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Commission Rejects Earlier District Map ISSUE NOT QUITE BACK TO SQUARE ONE

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If you thought redistricting was over, think again: The Jefferson County Commission on Thursday morning, Jan. 5, reversed its earlier decision, voting 4-1 to reject the map it approved with the School Board and restart the process anew in 2013.

If you're wondering why 2013, it's because redistricting can only be done in odd-numbered years, although the process can be started in an even-numbered year. And certainly, commissioners gave every indication on Thursday that they plan to restart the process soon, while the matter is still fresh on their minds.

The potential consequences of the commission's decision range from a better conceived map a year hence, to the existence of different district maps for the commission and School Board if the latter decides to stick with the earlier version, to a costly lawsuit.

Time alone will tell the outcome.

As to the why of the commission's decision, the stated reasons range from the assertion of a faulty premise underlying the conception of the earlier map, to selfish political aims on the part of some, to outright discrimination — depending on the speaker's point of view.

County Attorney Buck Bird opened the discussion with his request for a board resolution to finalize the legal description of the district map approved by the two boards at their joint meeting on Dec. 19.

Instead, Commissioner Danny Monroe offered a motion to amend the Dec. 19 map by moving a particular TIGER block from District 3 to District 2, where he said it rightfully belonged.

TIGER (Topography Integration Geographic Encoding and Referencing) blocks represent geographic areas that are the smallest possible units of measurement in terms of population counts, as employed by the U.S. Census

Bureau. TIGER blocks may or may not contain population, but they are indivisible, meaning they can't be split or separated.

The particular TIGER block that Monroe wanted moved into District 2 was TIGER block #3006, which reportedly contains about 255 residents, some 215 of whom live in what was formerly known as the Jefferson Arms Apartment — a low-income housing complex largely occupied by African-American families in the southeast quadrant of the city and commonly referred to as "the project".

Monroe said the move would restore balance among the districts in terms of population numbers and would do it by moving some 30 or 35 people, as opposed to the 750 people being reshuffled by the earlier map.

Commission Chairman Hines Boyd took up the argument. He argued that the entire earlier redistricting effort was based on a false premise, in that it rested on the assumption that

TIGER block #3006 was in District 3, when in actuality, it was in District 2. That explained the 23 percent or so population deviation in District 3, compared to the other districts, Boyd said.

But if one restored the TIGER block to its rightful district, as defined by the legal description, it fixed the redistricting problem and the population deviation among the districts wasn't much different than the one achieved by the earlier map, Boyd said.

What's more, the proposal made TIGER block #3306 whole with the like-minded community in District 2, which the earlier map split, Boyd argued. It's a criterion of redistricting that likeminded communities be kept intact.

Commissioner John Nelson objected to the unexpectedness of the motion. He had just been made aware of the proposal and wasn't prepared to vote on such an important issue on the

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DISTRICT APPEALS D GRADE ASSIGNED TO HIGH SCHOOL

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The Jefferson County School District is appealing the "D" grade assigned to Jefferson County Middle High School (JCM/HS) on the School Accountability Report released by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) last week.

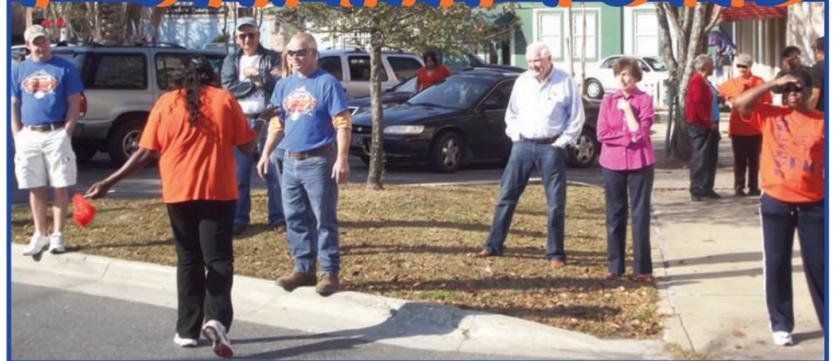
School Superintendent Bill Brumfield told the News on Friday, Jan. 6, that the district was appealing the grade be-

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Clarification:

In the Friday, Jan. 6, *Jefferson Journal* front-page story titled "Councilman Idella Scott Is Monticello's New Mayor," it stated that Councilman George Evans declined the vice mayor nomination because his day-time job in Tallahassee would prevent him from attending critical evening meetings here. What Evans said was that his Tallahassee job would prevent him from attending meetings of such organizations as the Economic Development Council and Tourist Development Council, which meet mornings.

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS



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LAND-USE CHANGES APPROVED FOR NEW FAMILY DOLLAR STORE

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With the exception of a neighboring resident who expressed concern about the proposal, a developer's request for a small-scale Comprehensive Plan amendment and zoning change to allow for construction of a Family Dollar store on US 19 and Cherokee Street got a relatively smooth passage through the Monticello City Council.

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 3, the council approved ordinances 2012-01 and 2012-02 by a 4-1 vote each, with Councilwoman Linda Butler casting the dissenting vote.

Ordinance 2012-01 changes the 1.15-acre parcel from mixed-use business/residential to commercial on the Future Land Use Map (FLUM). Ordinance 2012-02 rezones the property from mixed-use business/residential to B-2 business highway.

What the two changes do is allow the developer to construct a building that exceeds 7,500 sq. feet, which the previous designations prevented. Otherwise, the previously existing zoning designations would have allowed the developer to go ahead with his plans without having to come before the council.

The latter point was one that city officials emphasized to Lee Kuperburg, the lone neighboring resident who expressed concern that the development would devalue his property, disturb the neighborhood quiet and lead to foot traffic across his property.

City officials pointed out that, absent the developer's need for the increased square footage, Blue Current Development LLC could have put any number of commercial uses on the property, including a bar or restaurant,

absent any public hearing.

As it was, the officials and the developer's representative assured the resident, the developer had agreed to a number of preconditions that would minimize the development's impact on nearby properties.

Among the preconditions that the developer has agreed to via a letter of understanding: the building's square footage will not exceed 8,300 sq. feet; the refuse pickup area will be walled in; a pedestrian sidewalk will be installed; the exterior lighting will be minimal and for security purposes only; and the building's façade and sides will be non-metal.

Additionally, a buffer will be provided, as required by code, to shield the structure from neighboring properties to the rear of the store, the developer's representative said. Finally, the representative said, the developer had agreed to a sunset provision, meaning that the property will revert to its previous land-use and zoning designation if the proposed project fails to come to fruition within a year.

Otherwise, the application generated little discussion, and the council approved both measures within a matter of minutes.

The 1.15 acres is part of larger property on the southeast corner of Cherokee and South Jefferson streets that was previously the residence of former Sheriff Ken Fortune. The property contains a house that will be demolished to make room for the store.

The Gainesville-based firm of Casseau, Hewett, and Walpole Inc. (CHW) is representing the developer. CHW is the same firm that represented the developer of the Dollar General store.



Group Updates Council On Its Doings At Proposed Park

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The Monticello Park Committee responsible for overseeing the development of the proposed park on Water Street continues its efforts to meet the requirements imposed by the state when it awarded the city a \$200,000 grant in 2007 for creation of the facility.

In an update to the Monticello City Council on Tuesday, Jan. 3, committee representatives David Ward, landscape architect Winston Lee, and volunteer grants writer Kristin Jackson, with the Jefferson County Extension Service, told the council about the group's recent activities.

