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FAMILY LOSES HOME IN BLAZE



Firefighters from Jefferson County Fire Rescue, Monticello Volunteer Fire Department and Lloyd Volunteer Fire Department battled a blaze at 1104 South Main Avenue, the home of Joe and Dottie Taylor Monday afternoon. Despite all efforts, poor accessibility for the firefighting apparatus resulted in the family losing their home, their possessions and one dog. See story page 3.



ECB Publishing Photo by Laz Aleman, Jan. 30, 2012

Representative Michelle Rehwinkel Vasilinda holds a 'JCI Means Jobs' sign while speaking with local businessman Dennis Pitts prior to Monday evening's legislative delegation hearing.

Prison Closing Dominates Legislative Hearing Here

Jefferson Correctional Institution (JCI) employees and their families, friends and supporters packed the courthouse on Monday evening to hear the latest on the proposed prison closing from the county's legislative delegation and to air their own feelings on the issue. Full story will appear in Friday's paper.

Lobbyists Reporting Progress In Effort To Save Prison Here

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The two professional lobbyists hired by the Jefferson County Commission to fight the proposed state closing of Jefferson Correctional Institution (JCI) are reporting progress in their efforts.

"We feel that our message is getting across," Wendy Bitner and Chris Doolin reported to the county's leadership via email on Friday, Jan. 27. "Although the outcome has yet to be determined — we feel there is an understanding that the closure of JCI will be disproportionate and that community and economic factors were not considered."

The two reported that additionally, they felt an understanding was developing that the process that had been utilized to select JCI for closing lacked the appropriate vetting or local input, and that the evaluation did not accurately assess JCI's special attributes.

Among the various activities that the two reported having taken place during the previous week on behalf of the issue were various meetings with high-level staffs from the Governor's office and the Florida Department of Corrections (FDOC), as well as with individual members of the Legislature.

Bitner and Doolin said the FDOC remained adamant about its decision to close the prison. All the same, they reported that the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice and the House

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HORSEMAN'S GROUP MAY BE CALLING HORSE ARENA HOME

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After more than four years in limbo, the College Park horse arena next door to the Green Industries Institute off US 90 West may yet fulfill its intended use and become a viable equestrian facility.

The Jefferson County Commission recently approved up to \$10,000 to be expended to get the facility into shape for a horse show that the Big Bend Horseman's Association (BBHA) proposes to hold in mid March.

The commission's action, which calls for the BBHA to donate sweat equity to the project, resulted from numerous meetings between Commissioner Betsy Barfield and members of the BBHA in recent months.

Barfield told her colleagues on

Thursday, Jan. 19, that the reconstituted BBHA wanted to partner with the county and make the arena its home. But first the commission would have to take certain steps to ensure that the arena was usable, she said.

Barfield said that among the things that would have to be done to make the facility serve its intended purpose were to create an arena flooring of the right consistency of clay and sand for horses, install a public address system, and repair the water heater.

She estimated that the total cost of all the needed improvements wouldn't exceed \$10,000 and likely would be much less. Too, there would be maintenance issues down the line and the county would have to carry liability insurance, she said. But the BBHA also

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Brandon L. Whyte

Aucilla Shores Burglar Cops Four More Charges

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Brandon L. Whyte, 18, of Aucilla Shores, who was in the County Jail after being arrested January 9 and charged with three counts of burglary; five counts of grand theft; two counts of burglary of a dwelling; burglary of a structure and felony criminal mischief, to which a total bond of \$72,500 was set, was charged January 26 with four additional charges, including armed burglary of a dwelling; grand theft of a firearm; burglary of a dwelling and grand theft, now bringing his total bond to \$107,500.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office reported that on January 8, Cpl. Andrew L. Johnson was dispatched to 154 East Second Way in reference to a burglary; the second burglary within a five-day period at that residence.

The male complainant was the last one to leave the house at about 10:30 a.m. and everything was in place. When they returned home the female complainant said some of her jewelry was missing. A gold necklace and bracelet set, valued at \$200; a diamond on a

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HOMESTEAD PROPERTIES TAX HIKE POSSIBLY ON HORIZON

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Property Appraiser Angela Gray is alerting homeowners with Save Our Homes protected homesteads to be prepared for a possible rate increase in their property taxes this year.

"Property appraisers around the state just received the dreaded memo from the Florida Department of Revenue (FDOR) stating that the 2012 Consumer Price Index (CPI) is 3 per-

cent," Gray said. "This means that potentially more than 3,500 homeowners in Jefferson County who have a Save Our Homes benefit will see a 3 percent increase in their assessed value this year."

Gray explained that since the adoption of the Save Our Homes constitutional amendment in 1992, the measure has protected homestead homeowners by capping the assessed values of their properties at the CPI, or three

percent, depending on whichever was the lower.

This has worked to the affected homeowners' benefit and resulted in huge tax savings during the boon years, when the market values of houses were steadily rising. Unfortunately for such property owners, the converse holds true during hard economic times.

Explained Gray, "Now that the market is showing some decline, the cap remains in ef-

fect, increasing each year and recapturing the savings benefits that homestead owners have accumulated (over the years)."

These annual increases, moreover, are likely to continue until properties' assessed values reach their market just values, she said.

Gray pointed out that during the last three years, the increased rates have been .1 percent in 2009, 2.7 percent in 2010 and 1.5 percent in 2011. And this

year, the rate is likely to be at the full 3 percent maximum, she said.

"While this office cannot prevent the 3 percent increase from happening, I can keep our property owners informed about the law," Gray said. "For the past three years, legislation and attempts to get this issue on the ballot have been a priority and voters will finally get their say this elections year."

Gray noted that in Please See **HOMESTEAD** Page 3

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Local Weather

Wed 2/1 72/56
Cloudy with occasional showers. High 72F. Winds SSE at 5 to 10 mph.

Thu 2/2 75/53
Morning showers. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 50s.

Fri 2/3 74/54
Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm.

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Jefferson Outreach for Youth Gives Thanks



Jefferson Outreach for Youth (JOY) has no way to personally thank each generous person who donated Christmas gifts. There are lots of you all!

There was a table of Barbie dolls, tables of games, crayons, toy cars, clothing and many, many other thoughtful presents.

It is clear that all you secret Santa's put lots of thought and care into the selection of your gifts.

J.O.Y. had 145 applications. Each of these children received at least seven gifts, plus a stocking.

There were no electronic gifts, only practical traditional gifts like coats and coloring books; all for children between the ages of three and 12.

There were another 15 children who got some gifts. J.O.Y. reserved a few

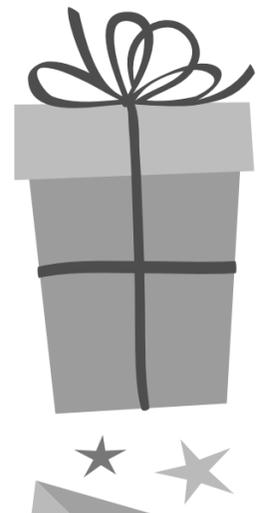
gifts for unforeseen circumstances.

Another 40 or so gifts were taken to the Hispanic community. J.O.Y. does hope to solicit more from this group to apply next year.

The children who receive gifts come from every ethnic group; all screened by the J.O.Y. committee for need.

There was no diversity however in the squealing and excitement that came from the children. It seems that children's enthusiasm is measured in small leaps and squeals. It cuts across all ethnic and age lines.

To all who contributed toys, money, time and your hearts; the J.O.Y. Committee thanks you very much and will see you during the Jefferson County Watermelon Festival Parade.



JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIME BEAT

ALL INFORMATION IS PRINTED AS TAKEN FROM THE JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. ALL SUSPECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY IN A COURT OF LAW

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Rachael Fay Simon, 24, of Plantation, FL, was sentenced in court January 23 to serve 30 days in the county Jail on the charges of possession of marijuana with intent to sell and possession of paraphernalia.

Paul Stokes, 44, of Perry, FL, was sentenced in court January 23 to serve 36 months in the Florida Department of Corrections on the charges of trafficking in methamphetamine and possession of paraphernalia. He remained at the County Jail January 31 awaiting transport to the DOC Reception Center.

Brandon L. Whyte, 18, of Aucilla Shores, who was in the County Jail after being arrested January 9 and charged with three counts of burglary; five counts of grand theft; two counts of burglary of a dwelling; burglary of a structure and felony criminal mischief, to which a total bond of \$72,500 was set, was charged January 26 with four additional charges, including armed burglary of a dwelling; grand theft of a firearm; burglary of a dwelling and grand theft, now bringing his total bond to \$107,500. He remained at the County Jail January 31.

Ira Ray West, 46, of Monticello, was arrested January 26 and charged with improper exhibition of a dangerous weapon. Bond was set at \$1,000 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Charles Jessie Johnson, 35, of Perry, FL, was arrested January 26 and charged with driving under the influence with property damage; driving under the influence (fifth offense); driving while license suspended or revoked (eighth offense) and driving with an expired license for more than four months. A total bond of \$45,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail February 1.

Jesus Salazar, 50, of Davenport, FL, was arrested January 27 and charged with failure to appear on the charge of resisting arrest without violence. Bond was set at \$250 and he remained at the County Jail January 31.

Wendell M. Randall, 38, of Monticello, was arrested January 27 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of driving while license suspended and violation of probation on the charge of sale of a controlled substance. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail January 31.

Kevin Winfield Gillyard, 47, of Lake City, FL, was arrested January 28 and charged with writ of attachment for nonpayment of child support. Bond was set at \$400 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Willie James Boyd, 49, of Wacissa, was arrested January 29 and charged with two counts of felony domestic battery and one count of possession of a controlled substance. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County.

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Charges

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chain and matching stud earrings, valued at \$350; a lapis sterling silver necklace and earrings, valued at \$275; two small old ladies pill boxes, one made from stone, valued at \$5 each and a pair of black pearl earrings and necklace set, valued at \$350, were taken from the master bathroom.

