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## EDC Eying Company In Renewable Energy

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The Economic Development Council (EDC) is courting a renewable energy company that could create as many as 75 jobs if it located here.

Economic Development Director Julie Conley informed the EDC Board about the prospective company on Monday, March 12, referring to it simply as "Project ROCK".

Conley said Florida's Great Northwest had referred the inquiry to her office, as it had to other economic development organizations across the region. She said that per the company's site selection representative, who initiated the inquiry, the company is looking to locate in a rural area that is heavily forested. She described the company as a biomass operation that converts wood products into other forms of energy.

Conley said she, Commissioner Stephen Fulford, Preble-Rish engineer Alan Wise and Property Appraiser Angela Gray had worked on the proposal, which they submitted last Thursday.

She and Fulford explained that the proposal was the first round in the process. Once the company short-listed the proposals, the real negotiations would begin. That's when the issue of incentives and other inducements would come into play, they said.

"The site selection is getting your foot in the door," Fulford said. "To close the deal, then you need the incentives."

Conley observed that a major obstacle in closing any deal was the county's lack of a natural gas tap — something that the biomass company requires. She said her group, however, had already started talking with the entity that runs the natural pipeline through the county to determine if it could provide a tap here.

Conley said the biomass company was expected to respond to the proposals by June 30. She said if the company selected Jefferson County, it would make a significant capital investment in the facility that it would build here.

"We didn't make any commitments," Conley said, reiterating that it was still too early in the process for such considerations. "But we did say

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## Officials Set Another Workshop To Define Role Of Coordinator

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With a little more than three months remaining until County Coordinator Roy Schleicher retires, the Jefferson County Commission has scheduled another workshop to try and work out what the office's future role will be.

Toward that end, Commission Chairman Hines Boyd on March 1 offered to clarify his proposal, which entails giving the coordinator's office more of an economic development function.

"I've muddied the water on this," Boyd said of his earlier explanations of his proposal. "Let me be clear. I am in no way suggesting that we disassemble the office. It serves a valuable function."

What he was saying, Boyd said, was that Schleicher's retirement offered a rare opportunity for the board to redefine the office's priorities.

Giving urgency to the matter, Boyd said, was the fact that if the board didn't act within the coming weeks, the opportunity would be lost and the result would be the creation of another agency.

Boyd said that under his proposal, the Economic Development Council (EDC) would do no less than it was doing now. But the county coordinator would coordinate all economic development efforts, he said.

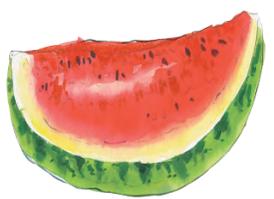
Such coordination would give order and direction to what was now a disjointed effort, "where no one entity has control or responsibility," Boyd said.

"This board can always say to the coordinator 'change your priorities' if things change," Boyd said.

He proposed that the board use as a starting point for the next discussion a two-page handout that he circulated. Listed on the handout were the county coordinator's various responsibilities and the associated knowledge, skills and abilities required for the office.

Boyd urged his colleagues to add, subtract or amend the requirements in any way they saw fit in preparation for the coming discussion.

Commissioners Betsy Barfield and Stephen Fulford expressed appreciation for the clarification. It had been their



## Tourism Group Keeps Promoting Community

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With the Watermelon Festival only a few months away, its organizers are already gearing up for the annual event.

And to assist in that effort, the Tourist Development

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## JCI THANKS COMMUNITY

Jefferson Correctional Institution (JCI) personnel set up a foods booth on the courthouse circle on Friday to express appreciation to the community for its support in the fight to keep JCI open and save their jobs in the process. The Legislature proposed the prison closing as a budget-cutting measure to save the state money.



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JCI Sgt. Jerry Loggins, Gloria Ham and George King display signs thanking the community for its support in helping save their jobs.

Sgt. Austin, Sgt. Jerry Loggins, Sgt. W. Hicks and Officer Martin were among the many JCI employees on the courthouse circle on Friday. The employees were expressing appreciation to the community for its effort in keeping the prison open.



Jefferson County Clerk of Court Kirk Reams visits with JCI Sgt. J. McDonald (K9 Unit) and others on Friday afternoon. Reams was one of several community leaders who testified before the Legislature about the importance of keeping JCI open.

MONTICELLO, FL  
MAIN STREET

**MAIN ST. TO RESUME OLD JAIL FUNDRAISERS**

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Main Street Monticello is resuming its efforts to raise funds for the restoration of the old jail on Dogwood Street; only this time around, the organization is doing it in a new location and via a different format.

Instead of the "Old Jail Market" days that the organization held last year at the actual jail site, it has now partnered with Johnson's Meat Market and plans on holding "Artisans and Growers" days at the latter establishment on West Washington Street. The event is scheduled to begin Saturday, April 7, and then continue regularly on the first Saturday of each month.

"Johnston's Meat Market is a perfect location for such an effort," offered Dr. Anne Holt, program manager for Main Street Monticello. "Johnston is right on the main highway, with space for tables on the porch and even inside the store. We hope the market will result in a welcome outlet for artists, crafters and the good cooking and gardening efforts of people in the area."

As the flyer for the event aptly states it: "If you can make, bake it, or grow it, you can sell it here."

Dr. Holt said sellers could choose to set up tables or popup tents, or they could sell directly from the rear of their pickup trucks. She said the cost of a table space on the store's porch or its interior would be \$5. She said the cost of a 12 x 12-foot space outdoors would be \$10.

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## BUILDING PERMITS RETURN TO NORMAL

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After a noticeable jump in January, building permits returned to their normal level in the 40s in February.

Figures released by the Jefferson County and City of Monticello Building Inspection and Contractor Licensing Department on Monday, March 5, show the city and county issued a combined 42 permits in

February, compared with the 66 permits issued in January.

The figures show the combined 42 permits generated \$5,228.80 in fees, compared with the \$7,773.43 that the 66 generated in January. Of the 42 permits, the city issued 16 and generated \$1,464.70, and the county issued 26 and generated \$3,764.10.

A breakdown of the permits shows 35 were for repairs and additions, two for new residential construction, two for mobile

home installations and three for miscellaneous activities related sheds, signs, workshops or barns and such.

The valuation for residential permits was \$166,542, compared with \$140,750 in January. It was \$359,182 in February 2010.

The valuation for commercial permits was zero, the same as the previous month. It was \$588,190 in February 2010.

And the valuation for all other permits Please See **PERMITS** Page 3

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Local Weather

Wed 3/14 82/58  
Sunshine and clouds mixed. A stray afternoon thunderstorm is possible.

Thu 3/15 83/57  
Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 50s.

Fri 3/16 80/57  
Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 50s.

# VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

## Florida Lineworkers Honored with Special Day August 26 Designated "Lineworker Appreciation Day"



Today, the Florida House of Representatives introduced a resolution honoring the thousands of men and women risking their lives every day ensuring the reliable delivery of electricity throughout the state.

"It's so easy to take our energy industry for granted," noted Lakeland Rep. Seth McKeel (R-63), the resolution's sponsor. "But when the power goes out, we rely on utility lineworkers to quickly get things back to normal. They are, literally, risking their lives every day on our behalf."

August 26, 2012, has been designated "Lineworker Appreciation Day" in the State of Florida, a poignant date with particular significance for Lakeland resident Tracy Moore. Her husband, Marc, a lineworker for Lakeland Electric, died tragically on August 26, 2002.

"I learned that day the true power in electricity," Moore said, "and the true sacrifice our Lineman make - all give some, some give all."

Since her husband's death, Moore has worked to recognize, raise awareness and honor the lineworker commu-

nity, describing them as the "true first responders" serving the nation.

"Many times," she explained, "whether an auto accident, a structural fire, or natural disaster, our other "First Responders" cannot safely perform their necessary job functions until a lineman arrives to make that area safe for them to proceed."

Barry Moline, executive director of the Florida Municipal Electric Association, noted the daily demands endured by lineworkers. "When you stop and consider the complexity of the nation's power grid," he explained, "the essential role of the lineworker comes into sharper focus. As a group, they're responsible for maintaining the nation's more than 5 million miles of power lines in all kinds of weather and hazards and do so 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year."

"When the lights are out and we're sitting in the dark," noted McKeel, "lineworkers are essential for returning us back to normal. Next time you see a line crew at work, give them a thumbs-up to let them know how much you appreciate them."



## 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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Glenda D. Ashby, 33, of Greencove Springs, FL, was arrested March 5 and charged with failure to pay child support. Bond was set at \$300 and she bonded out of jail the same day.

Robert J. Scott, 47, of Jefferson County, was arrested March 8 and charged with writ of attachment for nonpayment of child support and failure to appear on the charge of trespass after warning. A total bond of \$2,300 was set and he remained at the County Jail March 13.

