone's favorite, the Scavenger Hunt in the gymnasium. The senior class won the scavenger hunt for the high school and the seventh grader won the scavenger hunt for the middle school.

Friday, Homecoming Day, is Spirit and Class Shirt Day. From 10:18 am - 12:12 pm is float construction for grades 9-12. Grades 6-8 will attend the sixth period class from 10:30 until 11:15 am, which was followed by the Middle School Student Council chosen activity and Freeze Tag on the JV practice field from 11:15 until 12:12.

At 1 p.m. began the parade lineup, followed by the parade at 1:15 p.m. The seniors won the parade with their theme of Roast the Eagles. They had Tyler Jackson covered in chicken feathers and wearing a beak and they were roasting him. Coordinator Sean Carson said it was the only entry that made

everyone laugh out loud and three out of the four judges voted it the number one float.

The Pep Rally was conducted in the gym from 1:45-2:30 p.m. to ready the Warriors for the big homecoming game.

The junior girls won the Powder Puff Tournament on Thursday with four minutes remaining on the clock the seniors were ahead and trying to run down the clock and attempted to throw a pass into the end zone. The junior intercepted the ball running it back all the way to the five-yard line and scoring the winning touchdown to take the victory in the final game over the seniors, 20-14.

No doubt that school spirit and Warrior pride were prominent on the campus during the week.

The seniors won the overall homecoming week festivities.

The Aucilla Christian Academy Homecoming festivities came to a climax during the half-time festivities when Tyler Jackson and Sunnie Sorensen were named and crowned the 2011 ACA Homecoming King and Queen.

The program began with announcer ACA Assistant Principal Mike Harvin presenting each of the Homecoming Class Representatives.

"Our freshmen class representatives are Kelsi Reams and Zach Holley.

Kelsi is the 14-year old daughter of Kathy and Joe Reams of Greenville. She is the captain of the junior cheerleaders and also plays junior varsity basketball. Kelsi is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Outside of school she enjoys going to the beach, movies and spending time with family and friends.

"Zach is the 14-year



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Tyler Jackson and Sunnie Sorensen were crowned the 2011 ACA Homecoming King and Queen, during Friday night's Homecoming celebrations.

old son of Mark and Angela Holley of Lamont. Zach is involved with the Aucilla yearbook. He enjoys going to the movies and being with his friends.

"Our sophomore representatives are Kayla Fulford and Josh Hicks. Kayla is the 16-year old daughter of Nicole Roddenberry and Ernest Fulford, both of Monticello. She is one of the varsity cheerleaders for ACA and she also plays basketball. Outside of school she enjoys going to the beach, reading and being with family and friends.

"Josh is the 16-year old son of Ray and Angel Hill of Monticello. In his leisure time he enjoys fishing, hanging out with his friends, and just 'chillin'."

"Our junior class representatives are Sarah Boland and Hans Sorensen. Sarah is the 16-year old daughter of Charles and Andrea Boland of Wacissa. In her leisure time she enjoys being with her friends and

family, shopping and going to the river.

"Hans is the 16-year old son of Eric and Patricia Sorensen of Monticello. His school activities include playing on the football, basketball and baseball teams along with being a member of FCA. Outside of school Hans enjoys hunting, fishing, hanging with friends and winning.

"Our first set of senior representatives are Keli Dollar and Mathew Swindell. Keli is the 18-year old daughter of Ricky and Teresa Dollar of Monticello. She is currently the secretary of her senior class. In her leisure time she enjoys volunteering at the local doctor's office and Gretchen Everhart, a school for disabled children. She also enjoys cooking and baking. After graduation Keli plans to attend NFCC to pursue a degree in the medical field.

"Matt is the 17-year old son of Tammy Nettles

of Callahan and Shane Swindell of Monticello. Besides working his two jobs he enjoys working on his Camero. Matt plans to attend TCC and then transferring to FSU to major in Pre-Med with an ultimate goal of becoming a Physician's Assistant.