The male complainant said he was missing some guns, including a .16 gauge double-barrel (side by side) shotgun with rabbit ears hammers, valued at \$1,000; a lever action .22 Winchester or Marlin, valued at \$400; a .38 special revolver, valued at \$400; a .22 caliber Revelation semi-auto rifle, valued at \$50; and a Blue Streak pellet rifle, valued at \$25, had been taken from inside the house. He was also missing some items from the outside of the house, including a DeWalt 12" chop saw, valued at \$350; a hand truck, valued at \$65; eight chrome rims, four for a Jeep and four for a Ford, valued at \$800 and two electric concrete mixers, valued at \$400.

On January 9 during a post Miranda interview with the 17-year old who was arrested with Whyte, the 17-year old explained that he and Whyte had entered the residence at 154 East Second Way at least a couple of times, through an unlocked sliding glass door. He said he remembered Whyte taking at least three long guns and a pistol. They also took food, a laptop computer, washer, clothes dryer and jewelry from inside the house and scrap metal from the yard.

On January 10 a search warrant was served on David Whyte's residence from information obtained from the interview with the 17-year old. Four guns were recovered; a .16 gauge double barrel shotgun; a Revelation .22 bolt action; a .22 semi-auto rifle; and a Blue Streak pellet rifle.

During a post Miranda interview with David Whyte on January 10, he told deputies that he sold some jewelry for the 17-year old at Fast Payday Loans in Monticello. Deputies checked Fast Payday Loans and photographed the jewelry that David Whyte sold.

On January 12 the male and female complainants came to the Sheriff's Office to identify their stolen property. The male was able to identify all four guns recovered during the search warrant, as his stolen guns. Investigator Chris Eades also showed him some transactions photos where David Whyte sold items to Madison Metals. He identified from the photos, two electric concrete mixers, chrome rims and an old storage tank, as being his stolen property.

The female looked at the photos of the jewelry from Fast Payday Loans and was able to identify all of it as being stolen from her home.

Investigating yet another burglary in Aucilla Shores, on January 9 during a post Miranda interview with the 15-year old, who was arrested the same day as Brandon Whyte and the 17-year old, he explained that he watched from the road while his 17-year old brother and Whyte entered an abandoned house. The abandoned house is the first house on the right off of Ashville Highway. He could not remember the exact date of the burglary, but said the only item they took was a heat/air conditioner combo unit.

On January 12 Investigator Eades and Deputy Johnson checked all four entrances to Aucilla Shores and discovered that the house located at 46 Ashville Highlands had been burglarized.

They made contact with the property owner and advised him of the burglary. He explained that he had not been to the house in the last 10 days. He went and checked the house and advised investigators that the house had been burglarized and the only item taken was a heater/air conditioner combo unit, valued at \$600.

Whyte remained at the County Jail January 31 held on a \$107,500 bond.

Homestead

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the 2011 session, the Florida Senate passed a joint resolution seeking to amend the Florida Constitution "to prohibit increases in the assessed value of a homestead property if the fair market value of the property decreases."

"Voters will have the opportunity to vote 'yes' or 'no' in the November 2012 general election, or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose," Gray said.

She noted that in Jefferson County, the 2011 tax rolls indicated that the Save Our Homes accumulated savings value was \$85,096.13.

"This represents the increase in market value since a homestead was established on the property," Gray says. "It is value that homestead owners are not assessed for, and that the local government has not been allowed to collect property tax revenue on because it was protected under the cap."

Gray encourages residents who have questions about this issue or simply want more information to contact her office at 997-3356 or visit www.jeffersonpa.net.

The Property Appraiser office is located at 480 West Walnut Street.



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Family Loses Home In Blaze

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A Jefferson County family lost their home, all of their possessions and reportedly, one dog, in an afternoon blaze Monday.

Jefferson County Fire Rescue reported that at 2:01 p.m. on Monday, January 30, Fire Rescue received a report of a house fire at 1104 South Main Avenue, the residence of Joe and Dottie Taylor.

A passerby had observed what he thought was a brush fire by a house and then realized that the house was on fire and called 911.

Firefighters from Jefferson County Fire Rescue, Monticello Volunteer Fire Department and Lloyd Volunteer Fire Department were on scene seven minutes after receiving the call.

Upon arrival of Fire Rescue Squad 1 and Engine 5, the entire single story portion of the two-story home was fully involved and had vented through the roof. Heavy smoke was venting out of the second story portion of the building.

Fire Rescue reported that there was poor or no access for fire apparatus to reach the blaze.



Engine 5 and Engine 1 had the fire darkened down when the water gave out. While retrieving more water the fire fully intensified and the second story became fully involved.

The fire at that point was far beyond firefighters' capabilities.

The entire house was consumed with just the underside of the first floor burning in a crawl-space area under the house.

With no practical safe way to reach the area fire operations

were stopped and a fire watch was established throughout the night.

The State Fire Marshal did not come to the scene Monday because the fire was still too hot to investigate the scene for the cause.

The State Fire Marshal came to the scene Tuesday morning to investigate and determine the cause.

The home was a total loss, with an estimated value of \$250,000 and the property, plus another \$40,000 loss.

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would have to carry liability insurance, as would any other organizations that wanted to stage events at the facility, she said.

"It's a small piece of economic development, but it can bring people into the county," Barfield said of the arena.

Members of the BBHA and other equestrian organizations represented at the meetings agreed that the facility had the potential to draw horse lovers from near and far and prove an economic benefit to the community if equestrian and other events were held there regularly. But first the facility had to be made horse ready and conducive to such events, they said.

Noteworthy, Commission Chairman Hines Boyd, a fiscal conservative and oftentimes critic of government ex-

penditures who frequently clashes with Barfield, applauded the partnership and Barfield's part in bringing it about.

"I'm excited to hear that we can get the horse arena working for \$10,000," Boyd said. "I see the possibility of a solution for operating the arena without it being a drain on the county budget. I think this arena now has a chance to be self-sustaining."

The arena dates from 2006, when the Legislature awarded the county a \$200,000 grant for its construction on property that formerly housed a University of Florida research stations. The plan called for construction of an open-air horse arena, along with bleachers, a half-mile of riding and walking trails, picnic tables, and other ameni-

ties.

Initially, the idea was that the arena would serve the needs of local, district and state 4-H clubs and other youth-related organizations, as well as allowing for livestock exhibitions, agriculture related educational programs and seminars.

County officials, in fact, initially envisioned the livestock and horse arena serving as the first element of what would ultimately become a multiple-use agricultural complex and park, complete with the offices of all the local, state and federal agencies that serve the agricultural sector.

That vision is not completely gone. As recent as two years ago, county officials were seeking \$1,750,000 from the Legislature for com-

pletion of the project.

Even this year, the agriculture center remains on the priority wish list that local officials annually submit to the Legislature. All the same, local officials recognize that the prospect for such funding in the current economic climate is highly unlikely, and they have more or less put the project on the back burner for the time being.

Not counting the initial \$200,000 grant, the county in 2010 expended an additional \$72,000 to address stormwater problems at the site and bring it into permit compliance. That's not counting other related engineering fees and the costs of untold hours, labor and equipment that the Jefferson County Road Department has dedicated to the project over the years.

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Justice Appropriations Subcommittee had indicated possible consideration of budget and other changes that could take JCI off the hit list.

The two said the legislative environment would become more delicate this week as the effort moved into the budget consideration phase.

"In the House, there are some actions that can be made in relation to the House appropriations process and, in the Senate, we will see what language will be proffered addressing our issue," the two said. "Specifically, we have meetings scheduled with the House Appropriations chair and the Governors office. We feel that the parties that we have met with

want to find a solution."

Of utmost importance, the two said, was that the community and its supporters remained clear on the goal to save the prison.

The fight to save the prison was prompted by the FDOC announcement earlier this month that JCI would be one of 11 prisons and work camps slated for closure across the state because of alleged costs-saving considerations.

The announcement galvanized a community effort to save the prison, given that its closure would result in the loss of 177 jobs, representing six percent of the total available jobs in the county and creating an estimated \$33 million negative impact on the local economy.

Community leaders argue that the economic impact wasn't considered in the decision of FDOC officials. Nor were the prison's special attributes considered, they say.

Among the special attributes that local officials say the evaluation failed to take into account were that JCI is "the state's largest 'Psyche 3' unit and the 'go to' unit for prisoners on psychotropic drugs", and that it is the only state prison never to have called out a rapid response team, despite its high-risk inmates. What's more, the facility's per-inmate operational cost is only \$1.50 more than the most efficiently operated prisons, per the FDOC's own calculations, they say.

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Arbor Day Celebrated In Monticello



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Several Monticello Garden Club members, City employees, State personnel and interested local residents celebrated Florida Arbor Day on Friday morning, January 20 at the Oakfield Cemetery on the Waukeenah Highway. Several trees were planted in honor of recently lost loved ones and City workers set two benches.

A brief program was presented with Forrester Mike Humphreys thanking all for attending and especially the Monticello Garden Club for being the nucleolus of this year's presentation. MGC President Anne Mara and Forrester Humphreys read a poem titled "Trees," by Joyce Kilmer: *I think that I shall never see ~ a poem lovely as a tree ~ A tree whose hungry mouth is prest ~ against the sweet earth's flowing breast ~ A tree that looks at God all day ~ and lifts her leafy arms to pray ~ A nest of robins in her hair ~ A tree that may in summer wear ~ Upon whose bosom snow*

has lain ~ Who intimately lives with rain ~ Poems are made by fools like me ~ But only God can make a tree. Mara also honored the late Ferrell Klady, Pauline Clarke, Kay Martin, Tom Johnson and Norma Wilson; mentioning that five Dogwood trees are being planted in their memory.

City Council member John Jones spoke a few words from Mayor Idella Scott, who was unable to attend. City Clerk Emily Anderson read a proclamation pertaining to Arbor Day in Monticello and recapped on the successful events held and future plans.

Celebrating Arbor Day is one of the requirements for Monticello to maintain its status as a Tree City USA participant, which it has done for 23-years in a row.

The idea for Arbor Day originally came from Nebraska. A visit to Nebraska today wouldn't disclose that the state was once a treeless plain. Yet it was the lack of trees there that led to the founding of Arbor Day in the 1800s. Among pi-

oneers moving into the Nebraska Territory in 1854 was J. Sterling Morton from Detroit. He and his wife were lovers of nature and the home they established in Nebraska was quickly planted with trees, shrubs and flowers.