Nicholas Flowers, 23, of Tampa, FL, was arrested March 7 and charged with criminal use of personal identification and no driver's license. A total bond of \$23,600 was set and he remained at the County Jail March 13.

Bennie Lee Smith, 47,

of Jefferson County, was arrested March 7 and charged with failure to appear on the charge of expired tag over six months. A total bond of \$290 was set and he remained at the County Jail March 13.

Keith Ray Matthews, 23, of Jefferson County, was arrested March 7 and charged with felony battery. Bond was withheld

and he remained at the County Jail March 13.

Ginger Christine Walker, 38, of Lincoln, AR, was sentenced in court March 9 to serve 30 days in the County Jail on the charge of with possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. She remained at the County Jail March 13.

### STINGERS

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**"MY MY MY, CAN YOU IMAGINE OUR COUNTY OFFICIALS AND LEGAL ADVISORS OVERLOOKED A PROCEDURE THAT HAD BEEN ON THE BOOKS SINCE 1997?"**

**"A couple of weeks ago KY, TN and IN had tornadoes that killed more than 40 people and wiped out one family of five and we have heard nothing from Obama as far as sympathy to the people of these areas from or if the Govt. was going to send any aid to these areas. If this had been New Orleans there would have been all kinds of heck raised. I guess politicking is more important than the loss of life from the tornado victims. Guess we know where the priorities of our president lies. He is out to destroy our country. The last time I remember a govt. such as this is when Fidel Castro took over Cuba and Germany when Adolph Hitler took over Germany, very subtle but dangerous."**

## Letters To The Editor

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

### Please Don't Litter On Our Beautiful Roadways

Dear Editor,

I am a resident on Nash Road and am so very proud to live in Jefferson County. It never ceases to amaze me how anyone with any sense of self-pride or love of where they live can disgrace our roads by throwing trash out their vehicle windows. I attempt to keep my part of the road right-of-way near and clean and it is so sad all of us don't live by the Golden Rule. Several weeks ago the wonderful Monticello Rotary Club members made a difference in our beautiful county by picking up all the ugly trash strewn on

this road. They gave their precious time off on a Saturday to make this road litter-free. Kudos once again (as reported in the Jefferson County Journal) to Tom Conley, Angela Gray, Chuck Sarkisian, Noah Abron, Tom Harmon, Ric Leedom, John Muchovej, Hines Boyd, Rick Anderson, James Muchovej, Neill Wade, John Lilly, Johnnie Abron and John Gebhard. I appreciate and am a huge fan of all of you!

Sue

(Nash Road property owner)

## In Loving Memory 6/30/15 - 3/10/11 Leona Brooks King

One year ago we sadly said goodbye to you ~ knowing that we will meet again sustains us ~ your unwavering love keeps our hearts at peace ~ you are in our thoughts and in our prayers ~ you left a foundation for us in John 14:1

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you into myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

Your warmth and caring spirit will live on forever. Rest on Dearest Mother. With everlasting love! Your Children, Grandchildren, Great-grandchildren, Nieces, Nephews, Family, Friends and the Brynwood Center Staff.



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# Tourism

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ment Council (TDC) last week awarded the festival committee \$1,000 for promotion of the event.

Chamber of Commerce Director Melanie Mays told the TDC board that the money would be

used to advertise, both via email blasts and a half-page ad in the *Florida Festivals and Event* guide, a monthly publication distributed statewide.

Mays said she could-

n't prove it, but it was her belief that the email blast last year accounted in large part for the increased attendance at the 2011 festival. That email blast had gone out to 121,000 people in three counties, she said. And this year's e-blast, set to go out in June, would reach 150,000 people in the three counties, she said.

The TDC board approved the request unanimously.

In other TDC news, coordinator Nancy Wideman reported that prospects looked promising for the establishment of two — and possibly three — birding sites in Jefferson County that would be linked to the Great Florida Birding Trail. One of the sites is at Willow Pond and the second is on the Wacissa River. The third possible site is at the Letchworth Mounds near the Leon

County line.

Merry Ann Frisby, a longtime birder who has led birding tours here, offered that the activity had the potential to prove a popular draw and one that could inject money into the community, if done as a package deal that included lunch and tours of the town's high points.

A program of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), the Great Florida Birding Trail is a self-guided, 2,000-mile highway network of nearly 500 sites throughout the state that are selected for their excellent birdwatching, wildlife viewing or educational opportunities. The trail is designed to conserve and enhance Florida's wildlife habitats by promoting birding and wildlife viewing activities, conservation education and economic

opportunity.

Wideman also reported on two publicity events that are coming up in April. The two involve visiting writers and promise to bring the community media exposure. The first is part of a Visit Florida sponsored tourism summit that is being held in Havana in mid April. Visit Florida is the state's official tourism-marketing corporation, marketing the state both domestically and internationally.

Wideman said the plan is for six to eight writers from the summit to visit Jefferson County on April 14 to do a series of articles on farm-to-table products, apparently part of a growing nationwide trend that focuses on the consumption of locally produced, sustainable foods. She said the plan is to have the writers visit Full Moon Apiary, Golden

Acres and the Green Industries Institute, as well as lunch at Tupelo's Bakery and Café.

Wideman said on the same day, a Canadian writer and a cameraman are scheduled to visit Jefferson County to do an article on the Wacissa River for *Canoe and Kayak Magazine*, a leading national publication that focuses on canoeing, kayaking and white river rafting activities. She said the writer was also interested in doing a piece on Monticello for his home newspaper in Canada.

On a final note, Wideman offered that Original Florida would hold its April meeting at the Monticello Chamber of Commerce building on West Washington Street. Original Florida is a 14-county tourism task force that aims to increase tourism in the region.

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understanding from Boyd's earlier comments that it was his desire to disassemble the office, they said.

"I will consider a piece of economic development being under the coordinator but in no way do I want to disassemble the office," Barfield said.

Fulford simply thanked Boyd for the clarification, saying, "Yes, this is much clearer."

The workshop on the county coordinator is set for 9 a.m. Monday, March 19, in the courthouse annex off Water Street.

## Energy

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we would make things happen."

Fulford observed that competition for the facility was limited to counties in the northwest region. By the same token, he noted, the company was building seven such facilities in Mississippi, where that state's legislature had given the company a \$75 million incentive package.

It was the consensus of the EDC that in light of the recent scare over the closing of Jefferson Correctional Institution, it was imperative that the community diversified its jobs base.

## Permits

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(a category that includes additions, re-roofs and non-residential structures), was \$226,147 in February, compared with \$550,677 in January. It was \$150,615 in February 2010.

Meanwhile, the Jefferson County Planning and Zoning Department issued 12 permits and collected \$3,372.60 in February, as opposed to 17 permits and \$5,587.12 collected in January. In February 2010, the department issued 16 permits and collected \$7,042.83.

The planning department collected a total of \$110.02 in fire and ambulance impact fees in February, versus \$220.04 collected in January for the two fees. In February 2010, the department collected \$3,788.28 in impact fees.

## MainStreet

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"Tables and spaces can be shared," Dr. Holt said. "Inside spaces will be reserved for perishable items."

She said the idea was to reach out to artisans and growers not only in Jefferson County, but also in Leon, Taylor and Madison counties.

"We expect to have flowers, plants, vegetables and fruits, baked goods, crafts, art jewelry, and other art for sale," Dr. Holt said. "Johnston's Market will cook free samples of their sausages. The market should grow as word gets around."

All proceeds from the market days will go to-

ward the restoration of the old jail, she said.

It's Main Street Monticello's goal to convert the two-story brick building that long ago served as the county jail into a museum that "provides a window into life and community activities in rural north Florida during the Depression era." The idea is one day to have trained docents who would describe to visitors the life and times of a sheriff and his wife during the depression, adding to the state's rich and colorful history.

The few available records suggest that a federal agency likely constructed the jail building

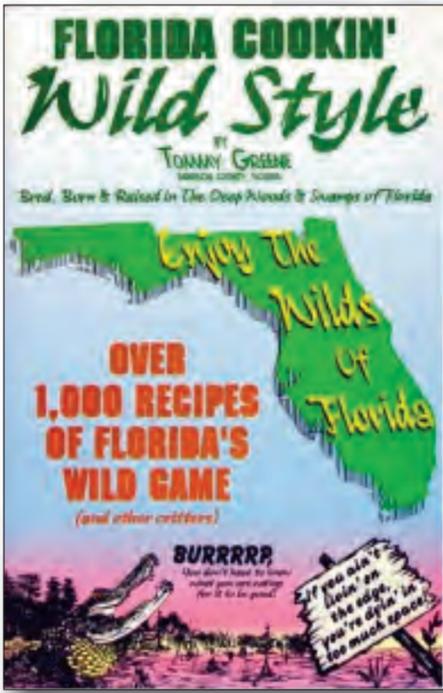
in the 1920s, although precise documentation has yet to be found to authenticate the actual construction date. The records also suggest that a one-story wing with basement was possibly added to the main structure in the 1930s.