Ward reported on the cleanup the group had undertaken Dec. 10 on the 28-acre property off Water Street to rid it of invasive vegetation. He said the group had cleared an area alongside Water Street and behind the American Legion Hall and had also opened up additional trails.

"We had a good day and got a lot accomplished," Ward said.

Lee reported on a plan for an amphitheater/pavilion/band shell that the group is contemplating erecting on a cleared area near the property's northern border. He said he was in the process of gathering the necessary information to determine what the structure's intended use and dimensions would be. As soon as that information was available, he would have a better idea of the project to share with the council, he said.

Lee said the committee would also try again this year for the \$200,000 grant that it failed to get last year from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Greenways and Trails.

Jackson, for her part, talked about the various grants that she was pursuing for playground equipment.

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VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

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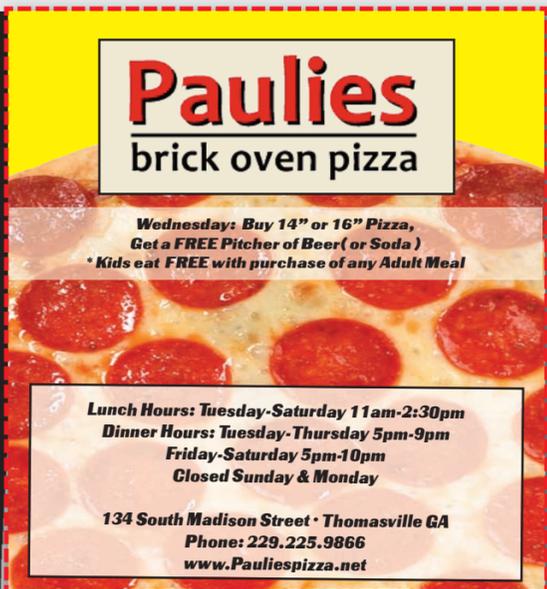
“On Saturday, Jan. 7th a parade and ceremony was held in honor of the Jefferson Tigers State Champion football team. There was a nice turnout by the community, but conspicuous by their absence were a large number of elected officials who chose not to participate. What a slap in the face to these coaches, players, cheerleaders and their families by these no show politicians. This group accomplished something BIG for their school and this community and your lack of participation speaks volumes. Guess we should be no shows at election time... or better yet, show up and vote against them.”

“Political posturing aside, a lot of good people worked hard to ensure that Jefferson County received compensation from losses caused by Amendments 1 and 4. The Property Appraisers job is to track these changes but credit is due elsewhere. If the Clerk of Courts wasn't too busy posing for a story of himself "giving" county property (paid for by taxpayers) to another branch of County government he would probably want to claim equal limelight for handling Fiscally Constrained tax dollars Please spare us the drama of at least some of this early and quite transparent posturing.”

“Congratulations to the County Commissioners who recended an eroneous action and will do a better, non-baised job of redistricting in 2013! Here's to praying that the School Board will do likewise.”

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

THANKING COUNTY EMPLOYEE

I would like to thank A/P Deputy Clerk Nick Flynt for helping me through the disability process, paperwork and phone calls during my recent visit with the Jefferson County Courthouse. I called him on Tuesday and he returned my call on Wednesday. He was very helpful and his concern for me was genuine. Our city and county

employees don't seem to get enough thank you's, so I would like to recognize this county employee. Thank you again Nick.

Sincerely,
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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

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cause the FDOE had erred in its calculations. He said the FDOE had counted only five JCM/HS students in the dual-enrollment program at North Florida Community College (NFCC), when in fact the number of dual-enrolled JCM/HS students exceeded the required 10.

Brumfield said 12 students had participated in the dual-enrollment program in the first semester and 14 in the second semester.

"The FDOE made a mistake on the second half of the components," Brumfield said. "The department got wrong information. We should have gotten a 'C' grade. We're appealing the decision."

As to when the FDOE might rule on the appeal and either correct or affirm the assigned grade, Brumfield said there was no knowing.

JCM/HS likewise received a "D" grade last year and is currently an intervened school, meaning that it is under the management of an outside consultant team.

The school received an "F" in 2009, an Incomplete in 2008, a "D" in 2007, an "F" in 2006, a "D" in 2005, an "F" in 2004, a "C" in 2003, an "F" in 2002, a "C" in 2001, a "D" in 2000 and a "D" in 1999.

The school grade is based on both FCAT and non-FCAT components, each of which is worth a maximum 800 points; it is the latter part of the equation that the district is appealing.

Per the FDOE, the first component is primarily based upon student achievement data derived from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) and the FCAT 2.0. This score is intended to communicate to the public a school's performance in relation to the state standards.

This first component is calculated based on annual learning gains of each student toward achievement of Sunshine State Standards, the progress of the lowest quartile of students, and the meeting of proficiency standards. A school is awarded one point for each percent of students who score high on the FCAT and/or make annual learning gains, with 800 the highest point score that can be achieved.

An "A" on this component indicates a score of 525 points or better and that a school's lowest performing students in reading and math have made adequate progress and that at least 95 percent of eligible students have been tested. A "D" indicates a score of 395 to 434 points and that at least 90 percent of eligible students have been tested. An "F" indicates a score of fewer than 395 points.

Per Florida law, high schools are also graded based on several components other than statewide assessment that account for 50 percent of the final grade.

These additional grading components include the graduation rate, graduation rate of at-risk students, and accelerated curriculum participation, which includes industry certification and dual enrollment courses.

The total points a school can score on both the FCAT and non-FCAT components is 1,600 points, with an "A" defined as 1,050 points or better, a "B" as 990 to 1,049 points, a "C" as 870 to 989 points, a "D" as 790 to 869 points, and an "F" as fewer than 790 points.

The appeals process requires that a school appeal its assigned grade within 30-day period that started Jan. 4 and ends Feb. 3. The appeal must come from the district's accountability coordinator, contain a letter of explanation and supporting documentation, and be directed to the FDOE Bureau of Accountability Reporting.

After the appropriate review of the appeal and documentation by department staff and appeals committee, the FDOE commissioner makes the final determination and notifies the school district of the decision.

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ment and other park amenities. For the present, however, she had nothing concrete to report, she said. The committee has until July 20 to complete the phase 1 activities required by the 2007 grant.

Among the things the committee plans to do to

comply with the requirements are to purchase and install playground/exercise equipment, install identification/education signage, and complete an exercise/nature path system.

Mayor Idella Scott heads the park committee.

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spurt of the moment, he said.

"It leaves me in a real state of confusion," Nelson said.

Boyd offered that the issue was really quite simple. The proposal simply put TIGER block #3006 where it rightfully belonged and it didn't dilute the African-American vote as the earlier map had, he said.

What's more, the legal description showed that TIGER block #3006 and the project in specific, belonged in District 2, notwithstanding that the 2000 map showed it in District 3, Boyd said. Again, the entire redistricting effort had been based on a false assumption, he said. What the proposed map did was to correct and clear the confusion of the past, he said.

Commissioner Stephen Fulford expressed qualms with the proposal. In his view, rejecting the map in its entirety and taking up the redistricting effort anew in 2013 was doable and made sense, he said. But to amend the map in the first week of 2012, without benefit of public notice, was essentially to take up redistricting in an even-numbered year, which was not permitted and could lead to a legal challenge, he said.

"We would be redistricting a map without any public participation and without advertisement," Fulford said. "I want to accept what we did on Dec. 19 or rescind it all, but I don't think it's wise to amend it."