"Our second set of senior representatives are Tori Self and Tyler Jackson. Tori is the 17-year old daughter of Don and Mandy self of Monticello. She is a member of Beta, FCA and Living Waters. Along with being the editor for the yearbook she is also an active member of her church, Elizabeth Baptist. In her leisure time, she enjoys being with her family and friends and attending youth group activities. After graduation Tori plans on obtaining a degree in Graphic Design by attending Keiser University.

"Tyler is the 17-year old son of Danny and Lisa Jackson on Monticello. He is a varsity football, basketball and baseball player, a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Beta Club. In his time away from school her enjoys being with his family and friends, watching football and playing ping-pong. Tyler plans on attending a major university and majoring in Pre-Med.

"Our third set of senior representatives are Sunnie Sorensen and Marcus Evans. Sunnie is the 17-year old daughter of Jeff and Brenda Sorensen of Monticello. She is captain of the varsity cheerleaders and a player on the varsity basketball and softball teams. Sunnie serves as her class president, the student council representative and is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Her leisure time activities include being with friend and fam-

ily and playing on two softball teams, Tallahassee Bullets and a slow-pitch co-ed team. Next fall Sunnie plans on playing softball at a junior college and then transferring to pursue a degree in Physical Therapy.

"Marcus is the 17-year old son of Marc and Pam Evans of Monticello. He plays varsity football. Outside of school Marcus enjoys spending time with his girlfriend Brooke and riding four-wheelers. After graduation Marcus plans to attend NFCC and transfer to FSU to become an EMT.

"Please join me in giving a round of applause to our ACA 2011 Homecoming Court," said Harvin.

"At this time, I would like to introduce to you last year's ACA Homecoming King and Queen, Mr. Clark Christy and Miss Anna Finlayson. Clark is currently attending North Florida Community College and Anna is attending North Florida Community College in Madison. Clark and Anna will crown the 2011 Homecoming King and Queen.

"And now the moment you have all been waiting for, the Aucilla Christian Academy Homecoming King for 2011 is Tyler Jackson and the Aucilla Christian Academy Homecoming Queen for 2011 is Sunnie Sorensen," he concluded.

Jackson and Sorensen received their crowns and were applauded with an eruption from the stands.

The Homecoming Festivities received the icing on the cake for another perfect Homecoming Week with the 49-0 victory over Seacoast Christian.

Carson concluded that Johnny Dickey did a terrific job on the fireworks for the homecoming game.



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Zach Holley and Kelsi Reams were the 2011 Freshman Homecoming Representatives.



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Matt Swindle and Keli Dollar were one of the 2011 Senior Homecoming Representatives.



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Marcus Evans and Sunnie Sorensen were one of the 2011 Senior Homecoming Representatives.



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Aucilla Christian Academy's Homecoming King and Queen, and their court. Pictured left to right: Zach Holley and Kelsi Reams (Freshman Representatives), Marcus Evans and Tori Self (Senior Representatives), Tyler Jackson and Sunnie Sorensen (King and Queen), Matt Swindle and Keli Dollar (Senior Representatives), Hans Sorensen and Sarah Boland (Junior Representatives), and Josh Hicks and Kayla Fulford (Sophomore Representatives).

SCHOOL



ACA K-4 and K-5 classes are pictured here on their tour to the Sheriff's Office and Jefferson County Jail, during their Community Helper's field trip. Below, the students are pictured during their tour of Jefferson County Fire Rescue.

ACA K-4 And K-5 Classes Community Helper's Field Trip



For the past couple of weeks the K-4 and K-5 classes from Aucilla Christian Academy have been studying community helpers'. They have had several visitors come to speak with the children about their jobs and how they help the community. They also discussed how Jesus was a great example of a community helper.

To wrap up the unit, the classes went on their community helpers' field trip in Monticello. Their first stop was the Sheriff's Office and Jefferson County Jail. There were several officers who talked with the children about their duties as deputies. They gave the students a tour of the deputy work room, interrogation room, dispatch room, and the holding cells. They also showed the children how the fingerprint machine was used, their tazers, breathalyzer machine, the holding chair, and they also did a fingerprint dusting presentation! They also got to look in a police car and ask many questions.