Only three other Florida jail buildings reportedly exhibit the type of construction evident in the local jail, with the sheriff's residential quarters and office space incorporated into the same configuration. No other such jailhouses, however, had an adjacent "women's jail".

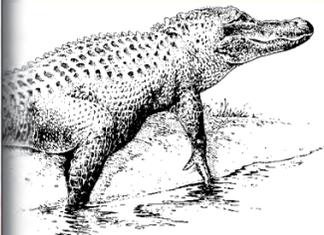
Largely vacant since the early 1970s, and

mostly used as a dumping ground for obsolete county records and equipment until recently, the building remains basically sound. It has, however, suffered some roof and mortar deterioration and broken windows, among other minor damage. Also of concern to preservationists, the plaster and paint are crumbling on the cell walls and rendering illegible the writing of long ago prisoners, wherein the latter inscribed their names, the number of their incarceration days, and their forlorn yearning of loved ones, among other cryptic messages.

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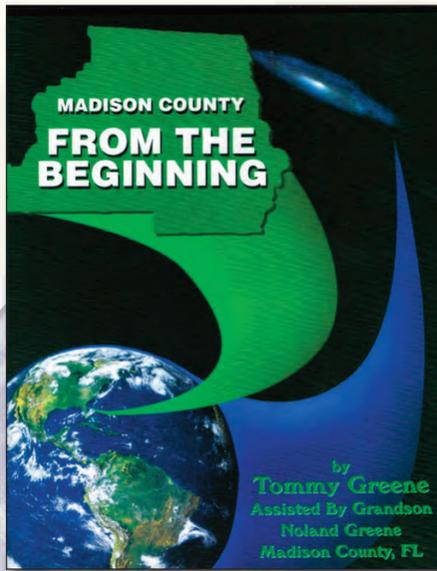


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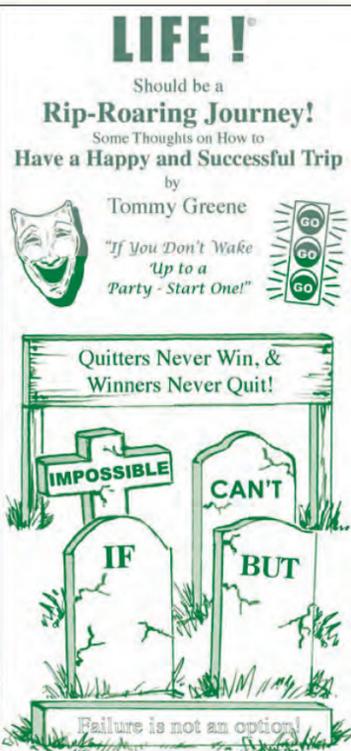
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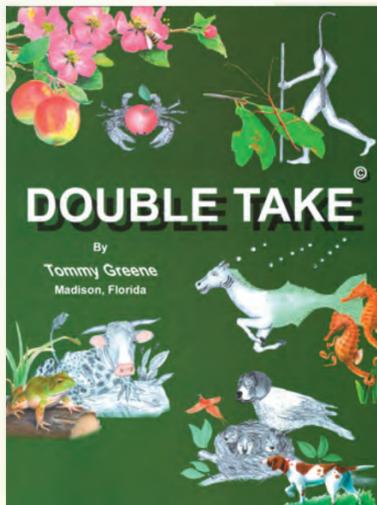


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# AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

## ADOPT-A-GRANDPARENT FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY

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Local Mary Kay directors and consultants are adopting area nursing home residents on

St. Patrick's Day and recognizing them with gift baskets filled with special goodies for men and women.

The community is welcome to do its part in

remembering these elderly especially who are no longer in their homes or with their families by sponsoring just one resident.

Your \$25 donation will sponsor a special gift for one resident and enable them to be blessed in knowing that someone is thinking of them. A special card will be attached to the gift basket with your name on it, so they will know whom the gift is from.

Make this St. Patrick's Day a 'lucky' day for one or more of these 'forgotten' residents by contacting

Debbie Newton at 850-776-5796 or marykaydirectors@aol.com or www.marykay.com/dreamers.

During the Valentine's Day holiday area elderly were blessed by: John Morris, Quality Crane Service; Attorney Michael Reichman, Esquire; North Florida Abstract & Title; Brenda Sorenson, Tax & Accounting Services; Gavins & Company, Tax & Accounting Services; Marc Evans, Auto Tech of Miami; Danny's Collision & Custom; and Judi Persons, Layer Upon Layer Cake Art.

## CHILD SAFETY

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Many parents can't help but be concerned about the safety of their children, especially these days, but Jefferson County Sheriff David Hobbs says there are many steps a parent can take to educate their children and keep them safe.

\*Teach your child his/her full name, address, telephone number (including area code for long distance).

\*Show your child how to dial 911 and how to ask for help.

\* Tell your child to never answer the telephone if she/he is home alone or tell someone on the phone they are home alone.

\* Teach your child to scream "I DON'T KNOW YOU" if someone attempts to force your child to accompany them.

\* Tell them that no one has the right to touch them or make them feel uncomfortable and it's OK to tell you.

\* Show your child your love by becoming involved in his/her activities.

\* Never leave your child alone in a car.

\* Do not put your child's first name on clothing, bikes, backpacks or toys where they are visible.

\* Notice when someone pays undue attention to your child.

\* Encourage your child to communicate his feelings. Never belittle any fear or concern your child has, real or imaginary.

\* Leave a telephone emergency list by the phone for your child to use.

\* Know who your child's friends are.

\* Keep a current photo of your child.

\* Have your child fingerprinted and keep the card in a safe place.

\* Practice with your child ways to walk to and from school or a friend's house.

\* Tell your child which are "safe houses" to enter, near your home, when you are not around.

\* Practice role playing with your child on possible situations that may happen and what they should do and say.

\* Know where to obtain your child's dental and medical records.

\* When your child is traveling, know the license plate tag of the car your child is traveling in, which route your child plans to take, if friends are going along, when and where they are going, and the time expected home.

\* Teach your child to say no to entering another person's car or home without your permission, even if the person is known to them.

\* Teach your child to say no to accepting gifts from strangers or acquaintances without your permission.

\* Teach your child to say no to answering the telephone or door when home alone.

\* Teach your child to say no to telling anyone who asks where they live or giving their telephone number to someone they do not know.

If your child is missing, call your local law enforcement agency and file a report. In order for the police officer to enter your child's name into the computer, provide a recent photo of your child and a description including hair and eye color, height, weight, date of birth, and other physical attributes, as well as what the child was last seen wearing.

Conduct a neighborhood search of schools, shopping centers, and friends' homes. Provide the local police with your child's fingerprint card, dental and medical records if requested.

Many children these days also spend a lot of time on the computer, most often using acronyms that parents do not understand, and many times, the children don't understand them either. To protect your children from online predators, parents need to know these usages. For a complete list, go to <http://www.netlingo.com/acronyms.php>.



### AARP Safe Driving Course

The next AARP Safe Driving Course is scheduled to be held on Friday, March 30, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Jefferson County Bailer Public Library located at 375 South Water Street.

The cost for supplies is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for all others. This class is open to anyone 55 years and over.

By completing this course, you may be eligible for a 15 percent reduction in your automobile insurance (check with your insurer.)

Participants will need to bring a check made out to AARP for the appropriate amount, a valid drivers' license and their AARP member number, for completing the certificates.

Snacks and water will be provided by Farmers and Merchants Bank and will be available during class. A one-hour lunch break will be taken.

For registration and/or questions, contact Class Instructor Geoff Monge at 850-997-3694.

### Kiwanis Get A Picture Of Their Past



Local Historian Dee Counts was guest speaker for the Monticello Kiwanis Club meeting on Wednesday, February 29 at the Jefferson Country Club. She presented a tremendous group of pictures from Jefferson County's past, many photos dating back to the late 1800's, and provided the stories and history behind each one. Some of the Kiwanis members recognized relatives from previous generations in the collection she presented.

### The Fantasticks

The longest running musical in the world, 'The Fantasticks,' hits the Monticello Opera House stage of Friday, March 23. Monticello Acting & Dance Co (MadCo) presents this classic story. Sing along with show favorites like 'Try to Remember' and 'It's Gonna Rain.' The show is produced, directed, choreographed and under the musical direction of Melanie Mays.