Bird offered that it was his opinion that minor amendments to the Dec. 19 map were permissible. The problem was that it could always be open to interpretation as to what constituted a minor and what a significant change, he said.

Bird conceded that tinkering with the map could well open the county to a lawsuit and that it was better to reject the map in total and start anew. But he also pointed out that politics would never be absent from the process, and that any commission action was subject to be legally challenged.

Too, he said, it was possible that if the commission rescinded the earlier map and the School Board didn't, the two entities would end up with different maps, creating

confusion and hardship for voters.

Based on the discussion, Monroe amended his motion to reject the map in total and start the process anew in 2013.

Commissioner Betsy Barfield then engaged in a lengthy exposition of her concerns, problems and disappointment with the entire redistricting effort. She criticized the late startup of the process and both boards' cavalier dismissal of her request to consider leaving out the prison population.

She had pleaded for equal representation among the districts, only to be told that the lines were drawn for population and not for voters, she said.

She had pleaded with the board to have a non-interested party draw the map, instead of placing the burden on a valuable county employee and a volunteer, and subjecting the two to the political pressures and the posturing that had ensued, she said.

"Shame on you for treating a valuable employee and volunteer in this manner," Barfield said.

She decried the late receipt of the map right before the Dec. 19 meeting and the overall rush to complete the process that had been occasioned by the late startup.

She was disenchanted with the two boards' decision to approve the "self-serving request of a citizen who had asked that a particular TIGER block containing his residence be put back in District 4 in case he decided to seek office", she said.

She also wanted the likeminded community of Lloyd made whole again, as opposed to being split as it had been by the Dec. 19 map, she said.

"I want the (TIGER) block south of Lloyd put back in District 4", Barfield said. "By separating these citizens of common interest, you are not abiding by the 'Fair Districts Act' of 2010. Again, I want the residents in Lloyd from south of the railroad track to Whitehouse Road back in District 4."

Lastly, she wanted to address "the black and white issue that had reared its ugly head during this process," she said.

"We will never, ever move this county forward as long as we continue to

tear each race apart," Barfield said. "For shame on everyone and anyone who played a part in the race game during the redistricting process. For shame on everyone who has had his or her own interest at heart and not Jefferson County. Diluting the voting blocks by gerrymandering and posturing just for the self-serving needs of an individual, party or candidate is the most disingenuous and egregious act that an elected official or candidate can perform."

Clerk of Court Kirk Reams alone noted that the School Board wasn't being involved in the discussion. He made it clear also that his office would not be redoing the map, should the commission decide to start the process anew; the board would have to pay another entity to do it, he said.

Fulford again underscored that the map approved by the two boards on Dec. 19 had the same population deviations among the districts as had existed with the 2000 map.

"If the aim was to correct the deviations, we didn't do it," Fulford said.

Boyd agreed. "All we did was to change the political landscape," he said.

School Board Member Shirley Washington in her turn expressed amazement and disappointment at what she was seeing and hearing. She thanked Nelson, Fulford and Reams for not treating the School Board members "like second-class citizens".

"We are elected officials, taxpayers and human beings as well," Washington said.

She noted that the County Commission had always taken the lead in redistricting efforts, a rebuttal to Barfield's earlier comment that both boards were equally responsible for the late startup of the redistricting process and that the School Board could have taken up the lead at any time.

Washington offered that the 2000 redistricting effort had gone smoothly, because "we had people who were thinking critically, instead of thinking of self to be reelected."

She thanked Boyd for his letter to the editor in criticism of her, saying that the letter had generated innumerable calls of support for her. And she blamed him for the proposed map changes, saying it was obvious to her that he had been whispering in people's ears "to change things to go his way."

What the proposal was going to do was to create hardships for voters, in that the School Board wasn't going to change its mind about the earlier map, Washington said.

She accused the commissioners, and Monroe specifically, of meeting outside the Sunshine Laws to concoct the amended map proposal.

"It's amazing, Commissioner Monroe, how you are seeing so much that needs amending now

and you didn't then," Washington said, referring to the Dec. 19 meeting. "It's clear to me that you've been meeting outside the meeting. I can analyze and I can comprehend."

Nor was she afraid of having a district that was overwhelmingly white, as she had been elected repeatedly in just such a district, she said. But she was disappointed that the commission was acting independently of the School Board. And she assured the commissioners again that the School Board would not be going along with the change. The result was going to be that the two boards would end up with separate maps, to the detriment of the voters, she said.

Monroe took offense with Washington's charge and called it offensive. He had never met with anyone outside any meeting, he said.

C.P. Miller defended the county staff, specifically Information Technology (IT) Director Johnnie Abron, who largely created the Dec. 19 map. Miller called Abron's a fair and equitable effort. When it came to the drawing of maps, however, one couldn't "have one's cake and eat it too", Miller said.

Too, the redistricting had to meet the spirit of the law, he said, referring to the 1980s lawsuit that established districting in Jefferson County and the creation of a minority safe district and another that was balanced. When you violated the spirit of the law, "you put the taxpayers in jeopardy of a lawsuit," Miller said.

He argued that "the project", in TIGER block 3006, had been in District 3 historically.

"What you're about to do will cause more problems," Miller said more than once. "I urge this board to stick to the original map."

He said the whole issue revolved about District 3 and what was happening smacked of discrimination.

"That is wrong and we won't go down without a fight, sir," Miller said.

Boyd said he heard Miller's threat of a lawsuit and the point was taken. But the fact was that the legal description showed that "the project" had always been in District 2 and that meant that the entire redistricting effort had been based on the fallacy that District 3 was overpopulated in relation to the other districts. Rescinding the earlier map would correct the error, he said.

Following a brief recess to allow the commissioners time to rethink the issue, the board reconvened and Bird offered the clarification that any action the board took could be ground for a legal challenge.

"Whether it can be challenged successfully is the question," Bird said.

Nelson's was the lone vote against rejection of the Dec. 19 map.

Our Sincere Thanks

We, the family of our beloved George Nealy Sr., wish to acknowledge with appreciation the expressions of kindness and the comforting messages during our time of bereavement. We want to thank you for the warm love and concern that you all have shown. We extend special thanks to Covenant Hospice of Tallahassee and many special thanks to Al Hall and the Tillman Funeral Home staff.

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Quilt/Fiber Arts Exhibition At The Arts

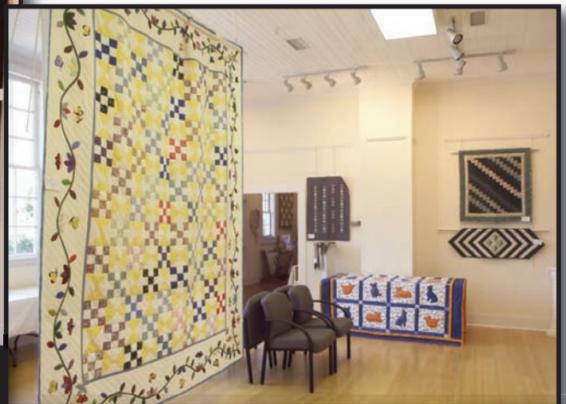
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The Quilt and Fiber Arts Exhibition opened at the Jefferson Arts on Saturday with a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. in the gallery. Local artists Jane Davis and Judi Persons were available to walk guests around and talk with them individually about each art creation and its creator.

All the quilts and fiber art on display were handmade by local artists and a few of the pieces will be for sale.

This show will be on display through the month of January, until the 28th. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays, or by appointment, and is located at 575 West Washington Street, in downtown

Monticello. There is no charge and the gift shop will be open.
Call 850-997-3311 for more information.