Morton was a journalist and soon became editor of Nebraska's first newspaper. Given that forum, he spread agricultural information and his enthusiasm for trees to an equally enthusiastic audience. His fellow pioneers missed their trees. But, more importantly, trees were needed as windbreaks to keep soil in place, for fuel and building materials, and for shade from the hot sun.

Morton not only advocated tree planting by individuals in his articles and editorials, but he also encouraged civic organizations and groups to join in. His prominence in the area increased, and he became secretary of the Nebraska Territory, which provided another opportunity to stress the value of trees.

On January 4, 1872, Morton first proposed a tree-planting holiday to be called 'Arbor Day' at a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture. The date was set for April 10, 1872. Prizes were offered to counties and individuals for planting properly the largest number of trees on that day. It was estimated that more than one million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbor Day.

Today the most common date for the state observances is the last Friday in April, and several U.S. presidents have proclaimed a national Arbor Day on that date. But a number of state Arbor Days are at other times to coincide with the best tree planting weather, from January and February in the south to May in the far north. Arbor Day has now spread beyond the United States and is observed in many countries of the world.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2

Business Community Prayer Breakfast will be held at 7 a.m. on Thursday at the Jefferson Country Club on the Boston Highway. The Spiritual Aims Committee of the Monticello Kiwanis will sponsor guest speaker Coach Bobby Bowden to present the program. Come and bring a friend. Bring a non-perishable food item for the community food pantry. 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@embarq-mail.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.

FEBRUARY 2

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.

FEBRUARY 3

Ashville Area Volunteer Fire Department meets 6:30 p.m. on the first Friday of each month at the fire station. Contact John Staffieri at 850-997-6807 for more details.

FEBRUARY 3

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.

FEBRUARY 3

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 doorprizes, cold soft drinks and snacks.

FEBRUARY 3

Stress Management For Women Webinar on Friday from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Chamber. Learn how to beat stress-caused tension, frustration and fatigue, and change forever the way you manage your active, vigorous agenda. This webinar is free for Chamber members and their employees. You must make your reservation by Wednesday, February 1 to 850-997-5552, or the webinar will be canceled.

FEBRUARY 4

Celebration of African American Art Exhibition at the Jefferson Arts. An opening reception with complimentary appetizers and beverages will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday in the gallery. Contributing artists of these various mediums include: Austin Brown, Penny Hackett, A.R. Harvey, Zaid Haynes, Akinlana Lowman and Eluster Richardson. 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. This exhibition will run through February.

FEBRUARY 4

Lions Club members will hold a yard sale from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday in the Monticello News parking lot. To make a donation or to rent a space (\$10 dona-

tion) contact Lion Jane at 850-997-3392 or just come by on Saturday and setup or drop off.

FEBRUARY 4

Covenant Hospice is actively seeking sponsors for its signature fundraiser, 'A Chocolate Affair'. The third annual event will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. on Saturday at the University Center Club, located in FSU's Doak Campbell Stadium. For more information, contact Lydia Claire Brooks at lydiaclaire.brooks@covenanthospice.org or call 850-701-0137.

FEBRUARY 4, 18

Dixie Community Center in historical Dixie, GA is open on the first and third Saturday nights for an evening of music and dancing with live local bands. Free line dance classes begin at 5:30 p.m. with the fun to follow at 7 p.m. For more information contact Kenneth Price at 1-229-263-7231.

FEBRUARY 5

VFW Post 251 meets 5 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the Learning Center on Marvin Street for a meeting. Contact Commander Ned Hill at 850-339-5524 for more information.

FEBRUARY 6

VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post 251 meets 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at Memorial MB Church. Contact President Mary Madison at 850-210-7090 for more information.

FEBRUARY 6

Sons Of The American Legion (SAL) meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month in the Otto Walker Post 49 on South Water Street in Monticello. For more information contact District III Commander Buddy Westbrook at 850-997-2973.

FEBRUARY 6

MainStreet of Monticello, Florida Board Meeting is held at 5 p.m. on the first Monday of

every month at the Cherry Street Commons on South Cherry Street. Contact Margie Stern at 850-445-1390 for more information. For more information about the third Monday Main Street Speaker Series contact Anne Holt at 850-997-5110 or aholt@aholt.com Come to hear about updates and projects that MainStreet has been working on.

FEBRUARY 6

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

FEBRUARY 6

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.

FEBRUARY 7

Monticello Woman's Club meets on the first Tuesday of every month at noon at the clubhouse on East Pearl Street for lunch and a meeting. Contact Club President Ethel Strickland at 850-997-3382 for more information.

FEBRUARY 7

Monticello/Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting is held at noon on the first Tuesday of each month. The meeting includes lunch and a program. For more information visit the Chamber Website at monticellojeffersonfl.com or call 850-997-5552.

FEBRUARY 7

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

Obituaries

LINDA DAUGHTREY

Linda Daughtrey moved to Monticello, FL in 1984 from Okeechobee, FL. She married John Daughtrey, formerly of Okeechobee, in 1989. Together, Linda and John enjoyed traveling the United States on extended road trip adventures. Linda retired as the head of Emergency Dispatch for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office in 2006. She was an active member of the Wacissa United Methodist Church and initiated a prayer quilt ministry that brought great comfort to many and several to faith in Christ.

A breast cancer survivor for eight years, the cancer returned in October 2011 and Linda passed away on Tuesday, January 24, 2012. She is survived by her adoring husband John, her children Christy (Alex) Garrard of Issaquah, WA; R.D. (Caren) Spiess of Okeechobee; Mandy (Rob) Ralph of Monticello; Jody (Reesa) Daughtrey of Andalusia, AL; and Kim (Victor) Crews of Okeechobee, and her loving brother Buck (Melanie) Rand of Tampa, FL. Linda and John enjoyed eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren including grandsons R.J. (Sheila) and Tyler (Stephanie) Lacy; and great-grandsons Colton, Conner and Ryder all of Monticello.

A celebration of her life and ministry will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday,

February 4, 2012 at the Wacissa United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to be made to: Wacissa United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 411, Wacissa, FL 32361 or to Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32308, bigbendhospice.org

The family wishes to thank everyone, near and far, for their generous care, prayers and thoughts over the last several weeks.



4H Explorers Club Meeting Held

CARSON LEIGH E. OLSON
4H EXPLORERS CLUB, REPORTER



CARSON LEIGH OLSON
Club Reporter

The 4H Explorers Club held its first meeting of the new year on Thursday, January 5.

First order of business was a business meeting. The club members split up into two

groups. Age nine and under made up the largest group and the smaller group consisted of members age 10 and up.

Since this was the first meeting of the new year, the program was all about goal setting and was lead by several parents in attendance.

After the meetings were adjourned, snacks were enjoyed by all. I think everyone really enjoyed this meeting!

Boyd Receives Paul Harris Fellowship Designation



At the Friday, January 27, 2012 meeting of the Monticello Rotary, Club President John Lilly presented member Hines Boyd with his Paul Harris Fellowship designation. This honor named after the Rotary International Founder, is awarded to members who donate \$1,000 or more to the Rotary Foundation.

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SAC And PTSO Meetings Thursday

Jefferson County Middle High School will hold its SAC Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 2, followed by its PTSO Meeting at 6:30 p.m. The meetings will be held in the JCMHS Media Center.

PTSO President Sheree A. Williams and SAC President Barbara Gamble encourage parents, teachers and community partners to attend. "Your support is needed and appreciated," they add.

BBH Patients/Families Benefit From Holiday Gift Drive

The Big Bend Hospice Patient and Family Holiday Gift Drive was born over 15 years ago as a way to give patients and families happy memories of a final holiday. For terminally ill patients and their families, the holiday season can seem overwhelming. The importance of maintaining holiday traditions and making lasting memories, especially at the end of life, is very important. For some patients purchasing gifts for family is impossible, as the cost of being chronically ill has financially drained their resources. For some families the loss of the main breadwinner has meant that everyday is a struggle to make ends meet. The annual Holiday Gift Drive has connected individuals, neighborhood groups, book clubs, or an entire office/organization to a family in need of some holiday cheer. Some of the gift requests are meager; warm socks, basic toiletries, or candy. For other patients, the needs are more compelling.

BBH Chaplain Lenny Marshall had a

patient whose only request was to have a decorated tree in her home for her last Christmas. Community donors purchased the specific tree decorations that the patient requested as well as an artificial tree and all the trimmings. Marshall, keenly aware of the patient's physical challenges brought a hospice volunteer to the patient's home along with a donated tree, ornaments, garlands, lights, and even a CD of holiday music to play while trimming the tree for the patient. "This lovely lady was so happy, and filled with joy, her smile lit up the room like there was a great light within her," said Chaplain Marshall. "What pleasure that gift gave her and what beauty it brought to her home."

Another patient dreamed of improving his home before his death so that his wife might live more comfort-

ably and securely after he was gone. The home was in need of heat as well as other necessary repairs. Community donors donated two portable heating systems for the patient and his wife. A contractor who lives in our community learned of the patient's need for repairs and donated his own time, skills, labor and materials to improve the patient's home. These donations provided the patient with a sense of peace regarding his wife's future, which was truly a gift to the patient.

The wonderful donors who participate in the Gift Drive are very special individuals. They are kind, caring individuals with giving hearts who have a desire to reach out and touch the lives of hospice patients and their families. We are so grateful for our donors and the wonderful communities in which we live!

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY



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We would like to feature your story in a special Leap Year section in our Feb. 29 issue of Monticello News.

Tobacco Prevention Education

St. Phillip AME Church is hosting a 'Train the Trainer Tobacco Prevention Education' event and the community and church health ministers are invited to attend. The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 4 at the church location.

Participants to this training event are encouraged to take the word of tobacco prevention back to their churches, groups, organizations and the like.

Breakfast will be served from 8:00 to 9:45 a.m. and lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m.

For more information and directions, contact Gloria Cox, Community Health Educator for tobacco prevention education and cessation at 850-879-4425.

Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises

Do you have items in your home that you no longer need or use, such as cameras, jewelry, housewares and antiques? Would you consider donating furniture you are replacing or appliances you are upgrading? Are you getting a new car or truck? Please consider donating your usable and sellable items to Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises, Inc.



Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises, Inc., also known as SRE, is a subsidiary of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. SRE's function is to sell donated goods to the public at our Thrift Stores in Crystal River, New Port Richey, Dunedin and Live Oak. SRE also sells unique and collectible items on their E-bay Store. Donated vehicles, trucks, vans and vessels

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If you have items to donate, please drop them by the thrift store near you or to schedule a time for us to come to your

home to pick-up your items, please contact 800-765-3797.

All proceeds from sales help support the kids of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. For additional information about the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, please visit www.floridasheriffsyouthranches.org.



Let's Make Valentines

The local Winn Dixie store will offer a free 'Valentines Workshop' for area children, while their parents shop.

On Saturday, February 4 a workshop area will be setup in an out-of-the-way area in the store, designated for the children to make Valentines Day cards for that special someone, or two.

Children will be guided by one or more store employees in the making of cards. Everything will be supplied... all that's needed will be the children.

The time is scheduled for 12 to 4 p.m. and a fun time is planned for all.

A Timeless Dance With My Father

Tickets are now available for the second annual Father/Daughter Dance sponsored by the Chi Upsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

The dance will be held on Saturday, February 4 at the Tallahassee Community College Workforce Development Banquet Hall, 444 Appleyard Drive from 5 to 9 p.m.

Fathers, father figures and daughters of any age are invited to attend. Dress attire is your 'Sunday Best'.

This 'A Timeless Dance With My Father' event will be a memorable time for dads and daughters, recognizing the significance of the father and daughter relationship.

Ticket prices are \$25 per couple and \$15 individual. Sponsorship donations are still available and begin at \$250.

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****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.

For further information please call the Solid Waste Department at 342-0184.

CHURCH

COACH TALKS ABOUT PROGRAM BEHIND TIGERS' CHAMPIONSHIP

LAZARO ALEMAN
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Senior Staff Writer

Nearly 70 people turned out on a recent weekday morning for the Business Community Prayer Breakfast at the Memorial Missionary Baptist Church and to hear Jefferson County Middle High School (JCM/HS) football coach Jeremy Brown talk about the Tigers' state championship win and the program that got the team there.

The racially mixed and multi-denominational group – including a fair sampling of business, civic, political and religious leaders – enjoyed an hour of good food, spiritual fellowship and Brown's inspirational message.

The Panama City native said that when he



Tigers Coach Jeremy Brown (foreground) shows the framed Coaches Prayer that Gary Wright presented him at the Business Community Prayer Breakfast on Jan. 12.

came to JCM/HS two years ago as assistant coach at the behest of his boyhood friend, coach Willie Spears, the two shared a vision of using

the football team as a platform to reach the young men and teach them about Christ.

"When we first got together, coach Spears and I would quote Scripture to the kids," Brown said. "In fact, we quoted Scripture to the kids a lot."

He asked the audience to consider that today's kids often grew up without benefit of fathers, and at 15 faced challenges that most in earlier generations never experienced at that age or possibly ever.

"We tried to step in as fathers," Brown said of his and Spears' roles as coaches. "Just because they're young doesn't mean that they can't be a light to the community and have an impact on their peers. We tried to put that message into words that the kids could understand it."

Brown said he and Spears set out to change hearts by showing the students love, something that many of them had never experienced. He said that when he first came to JCM/HS, cursing was rampant among the students, directed not only at each other, but also at adults.

Which behavior was somewhat shocking to him, he said.

"When I was young we didn't cuss around adults or at adults," Brown said, adding that if he had ever dared do so, his father

would have smacked his teeth down his throat.

Not only did the kids curse, but a dozen of them also didn't have the necessary grade point average to play on the team, he said. It required an intensive tutoring program to get these 12 kids' grades up to par, he said. But with time and patience, the effort had paid off, he said.

"These guys now have a 2.0 grade point average," Brown said. "They get to class on time and they do their work. They understand the importance of grades. Our kids aren't perfect, but they don't get in trouble anymore."

He said the accomplishment had resulted from the establishment of a three-pillar program that it was his hope would eventually permeate the entire student culture at JCM/HS.

He identified the first pillar as becoming a good son, i.e., showing respect to parents and adults in general.

"Kids today feel they can question everything," Brown said. "We try to teach them to do right at home. We tell them, whoever raised you, be a good son to them. It's the respect factor. For a lot of these guys, respect hasn't been modeled for them. It's amazing."

He said the first time he invited the team over to his house for dinner, the kids simply abandoned the table after dinner and didn't help clean up; they didn't know any better. But the second time they came over for dinner, after he talked to them, they cleaned up after themselves, he said.

"This behavior has nothing to do with football, but it spills onto the field," Brown offered.

He said the second pillar had to do with becoming a good student. Which meant showing respect to teachers and doing the assigned schoolwork.

Brown said he and the coaching team had created an environment that was conducive to the players asking for help when they

were struggling with their schoolwork. He might not be able to help them with the specific academic problem, but he would find someone who could help, he said.

"We created an environment where they can come and say 'I'm struggling,'" Brown said. "They don't have to be afraid or embarrassed to say they need help. We have a mission that's bigger than football."

He identified the third pillar as being a good citizen, i.e., obeying and staying out of trouble, and also understanding the consequences of wrong actions.

Brown said the program's payoff was the players' conduct in public when out as a team. He said at first he and the other coaches were hesitant to take the team out in public, fearing they might act crazy. But now, he and the coaches take the kids to malls, movies and other public places and the kids know how to behave properly and respectfully.

He cited the team's recent overnight stay in Orlando for the championship game as an example. He said the hotel manager complimented the team for its exemplary conduct, which had produced not a single complaint from any of the other guests.

"That's a testament to what these guys have done for the program," Brown said. "There's a lot that can be learned from the football program. There's a starting point and a process to these things. You can't go from an F school to an A school overnight. It takes a process and time. We still believe that we're fulfilling a mission."

He noted that when Spears had left JCMHS to go to Suwannee County High School not long after his (Brown's) own arrival here, he had been upset with Spears, as had a great many other people.

He had wondered why Spears had talked him into coming to JCMHS only to leave him soon

after, Brown said. But the two had been friends since childhood and they had talked over things and settled their differences over time, he said.

As it was, things had worked out for the best, Brown said. He had become head coach at JCMHS and Spears, when things hadn't worked out for him at Suwannee County High School, had returned to his alma mater at Northwestern Oklahoma State University as a defensive coordinator/defensive backs coach, he said.

And recently, Spears had called him and said he needed six good football players to play at Northwestern, Brown said.

"We just sent six kids to Oklahoma State last week to go to college and play football," Brown said. "And three of the kids we sent were part of the dozen who initially hadn't been able to play ball because of their low grade point average."

"That's what God has done in our program," Brown added. "I tell people that as adults, we can't fool kids. They have tremendous insight. They know when adults are honest and real. The Bible says to worship with the heart and spirit of a child. I believe that kids, the younger they are, the closer they are to God."

Following Brown's talk, Gary Wright, one of the founders of the Business Community Prayer Breakfasts, presented him with a framed copy of the coaches' prayer.

William Carroll Lamb, a humorist and inspirational speaker who regularly attends the breakfasts, next presented each of the players with a copy of the football prayer. Both prayers employ football metaphors to convey their inspirational messages.

The Monticello Business Community began holding the monthly prayer breakfasts in 1994.

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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

MT. PLEASANT MINISTRIES OF CAPPS, FL.

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

FEBRUARY 1, 15

EaglesWings, a ministry of outreach, serves the community on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The food pantry is located at the First Presbyterian Church on East Dogwood Street. Volunteers are always welcome to hand out food items and to donate non-perishable food items. Call and leave a message for JoAnne Arnold at 850-997-2252 or go to eagleswingsmonticello@yahoo.com or www.firstpresbyterianmonticello.org

FEBRUARY 2
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.

FEBRUARY 3
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 Monticello.

FEBRUARY 4
Bethpage Missionary Baptist Church Mission Ministry will hold a Bake

Sale/Yard Sale/Fish Fry from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. For more information and directions contact the church at 850-997-0967.

FEBRUARY 4
Monticello Church of the Nazarene will hold its monthly Clothing Give-away from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday at 1590 North Jefferson. There is clothing for everyone, young/old, big/small!

FEBRUARY 4
Cherry Lake First Baptist Church will host a Bluegrass Gospel Benefit/Sing from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, featuring Calvary Bluegrass and other local talent. This benefit is to help Victor Strawder with his medical bills. A Love Offering will be collected. For more information contact Jane Moore at 850-929-9990.

FEBRUARY 4
Gospel Fest in the old JCHS auditorium Saturday beginning at 6 p.m. Emcee Detroit Live will introduce the evening's featured guests: Min.

Febe & The Chosen Ones; Bright Side Gospel Singers; Mother Graham & The Gospel Joy Singers; Thessalonians; New Bethel AME Church; Apostle & Favor and so many more. This evening of gospel music is free, though donations will be accepted. For more information contact CP Miller III at 850-251-2194.

FEBRUARY 5
Central Baptist Church will host the singing ministry of 'New Tradition' on Sunday, beginning at 10:30 a.m. with a Morning Worship Service. Dinner will be served to all in the church fellowship hall after the service. For more information contact Pastor Daryl Adams at 850-251-0129 or Dan Morris at 850-251-3296.

FEBRUARY 5
Greater Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate Family and Friends Day at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday. All are invited to glorify God on this blessed occasion. Elder Chester Brown III and the Shady Grove Primitive

Baptist Church #1 of Tallahassee will render the service. Contact Rev. Melvin Roberts, pastor, at 850-997-4375 for more information. The church is located at 690 Cypress Street.

FEBRUARY 8
St. Phillip AME Church will host a February Mid-Week Praise & Worship Service beginning on Wednesday after the first Sunday in February, with a Praise Service at 6:45 p.m. and Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 10
New Hope Church will host a Blood Drive from 12 to 6 p.m. on Friday in the Winn Dixie Plaza. A free lunch will be served to all donors. For more information contact Mary at 850-948-8232.