The community is cordially invited to the special fundraising premier of the show on Friday evening. This spectacular event will benefit the Monticello Opera House Renovation Fund, the Jefferson Arts Gallery Travel Art Outreach Grant and the MadCo Production Fund.

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# AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

## Obituaries

### PEARLENA ANN BLOUNT ROBERTS

Pearlena Ann Blount Roberts went to join our Lord on Thursday, March 8, 2012.

She was born on June 21, 1932 in Sarasota, Florida to Henry Lawton and Mary Blount.

She is survived by her brother Billy (Geneva) Blount of Arcadia, Florida; her sister Alethea Mayhew of Labelle, Florida; her daughters Marie (JB) Messer of Monticello, Florida, Sharon (Walt) Collier of Wacissa, Florida, and Angela (Jay) Stephens and Patty Johnson of Lake City, Florida; her sons David (Loretta) Ezell of South Carolina, Steven (Brenda) Ezell of Sebring, Florida and Michael (Beth) Roberts of Punta Gorda, Florida; 18 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She is preceded in death by her husband William 'Jerry' Roberts.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

### BERTHA MILDRED FRALICK WEEMS

Bertha Mildred Fralick Weems, age 95, passed away on Sunday, March 11, 2012, in Tallahassee, Florida.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, 446 Hatchett Road, Lamont, Florida, with a one-hour visitation before the service. Interment will follow the service at 2:30 p.m. at the Greenlawn Cemetery, 4300 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida.

Mrs. Weems was a native of Suwannee County and lived in Jacksonville, before moving to Monticello in 1970. She will always be remembered for her love of working in her yard and especially in her garden and sharing the fruit and vegetables with family and friends. She was of Baptist faith and a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Mrs. Weems is survived by five nephews Terry (Carrie) Fralick of Pace, Florida, Frank (Sandie) Fralick of Brandon, Florida, Charles (Iris) Fralick of Tampa, Florida, Claude Fralick, Jr. of Jacksonville and Roy (Mary) Fralick of Graceville, Florida; one niece Cheryl Fralick of Tallahassee and many great nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Weems will always be remembered by her very special friend and caregiver Eileen R. Davis of Lamont.

Beggs Funeral Home Monticello Chapel is handling the arrangements for the family: 485 East Dogwood Street, Monticello, Florida 32345. 850-997-5612, beggsch@monticelloem-burqmail.com.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**MARCH 14 - 28**  
Jefferson Arts will host 'A Dance With The Camera' exhibited in the gallery for the various works of Gerald Grow, Larry Coltharp, DE Matthews, Thora Kleintert, Charles Sawyer and Dudley Witney. This unique photography can be viewed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays, or by appointment. There is no charge to view and store prices are very reasonable. For more information call 850-997-3311 or go to [www.jeffersonarts-gallery.com](http://www.jeffersonarts-gallery.com)

**MARCH 15**  
United Way Campaign Finale will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Goodwood Museum & Gardens, 1600 Miccosukee Road. "We've rolled the dice and passed Go, it's time to find out how much the Big Bend Area has collected!"

**MARCH 15**  
You may qualify for assistance through the Capital Area Community Action Agency Weatherization Assistance Program. The program reduces heating and cooling costs by improving the energy efficiency of the home. Contact Rev. George Smith at 850-997-6114 for an appointment from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Thursday at First Baptist Church of Lloyd. Homes in Jefferson County are needed for weatherization. Or, contact Pat Hall or Melissa Watson at 850-997-8231 for additional information, and other services currently being offered. This is free to the client.

**MARCH 15**  
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.

**MARCH 16**  
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.

**MARCH 16**  
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.

**MARCH 17**  
Dog ear cleaning and nail clipping from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month at the JCHS Wag-the-Dog thrift store on North Jefferson. Jeri Kimbrel and other volunteers are ready to pamper your dogs for just a \$7 donation. For more information call 850-997-4932.

**MARCH 17**  
Road CRU Car Club meets at 5 p.m. every third Saturday. There is a 50/50 drawing and lots of door prizes. Everyone is welcome to join the activities and see some awesome cars. Contact Ray Foskey at 850-997-0607 for more information.

**MARCH 17**  
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.

**MARCH 19**  
The Palmer Place Book Club will meet on Monday at The Palmer Place. The book to be discussed will be 'Arctic Chill' by Arnaldur Indridason. The evening will begin at 6 p.m. For questions call Abi Vandervest at 850-997-4607 or email to [douwahnadance@yahoo.com](mailto:douwahnadance@yahoo.com)

**MARCH 19**  
Magnolia Garden Circle

meets at 12 p.m. on the third Monday of each month. For more details and information about upcoming meetings contact Chairman Chantel Romaine at 850-997-6716.

**MARCH 19**  
MainStreet Speaker Series is a monthly program held on the third Monday. Program Manager Anne Haw Holt chooses the program presenters and topics for the informational value to the residents of Jefferson County. She may be contacted at 850-997-5110 or [ahholt@ahholt.com](mailto:ahholt@ahholt.com) for information on upcoming programs or if you are interested in a specific topic. MainStreet Speaker Series will begin at 6:30 p.m., it is free and is held at the Wirick-Simmons House on North Jefferson Street in downtown Monticello. The public is invited to attend and encouraged to ask questions. For information about MainStreet Monticello Florida meetings and events call 850-445-1390 or go to [www.mainstreetofmonticellofl.org](http://www.mainstreetofmonticellofl.org)

**MARCH 19**  
Blood Drive in the parking lot of the Jefferson County Health Department from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Monday. Receive a 'Born To Give' shirt and enter to win a 4GB Xbox 360 w/Kinect and a 16GB WiFi Apple iPad2. Contact the Southeastern Community Blood Center at 850-877-7181 or [scbcinfo.org](http://scbcinfo.org) for more information.

**MARCH 19**  
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](http://www.al-anon.alateen.org)

**March 19**  
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 infor-

mation, call 850-997-2129 or 850-997-1955.

**MARCH 20**  
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.

**MARCH 20**  
Jefferson County Humane Society Board of Directors meeting is held 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday at Wag The Dog Too. For more information visit [www.jchs.us](http://www.jchs.us) or contact Teresa Kessler, secretary, at [teresa@kesslerconstructionllc.com](mailto:teresa@kesslerconstructionllc.com) Monetary support may be posted to: P.O. Box 954, Monticello, FL 32345.

**MARCH 20**  
Jefferson County Republican Party will meet at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday at Willow Pond Farm. Contact Clyde Simpson at [chairman@jeffersonsongop.com](mailto:chairman@jeffersonsongop.com) or 850-228-4400 for more information and to make reservations. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. at a cost of \$10 per person, with the net proceeds going to the REC.

**MARCH 20**  
Mothers of Preschoolers (MOP) meets from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month (September through May) at the First United Methodist Church. This

program is geared toward early pregnancy to kindergarten mothers; will offer a light breakfast, a speaker and a Christian-based program; There will also be creative activities just for moms. A childcare will be provided. Volunteers are needed to sit and play with the children. Contact Heather Boyd at 850-997-1041 for more information.

**MARCH 20**  
Jefferson County Lions Club meets at 1 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Brick House Eatery on North Jefferson. For more information contact Lion Debbie at 850-997-0901, leave a message.

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# AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY



## Kiwanis Hear About New Alzheimer's Program

Recie Culpepper was guest speaker for the Monticello Kiwanis on Wednesday, March 7, 2012. She spoke to the membership about the expansion of the Alzheimer's Program that is coming to Jefferson County this May.

## LOCAL AGENCIES FIRE UP THE GRILL TO BENEFIT SPECIAL OLYMPICS

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

It is that time once again for the annual statewide barbecue to benefit Special Olympics. The event will be held Friday, March 23 from 10:30 a.m. until the food runs out. The bar-

becue will be held on the courthouse circle.

Jefferson Correctional Institution, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Monticello Police Department and the City of Monticello will be sponsoring the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual BBQ Across the State to benefit Special

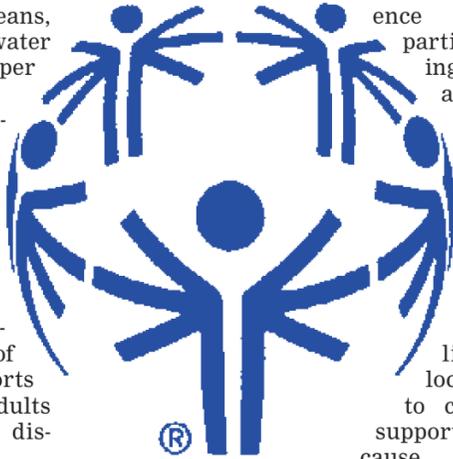
Olympics.

The menu will include grilled barbecue chicken, green beans, potato salad and water and the cost is \$6 per plate.