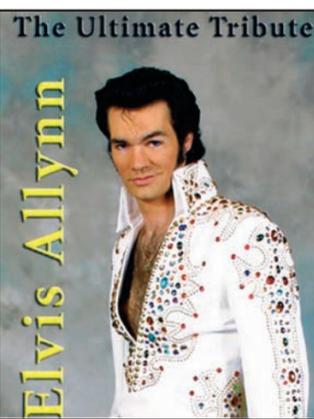
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Local Artist Jane Davis shows her 'CATS' quilt and other works of art during the January Quilt/Fiber Arts Exhibition at the Jefferson Art Gallery.



Elvis Comes To Opera House

Returning to the Monticello Opera House on Friday, January 13 is three-time Tribute Artist of the Year recipient Keith Allyn, performing 'An Elvis Tribute & Allyn Un-Hinged.'



Allyn performs Elvis for half the two-hour show and Neil Diamond, Willie Nelson and other stars in this second half of the musical comedy review. Tap your foot and sing along to the classics with this top-notch Branson, MO Tribute Artist.

Book your tickets for the pre-show dinner catered by Carrie Ann & Company; reserve by Wednesday, January 11. The menu will include a spring mix salad, chicken casserole, sautéed green and yellow squash, bread and a delicious layer cake for dessert. It's the perfect date night.

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WHEN SHOULD YOU START TAKING SOCIAL SECURITY

Provided by Robert J. Davison

If you're of a certain age, the new year means you're that much closer to a day you may have anticipated with a combination of humor and resignation — specifically, the day you're eligible for Social Security. But just because you can take Social Security, it doesn't mean you must take it. So, should you?

Before we get to that question, let's review the basic rules governing Social Security payments. You can typically start collecting benefits at age 62, but you'll get only about 75% of what you'd receive if you waited until your "full" retirement age, which varies according to your birth year but is most likely 66. You'll get even bigger monthly checks if you delay collecting them until you're past 66, and you'll "max out" on your payments once you reach 70.

So, the question boils down to this: Should you start collecting Social Security early — thereby receiving smaller, but more numerous, checks — or later, when your checks will be bigger but fewer?

If you really need the money once you reach 62, you've already got your answer. But if you could potentially afford to wait, we recommend you view your decision through a LENS:

L: Your projected lifespan — You can't see into the future, but given your family history and general health, you can make an educated guess about your projected longevity. If you're fairly confident that, once you reach 66, you've still got another two or more decades in front of you, you may want to consider delaying taking Social Security past age 62.

E: Your employment status — If you're under full retirement age — between 62 and 66 — then for every two dollars you earn over \$14,640 (in 2012), you'll lose one dollar in Social Security benefits. In the months before you reach your full retirement age, for every three dollars you earn over \$38,880 (again, for 2012), you'll lose one dollar in benefits. But starting in the month you reach your full retirement age, you can earn as much as you want without losing any benefits.

N: Your need, including your other sources of retirement income — If you have a pension, or you've built substantial resources in your IRA, your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, and you can support your income needs with modest withdrawals from these accounts, you might decide it's worthwhile to delay taking Social Security to maximize your benefits. Remember that regardless of your Social Security decision, you typically would have to pay a 10% early withdrawal penalty if you started taking withdrawals from these accounts before you reach age 59½.

S: Your spouse/marital status — If you're single, you basically just need to think of yourself when making this decision. But it's a different story if you're married. If you die first, your spouse can keep receiving his or her own Social Security benefit or receive yours — whichever is larger. Consequently, you and your spouse will want to coordinate when you take Social Security benefits so that you can maximize the benefit for the spouse likeliest to live longer. The choice of when to start taking Social Security can affect your lifestyle throughout your retirement years — so weigh all the factors and make the choice that's right for you.

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COLUMNIST COTTERELL SPEAKS WITH KIWANIS



Bill Cotterell, on right, was guest speaker at the Wednesday, January 4

meeting of the Monticello Kiwanis. He is a longtime columnist for the Tallahassee Democrat newspaper. He offered the group in attendance a preview of the upcoming legislative session and how it might affect the residents of Jefferson County. Pictured with Cotterell is Bob Davison, program chairman, on left.

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Obituaries



The family of Felix Bullard would like to invite you to celebrate his life at Sardis Church. The service will be held January 14 starting at 11:30 and followed by a reception lunch. (Casual Dress Attire)

BABY BOY TRENTON LEE GAINES



On December 4, 2010 God was gracious enough to bless Jason and Robin Gaines with a wonderful, beautifully made angel, Trenton Lee Gaines. His time spent in our presence was short and he left us far too soon, but God has a plan and knows what's best for each and every one of us.

On December 31, 2011 God was ready for his angel to come home; he's now at ease with our Heavenly Father.

He was a fun-loving little guy and was loved dearly by so many. He is now in our hearts and minds and we can take him with us where we go. So to all my family, 'Rejoice' and be glad, for this is the day that the Lord has made.

He leaves to cherish his memories a loving father and mother Jason L. and Robin A. Gaines; four brothers Sintariaus, Davian, Javori and Jashaud; grandparents Linda Kearse (Carlo) of Monticello, Florida, Tina Gaines of Lakeland, Georgia and Johnny Gaines (Lanteen) of Lakeland; one aunt Candice Pearson; two uncles Jamie Gaines and Joshua Gaines; one very special great-aunt Cleasta Lester (Albert) of Naylor, Georgia; and a host of aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral service was held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, January 7, 2012 at the Camon Temple Church. Pastor Madine Camon officiated and burial followed at the Charles Knight Cemetery.

Final rites entrusted to Harrington Funeral Home Inc. Hamlet, NC 28345, 910-582-0133, 910-582-0011, harringtonfh@bellsouth.net

TAMY SMILEY

Tamy Elaine Holland Smiley, age 50, died on Sunday, January 1, 2012. She was the daughter of Marvin and Evelyn Holland.

Survivors include her son Jason Alan Marsh; brothers Dale Wray Holland, Jerry Padgett and Jesse Padgett; sisters Terrie Holland Jones and Mandy Holland Shiver. She was preceded in the death by her mother Patricia Mobley Franklin.

Special thanks to Timmy and Jennifer Holland. Guests may sign the online guest register at www.allenfh.com

Allen & Allen Funeral Home is handling the arrangements for the family. (PO Box 318, Thomasville, GA. 31799, 1-229-226-6331)

DOROTHY PHYLLIS TEASLEY

Dorothy Phyllis Teasley, age 87, a retired secretary with the State of Florida, passed away on Sunday, January 8, 2012 in Tallahassee, Florida.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2012 at Elizabeth Baptist Church, 4124 Bassett Road, Monticello, Florida 32344.

The family with receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at Beggs Funeral Home Monticello Chapel (850-997-5612, beggschmonticello@embarqmail.com) 485 East Dogwood Street, Monticello, Florida 32344. Interment will follow the service at the Elizabeth Cemetery.

Mrs. Teasley was a native of Monticello and had lived in Mt. Dora, Plymouth, Miami and Vero Beach, Florida. She was a member of Elizabeth Baptist Church and was very active in her church. Her favorite flowers were blue and pink Hydrangeas but she loved all flowers.

She is survived by her son Jerry (Linda) Teasley of Monticello; daughter Jill (Richard) Kennedy of Sheridan, Oregon; brothers Herbert (Linda) Demott of Monticello, Maurice Demott of Thomasville, Georgia and James Demott of Leesburg, Florida; sisters Ruth Bailey and Marie (Howard) Holm of Monticello; five grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.