FEBRUARY 12
Sunday of Silence will be held from 8 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. A vegetarian lunch is offered at noon; served and

eaten in silence. Gentle Hatha Yoga will begin at 10:00 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 oneheart-earthcenter@embarq-mail.com or 850-997-7373.

Gospel Fest Concert At JCHS

The second annual Gospel Fest concert will take place Saturday, February 4 in the old Jefferson County High School auditorium located at 575 South Water Street. The concert starts at 6 p.m. and doors open at 5 p.m.; be there early to get a good seat!

A great line up of gospel groups and vocals will be featured including Thessalonians, Bright Side Gospel Singers, The Gospel Spirituletters, Apostle & Favor, Mother Graham & The Gospel Joy Singers, Voices of Victory, Detroit Live, Minister Febe and The Chosen Ones, The Gospel Edition, Williams Gospel Singers, E.Praise and A Trace Washington, a company out of Jacksonville, FL. Many more talents are expected to be at this awesome event; you won't want to miss this!

This is a free event. Donations will be accepted. Plan to come together with others for a good time in the name of Jesus!

For more information, contact C.P. Miller III at 850-251-2194. Thanks to all and may you be blessed.

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)
Monticello • 997-4226
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
2nd Thursday of each month
Thrift Store open every Saturday,
8:00 AM-12:00 PM

Thanking The Church Community

Pastor/Minister Reginald Bennett and the Holy Ghost Revival Center family offer thanks to the Jefferson County Union #1 President/Pastor Ben Ransom, Jr. and officers, and area churches and pastors for the prayers

and monetary contributions presented to them from the recent benefit program. The benefit was held on their behalf on December 3, 2011 at the Welaunee Missionary Baptist Church. Thanks also to the church fami-

lies and friends outside the County area for the support and kindness showed.

Know that each of you, one by one and name-by-name are loved in Christ.

88.1 WAY-FM presents the 'COME TO THE WELL TOUR' featuring CASTING CROWNS and special guests MATTHEW WEST, ROYAL TAILOR, AND LINDSAY MCCAUL

Saturday, February 25th, 2012 at the Tallahassee/Leon County Civic Center.

88.1 WAY-FM presents multi-platinum selling artist Casting Crowns and special guests Matthew West, Royal Taylor, and Lindsay McCaul live in concert at the Tallahassee/Leon County Civic Center, Saturday, February 25, 2012. Tickets are on sale now at the Civic Center box office, Ticket Master Locations and online at WAYFM.COM.

Casting Crowns has held the position of Billboard's top-selling act in Christian music since 2007 and has collected two American Music Awards, three GRAMMY® Awards and 14 GMA Dove Awards. The "Come to the Well" tour will feature the most recent popular hit Courageous.

The "Come to The Well" tour will also feature two-time GRAMMY® nominated artist Matthew West, GRAMMY® nominated pop-rockers Royal Taylor, and Christian music newcomer Lindsay McCaul. All artists

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

285 Magnolia St • Monticello • 997-2165
www.cbcflorida.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

GREATER FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

690 Cypress Street Monticello 850-997-4375
"Standing Firm On The Word Of God"
Dr. Melvin Roberts, Pastor

Sunday Church School.....10:00 A.M.
Sunday Praise & Worship.....11:15 A.M.
2nd Sunday Youth Praise & Worship
4th Sunday Individual Outreach Ministry & Fellowship
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
Adult Bible Study-Wednesday.....6:30-7:30 PM
Men's Breakfast.....2nd Saturday 8:00 a.m.

were on Casting Crown's hugely successful 2011 fall tour with more than 15 sell-out performances and are back to deliver even more stunning performances on this spring leg of the "Come to the Well" tour.

88.1 WAY-FM is a non-profit contemporary Christian music radio station serving North Florida and South Georgia. The station recently brought GRAMMY® nominated artist Tobymac to Tallahassee in November 2011 and actively works with area churches, businesses and non-profit organizations to make a positive impact in North Florida and South Georgia.

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

SARDIS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4543 Waukeelah Hwy • Monticello -850-264-0802
Pastor Stephen Lenzo

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Nursery Provided
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

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Employee of the Year Nominations



Jackie Pender Bellamy

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Jackie Pender Bellamy is one of four candidates up for the Jefferson County school district Employee of the Year.

She works in transportation/maintenance as a bus driver and has 12 years experience, all of which are in her current position.

Her job responsibilities include being a bus driver, driver trainer instructor, assisting the secretary with office duties and helping out wherever she is needed.

She is a certified train the trainer instructor; she has certification in foster parenting and she is currently enrolled in college pursuing a lifelong dream.

Of Bellamy, Supervisor of Transportation and Maintenance Freddie Hightower said, "It is with great privilege that I submit the recommendation of Ms. Jackie Pender Bellamy. I have known Ms. Bellamy for several years. I have had the privilege of working with her for a year and a half as her supervisor. I have found her to be a pleasant, generous and caring person who is never afraid to take on a challenge. She has been one of our most dedicated employees.

"Ms. Bellamy is a very independent, self-directed person who is able to communicate effectively and meet even the most demanding challenges. During the past 18 months I have worked with her, she has done an outstanding job of record keeping and driver data entry. Even though Ms. Bellamy does not have direct hands on approach to students' education, she plays a

pivotal role. First and foremost, she transports students herself, she also keeps all of the driver's data current, such as driving records and drivers license issues to insure that all of our students are transported safely," he added.

"While Ms. Bellamy's on the job performance has been nothing less than outstanding, Ms. Bellamy is a friend to many of us. We pride ourselves on our workplace values and close-knit community and in this area she truly shines. Ms. Bellamy is our constant reminder of dates and events that affect drivers so that we are all aware of the things that are going on in the state transportation certification changes for driver and the workplace.

"We are all deeply appreciative to have Ms. Bellamy as a member of our team. I am very pleased that she was selected as the employee of the year for the transportation and maintenance department.

"Ms. Bellamy is very compassionate in the community, when there is a need she is one of the first to participate. She is especially concerned about the well-being of the elderly. She is always the first to go get cards or flowers to cheer up our own when someone is ill or any other misfortune occurs," he concluded.

Assistant Superintendent Kelvin L. Norton added, "I have personally known Mrs. Bellamy for more than 10 years. During her tenure with the district she has shown much potential and initiative to become a leader in her assigned capacities. Mrs. Bellamy has championed many obstacles over the years to become a loyal and faithful employee for the Jefferson County school district. It is



for these reasons that I recommend her for consideration as the Florida School Related Employee of the Year for the Jefferson County school district.

"Mrs. Bellamy displays qualities and attributes that are representative of a quality employee. She works hard in her current assignments in order to provide the best services she can to our students and parents. Mrs. Bellamy is an active member of the community and enjoys lending a helping hand where needed," he concluded.



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Dwanda B. Skipworth is one of the four county school district employees up for Employee of the Year.

She is a Transition Specialist and works at the Jefferson County School Board office. She has 20 years experience in the field, eight of which are at her present location. Skipworth's job responsibility is transitioning adult school students to postsecondary education.

Her education includes Jefferson County High School, where she earned her high school diploma in June 1978. She attended Onodaga Community College in

Dwanda B. Skipworth

Syracuse, NY, where she earned her associates degree in human service in May 1996. Skipworth attended Bethany Seminary Divinity College in Dothan, AL, where she earned her bachelor of art in Christian education, May, 2008; then went on to pursue her master of art in religion Christian counseling, which she earned in May 2010; then she went on to earn her doctorate of philosophy in Christian counseling in May, 2011. Skipworth is also a licensed Florida notary.

Her training includes attending the adult family literacy conference in May 2009; earning her TABE testing certification in August 2010; attending the Florida ACE conference in September 2011; and choices planner training in September 2011.

Skipworth's community activities include being a church school youth bible teacher; church senior usher president; 4-H community leader; community service for the elderly (holiday gift bags, December 2011); Adult School Employee of the Year, February 2009; and being Bethany Divinity Outstanding Collegiate Student of the Year, May, 2010.

Of Skipworth, Dr. Melvin Roberts stated, "It is my esteemed pleasure to recommend to your attention Mrs. Dwanda B. Skipworth as an exceptional candidate to represent Florida's School Related Employee of the Year.

"I have personally and professionally known Ms. Skipworth for 11 years. Personally, I have known her to be active in her church, civic organizations and throughout the community in which she lives. She is also a mother, grandmother and friend to all she meets. Professionally, she is the epitome of a true professional. She is dependable, trustworthy and performs all assigned duties with fidelity. She has worked several years as the data entry/secretary and bookkeeper to the Jefferson County School District Adult School. However, already holding an AA degree, she mustered the

courage and time to attend seminary school eventually earning a doctorate of philosophy in religion. Most recently, she was selected to be the district's Pathway Career Transition Specialist. Her new job entails working with mature and young adults who successfully passed the GED, transition into postsecondary education," he added.

"She is of the highest moral character with unwavering dedication to helping others to succeed. Given the opportunity, I remain confident that Mrs. Skipworth would well represent the Jefferson County School District and the State of Florida as the 2012 School Related Employee of the Year," he concluded.

Dr. Ann Reddick added, "I recommend Dr. Dwanda B. Skipworth for selection as Employee of the Year at Jefferson County schools. Dr. Skipworth is an inspirational leader and motivator. She inspires all she meets with her comforting words of encouragement such as, 'you can do it; that was nice; keep up the good work,' and much more. With her expertise in the field of counseling she can provide so much to the school system.

"I have known Dr. Skipworth since birth and she definitely inspired me to go to school. If it were not for her encouraging me to hang in there, I would not have received my doctorate degree. She is the epitome of what a compassionate mentor is supposed to be. Her smile is radiant; everyone around her tends to maintain a good, positive attitude because of it. I have observed her in action with children, thus they flock for motherly and professional advice.

"Lastly, Dr. Skipworth's leadership skills along with her people skills will be treasured by those she comes in contact with in the school system and every aspect of life. You can just ask anyone who knows her, they will all agree; she is a top-notch leader and motivator," she concluded.