All proceeds directly benefit the Special Olympics.

The mission of Florida Special Olympics is to provide year round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-style sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

It gives them continuing



opportunity to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in sharing of gifts, skills and friendships with their families, other Special Olympic athletes and the community. Coordinators are asking the public as well as local businesses to come out and support this worthy cause.

## Local Democrats To Hold A St. Patrick's Day Event

The Jefferson Democratic Party will hold its annual St. Patrick's Day event 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, at the Christ Episcopal Church fellowship hall on N. Jefferson St.

The guest speaker for the evening will be State Sen. Bill Montford, who was instrumental in the successful fight to prevent the closing of Jefferson Correctional Institution.

A traditional Irish dinner will be served, along with a healthy dose of party inspiration with an eye to the fall elections.

Ron Cichon will be the warm-up speaker preceding Sen. Montford's remarks. Cost of the event is a \$10 donation.

## Calico Arts and Crafts Show March 17 and 18

If you've caught Spring fever, it's likely you're looking for just the thing to spruce up your garden, your home or yourself. You can find it all at the Calico Arts and Crafts Show in Moultrie, GA, March 17 and 18. The show combines favorite vendors from the November show as well as new Spring artisans.

Using many family linens and trims that she's inherited and others she finds along the way, Vee Martell takes the most attractive parts and creates wonderful one-of-a-kind aprons. In addition to the beautiful lace, coordinating trim and pockets, she adds her "signature" handprint with buttons from grandma's button jar. All of which produce a unique apron that you will not only be proud to own and wear, but pass down from generation to generation! Whether one of these aprons is for you or as a gift for someone you love, it's made with countless hours of happy labor and loving stitches.

Kelley Moon from Johns Creek, GA., took to art as soon as she was able to hold a crayon. She



was a design major; many of her abilities are self-taught. Kelley is now creating unique custom belt buckles made from beads, crushed glass, shredded crystals and rhinestones. Designs range from crosses and fleur de lis to collegiate and animals - no two designs are alike but all are fun & showcase lots of bling!

Keith Donaldson is one of the few people in this country that still practice silhouette art. Creating freehand silhouettes is a dying art. "This is something I really enjoy," Donaldson said. "It is reminiscent of a different time, when character and values were more esteemed." With twenty years expe-

perience, Keith's list of credentials includes tenure at Walt Disney's Magic Kingdom. Portraits are available of all subjects and make great keepsake gifts.

From ornamental iron home and garden décor, to painted glass and antiques, to whimsical painted children's furniture and accessories...it's all together in one location. Don't forget all the wonderfully delicious gourmet delights to savor and so much more. These items are lovingly made by local artisans and crafts people so you'll feel really good supporting the local economy while acquiring unique gifts for your friends and family. Clogging teams from around the South will entertain the crowds on both days.

### SHOW HOURS:

Come and delight in the 2012 Calico Spring Arts and Crafts Show, March 17 and 18. Hours are Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Adult admission is \$5.00. There is free parking for all and free admission for children 12 and under. For more information, please visit [www.calicoarts.com](http://www.calicoarts.com).

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# CHURCH

## Dean Spivey: Focused On God And Family

**BRYANT THIGPEN**  
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"For I am very confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Jesus Christ." This scripture is found in Philippians 1:6, and it's a scripture that Pastor Dean Spivey has lived his life by. He has given his life to the cause of Christ, and has purposed to serve God. Spivey serves as the pastor of Elizabeth Baptist Church in Monticello.

Spivey was born in Macon, Ga., and has

lived in Georgia most of his life, most recently living in Valdosta. Prior to moving to Florida, Spivey served 20 years in the United States Air Force. It was during his time in the Air Force that he felt his life began to change.

"For a year, I just had this inner feeling like I was being called to preach," he said. "Every time I would open up the Bible, the word Preach would seem to just leap off the page." For about a year, Spivey felt like he was being called to preach, but he kept it bottled up and never re-

ally let it be known.

"Finally, I had to share it with someone. I told Bro. Chuck Miller about my experiences, and it came to no surprise to him," he stated. "He said he knew about a year ago I was being called to preach. I laughed and said, 'why didn't you tell me?' and he responded with this statement I've never forgotten. He said, 'sometimes all you have is your salvation and your calling.' That statement has proven to be true."

In 1982, Spivey then began preaching at local churches and served as interim pastor at different places while being stationed in Tel, Texas. It wasn't long before he was deployed to Germany, where he would spend the next five years. During his time overseas, Spivey found his place in the ministry. He preached at different churches in Germany, and served as interim pastor at two southern Baptist churches.

When he returned back to the states, he began to pastor and



began seminary at New Orleans Theological Seminary and received a doctorate degree from Trinity College and Seminary.

Each step that Spivey has taken in time has led him to Monticello. In November of 2008, he began serving as pastor at Elizabeth Baptist Church.

Spivey also has a heart of compassion for children. He and his wife, Carol, have three children: Deanna, Joey and Mike. "I love being around children. I love working with the children at the Jefferson Elementary School."

### Men's And Women's Day Programs

The Monticello Community Temple Church of God in Christ Inc, located at 630 East Holly Street will host its Tenth Annual Men's Day program at 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, March 18 and it's Eighteenth Annual Women's Day program will follow at 5:00 p.m.

*Elder Coleman Fairley, pastor.*

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Speaker Sharon 'Lynn' Jones Hudson will minister to the masses: *"The Holy Ghost came upon me and has given me authority to tell the people about the gospel of Christ. To the poor and afflicted, the humble and to all those in need. To bind up the hearts of those who are downhearted with the news that the Lord will come and free them from their afflictions."*

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# CHURCH

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New Bethel AME Church pastor Rev. Jimmie F. Dickey, eight church youth and five chaperones attended the Eleventh Episcopal District Black Heritage Weekend in Jacksonville, FL on February 17-19. Churches from Pensacola to Miami and the Bahamas were in attendance to the event, held at the Edward Waters College.

The youth participated in several competitions. The categories were age appropriate for all the youth. The group left the event proud of their accomplishments.

Janiese Banks placed third in 'Essay Writing'; Aaron Atkins Rivers placed second in 'Essay Writing'; and LaTasha Jones placed second in 'Black Monologue.' Other youth participating were Alexis Simmons, Courtney Norwood, Austin Norwood, Kenijah Smith and Jakayla Gallon.

In addition to the competitive events, the group attended workshops on the history of Richard Allen and the African Methodist Episcopal Church and Worship Services.

Right Reverend McKinley Young is Bishop of the Eleventh District and Reverend Dr. Carlton Taylor is Presiding Elder of the Tallahassee District, in which New Bethel AME is a member.

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Choir Practice.....6:00 PM  
Worship Service.....7:00 PM  
Wednesday  
Children/Student Ministry.....3:00 PM  
Bible Study/Prayer Meeting.....6:00 PM  
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Spanish Mass.....7:00 PM

# The Pulpit

## THE GRACE OF GOD!

**Pastor Rick Kelley**

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MONTICELLO

**Ephesians 2:8-10 "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."**

God's grace towards sinners has been expressed God's Riches At Christ Expense! Each human being today stands in need of God's grace whether they realize it or not. There is the need for **sustaining** grace for seasons of sorrows, **triumphing** grace for times of temptation, **preserving** grace for days of discouragement. In every facet of life, grace is our greatest need.

Grace also is described as being Great, Sovereign, Rich, Exceeding, Manifold, All Sufficient and Glorious. The Bible clearly reveals that without grace man is unfit for the demands of one single day, not alone a lifetime. In regards to salvation, our text makes it abundantly clear that salvation is the result of God's grace, His unmerited favor to sinners. Today just a few thoughts on this marvelous topic.

**1. Grace Found Us!** This is the business of God seeking His sheep. Before we were saved we were lost. It was God who came seeking us, not us seeking God. God found Adam in the garden; Noah in a polluted world; Moses at the backside of the desert; Matthew at the receipt of customs; Zacchaeus sitting in a tree; and Saul on the Damascus



Road. Each of these individuals were found by grace - giving support to the New Testament truth in **Romans 3:11 "there is none that seeketh after God!"**

What condition does God find men in today? Some believe that God finds us "pretty and sweet" without any sin within or without. This is so wrong! The earlier verses in our chapter tells us that we **"were dead (spiritually) in trespasses and sins" verse 1**, that we were **"children of disobedience" verse 2**, and **"children of wrath, even as others" verse 3**. So basically the Bible is telling us that we do not deserve salvation, it is only by God's unmerited favor, or His graciousness to us. There are not any good works we can do because we are spiritually dead before God, unable to do

one blessed thing that might warrant His salvation to us. We Need Help!