Next, the classes went down the road to the Fire Department where Renee' McCord did a great presentation about fire safety and explained their jobs as firefighters. She explained to the children to never be scared and hide from a fireman. One of the local firefighters put on his uniform to show the children what they would look like, and sound like, if a fireman had to come into their home. They students were then allowed to explore the fire truck and ambulance.

The next stop, for the students, was Tupelo's Bakery for a snack. The owners, Claire Olson and baker Kim Davis, served the children their famous sticky buns and a blueberry muffin and milk. This was definitely a sweet treat for the chil-

dren.

Next, they went up the hill to the post office where they all mailed a letter to their parents.

After the post office, the students went to the Jefferson County Public Library. Kitty Brooks did a wonderful story time with songs and finger plays for the children. She gave them a tour of the library and encouraged the children to get a

library card.

The last stop of the day was the Recreation Park for a sack lunch and a little playtime.

Aucilla Christian Academy would like to thank the community for welcoming these classes with opened arms. The students saw first-hand what a wonderful community we all live in. The weather was beautiful and they had a blast!



ACA BOARD RAFFLE NOVEMBER 18

Fran Hunt
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy Annual Board Raffle will be held at 6 p.m., November 18, in the ACA Wilmer Bassett gymnasium.

The evening will feature a delicious prime rib dinner for two with all of the trimmings including garlic mashed potatoes, garden salad, homemade desserts, sour cream rolls, and iced tea or coffee and a chance to win one of five amazing prizes.

The prizes are donated to the school each year at a very substantial discount. Those prizes include: a 14-foot aluminum boat with four-horse power motor and trailer, valued at \$3,480 and donated by Big Bend Marine of Perry; valuable diamond jewelry, donated by Alex Heart; a 43-inch color television set valued at \$940 and was purchased at a 50 percent discount from Badcock Home Furniture & More in Monticello; a truck toolbox and accessory package, which includes an alu-

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The donation to attend the event is \$100 per couple.

ACA Principal Richard Finlayson said that Board members are hoping that the dinner and raffle continues to be the growing success it has been each year and they eagerly look forward to a very large crowd again this year. "We greatly appreciate anybody's support in this very important fundraiser to help us further or ministry from Jesus Christ," said Finlayson.

Last year's event raised some \$19,300, compared to \$18,700 in 2009 and \$16,000 in 2008.

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LEGALS

NOTICE OF MEETING OF CITY PARK COMMITTEE

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NOTICE

As directed by Florida State Statute, the JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD hereby notices its intent to adopt the following policies: Visitor Identification Measure, 1001.43 F.S.; Nursing Mothers, 1012.23, 383.015 F.S.; Service Animals, 1006.08, 1006.07 F.S.; Students With Disabilities: Time-Out, Seclusion and Physical Restraint, 100.32, 1003.573, 1012.75 F.S.; as tentatively approved by the School Board. Copies of the proposed policies are available for review at the District Office at 575 S. Water Street, Monticello, FL. The documents are also available on the district website at www.edline.net/pages/jcsb.

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NOTICE OF LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE PROPOSED CHANGE

Jefferson County Board of County Commission will have a public hearing on the following proposed land development code change on November 3, 2011 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as such matter may be heard, in the courtroom of the Jefferson County Courthouse Annex located at 435 West Walnut Street, Monticello, Florida. The meeting may be continued as necessary.

JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NO. 2011- 110311-01

AN ORDINANCE OF JEFFERSON COUNTY FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE JEFFERSON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR PURPOSE; AMENDING GENERALLY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE ARTICLE 8, PART 8.02.00, PLANNING COMMISSION; AMENDING SECTION 8.02.02 ESTABLISHMENT; AMENDING SECTION 8.02.03 MEMBERSHIP; AMENDING SECTION 8.02.04 TERMS OF OFFICE; AMENDING SECTION 8.02.05 ORGANIZATION, RULES, STAFF AND FINANCES; AMENDING SECTION 8.02.06 FUNCTIONS, POWERS AND DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2008CA000085

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2006-4

Plaintiff,

vs.