MARIE PENNINGTON STOVER

A memorial visitation for Marie Pennington Stover, age 93, of Athens, TX is scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2012 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Activities Building in Athens.

A memorial service is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 21, 2012 at the Sardis Memorial United Methodist Church in Monticello, FL.

Mrs. Stover died on Saturday, January 7, 2012 in Athens. She was born on May 5, 1918 in Mohawk, TN to the late Robert Lee and Sallie Kate Ottinger Pennington. She was married to Cecil N. Stover.

Mrs. Stover lived in Knoxville, TN, Seymour, TN, Oak Ridge, TN, Monticello, FL, Plano, TX, Townsend, TN and Athens, TX in her lifetime. She was of Methodist faith and was a longtime member of Sardis Memorial United Methodist Church in Monticello, Florida and the Tuckaleechee United Methodist Church in Townsend, TN. She was very active in the United Methodist Women ministry, taught Sunday school, bible school and organized the Wednesday Gang for senior citizens. Prior to her marriage, she worked as a Practical Nurse. She was also a seamstress, a clerk and a waitress before retiring from the Department of Motor Vehicles in Tallahassee, FL. She was a wonderful foster parent, wife and mother.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her sisters Edith Nichols Smith, Irma P. Lane and Neve P. Lynch; and her brothers Charles Pennington and Robert Pennington.

Mourning her death and cherishing her memory are her sons Lynn Gordon Stover of St. Petersburg, FL, Robert P. Stover and wife Chris Gandy of Orlando, FL, Tom Stover and wife Nancy of Monticello; her daughter Donna R. Morris and husband Bruce of Athens; her grandchildren Charlie Lee, Valerie Cates, Steven Myers, Andrew Stover, Katie Stover, Missy Loudy, Robert Stover, Matt Stover, Tammy Diambra, Jennifer Stover and John Morris; her eight great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, PO Box 911, Athens, TX 75751, or to the Sardis Memorial United Methodist Church, 4543 Waukeenah Highway, Monticello, FL 32344

Carroll-Lehr Funeral Home is handling the arrangements for the family. (1910 Highway 31 East, Athens, TX 75751, 903-675-2211)

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JANUARY 11-28
Quilt and Fiber Arts Exhibition at the Jefferson Arts beginning with a reception on Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. All are welcome to attend. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays, or by appointment, and is located at 575 West Washington Street, in downtown Monticello. Call 850-997-3311 for more information. There is no charge and the gift shop will be open.

JANUARY 12
Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation Board will meet at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Jefferson County Extension Office conference room. Dorothy P. Lewis, secretary/treasurer, reports the meeting is open to the public.

JANUARY 12
Business Community Prayer Breakfast will be held at 7 a.m. on Thursday at Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, 780 Second Street in Monticello. JCMHS Coach Jeremy Brown and his State Class A Florida Football Championship Team will present the program. Bring a non-perishable food item for the community food pantry. Come and bring a friend. Serving begins at 6:45 a.m. The program will conclude at 8 a.m. If you have names for the prayer list, email them to Coordinator L. Gary Wright at lgwright39@embarqmail.com or call 850-997-5705 or 850-933-5567 for more information. This fellowship and promotion of Christian values continues because of your participation. Bobby Brown will be guest speaker to the February 2

meeting at the Jefferson Country Club on the Boston Highway.

JANUARY 12
Altrusa meets at noon on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month for a meal and a meeting at the Jefferson Senior Citizen Center. For more information about Altrusa International Monticello/Jefferson County call 850-997-2973 or 850-997-3448. District III Governor Colleen Duris will present the program on January 26.

JANUARY 12
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.

JANUARY 13
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 President John Lilly at 850-342-0187 for more information.

JANUARY 13
An Elvis Tribute & Allyn Un-Hinged featuring triple Tribute Artist of the Year recipient, Keith Allyn on Friday. Performing Elvis, Neil Diamond, Willie Nelson and others in this musical comedy review. Pre-show dinner provided by Carrie Ann & Company; reservations needed.

JANUARY 13
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 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049. There are door-prizes, cold soft drinks and snacks.

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, January 7, 2012. RJ Friedman, author of the Bobby The Bowler and The Fearless Five children's book series, was in town on Saturday for a book-signing at Wag The Dog Too, the thrift store for the Jefferson County Humane Society. Some of the proceeds from his latest release will be donated to the JCHS.

AUTHOR RJ FRIEDMAN AT WAG THE DOG TOO

DEBBIE SNAPP
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

Author RJ Friedman was in town on Saturday morning, January 7 to autograph his newest book, 'Bobby the Bowler and the Fearless Five'. He was set

up in front of the Wag The Dog Too thrift store, in downtown Monticello.

Some of the proceeds of this children book, tee-shirts and sweat-shirts will be donated to the Jefferson County Humane Society. The cost of the book is

\$12.95 and may be purchased at the thrift store. For more information call 850-997-2138.

The storyline of the book follows the main character Bobby the Bowler. As Bobby grows up he enjoys knocking down soda cans with his ball. He learns about the sport of bowling from his parents. As a family outing, the family goes bowling at the Town Bowling Center, where Bobby meets boys and girls his age having fun. Bobby continues to bowl most weekends. He eventually teams up with four friends and they form a team, the 'Fearless Five'. They enter a children's bowling league and end up in the championship bowling for a prize trophy. It's a story of positive family support, building close relationships, learning decision-making and good sportsmanship.

For more information about other Bobby The Bowler and The Fearless Five books, go to www.bobbythebowler.com

Inaugural Northeast Soul Food Festival

KRISTIN FINNEY

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Car shows and soul food and gospel, oh my! On Friday, February 17, and Saturday February 18, HottCoffey Records and the On The Rise TV Show will be bringing a festival of epic proportions to Madison County. The festival is being held at the Madison County Recreation Center, located at 320 SW Arnold St. in Madison.

There will be live performances by Tank on Paint, Ceeje the Kid, Essence Green, Rashonda Denson and many more. There will be a cake auction and car show during the festival. There will also be live celebrity entertainment, gospel shows and official parties. There will also be plenty of soul food for everyone to enjoy.

Not only are Madison residents invited to the festival, those in the surrounding counties are as well. There will be a chance that those who attend could end up on TV thanks to FMN Live Productions.

"Our main focus is trying to get the community together as a whole to come out and have a good time. We are inviting everyone in all of the surrounding areas to join us. We might even have some people coming from Jacksonville and Miami areas. The main purpose of this is trying to help support the recreation center by trying to remove some

of the financial burdens that they have. Also, we are trying to have fun. I have invited some prominent members of society to try to expand the effort," said Clifford Brown, who is helping put

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Lions Hold Yard Sale

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Jefferson County Lions Club members held their monthly yard sale on Saturday morning in the Monticello News parking lot.

The yard sale is a fundraiser for the Lions, as a way to raise funds to help local residents purchase eyeglasses.

Area residents are invited to rent space (\$10 donation) on the first Saturday of each month to sell their wares, raising money for themselves also.

If you are interested in helping the Lions by helping to get rid of your unwanted stuff, contact Lion Jane at 850-997-3392, or just come by on the first Saturday and setup or drop off.

The next yard sale is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on February 4.

The Lions Club will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, January 21 from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Monticello Pizza Kitchen on East Dogwood Street in down-

town Monticello.