**2. Grace Saves Us Through Faith In Christ!** How does grace save us through Christ? Our theology must be perfect here or else there is only waiting for us an eternity without God in Hell. **HOW DOES GRACE SAVE US?**

A. Negatively. Not by enabling us to keep the law. **Ephesians 2:9 "Not of works, lest any man should boast!"** Not by overlooking our sins. God being Holy and Just demands, **"the wages of sin is death." Romans 6:23** God is too holy to let anyone "just march into heaven" without forgiveness. **LOOK AT THE CROSS!**

B. Positively. Grace saves us by removing our sins from us and placing them on Christ! **1 Peter 2:24 "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."**

C. H. Spurgeon once said, "Grace is everything for nothing; Christ free, pardon free, and heaven free."

Does Christ death on the cross mean that everyone goes to heaven? NO! It means that you are sincerely given the invitation by God to come to Him through repentance and faith. It means that you must accept Christ substitutionary death on the cross as for your sins personally. Will you do this today? Heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people! May God Bless!

## UNDIVIDED TO PERFORM

The musical group 'Undivided' will perform at First Baptist Church of Lloyd at 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 18. Established in 1996, 'Undivided' is a six to eight person vocal ensemble of Florida State University students involved with the Baptist Collegiate Ministry.

In the fall semester, they hold auditions and meet for two hours each week to rehearse. During the spring semester, they tour around Florida in order to raise prayer and

financial support for their annual summer missions trip to Germany.

While in Germany, the songs they sing not only allow them to share God's love musically with children in the schools, but it also gives the full-time missionaries in these cities unique opportunities to share the gospel as well.

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**Monday**  
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**Wednesday**  
Noonday Prayer.....12:00 PM  
(Mid-Week Church Fasting Day)

**1st Wednesday**  
Praise and Worship.....7:30 PM  
Prayer.....7:00 PM  
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Praise & Worship.....6:00 PM  
Adult Choir.....7:00 PM  
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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  
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and Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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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  
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**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-

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**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

## NEW HOPE CHURCH IMPACTING LIVES IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

**BRYANT THIGPEN**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

There's a small church in Jefferson that's making a big difference in the Monticello community and in the Kingdom of God. The New Hope Ministries Church of God has been established in the county since 1945, and continues today to reach people for the cause of Christ.

The Church of God began on October 7, 1945 in the home of R.W. Raulerson. The first pastor of the church was Carl White, who was appointed by State Overseer W.E. Johnson. The ministry that began nearly 67 years ago is being carried on today by Pastor Ray Hill.

Hill began his ministry in Dade City servicing as Director of Ministries at the Dade City Church of God. His wife, Angel, served the church as a children's church teacher. Ray and Angel have two children, Chris and Josh, who are very active in church.

After five years of serving the people of Dade City, Hill accepted the call to preach and began the Ministry Internship Program with the Church of God. He began the program in the fall

of 2007 while serving as youth pastors at the Lake City Church of God in Lake City. Hill completed the MIP in May of 2008 under the leadership of Bishop Carroll Lee.

On July 13, 2008, Hill accepted his first senior pastor position at New Hope Ministries Church of God and has accomplished great things in the past three-and-a-half-years.

"We wanted to put a focus on the people," Hill said. One of his first tasks as pastor was to establish groups, one especially for the seniors. "We started the Seniors group, called it Seniors In Christ, which is led by Jim and Barbara Dansby. They have done an excellent job and it has grown leaps and bounds."

The seniors hold a fundraiser on the first Saturday of each month to raise money to purchase an awning to extend from the sanctuary to the fellowship hall. They hold many different activities including a monthly blood-drive held in the Winn-Dixie parking lot.

Ignite Student Ministries are led by Paula Pierce and Hill, and is focused on students and young adults,

ranging from ages 12-22. "When we first started the program, we started out with just eight in attendance. But as we kept going, we kept growing. God is blessing the programs and they're being reached, changed and challenged."

Real Life is a program the church offers and is targeted to reach young adults. Young people who are attending college or just starting their life as a married man or woman will feel at home with this group. The church will soon begin a children's church program.

"We are a church that loves people," Hill stated. "No matter what denomination you are, we're not focused on what's written on the sign...but we're focused on the people." While the church has many programs geared towards those inside those four walls, they are also reaching out to the community in various ways.

On April 7, the church will host a community egg hunt with nearly 2,000 eggs, bounce houses and hotdogs. "All of it will be free, we just want people to come and enjoy the afternoon and have a good time."

He continues, "New Hope will always be here for the community, and we don't take that lightly. We might be small in number, but we're big with God. We just want everyone to know that we love them."



New Hope Ministries Church of God is reaching out to the people in the community. Leading the way is Pastor Ray Hill. The pastor is pictured with his family standing left to right: Chris, Ray, and Josh Hill.

## CHURCH NEWS NOTES

**MARCH 15**  
Bible Study at 7 p.m. every Thursday night at the Lloyd Woman's Club. Join with Elder Linda D. Ross for an evening of Christian faith. For more information contact her at 850-322-3424.

**MARCH 16**  
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.

**MARCH 17**  
Bethune-Cookman University Gospel Choir from Daytona Beach will perform at the Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church in Perry at 6 p.m. on Saturday. The church location is 1149 West Hampton Spring Avenue. This concert is free to the public. So plan to come out and worship to help support the choir.

**MARCH 17**  
First Baptist Church Monticello will host a Clothing Giveaway from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

**MARCH 18**  
Salem and Shiloh AME churches will celebrate

together their Choir Anniversaries at 11 a.m. on Sunday at the Salem Church location on South Salt Road. Speaker will be Evangelist Georgianna Williams. Rev. Gilbert Conley, pastor. Sis. Loretha Young and Sis. Veronica Woodson, co-presidents. Sis. Eddie L. Harley, secretary.

**MARCH 20**  
Welaunee MB Church will host a series of Teaching and Training Seminars for pastors, ministers, deacons, deaconesses and laypersons of the church community. The seminars will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. every Tuesday evening after the first and third Sundays of each month through June 26. Rev. Herbert R. Thomas, Sr. is pastor.

**MARCH 21**  
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 distribute food items and to donate non-perish-

able food items. Call and leave a message for JoAnne Arnold at 850-997-2252 or go to eaglewingsmonticello@yahoo.com or www.firstpresbyterianmonticeool.org Keep the Jefferson homeless and substandard housing in your prayers today and always. More and more Americans are only a paycheck away from being homeless.

**MARCH 23, 24**  
Second Harvest Food Program, together with the churches of New Bethel AME, Elizabeth MB, Hickory Hill MB, Mt. Pleasant AME and Philadelphia MB, will provide food to anyone needing assistance including the needy, infants and the elderly. This is done monthly with distribution from 9 to 10 a.m. usually on the fourth Saturday at the New Bethel AME Church located at 6496 Ashville Highway. Volunteers are also welcome to come on Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. to help bag the food packages.

Contact Nellie Randall at 850-997-5605 or 850-997-6929 to volunteer or for more information about this program.

**MARCH 24**  
Mt. Zion AME Church, located at 2009 Barrington Road in Lloyd, will host its first Quarterly Women's Fellowship from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday. Topic discussion will be 'What Does It Mean To Be A Godly Woman.' Speaker will be Minister Angela Price. Come enjoy this stimulating and enlightening event. Rev. Dr. Edward R. Scott, II, pastor. For more information contact Thelma Campbell at 850-997-2929 or Mary Walker at 850-997-4424.

**MARCH 24**  
Dixie Melody Boys to perform at the Lighthouse Children's Home in Tallahassee at 7 p.m. on Saturday. This exciting musical event promises to be enjoyable for the entire family. To obtain additional information, call 850-877-3778 or visit www.dixiemelodyboys.com

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Wednesday Worship.....7:00 PM

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Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM  
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Wednesday  
Fellowship Meal.....7:00 PM  
Prayer Meeting.....7:45 PM

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Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM  
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Sunday -- Every 2nd & 4th.....6:00 PM  
Tuesday Bible Study.....7:00 PM  
AA on Tuesday.....8:00 PM  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 PM  
Wed. Young People Bible Study.....7:00 PM  
Wed. Counseling.....5:30 PM-8:30 PM  
Thurs. Jail Ministry.....7:00 PM-9:00 PM

### CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

285 Magnolia St • Monticello • 997-2165  
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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  
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Sunday School.....10:00 AM  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM  
Sunday Prayer.....6:00 PM  
Wed. Family Training Hour.....7:00 PM

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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  
Adult Bible Study-Wednesday.....6:30-7:30 PM  
Men's Breakfast.....2nd Saturday 8:00 AM

### 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

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Sunday Morning.....9:30 AM  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM  
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Wednesday  
Prayer & Bible Study.....7:00 PM

### ST. RILLA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

13 Barrington Road • Monticello • 850-997-8747  
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Sunday School.....(Every Sunday)...9:45 AM  
Morning Worship.....(1st & 3rd Sundays)11:00 AM  
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Children's Church  
Infants & Toddler Nursery  
Wednesday.....7:00 PM  
Praise & Worship  
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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 1st Saturday.....10:00 AM  
Morning Glory for Women 4th Saturday.....8:00 AM

### WAUKEENAH UNITED METHODIST

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Youth Group.....7:00 PM  
Wednesday  
Choir Practice.....7:00 PM  
Youth Group.....7:00 PM  
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# FARM & OUTDOORS

## 4H EXPLORERS CLUB FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

**CARSON LEIGH OLSON**  
*Club Reporter*

The 4H Explorers Club has been so busy doing all sorts of fun things that it's hard to keep up.