Rosemary F. Norton

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Rosemary Norton is one of four county district school employees up for Employee of the Year.

Norton is a school food service worker at Jefferson Elementary School. She had 26 years experience, eight of which are at JES.

Her job responsibilities include being the head of the baking department, which includes preparing all types of breads, pastas and rice dishes. She also works on the serving line during meal service times and has daily cleaning responsibilities.

Training she has received includes HACCP food safety training; training for cooling and storing leftovers; calibrating thermometers; proper hand washing; safe food handling practices; procedures for preventing food borne illness; cleansing and sanitizing; personal safety; menu planning; dietary guidelines; and safe staff food handler training program. She has certificates of completion in fruits and vegetable galore conference, 2007; food service staff training and she as a treasured volunteer certificate from Brynwood Center

for her contribution of volunteer work at the center.

Of Norton, JES Cafeteria Manager Jackie Johnson said, "Mrs. Rosemary Norton is a valued employee in the elementary school cafeteria. She is very patient with the students and the staff. She has a wonderful work ethic. She does all of assigned work and then helps whoever else needs her. Her fellow employees enjoy working with her. She is always willing to try new things.

"We are very proud that she was nominated for Employee of the Year," concluded Johnson.

The nominating committee added, "We are nominating Ms. Rosemary Norton for Employee of the Year. Ms. Norton works in the cafeteria at Jefferson Elementary School.

She works diligently every day to ensure the proper nutrition is given to all students during breakfast and lunch. She has been a loyal employee to the Jefferson County Schools. She is also very involved in her church and community activities. We believe that her attitude and work ethics are an asset to our school and that she deserves to be the Employee of the Year for Jefferson County," they concluded.



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Employee of the Year Nominations



Stephanie Roberts

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Stephanie Roberts is one of four candidates up for Jefferson County school district Employee of the Year.

She is a bookkeeper II at Jefferson County Middle High School with 26 years experience, seven of which are at JCMHS. Her job responsibilities include being in charge of all internal accounts at the school level, maintaining records for accounts payable and receivable and preparing and processing bank records. She also processes the school's payroll, reports injuries such as Worker's Comp, manages facility usage, serves as communications equipment contact, distributes keys and performs other duties in the office as necessary.

Additional training she has received includes FASA secretaries conference in 2007 and indispensable assistant seminar in 2008.

Awards she has received includes the JCMHS Athletics Appreciation in 2008; she was inducted as the Deaconess of Welaunee Missionary Baptist Church in 2009; at Welaunee MBC she was recognized and appointed as head of the health ministry in 2009; the Athletics Appreciation in 2009; Welaunee MBC President of the Deaconess Ministry in 2010; and JCMHS certificate of recognition from the senior class in 2010.

Of Roberts, Assistant Superintendent Kelvin L. Norton said, "I have personally known Mrs. Roberts for more than 30 years and have found her to be a person of exceptional talent and moral character.

Mrs. Roberts has worked in the Jefferson County school district with high distinction and honor for 25 years. She is a very conscientious and determined individual that has proven to be an asset to our district and

community. If given the opportunity to represent the district as the Florida School Related Employee of the Year, Stephanie will be able to display her talents in a most favorable manner. I highly recommend Mrs. Stephanie Roberts for consideration as the Florida School Related Employee of the Year for the Jefferson County," said Norton.

"Mrs. Roberts is a motivated, goal-oriented individual who strives to excel at every field of human endeavor. She has proven outstanding leadership qualities, which have been exemplified both in her profession and her community activities. Mrs. Roberts is extremely active in many organizations and serves in various capacities in her current position. Stephanie's character and work ethics are beyond reproach, and should be viewed with an astute eye in your evaluation process for this illustrious award," he concluded.

Dr. Gwen Coverson added, "It is with great pride and pleasure to submit this recommendation for Mrs. Stephanie Roberts, who is a nominee for the Jefferson County School District Employee of the Year.

"Mrs. Roberts has been employed with the Jefferson County School District for 26 years and Jefferson Middle/High School for the past seven years as the school's treasurer. Her ability to aid in the promotion of good public relations with all of the stakeholders of this school district qualifies her as an exemplary role model for Jefferson County. She works very diligently to help meet the fiscal needs of the school district. She believes that 'It takes a village to raise a child' and 'failure is not an option' when it comes to educating our children. She continues to work in the community by feeding the hungry, working with the health ministry and working diligently in the church," she said.



"She accepts responsibilities and assigned duties with caring and positive attitude and exceedingly completes all tasks. She performs all fiscal related functions and is responsible for all of the financial accounts of the school. While performing her daily duties, I have observed her on many occasions interacting with students, parents, faculty and staff with an extreme level of respect and professionalism.

"It is with great pleasure and deservingly so, that I highly recommend Mrs. Stephanie Roberts for Jefferson County Schools District Employee of the Year," she concluded.

JENKINS WINS COUNTY SPELLING BEE

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Savannah Jenkins came in 1st place in the Jefferson County Spelling Bee, held on Thursday, January 19. She is one of 12 'County Champions' to vie for the title of 'Big Bend Regional Spelling Bee Champion' on Saturday, February 11. Jenkins is an 8th grade student at Aucilla Christian Academy. She received a trophy and a monetary award for her county win.

The county competition was very well attended, with the auditorium filled with parents, friends and excited students. The event began with 20 participants; concluding with three. They were: Traynor Barker, 2nd runner-up and a 7th grade student at Aucilla Christian Academy; Carley Ondash, 1st runner-up and a 5th grade student at Aucilla Christian Academy; and Savannah Jenkins.

The other talented

students participating in the county event were: Kemesha Adams, 5th grade Jefferson Elementary School; Ayiana Bradley, 4th grade Jefferson Elementary School; Andrew Burrus, 5th grade Aucilla Christian Academy; Heather Crego, 6th grade at Jefferson County Middle High School; Kaleychia Davis, 8th grade at Jefferson County Middle High School; Stephanie English, 7th grade at Aucilla Christian Academy; Elizabeth Hightower, 6th grade at Aucilla Christian Academy; Evan Hocking, 6th grade at Aucilla Christian Academy; Ja'mya Madry, 7th grade at Jefferson County Middle High School; Bailey McLeod, 4th grade at Aucilla Christian Academy; Mark Prevatt, 5th grade at Jefferson Elementary School; Frank Roberts, 4th grade at Aucilla Christian Academy; Anthony Seaton, 4th grade at Jefferson Elementary School; Naya Thompson,

6th grade at Jefferson County Middle High School; Darren White, 7th grade at Jefferson County Middle High School; Ladayshia Williams, 8th grade at Jefferson County Middle High School; and Emma Witmer, 8th grade at Aucilla Christian Academy.

Judges for the event were John Lilly and Bobby Plaines. Capital

City Bank donated the trophies and Farmers and Merchants donated the monetary awards. Pronouncer was Carolyn Wright. Kathy Joyner was curriculum coordinator. Debbie Love was Aucilla Christian Academy Coordinator. Debroscha Sparks was Jefferson County Coordinator. Others to be included in the event are:

Clyde Cruce, Jennifer Falk, Wanda Hughey, Shona Whiddon, Judy Wallace, Tiffany Johnson and Taneshia Jones.

The 2012 Big Bend Regional Spelling Bee is sponsored by the Tallahassee Democrat to encourage students. The Regional Champion will receive a trip to Washington, D.C. to compete and join in the excitement of

'Bee Week' at the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee. Other prizes given will include two \$20 Amazon.com gift certificates, a \$100 series EE U.S. Savings Bond, Webster's Third New International Dictionary, Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary and three one year subscriptions to encyclopedia Britannica Online.



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, January 19, 2012. Savannah Jenkins is the Champion in the Jefferson County Spelling Bee. She is pictured here with Coordinator Debbie Love.



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, January 19, 2012. Carley Ondash is 1st Runner-up in the Jefferson County Spelling Bee. She is pictured here with Coordinator Debbie Love.



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, January 19, 2012. Traynor Barker is 2nd Runner-Up in the Jefferson County Spelling Bee. He is pictured here with Curriculum Coordinator Kathy Joyner.

SPORTS

LADY WARRIORS TAKE FIVE VICTORIES

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The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Lady Warriors took five victories in their past five games on the hardwood to now stand 12-9 on the season.

Aucilla faced off against Madison January 12 and the Lady Warriors squeaked their opponent for a 31-30 win.

Sunnie Sorensen netted for six points and snagged 11 rebounds.

Ashli Cline targeted for 11 points, grabbed 12 rebounds for a double-double

and had two blocked shots.

Brooke Kinsley scored two points and had two rebounds.

Vicki Perry scored six points.

Lauren Demott netted for two points and had two steals.

Pamela Watt bucketed for four points, had two rebounds, three assists and three steals.

Shelby Witmer had three rebounds.

The Lady Warriors hit the hardwood against John Paul II January 13 and Aucilla came out on top of a 35-24 scoreboard.

Sorensen scored three

points and had five rebounds.

Cline targeted for 17 points, snagged 10 rebounds for a double-double and had one blocked shot.

Witmer netted for two points and had four rebounds.

Kinsley bucketed for nine points and had four rebounds.

Watt netted for four points, had six rebounds, four steals and three assists.

Perry had four rebounds.

Alexis Burkett had two steals.

Aucilla hit the court against Highland January 17 and the Lady Warriors bounced their opponent for a 33-25 victory.

Sorensen netted for two points, had eight rebounds and one steal.

Cline scored two points and had 11 rebounds.

Kinsley targeted for 13 points and had three rebounds.

Perry bucketed for eight points and had three rebounds.

Demott scored two points.

Watt netted for four points, had three assists and one steal.

Burkett scored two points.

Witmer had four rebounds and two steals.

The Lady Warriors squared off against John Paul II January 19 and the Lady Warriors downed John Paul for a 50-40 victory.

Sorensen netted for six points, had two steals and one blocked shot.

Cline targeted for 17

points and had 13 rebounds for a double-double.

Perry bucketed for 12 points, had six rebounds and two steals.