A donation of \$5 is requested. Tickets are on sale now from any club member or by contacting

Lion Jessie at 850-656-8615 or Lion Debbie at 850-997-0901. Each ticket purchase will be a chance to win a doorprize gift.



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, January 7, 2012. Jefferson County Lions Club member Ed Vollertsen was just one of several members helping with the monthly yard sale on Saturday morning in the Monticello News parking lot.

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SPORTS

Warriors Downed By Liberty

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The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors were downed by Liberty County, 50-37 on January 3 to now stand 6-5 on the season.

As a team, the Warriors sunk 12 of 41 attempts from the field, hit one of 11 attempts from the three-point zone and bucketed 10 of 23 attempts from the free-throw line for 37 points. They collected nine assists, 10 offensive and 17 defensive rebounds for a total of 27 rebounds, with 17 block/steals and 19 turnovers.

Individually, Tyler Jackson netted one of five attempts from the field and missed two attempts from the three-point zone for two points. He had two assists, three block/steals and four turnovers.

Jared Jackson hit two of six attempts from the field and sunk one of two attempts from the free-throw line for five points. He had four offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds and two block/steals.

Bradley Holm had three assists and one defensive rebound.

Hans Sorensen sunk one of five attempts from the field, missed two at-

tempts from the three-point zone and hit one of two attempts from the free-throw line for three points. He had two assists, two offensive and four defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds, with three block/steals and three turnovers.

Cody Ledford had two defensive rebounds and two block/steals.

Jay Finlayson targeted three of five attempts from the field, sunk one of six attempts from the three-point zone and hit three of nine attempts from the free-throw line for 12 points. He had one offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of three rebounds with two block/steals and four turnovers.

Corey Burrus netted one of five attempts from the field, missed one attempt from the three-point zone and hit one of two attempts from the free-throw line for three points. He had two assists, one defensive rebound, four block/steals and four turnovers.

Josh Funderburke bucketed four of 15 attempts from the field and netted four of eight attempts from the free-throw line for 12 points. He had three offensive and five defensive rebounds for a total of eight rebounds with one block/steal and four turnovers.

Warriors Beat Branford

FRAN HUNT
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The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors beat Branford 56-44 on January 5 to now stand 7-5 on the season.

As a team Aucilla bucketed 14 of 32 attempts from the field, hit three of 17 attempts from the three-point zone and sunk 19 of 37 attempts from the free-throw line for 56 points. They collected 21 assists, 19 offensive and 15 defensive rebounds for a total of 34 rebounds with nine block/steals and nine turnovers.

Individually, Tyler Jackson hit one of three attempts from the field, missed one shot from the three-point zone and targeted four of four attempts from the free-throw line for six points. He had seven assists, one defensive rebound, one block/steal

and one turnover.

Jared Jackson bucketed four of six attempts from the field and hit six of 10 attempts from the free-throw line for 14 points and he had four offensive and four defensive rebounds for a total of eight rebounds.

Bradley Holm had one turnover.

Hans Sorensen targeted four of five attempts from the field, missed two attempts from the three-point zone and hit one of two attempts from the free-throw line for nine points. He had one assist, five offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of eight rebounds, with four block/steals and one turnover.

Cody Ledford hit two of two attempts from the free-throw line for two points.

Jay Finlayson bucketed three of six attempts from the field,

netted three of 10 attempts from the three-point zone and hit one of four attempts from the free-throw line for 16 points. He had four assists, four offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds and two turnovers.

Corey Burrus missed three attempts from the field, missed four attempts from the three-point zone and hit three of six attempts from the free-throw line for three points. He had nine assists, two defensive rebounds, three block/steals and four turnovers.

Josh Funderburke netted two of nine attempts from the field and hit two of nine attempts from the three-point zone for six points. He had five offensive and four defensive rebounds for a total of nine rebounds with one block/steal.

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Michael Gluszczy was born Aug. 12, 1981 in Poland. In 1992 he and his mother Justyna Gluszczy left Poland seeking a better life in America. They settled originally in New Jersey and lived there until 2005. Seeking a quieter life, Justyna began a search for a home in the south, finding the perfect place on Church Street in Greenville, FL.

They have enjoyed the slower pace, the warmer climate and the southern hospitality that Greenville has offered. Their life in Greenville has not been without struggles and on Sept. 3, 2011, Michael had a stroke. That's when the American dream became a nightmare.

Justyna and Michael are both legal residents but they are not citizens of the United States. They had not been able to afford health insurance and upon investigating the stroke, it was discovered that Michael had Astro Cytoma, or simply stated a malignant brain tumor.

The medical bills began to pile up as Justyna applied for medical insurance through Medicaid. The bureaucratic process was much slower than the billing process of the hospital and the doctors.

Although the promise of retroactive coverage was made, by the time Medicaid was approved, and only then by the intervention of the diligent

State Representative Leonard Bemby, there was only the promise to pay for the last thirty days. That left some two months and several thousand dollars of unpaid debt.

Michael has been unable to work since the stroke and Justyna makes just enough to keep the family bills paid.

The members of the Sharon Community Church rallied to help the family with some financial aid and with building a new and larger chicken coop and laying house, as they offer fresh eggs and hatchlings for sale to the community.

I am writing this letter with the hope that Greenville and surrounding communities and in particular the Christian community, will come to the aid of these dear people.

An account has been opened in the name Justyna Gluszczy at the Farmers and Merchants Bank and donations will be gladly received at any FMB location. A donation of any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Rev. Perry D. Marsh
Pastor of Sharon Community Church

WACISSA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

14492 Waukeelah Hwy/ P.O. Box 411
Wacissa • 997-2179 or 997-1769
Pastor James Gamble

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Morning.....10:55 AM
Sunday Bible Study.....6:30 PM
Wednesday
Prayer Meeting.....6:30 PM
Youth Group.....6:00 PM
Choir Practice.....7:30 PM

CAPITAL HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

7150 Apalachee Pkwy • Tallahassee
www.chbaptistchurch.org

Pastor Derrick Burrus 850-345-0425
Youth Pastor Ron Thrash 850-459-6490

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
Classes for Students

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

US 19 N 1590 N. Jefferson Street (US 19)
997-3906

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

ELIZABETH BAPTIST CHURCH

4124 Bassett Dairy Rd • Monticello • 997-8444
Email: ebmonticello@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
Bible Study/Prayer Meeting.....6:00 PM
RA's, GA's, Mission Friends & Youth 6:00 PM

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Worship Services 2nd and 4th Sundays
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

ST. MARGARET CATHOLIC CHURCH

1565 East Washington Street
Monticello • 973-2428
(One mile east of the Court House on US 90)
Fr. Viet Tan Huynh

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

Declaration And LifeSong In Concert

Declaration Trio and LifeSong will be in concert on Thursday, January 19; at the Westlake Church of God beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is free, however a love offering will be received during the concert.

Declaration is a word commonly used, but the group is new to the Christian music field. According to its website, "To declare something means to announce publicly and plainly. To make known and exhibit in any way."

This is the mission of Declaration, to publicly and plainly make known the love and saving power of Jesus Christ through the means of quality music with strong Biblical lyrics.

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served as a launch pad for Declaration. Declaration traveled with The Booth Brothers and performed during their concerts.

This opportunity opened the doors for Declaration to gain no-

tority and establish its place in gospel music. Declaration now travels across the United States sharing the message of Jesus Christ through the lyrics of songs and personal testimonies.