On February 2, Jefferson County Bailar Public

Library Director Kitty Brooks came to speak to us. During this Thursday meeting she gave a wonderful talk about the library and its services.

Then, on February 16 the club members decorated table placemats for



the upcoming Farm Bureau luncheon.

The 4H Explorers went to the Olustee Battlefield Historic State Park on Friday, February 17. We had a fabulous time learning about the Civil War. This park commemorates the site of Florida's largest Civil War battle, which took place February 20, 1864.

On Tuesday, February 28 the 4H Explorers Club had an incredible experience during 'Days at The Capitol.' We were given the opportunity to go into the Senate Cham-

ber and do a mock trial. And, as if that weren't enough... we all got to meet Governor Rick Scott! Although the day had its ups and downs, it was well worth the adventure!

Our most recent adventure was on March 1. We all went to the Boyd Farm. There was lots of fun in the air that day as the 4H Explorers got an up close look at cow production!

As you can see, the 4H Explorers Club has been very busy with hair-raising fun!



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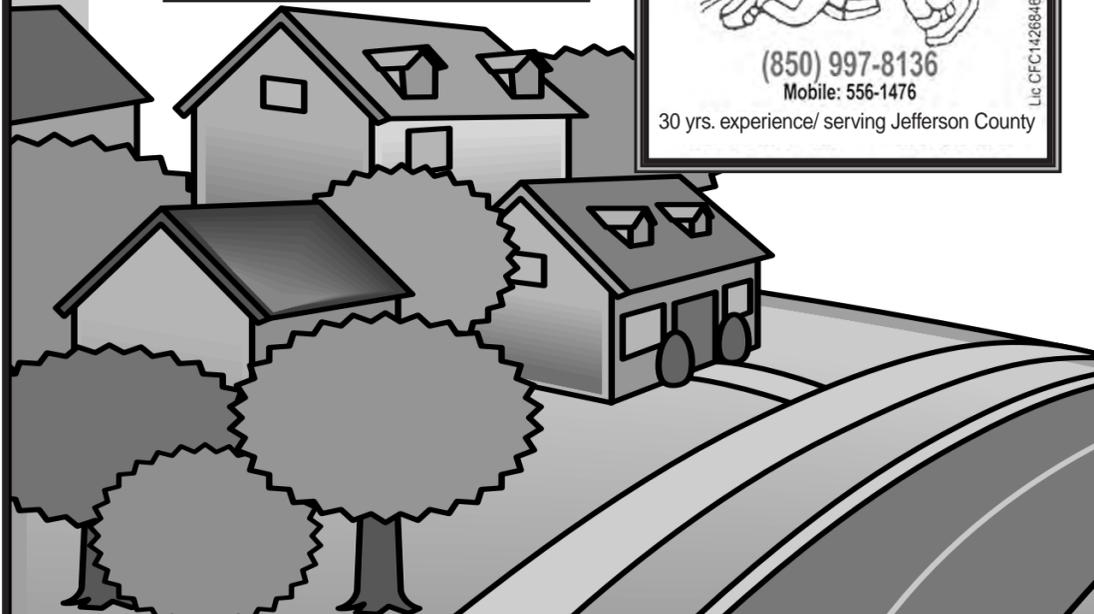


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# SPORTS & SCHOOL

## ACA Senior Basketball Players Recognized



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo by Emerald Greene

Corey Burrus, center, is pictured with his dad, Derrick Burrus, and his mom, Kendra Burrus at ACA's basketball Senior Night.



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Josh Funderburke, center, is pictured with his dad, Randy Funderburke, and his mom, Denene Hurst, at ACA Senior Night.



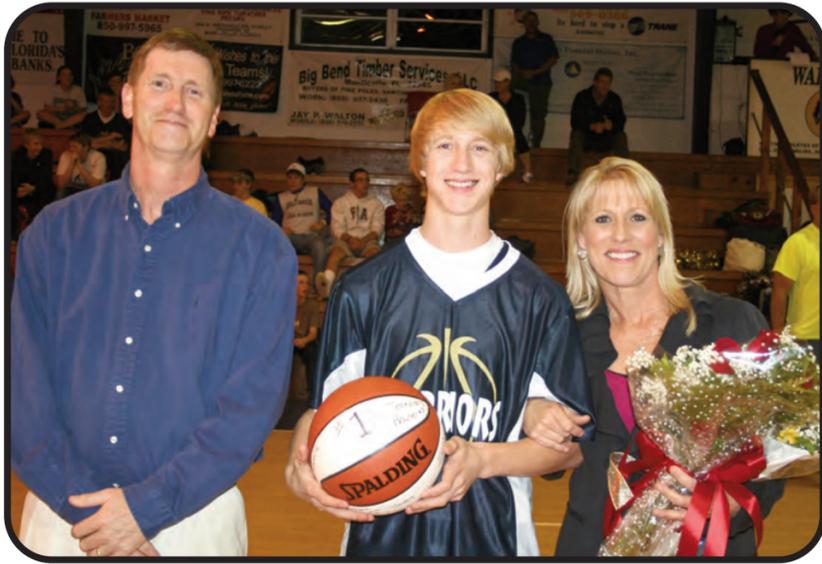
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Shelby Witmer, center, is escorted onto the court by her father, Buddy Witmer, and her mother, Georgia Belgaarde, on ACA Senior Night.



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Sunnie Sorensen, center, is escorted onto the basketball court by her father, Jeff, and mother, Brenda Sorensen on ACA's Senior Night.



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Tyler Jackson, center, is escorted by his parents, Danny and Lisa Jackson during ACA Senior Night.



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Vicki Perry is escorted by her father, Rob Perry, and her mother, Tammy Perry during ACA's Senior Night.