Watt netted for 12 points, had six rebounds, three assists and snagged eight steals.

Burkett netted for two points, had two rebounds and three steals.

Witmer had five rebounds.

Kinsley had three rebounds.

The Lady Warriors hit the hardwood against Munroe January 20 and Aucilla downed their opponent for a 29-19 win.

Sorensen scored four points, had four rebounds and three steals.

Cline netted for four points, had eight rebounds and four steals.

Kinsley scored one point and had six rebounds.

Perry bucketed for nine points, had four rebounds and two steals.

Demott had two points and two rebounds.

Watt targeted for nine points, had three rebounds, three assists and four steals.

Witmer had two steals.

Burkett had three steals.

The Lady Warriors head into the final game of the regular season against Providence, 10:30 a.m., January 28, home.

ACA will be hosting the District games. The District Semi-Finals are slated for January 31 at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. and the District Championship will be held February 3 at 7 p.m.

JV Warriors Wallop Munroe

FRAN HUNT
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Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy junior varsity Warriors hit the hardwood against Munroe January 20 and the Warriors walloped Munroe 35-21 to now stand 8-4 on the season.

As a team, the young Warriors bucketed 14 of 25 attempts from the field, sunk two of nine attempts from the three-point zone and hit one of four attempts from the free-throw line for 35 points. They collected 13 assists, 10 offensive and 17 defensive rebounds for a total of 27 rebounds, with 14 block-steals and 18 turnovers.

Individually, Brandon Holm targeted three of four attempts from the field, missed three attempts from the three-point zone and missed one attempt from the free-throw line for six points. He had one assist, one defensive rebound, three block/steals and three turnovers.

Casey Demott sunk three of three attempts from the field for six points. He had two offensive and four defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds with three block/steals and one turnover.

Carson Nennstiel hit two of six attempts from the field for four points. He had two assists, three offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds, with three block/steals and one turnover.

Ricky Finlayson netted one for four attempts from the field and bucketed two of four attempts from the three-point zone for eight points. He had four assists, one block/steal and two turnovers.

Braden Mattingly sunk two 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 five points. He had five assists, three offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds, with five block/steals and six turnovers.

Bryce Sanderson hit one of one attempt from the field and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points and he had two offensive and four defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds.

DJ Wilkinson hit one of one attempt from the field and missed one attempt from the free-throw line for two points and he had one turnover.

Gatlin Nennstiel netted one of one attempt from the field for two points. He had one assist, two defensive rebounds, one block/steal and two turnovers.

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The Jefferson County Lady Tigers won five of the past nine games to now stand 14-12 on the hardwood.

Jefferson faced off against Tallavana January 4 and the Lady Tigers mauled their opponent for a 49-10 victory.

Emily Howell netted for six points and had six steals.

Jakeia Morris targeted for 17 points and snagged 17 rebounds for a double-double.

Shanquane'k Scott netted for three points and grabbed 11 rebounds.

Audrianna Noel bucketed for six points and had four steals.

Ambrosia Branham had four rebounds.

Brianna Graham scored four points and had four steals.

Sondral Macon had two points and two steals.

Samiria Martin bucketed for 11 points, had five steals and six rebounds.

The Lady Tigers squared off against Branford January 6 and Jefferson caged Branford for a

48-18 win.

Martin netted for 14 points, had eight rebounds and six steals.

Howell targeted for 17 points, had four assists and three steals.

Morris bucketed for five points and snagged 11 rebounds.

Scott scored four points and had 10 rebounds.

Graham had four points and one steal.

Noel netted for four points and had two steals.

Jefferson hit the hardwood against Hamilton January 9 and the Lady Tigers were caged for a 70-43 loss.

Howell scored nine points and had four steals.

Martin targeted for 19 points, grabbed five rebounds and three steals.

Morris netted for five points and had 10 rebounds.

Noel scored two points.

Graham netted for four points and had five steals.

Scott had six points, snagged 13 rebounds, four steals and two blocked shots.

The Lady Tigers returned to the hardwood against Mayo January 10 and Jefferson was bounced for a 58-33 loss.

Howell bucketed for nine points, had three steals and two assists.

Martin targeted for 14 points and had three rebounds.

Morris scored four points and snagged seven rebounds.

Scott had one point, 10 rebounds and three steals.

Noel bucketed for three points, had nine rebounds and one steal.

Macon had two steals.

Graham netted for two points, had four rebounds and two steals.

The Lady Tigers faced off against Hamilton January 13 and the Lady Tigers were skinned for a 60-48 loss.

Howell bucketed for 16 points, had five assists and two rebounds.

Martin targeted for 23 points, snagged 10 rebounds for a double-double and had four steals.

Morris netted for six points and had eight rebounds.

Scott grabbed eight rebounds.

Graham scored two points and had four steals.

Jefferson faced off against Melody January 17 and the Lady Tigers trounced their opponent for a 63-6 victory.

Howell netted for eight points, had eight assists and five steals.

Martin targeted for 25 points, snagged six rebounds, nine steals and three assists.

Morris scored four points, had 22 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

Scott had two points and six rebounds.

Noel netted for seven points and had four steals.

Macon had three steals.

Graham bucketed for seven points and had five steals.

Branham had two points and five rebounds.

The game slated for January 18 against Maclay was canceled.

Jefferson squared off against Madison January 20 and the Lady Tigers came out on top of a 47-31 scoreboard.

Howell targeted for 15 points, had four assists and four steals.

Martin bucketed for 12 points, had seven rebounds and six steals.

Morris netted for 10 points, snagged 15 rebounds for a double-double and had three blocked shots.

Scott grabbed 11 rebounds.

Noel scored eight points and had four steals.

Graham had five steals.

Branham had seven rebounds.

Macon had three assists.

Jefferson went in against Chiles January 21 and the Lady Tigers were downed for a 51-31 loss.

Martin targeted for 12 points, had six rebounds and four steals.

Howell netted for six points, had two assists and two steals.

Morris scored two points, had 14 rebounds and four blocked shots.

Scott snagged 10 rebounds.

Noel had three points and two steals.

Macon had one steal.

Branham had five rebounds.

Graham netted for eight points and had three steals.

Jefferson hit the hardwood against Taylor January 24 and the Lady Tigers roared to a 37-17 victory.

Howell targeted for 19 points and had three steals.

Morris netted for two points and had 11 rebounds.

Graham scored six points and had six rebounds.

Branham had two points and six rebounds.

Noel scored two points and had two steals.

Scott snagged 15 rebounds and had six steals.



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Lady Tigers Win Five Of Nine

48-18 win.

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Howell bucketed for nine points, had three steals and two assists.

Martin targeted for 14 points and had three rebounds.

Morris scored four points and snagged seven rebounds.

Scott had one point, 10 rebounds and three steals.

Noel bucketed for three points, had nine rebounds and one steal.

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Scott grabbed eight rebounds.

Graham scored two points and had four steals.

Jefferson faced off against Melody January 17 and the Lady Tigers trounced their opponent for a 63-6 victory.

Howell netted for eight points, had eight assists and five steals.

Martin targeted for 25 points, snagged six rebounds, nine steals and three assists.

Morris scored four points, had 22 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

Scott had two points and six rebounds.

Noel netted for seven points and had four steals.

Macon had three steals.

Graham bucketed for seven points and had five steals.

Branham had two points and five rebounds.

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Jefferson squared off against Madison January 20 and the Lady Tigers came out on top of a 47-31 scoreboard.

Howell targeted for 15 points, had four assists and four steals.

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Scott snagged 15 rebounds and had six steals.

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SPORTS

LADY TIGERS VARSITY SOFTBALL SCHEDULE RELEASED

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The schedule has been released for the Jefferson County varsity Lady Tigers softball team. The roster will be forthcoming.

Action begins around the diamond in the Pre-Season Classic, February 4 at 10 a.m. at Florida High; and continues against East Gadsden, February 7, at 6 p.m., there; John Paul II, February 8 at 4 p.m., there; Maclay, February 10 at 4 p.m., here; Rickards, February 15 at 6 p.m., there; Lafayette Mayo, February 17 at 6 p.m., there; North Florida Christian, February 21 at 4 p.m., there; Branford, February 23 at 4 p.m., here; Maclay, February 24 at 4 p.m., there; and Hamilton, February 28 at 7 p.m., there;

March sees the Lady Tigers hitting the diamond against East Gadsden, March 1 at 4 p.m., here; Chiles, March 2 at 3 p.m. at Messer Field; Rickards,

March 6 at 4 p.m., at 4 p.m., here; Melody Christian, March 8 at 4 p.m., there; Lafayette Mayo, March 13 at 6 p.m., here; John Paul II, March 15 at 4 p.m., here; Melody Christian, March 16 at 4 p.m., here; Taylor County, March 22 at 6 p.m., here; and Branford, March 29 at 6 p.m., there.

In April the Lady Tigers square off against Hamilton, April 2 at 6 p.m., here; Munroe, April 3 at 4 p.m., here; Taylor County, April 5 at 7 p.m., there; and wrapping up the regular season North Florida Christian, April 10 at 4 p.m., here.

In post season play times and locations will be forthcoming.

The District Tournament is April 16-20; the Regional Quarter Finals will be April 25; the Regional Semi Finals will be April 27; the Regional Finals will be May 1; and the FHSAA Softball Finals will be May 7-14.

Coaching the team this year is Alesha Wells.

SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION SET

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Pre-registration for the annual County Recreation Department Spring Sports program will be ongoing throughout the month of February, with the final deadline for registering set at noon until 2 p.m., February 18.

The registration fee is \$35 for T-Ball, Machine Pitch and Girl's Youth Softball; \$45 for Cal Ripkin baseball; and \$55 for the Babe Ruth league.

T-Ball is for athletes ages 4-6 (must be 4 by April 30, 2012); Machine Pitch, ages 7-9 (must be 7 by April 30, 2012); Cal Ripkin Baseball, ages 10-12 (must be 10 by April 30, 2012); Babe Ruth, ages 13-15 (must be 13 by April 30, 2012); and Girl's Youth Softball, ages 10-15 (must be 10 by April 30, 2012).