The group is com-

prised of Joshua Horrell (tenor,) Kasey Kemp (lead) and Jake Sammons (baritone.)

For more information call 850-464-0114 or visit www.lifesong-gospel.com or www.declarationtrio.com

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63 Tinnell Road Monticello, FL 32344
850-997-0399

District Elder Tony Lane, Pastor
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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LLOYD

124 St. Louis Street • Lloyd • 997-5309
www.fbclloyd.com

Pastor George L. Smith

Sunday
Sunday School.....9:15 AM
Praise & Worship.....10:30 AM
AWANA (ages 3yr-6th grade)....5:00 PM
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

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9472 South Jefferson Highway, Capps
U.S.19 @Highway 27

850-997-1066, 850-345-8623
revcharlesgsmith@aol.com

Pastor /Teacher Charles G. Smith, Sr.

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
2nd Sunday Youth.....11:00 AM
4th Sunday Service.....8:00 PM
Tuesday Prayer Meeting
and Bible Study.....7:00 PM

OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

7369 Boston Hwy. Monticello
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

CHURCH NEWS NOTES



JANUARY 8-11
Elizabeth Baptist Church will host a revival featuring 'The Keffers' live in concert at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The Revival will begin at 11 a.m. on Sunday and will conclude with a 7 p.m. service on Wednesday. For more information contact Marie at 850-997-8758.

JANUARY 12
Bible Study every Thursday at the Lloyd Woman's Club at 7 p.m. Join with Elder Linda Ross for an evening of Christian faith. For more information contact her at 850-322-3424.

JANUARY 13
Tent of the Holy Guests of fers 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 Monticello.

JANUARY 14
MLK Humanitarian Walk of Faith will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, hosted by the Restoration Tabernacle Health Ministry. This two-mile walk will start at 1002 North Broad Street and will continue through historical Thomasville, Georgia. For more details call 1-229-226-

3004 or walkoffaith2012@gmail.com

JANUARY 15
The late Martin Luther King Jr will be recognized and honored with a Sunday Service on his birthday at the MLK Community Center. Many Americans honor the civil rights leader's legacy by engaging in volunteer activities.

JANUARY 27, 28
Second Harvest Food Program, together with the churches of New Bethel AME, Elizabeth MB, Hickory Hill MB, Mt. Pleasant AME and Philadelphia

MB, will provide food to anyone needing assistance including the needy, infants and the elderly. This is done monthly with distribution from 9 to 10 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 6:30 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 this program.

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LAMONT BAPTIST CHURCH

P. O. Box 188 • 850-997-6870
121 River Rd • 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
Wed. Bible Study and Choir Practice...6:00pm

(3rd Monday of each month)
JOY Club (just older youth 50+).....6:00pm

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

325 W. Walnut Street • Monticello
Pastor Wayne Cook 997-5545

Sunday Praise & Worship.....8:30 AM
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

ST. PHILLIP AME CHURCH

Hwy. 27 South • (1 mile south of Hwy 59)
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Rev. J. W. Tisdale

Sunday Morning.....9:30 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Tuesday nights basic english classes
w/Gloria Norton at 7:00
Wednesday
Prayer & Bible Study.....7:00 PM

ST. RILLA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

13 Barrington Road • Monticello • 850-997-8747
Rev. James Mack, Pastor

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.

TRANSFORMING LIFE CHURCH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

1206 Springfield Road • Lloyd • 997-TLC7 (8527)
Pastors Tim and Beverly Buchholtz
www.TransformingLifeChurch.com

Sunday..... 10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Praise and Worship
Children's Church
Infants & Toddler Nursery
Wednesday.....7:00 PM
Praise & Worship
Adult & Teen Bible Study
Young Explorers (K-5th Grade)

RESTORED GLORY CHRISTIAN CENTER

1287 South Jefferson Street • 997-RGCC (7422)
www.restoredglory.org
Pastor Eddie and Elder Veronica Yon

Sunday Church Service.....10:00 AM
Thursday Church Service.....7:00 PM
Wednesday with Pastor.....10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Saturday For Realville for Teens- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Men's Ministry every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month.
4th Saturday Morning Glory for women.....8:00 AM

WAUKEENAH UNITED METHODIST

81 Methodist Church Rd • Waukeelah • 997-2171
www.waukeelah-umc.org
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
Family Fellowship
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Bible Study/Conference At FBCL

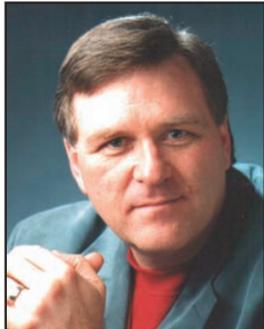
First Baptist Church of Lloyd will host Dr. Freddy Davis for a Bible Study and Biblical World View Conference from January 15 to 18. Sunday service times are 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Services will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday.

Dr. Davis will share his discoveries and gleanings about the 'Culture Wars', informing all about the Christian World Views and how to build upon it. He authored the book 'Culture Wars', which will be available at the conference.

This study will give everyone, including teens and college students, a solid foundation to stand

upon while they are forming their world view.

He is involved in a wide variety of ministry activities. He is a pastor,



Dr. Freddy Davis, author of Culture Wars, will be at First Baptist Church of Lloyd January 15 to 18.

author, seminar speaker and president of Market-Faith Ministries. He is a leading expert on the topic of worldview and its implications for the Christian life and witness.

Dr. Davis received his BS in Communications from Florida State University, as well as an MDiv and Dmin from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

In addition to his years of pastoral ministry in the United States, he has spent over 16-years overseas,

author, seminar speaker and president of Market-Faith Ministries. He is a leading expert on the topic of worldview and its implications for the Christian life and witness.

Dr. Davis lives in Tallahassee, Florida with his wife Deborah.

Bibles and books will be given to those who bring the most visitors with them each night. Childcare will be available for preschoolers, birth through 4K. Contact the church office at 850-997-5309 for more information and directions.

CODY PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH

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
www.indianspringsbaptistchurch.com
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 Waukeelah Hwy • Monticello -850-264-0802
Pastor Stephen Lenzo

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
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Tues Bible Study.....6:30PM
www.sardis.his-body.com
email=lenzos@his-body.com

HARVEST CHRISTIAN CENTER

1599 Springhollow Road • Monticello • 850-212-7669
Pastor Marvin Graham

Sunday Worship.....10:30 AM
Sunday Worship 1st & 3rd.....2:00 PM-4:00 PM
Sunday -- Every 2nd & 4th.....6:00 PM
Tuesday Bible Study.....7:00 PM
AA on 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
Thurs. Jail Ministry.....7:00 PM-9:00 PM

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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www.cbclflorida.org
Dr. David E. Walker, Pastor

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

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES CHURCH OF GOD

415 E Palmer Mill Rd • Monticello • 997-1119
newhope415@yahoo
Pastors Ray and Angel Hill

Sunday School.....10:00 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Sunday Prayer.....6:00 PM
Wed. Family Training Hour.....7:00 PM

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Sunday Praise & Worship.....11:15 A.M.
2nd Sunday Youth Praise & Worship
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3rd Sunday Holy Communion
Wednesday Evenings
Prayer Meeting.....6:30 P.M.
Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

290 East Dogwood Street • Monticello • 850-997-2252
Interim Pastors

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Worship(except last Sunday of month)..11:00 AM
SonShine Worship(last Sunday of month).....9:00 AM
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Madison, FL 32340
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LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF File Number: 11-92Cp

ELIZABETH ANN BORUM, Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The administration of the estate of ELIZABETH ANN BORUM, deceased, File Number 11-92-CP is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344. The name and address of the personal representative and of the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT: All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections that challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL, BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is January 11, 2012

Attorney For Personal Representative:

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1/11,18/2012, c.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF JOAN D. WATSON, Deceased. File No. 11-89-CP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Joan D. Watson, deceased, whose date of death was June 14, 2011; File Number 11-89-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is One Courthouse Circle, County Courthouse, Monticello, Florida 32344. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: January 11, 2012.