DEMETRIA M. POPE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEMETRIA M. POPE; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY;

Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated October 11, 2011, and entered in Case No. 2008CA000085, of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for JEFFERSON County, Florida. DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2006-4 is Plaintiff and DEMETRIA M. POPE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEMETRIA M. POPE; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE NORTH DOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE, at CLERK OF COURTS, MONTICELLO in JEFFERSON County, FLORIDA, at 11:00 a.m., on the 1st day of December, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

COMMENCE AT THE NE CORNER OF THE LAND CONVEYED TO LORA E. TAYLOR BY MARY JOHNSON AND HUSBAND BY DEED DATED 1/1/1889 AND OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK "U" PAGE 385, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THEN RUN EAST 221.0 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF HILL STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID WEST LINE OF HILL STREET 262.5 FEET TO THE POB; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH ALONG SAID STREET 62.5 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WEST 225.0 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 62.5 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE EAST 225.0 FEET TO THE POB, AND BEING IN THE NE ¼ OF THE SW ¼ OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH RANGE 5 EAST, MONTICELLO, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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Dated this 12th day of October, 2011.

Kirk B. Reams
As Clerk of said Court
By Sherry Sears
As Deputy Clerk

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Battery

girlfriend.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) reported that on October 8, deputies Martin Grogan and Dan Williams were dispatched to the "Projects" apartments in reference to a physical altercation. Upon arrival they met with the complainant.

She said that her boyfriend, Andrew Lewis Virgil, 53, of Jefferson County and she were just getting back from a birthday party when they started arguing. It was noted that both parties were intoxicated.

She said she told him to leave the apartment when Virgil started

to get angry. He picked up a metal pipe used for exercising and started to wield it around and yell at her. The complainant said she was fearful for her life and picked up the phone to call 911. She was communicating with JCSO dispatch and Virgil took the phone away from her, preventing her from communicating with dispatch.

She lost communication with dispatch and dispatch called back multiple times. Virgil finally answered a call from dispatch, said everything was okay and immediately hung up the phone.

At the time of their arrival,

Virgil had hidden the metal pipe in the apartment and the complainant showed the deputies where it was.

The deputies noted that she was visibly shaken from the altercation. She also had a scratch on her lip where she said Virgil scratched her when she tried to close the front door on him.

At that time, Virgil was taken into custody, transported to the County Jail and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and tampering with a victim. A total bond of \$10,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail October 18.

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FMB President Richard Sims.

Sims advised that the subject in question was still inside the bank but the black male sitting in the blue Chevrolet SUV was the transportation for the man trying to pass the check.

At that time, Lt. Norton went inside of the bank and made contact with the subject, identified as Kenrick Marshe Green, 32, of Monticello. The Lt. asked Green what was going on and

Green said that Mrs. Mathye White McCloud had given him the check.

Sims produced the check, which was from the John White Chapter Order of the Eastern Star, Monticello, FL made out for \$250 and made out to Kenrick M. Green.

McCloud was also inside of the bank at that time and was asked to examine the check to verify if the signature on it was hers or not. She at once stated that the sig-

nature was not hers and she did not give anyone permission to sign her name on that check.

She advised that she is a member of the Eastern Star of Monticello, FL but is not listed on the account to sign any of their checks.

Green was taken to MPD and was read the Miranda rights and interviewed about the check.

He admitted taking the check out of his mother's room and sign-

ing McCloud's signature and passing the check at the bank. He also advised that the black male outside of the bank in the SUV had nothing to do with the check.

Green was arrested and transported to the County Jail where he was booked, processed and charged with forgery and uttering a forged instrument. A total bond of \$15,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail October 18.

Man Rams SUV With Motorcycle

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A man was injured over the weekend after ramming an SUV with his motorcycle.

The Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) reported that on October 16 at approximately 2:15 p.m., Robert Joseph Weitzel, 67, of Crawfordville, FL, was driving a 2006 Honda motorcycle traveling south on SR-59 behind Connie Boland Lord, 34, of Tallahassee, who was driving a 2004 Nissan SUV, also traveling south on SR-59.

Lord was making a left hand turn into a driveway at 12647 SR-59 and Weitzel attempted to pass her vehicle in the left lane.

The right side of the motorcycle collided with the left side of the SUV.

The motorcycle overturned onto its right side and came to a rest facing east on the east shoulder of SR-59.

The SUV came to rest facing southeast in the northbound lane of SR-59, at the point of impact with the motorcycle.

FHP did not deem the crash to be alcohol-related. Lord was

wearing a seatbelt. Weitzel was not wearing a helmet.

Weitzel was taken to Capital Regional Medical Center by family members for treatment of possible minor head injuries.

Lord was unharmed.

Assisting FHP on the scene were the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Jefferson County EMS.

Weitzel was charged with failure to drive in a single lane, passing.

The motorcycle sustained \$4,000 damage and the SUV sustained \$4,500 damage.

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIME REPORT

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Man Charged After Choking Girlfriend

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A Wacissa man was arrested and charged on an outstanding county warrant for his arrest for choking his girlfriend during an altercation.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office reported that on September 18, Deputy Paul Peebles was dispatched to a Bethpage Road incident in reference to a fight going on between a man and a woman.

Upon arrival, the deputy made contact with the woman who stated that she was arguing with her boyfriend, Willie James Boyd, 49, of Wacissa, FL. She said he walked in and asked her where his food was while

she was in the middle of making food for her children then he asked her for his money.

She said he wanted gas money for taking her to Tallahassee. She added that Boyd had gotten really angry, punched her in the face, then pulled her out of her wheelchair, held her to the ground and began to choke her.

The victim added that she had just had her leg amputated due to some diabetes complications and she was still trying to get used to being without her leg. Deputy Peebles noted that he could not see any visible injuries on her. He informed her that if she started to bruise or show marks to call and he would take photos of



Willie James Boyd

occurred the day before.

He stated that he went to Tallahassee with the family to go shopping. He said that after they returned that the victim and he began arguing about wanting to go to see some of his female friends. He said he was going to leave so she could not argue with him any more. He added that she said that if he left the house that she would get him one way or the other and he left the house and went straight to his mother's house.

Boyd, was arrested October 8 on an outstanding county warrant and charged with felony battery by strangulation. Bond was set at \$5,000 and he bonded out of jail

JCI Inmate Busted With Pot

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A Jefferson Correctional Institution (JCI) inmate was busted earlier this year with marijuana in his possession and the inmate was officially charged at the County Jail October 3 with the crime.

According to the Florida Department of Corrections Office of the Inspector General, at approximately 8:20 p.m., on January 2, 2011 at JCI, Sgt. Ronnie Walker approached inmate William Robert Serrano, 30, who is lawfully incar-



William Robert Serrano

cerated in D dormitory at JCI.

Serrano attempted to hide something he was holding in his hand under a jacket. When Sgt. Walker recovered the article from Serrano he

found it to be a green leafy substance inside a Tops tobacco package, wrapped in plastic. A field-test of the green substance showed a positive response for THC (marijuana).

On January 10, inmate Serrano provided a recorded sworn statement and admitted being in possession of the cannabis while in the bathroom area of D dormitory and that he gave the package to Sgt. Walker when instructed to do so.

Serrano indicated that he had just found the package lying on the

floor next to a toilet. He said he unwrapped the package and looked through it just before Sgt. Walker approached him.

On March 3 the FDLE laboratory concluded that the substance was cannabis with a weight of 24.6 grams.

Serrano was transported to the Jefferson County Jail October 3 and was officially charged with possession of contraband in a state prison and possession of cannabis more than 20 grams. A total bond of \$10,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail October 18.

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