Recreation Director Mike Holm reports that registrations will not be taken over the phone.

The absolute deadline to ensure a spot on a team is

February 18. Those missing the deadline will be placed on a waiting list, with no exceptions.

Players will be given a choice of playing on the same team as last year, if returning to the same league, or they will be placed in a draw.

Pre-register now at the Recreation Park or come by the Recreation Park Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.

For further information contact Holm at 342-0240.

WARRIORS DOWNED BY JOHN PAUL

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The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors were downed on the hardwood by John Paul January 19 for a 31-26 loss and to now stand 9-8 on the season.

As a team the Warriors netted five of 22 attempts from the field, hit two of 14 attempts from the three-point zone and sunk 10 of 18 attempts from the free-throw line for 26 points. They had 11 assists, six offensive and 16 defensive rebounds for a total of 22 rebounds, with eight block/steals and 10 turnovers.

Individually, Tyler Jackson netted two of three attempts from the field, missed three attempts from the three-point zone and hit one of two attempts at the free-throw line for five points. He had three assists, one block/steal and one turnover.

Jared Jackson missed one attempt from the field, had three assists, two offensive and one defensive rebound for a total of three rebounds, with one block/steal.

Hans Sorensen netted one of three attempts from the field and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points. He had one assist, two defensive rebounds and two turnovers.

Jay Finlayson netted one of four attempts from the field, hit one of seven attempts from the three-point zone and targeted two of two attempts from the free-throw line for seven points. He had six defensive rebounds, with two block/steals and four turnovers.

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

Josh Funderburke bucketed one of six attempts from the field and hit four of six attempts from the free-throw line for six points. He had one assist, three offensive and six defensive rebounds for a total of nine rebounds, with one turnover.

Aucilla Beats Munroe

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The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors faced off against Munroe January 20 and the Warriors beat Munroe, 41-38 to now stand 10-8 on the season.

As a team, the Warriors bucketed 10 of 28 attempts from the field, missed 12 attempts from the three-point zone and netted 21 of 30 attempts from the free-throw line for 41 points. They collected five assists, 10 offensive and 19 defensive rebounds for a total of 29 rebounds, with 10 block/steals and 18 turnovers.

Individually, Tyler Jackson netted two of five attempts from the field, missed two attempts from the three-point zone and targeted three of four attempts from the free-throw line for seven points.

Jared Jackson had three defensive rebounds and one block/steal.

Hans Sorensen bucketed five of seven attempts from the field, and netted one of three attempts

from the free-throw line for 11 points. He had two offensive and four defensive rebounds for a total of six rebounds, with three block/steals and six turnovers.

Cody Ledford missed one attempt from the field and had one offensive and one defensive rebound for a total of two rebounds.

Jay Finlayson hit one of seven attempts from the field, missed eight attempts from the three-point zone and netted three of four attempts from the free-throw line for five points. He had one assist, two defensive rebounds, two block/steals and one turnover.

Corey Burrus sunk two of four attempts from the field, missed two attempts from the three-point zone and netted five of eight attempts from the free-throw line for nine points. He had two assists, one offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of three rebounds, with two block/steals and six turnovers.

Josh Funderburke missed four attempts from the field and bucketed nine of 11 attempts

from the free-throw line for nine points. He had five offensive and six defensive rebounds for a total of 11 rebounds, with one block/steal and four turnovers.

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LEGALS

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

IN THE ESTATE OF: JERALD ASBERT IVEY, Deceased.

PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 2011 CP 91

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of JERALD ASBERT IVEY, deceased, File Number 2011 CP 91, is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 1 Courthouse Circle, 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, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE 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, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is February 1, 2012

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JERRI LEE IVEY
Petitioner
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Monticello, Florida 32344

2/1,8/12, c.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 33-2011-CA-000189

ROSE ACCEPTANCE, INC.

Plaintiff(s),

Division No.

vs.

Section.

FRANCES ALDAY A/K/A FRANCES ELLEN ALDAY F/K/A FRANCIS ELLEN HODGES; et. al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: **FRANCES ALDAY A/K/A FRANCES ELLEN ALDAY F/K/A FRANCIS ELLEN HODGES ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 420 E 2ND WAY, GREENVILLE, FL 32331 UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF FRANCES ALDAY A/K/A FRANCES ELLEN ALDAY F/K/A FRANCIS ELLEN HODGES ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 420 E 2ND WAY, GREENVILLE, FL 32331**

Residence unknown and if living, including any unknown spouse of the Defendant, if remarried and if said Defendant is dead, his/her respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant; and the aforementioned named Defendant and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant and such of the unknown named Defendant as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property, to-wit:

LOT 4, BLOCK A, ASHVILLE HIGHLANDS UNIT II SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION AS PER THE PLAT THEREOF FILED AT PLAT BOOK B, PAGE 43, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA. more commonly known as 420 E. 2ND WAY, GREENVILLE, FL 32331

This action has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, GILBERT GARCIA GROUP, P.A., whose address is 2005 Pan Am Circle, Suite 110, Tampa, Florida 33607, on or before 30 days after date of first publication and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 19th day of December, 2011.

Kirk Reams
JEFFERSON County, Florida

By: Sherry Sears
Deputy Clerk

"In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, JEFFERSON County, INTERSECTION US HIGHWAYS 19 AND 90, MONTICELLO FL 32344, County Phone: 850-342-0218 ext. 228 TDD 1-800-955-8771 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service".

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SRWMD GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS

On Tuesday, February 14, 2012, the Suwannee River Water Management District's Governing Board will meet at 9:00 a.m. at District Headquarters, 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak, FL 32060. The meeting is to consider District business and conduct public hearings on regulatory, real estate, and other various matters including the 2012 Florida Work Plan and the 2012-2021 Strategic Plan. A workshop will be held immediately following the meeting. On Monday, February 27, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., a Tentative Intermediate Governing Board Meeting will be held at District Headquarters in Live Oak, Florida. Public should check the District website or contact the District to confirm that the meeting has not been cancelled or rescheduled. All meetings, workshops, and hearings are open to the public.

2/1/2012, c.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No: 11-208-CA

Division:

21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, etc.,

Plaintiff

vs.

VICTORIA L. CARR, et al.

Defendants

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 45.031 (1), FLORIDA STATUTES

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Final Judgment entered on January 24, 2012, in Case No: 11-208 of the Circuit Court, Jefferson County Florida, in which 21ST" Mortgage Corporation is Plaintiff and Victoria L. Carr, et al., are the defendants, the Clerk of this Court will sell at public sale the following described real property:

Exhibit A

The sale will be held on February 23, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the front entrance of the Jefferson County Courthouse, One Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes..

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, One Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344 (850) 342-0218 at least 7 days before you scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this 24th day of January, 2012.

Lance P.Cohen
1912 Hamilton St. Suite 206
Jacksonville, FL 32210
904/388-6500
Attorney for Plaintiff

KIRK REAMS
CLERK OF SAID COURT
By: Sherry Sears,
As Deputy Clerk

Exhibit "A"

Commence at the Southwest corner of Lot 1 of Villa-Nova Subdivision, a map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book "B", page 7 of the Public Records of Jefferson County, Florida, said point being on the North boundary of county paved Old St. Augustine Road and run South 89 degrees 40 minutes 20 seconds West along the North boundary of county paved Old St. Augustine Road a distance of 40.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, thence continue South 89 degrees 40 minutes 20 seconds West along said North boundary a distance of 100.00 feet to a point, thence run North 02 degrees 20 minutes 07 seconds West 176.96 feet to a point, thence run North 89 degrees 44 minutes 20 seconds East 100.00 feet to a point, thence run South 00 degrees 20 minutes 07 seconds East 176.84 feet tot he POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH A 1996 FLEETWOOD MOBILE HOME 16 X 80, SERIAL # GAFLT07A36818-BM21

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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: 203 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 14-1N-3E-0000-0070-0000 .38 Acres
In SW ¼ 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: 644 Year of Issuance: 2009

Description of Property: 36-2N-4E-0870-0000-007Q .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.

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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.

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Dated this 2nd day of January 2012.

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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 ¼ o
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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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 ½ 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.

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Dated this 2nd day of January 2012.

Kirk B. Reams
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2nd JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY

LaSalle Bank National Association ("Assignee"), formerly known as LaSalle National Bank, in its capacity as indenture trustee under certain Sale and Servicing Agreement dated December 1, 1999 among AFC Trust Series 1999-4, as Issuer, Superior Bank FSB, as Seller and Servicer, and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee, AFC Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 1999-4 and any amendments thereto
Plaintiff,

Case #: 2008-CA-000142

-vs.-

Bennie C. Morris and Tammy T. Williams; North Star Capital Acquisitions, LLC, as signees of Wells Fargo Financial; Infinity Asset Acceptance, LLC as successor in interest to Household Automotive Finance Corporation

Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order rescheduling foreclosure sale dated

January 23, 2012 entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-000142 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Jefferson County, Florida, wherein LaSalle Bank National Association ("Assignee"), formerly known as LaSalle National Bank, in its capacity as indenture trustee

under certain Sale and Servicing Agreement dated December 1, 1999 among AFC Trust Series 1999-4, as Issuer, Superior Bank FSB, as Seller and Servicer, and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee, AFC Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 1999-4 and any amendments thereto, Plaintiff and Bennie C. Morris and Tammy T. Williams are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, ON THE FRONT STEPS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. 90 AND 19, JEFFERSON COUNTY, MONTICELLO, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M., March 1, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

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DATED at MONTICELLO, Florida, this 24th day of January, 2012.

KIRK REAMS
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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Above, Attending the Business Community Prayer Breakfast at the Memorial Missionary Baptist Church on Jan. 12 were, from left to right, Judge Bobby Plaines, ACA Principal Richard Finlayson and ACA Athletic Director Mary Beth Bishop.

At right, Enjoying the breakfast at Memorial Missionary Baptist Church are, from left to right, Gary Wright, Carroll Lamb and Joey Roberts.



Tigers Coach Jeremy Brown and members of the Tigers football teams were the honored guests at the Business Community Prayer Breakfast at Memorial Missionary Baptist Church on Jan. 12.

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