CAROLYN T. LEBOEUF, ESQ. Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar No. 0362409 909 East Park Avenue Tallahassee, Florida 32301 Phone: (850) 222-2000 Fax: (850) 222-9757
Sharon J. Fleita Personal Representative 210 LaCapra Road Monticello, Florida 32344
1/11,18/12, c.

NOTICE
In accordance with Florida Statute a public auction will be held on January 31, 2012 at 10:00 A.M.
For: 1992 Toyota VIN # JT3AC11R6N1045948
To be sold AS IS for towing and storage charges, conditions and terms at auction. Stewart's Towing 175 South Jefferson Street, Monticello, FL 32344 Phone 850-342-1480
1/11/12, c.

NOTICE
In accordance with Florida Statute a public auction will be held on February 8, 2012 at 10:00 A.M.
For: 2002 Chev. VIN # 1GNDS13S722330831
To be sold AS IS for towing and storage charges, conditions and terms at auction. Stewart's Towing 175 South Jefferson Street, Monticello, FL 32344 Phone 850-342-1480
1/11/12, c.

PUBLIC NOTICE
On 10/3/2011, an application for renewal of license of FM translator station W257BY was tendered for filing with the Federal Communications Commission. The station is licensed to EDGE-WATER BROADCASTING, INC. to serve the area of MONTICELLO, FL. W257BY operates on channel 99.7 with 0.002 kilowatts of power from a transmitter located at 30.533056 N, 83.868611 W. W257BY rebroadcasts station WAYT 88.1 THOMASVILLE, GA. Individuals who wish to advise the FCC of facts relating to our renewal application and to whether this station has operated in the public interest should file comments and petitions with the FCC by 1/31/2012.
1/11/12, c.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS and WORKSHOPS OF THE NORTH FLORIDA BROADBAND AUTHORITY

The North Florida Broadband Authority ("NFBA") announces the 2012 meeting schedule of the NFBA Board of Directors that all interested persons are invited to attend. The NFBA is a legal entity and public body created pursuant to the provisions of Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, and an Interlocal Agreement among Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor, Union and Wakulla Counties and municipalities of Cedar Key, Cross City, Lake City, Live Oak, Monticello, Perry, White Springs and Worthington Springs, Florida. The NFBA will hold the following public meetings: January 18, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. and thereafter regular meetings will be held at 10:00 a.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month of 2012. (February 8, March 14, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12) at the Lake City 2nd floor Council Chambers, City Hall, 205 NE Marion Ave, Lake City, FL an informational workshop for last mile providers will be held from 9a.m. to noon on February 1, 2012 at the same location. The NFBA Policy and Operations Committee meetings will meet at 10 a.m. on January 23, and the 10 a.m. the last Wednesday of each month of 2012. (February 29, March 28, April 25, May 30, June 27, July 25, August 29, September 26, October 12, November 28, December 26) and 1p.m. on February 1, 2012 at the NFBA Project Management Offices, 164 NW Madison St., St. 103, Lake City Florida. An informational workshop will be held at 9:00 a.m. on February 22, 2012 at The Club House Hall, 161 SW Quail Heights Terrace, Lake City, FL The NFBA Board of Directors meeting will be held to conduct general business of the NFBA. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the NFBA with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding or have any questions please contact Faith Doyle, Clerk to the NFBA Board at (386) 438-5042 at least two (2) business days prior to the date of the meeting.
1/11/12, c.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Phlaine S. Johnson Trust the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed.

The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number: 630 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 34-2N-4E-0725-0000-0010 3.17 Acres W PT OF LOT#1 CASA BIANCA RIDGE PHASE I ORB 585 PG 915

Name in which assessed: Gregory A. Barger

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the 16th day of February, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 2nd day of January 2012.

Kirk B. Reams Clerk of the Court Jefferson County, Florida 1/11,18,25,2/1/12,c.

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The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number: 300 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 05-1S-3E-0740-0000-0200 5.20 Acres Lots 19 and 20 Chinquapin Acres ORB 420 PG 1

Name in which assessed: Jeannie Brubaker

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the 16th day of February, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

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Certificate Number: 203 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 14-1N-3E-0000-0070-0000 .38 Acres In SW 1/4 Lot 105 x 157 N of Road ORB 339 PG 54 & ORB 464 P 213

Name in which assessed: Wayne L. and Angela Henderson, ET AL

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

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Certificate Number: 275 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 33-1N-3E-0000-0049-0000 5.00 Acres In SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 ORB 423 PG 160 & ORB 620 PG 59

Name in which assessed: Brad Sheffield

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

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The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number: 644 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 36-2N-4E-0870-0000-0070Q .28 Acre Lot 7 Coopers Ridge Subdivision Plat BK B PG 101 & ORB 592 PG 620

Name in which assessed: Thom Robinson LLC

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the 16th day of February, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 2nd day of January 2012.

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The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number: 667 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 17-1N-5E-0000-0020-0000 28.03 Acres In N 1/2 of EX RR RW S OF HWY 158 ORB 601 PG 14 & 607 P 317

Name in which assessed: Larry G. Woods Family Trust

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the 16th day of February, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

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SPORTS

Parade of Champions



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The Jefferson Tigers Parade of Champions, honoring the 2011 Class 1A State Championship Tigers, was a great success with a large fan turnout to cheer on their beloved team.

Saturday was a warm, sunny and beautiful day and fans lined the streets for an hour or more awaiting the Tigers. As the drums began to play the fans, who densely lined the streets cheered and applauded the team, coaches and cheerleaders through the streets of Monticello from the Post Office down to Death Valley.

Following the Tigers to Death Valley were numerous automobiles inching along behind them. Head Football Coach Jeremy Brown reported that the Tigers were amazed at the number of fans who followed them to the field and filled the stands as if it were a championship game in the air.

At the field fans filled the stands and lined the fence as each football player and cheerleader was called out individually and honored. "It gave parents and fans a great opportunity to get photos of the Tigers without their helmets," said Coach Brown. "It gave the fans a better chance of actually seeing the players they have been cheering for the past couple of years. It was a real neat experience for the kids."

He added that he was impressed with the turnout of fans along the streets and those who followed them to the field. "It was a great turnout from the community. With the great support the community has shown the Tigers the past couple of years, I wouldn't have expected any less."

The team hung out at the field for approximately two hours following the parade, meeting the fans and eating hamburgers and hotdogs.

"We give a lot of thanks to Marianne Arbulu for the success of the parade. She did a great job in such a short time. She took the bull by the horns and made it happen," said Coach Brown. He added that Arbulu also had T-shirts donated to make Tigers 2011 State Champions shirts. The shirts will be available in a couple of weeks," he said. When the shirts arrive the information on pricing will be forthcoming.

Brown also said that though the parade was a fundraiser to get the team members their State Championship rings, they are still about \$5,000 short of the funds needed to purchase the rings for them.

There is an account set up at Farmers and Merchants Bank to make donations toward those rings. The account is set up as the ring fund. Any donation is greatly appreciated.