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<p><b>K-5 (Stephens)</b> <b>All E</b> Riley Beggs, Tyson Clark, Harper Davis, Adam Day, Wyman Demott, Lauchlin Faglie, Daniel Hoenstine, Jady Kinsey, Chase Oester, Zach Sears, Walker Sparkman, Tyler Stowers, Emma Vickers, Emilee Walker, Will Wisenbaker</p> <p><b>All E and S</b> Dalton Demott, Hunter Hobson, Leigha Hunt, Christian Morrisette, Miranda Smith</p> <p><b>First Grade (Roberts)</b> <b>All A</b> Brewster Bass, Axel Day, Sammi Drawdy, Jace Grant, Daniel Harrington, Samuel Kennedy, Haylie McLeod, Macy Reagan, Caroline Taylor, Kaitlin Tharpe, Ali Townsend, Paxton Williams</p>	<p><b>All A and B</b> Ryan Adams, Joleane Alexandrou, Aiden Day, Anna Drawdy, Richard Guo, Hannah Rawlings, Riley Rutledge, Lillie Schwier, Trenton Stuart, Emma Tharpe</p> <p><b>Second Grade (Love)</b> <b>All A</b> Kasey Chmura, Tag Williams</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Turner Beshears, Jacob Green, Megan Vann</p> <p><b>Third Grade (Aman)</b> <b>All A</b> Lindsey Davis, Selina Drawdy, Keira Evans, Kolton Grambling, Riley Rowe, Will Sullivan, Olivia Walton</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Natalie Andrews, Jeb Beshears, Jared Grant, James Hightower, Emmaleah Hooppell, Krishan Patel, Sarah Plain, Alissa Roland, Jarrett</p>	<p>Roland, Mary Rose Schwier, Makayla Walker, Travis Wheeler, Ginger Whiddon</p> <p><b>Third Grade Multi-Age (Falk)</b> <b>All A</b> Joey Davis</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Xander Ames, Riley Hamrick, Tyler Slaughter, Wyatt Stafford, Ramsey Wisenbaker</p> <p><b>Fourth Grade (Whiddon)</b> <b>All A and B</b> Jacob Barker, Dawson Bishop, Kinsey Clark, Bishopson Dalzell, Nathan Green, Carl Hall, Brandon Hannon, Pierce Powers, Marley Restrepo, Frank Roberts, Elizabeth Scheese, Al-bree Shiver</p> <p><b>Fourth Grade Multi-Age (Falk)</b> <b>All A and B</b></p>	<p>Ansley English, Bailey McLeod, Hope Randle, Abby Reams</p> <p><b>Fifth Grade (Hughey)</b> <b>All A</b> Emily Brock, Carley Ondash, Megan Schofill</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Grace Beshears, Ryan Jackson, Maggie Mall, Chloe Reams, Levi Stafford, Dilyn Stowers</p> <p><b>Sixth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Timothy Finlayson, Cannon Randle</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Jacob Dukes, Camryn Grant, Elizabeth Hightower, Carly Joiner, Abigail Morgan, Joe Walton, Mickaela Whiddon</p> <p><b>Seventh Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Kelly Horne, Kate Whiddon</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Traynor Barker, Dena</p>	<p>Bishop, Cali Burkett, Faith Demott, Stephanie English, Sarah Hall, Joe Hannon, Kade Holden, Brittanny Hughes, Jenny Jackson, Gatlin Nennstiel, Kirsten Reagan, Ramsey Sullivan</p> <p><b>Eighth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Taylor Copeland, Abigail Hettinger, Savannah Jenkins, Sarah Tharpe, Emma Witmer</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Sam Hogg, Ally Mall, Taylor McKnight, Austen Pentz, T.J. Swords, Courtney Watts, Gaiqe Winchester</p> <p><b>Ninth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Morgan Cline, Sarah James</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Austin Bishop, Ricky Finlayson, Kinzi Mattingly, Carson Nennstiel, Monique Restrepo</p>	<p><b>Tenth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Cole Davis, Lauren Demott, Aimee Love, Jessica Welch</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Hunter Horne, Braden Mattingly, Ashlyn Mills</p> <p><b>Eleventh Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Ashli Cline, Kaley Love, Whitney McKnight, Hadley Revell, Audrey Waters</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Alexis Burkett, Jay Finlayson, Jared Jackson, Caroline Schwab, Pamela Watt</p> <p><b>Twelfth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Josh Funderburke, Mandy Holley, Tyler Jackson, Vickie Perry, Shelby Witmer</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Stacie Brock, Keli Dollar, Tori Self, Sunnie Sorensen, Philip Watts</p>
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3/14/2012, c.

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Dated March 12, 2012 Signed by: Mereta L. Walker  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Erin C. or D.C. Merritt 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: 794 Year of Issuance: 2006

Description of Property: 28-2N-6E-0600-000B-0070 4.13 Acres  
Lots 7 & 8, Block B Aucilla Forest & Meadows Subdivision  
ORB 159 P 654 & ORB 453 P 23 & ORB 563 P 364

Name in which assessed: Jack F. and Elaine A. Kaschmitter

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 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 2012.

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ORB 128 PG 138 & 178 P 292

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# SPORTS

## ANNUAL ROTARY SANDBAGGERS TOURNAMENT SATURDAY

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The Monticello Rotary will be hosting their 10<sup>th</sup> annual Sandbaggers golf tournament Saturday, March 17 at Jefferson Country Club and slots are still available.

This year is a special half-day joint-tournament with the Jefferson County State Championship Tigers football team. This year the club has expanded the tournament to an event with the Jefferson Championship Tigers to help them purchase their hard-earned Championship rings.

The tournament is a four-player scramble shotgun start with the best-ball format. Tee-time is at 1 p.m. with sign-up one hour prior.

Hole sponsorships are \$200 and green fees are \$65 per player or \$260 per team. The entry fee includes 18 holes of golf, a golf cart, the excellent dinner and colossal door prizes.

Prizes will be awarded for Low Gross and Low Net Teams as well as the coveted "Last Place Trophy" for this year's special team.

The Tigers have invited celebrity players and coaches to play in the tournament. To date, Jack Youngblood of the NFL, Corey Fuller of the NFL and FSU Assistant Head Football Coach Billy Sexton has committed to play in the tournament.

Players who were registered and paid by Thursday, March 8 were entered into a blind drawing where two individuals, Merle Zinck and Chuck Sarkisian were drawn to play on Youngblood's team the day of the tournament.

A dinner will be held after play around 6:30 p.m., catered by Mary Frances Gramling's Cottage Catering. The meal will be a grilled chicken dinner with all of the trimmings. Banquet tickets are \$12 each for non-players.

Updates will be posted on Monticello Rotary's Facebook page. Contact Angela Gray at 997-0302 or angelacgray@yahoo.com for more information.

This annual fundraiser supports the Rotary Youth Camp that serves severely challenged youths as well as scholarships for local high school seniors and other community service projects, as well as the Championship Tigers ring fund this year.

## JV Lady Warriors Win Three Of Four

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy junior varsity Lady Warriors won three of the past four games to now stand 6-3 on the season.

Aucilla hit the diamond against Florida High February 23 and the young Lady Warriors came out on top of an impressive 12-3 victory.

On the mound, Elizabeth Hightower faced four batters and gave up here walks, struck out one and one earned run.

Abigail Morgan finished up on the mound, facing 19 batters, striking out five and giving up three walks, one hit and no earned runs.

At the plate, Cali Burkett went one for two with a triple.

Elizabeth Hightower went one for one with a double, two RBI's and scored two runs.

Abigail Morgan went 0 for one, reached bases on walks and scored two runs.

Ramsey Sullivan went one for two with two RBI's and scored two runs.

Allie Mall went one for one with one RBI and scored one run.

Also making it to base and scoring one run each were Emma Witmer, Gaige Winchester and Courtney Watts.

The young Lady Warriors faced off against North Florida Christian middle school February 28 and ACA gave NFC a good 12-0 blanking in a perfect no-hitter.

On the mound, Abigail Morgan pitched two innings, faced seven batters, had four strikeouts, one hit by pitch, no hits

and no earned runs

Ramsey Sullivan pitched three innings, faced 13 batters, had four strikeouts, six walks, no hits and no earned runs.

At the rubber, Ramsey Sullivan was one for two with a double, two walks, had two RBI's and scored two runs.

Elizabeth Hightower was one for two, had two RBI's and scored two runs.

Courtney Watts was one for two, had one walk and scored two runs.

Cali Burkett was one for three with two RBI's and scored one run.

Gaige Winchester had a walk with one RBI and scored one run.

Allie Mall had three runs after reaching base with two walks and one hit by pitch.

Emma Witmer and Camryn Grant also scored a run, each reaching base with a walk.

Aucilla hit the diamond against Madison Central on Match 5 and the young Lady Warriors were scalped for a 7-4 loss.

"It was a really good game," said bookkeeper Susan Morgan. "The score was back and forth and tied 4-4 until last inning. Our pitchers struggled with the strike zone that night giving up more walks than usual and our girls hit the ball a lot better than the last time we played Madison, but their defense made some really good plays and we were never able to keep momentum going our way.

"Overall we're really proud of the girls. They kept fighting for the win right up until the last play," she added.

Abigail Morgan pitched three and 2/3 innings, faced 21 batters,

had five strikeouts and gave up five walks, four hits and four earned runs.

Elizabeth Hightower pitched one and 1/3 innings, faced nine batters, had one strikeout, four walks, she gave up one hit and two earned runs.

At the plate, Emma Witmer was one for four with one run scored and one RBI.

Ramsey Sullivan was one for four with one RBI.

Courtney Watts reached on a hit by pitch and scored one run.

Allie Mall reached base two times, both on walks and scored two runs.

The young Lady Warriors faced off against Maclay on March 6 and Aucilla bounced Maclay for a 9-3 win.

"The game was called after two innings because of a late game time start, it was getting dark and Maclay did not have lights," said Susan Morgan.

On the mound, Abigail Morgan pitched one inning, faced three batters, had one strikeout, gave up one hit and had no earned runs.

Ramsey Sullivan pitched one inning, faced nine batters, had three strikeouts, three walks, she gave up one hit and one earned run.

At the plate Elizabeth Hightower was one for two and scored two runs.

Emma Witmer reached base two times, both with hit by pitches and scored one run.

Ramsey Sullivan reached base twice on two walks and scored two runs.

Gaige Winchester was one for two and scored one run.



Aucilla Christian Academy recently recognized its 2011-12 JV cheerleading team and plaques were presented to those receiving awards for the year. Pictured (left to right) Kelsi Reams (Coach's Award), Gaige Winchester (Best All-Around), and Kinzi Mattingly (Most Valuable Cheerleader).

## BROOKWOOD WALLOPS WARRIORS

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors manned the diamond against Brookwood on March 6 and the Warriors were walloped for a 7-1 loss to now stand 4-3 on the season.

Brookwood drew first blood, bringing one run in during the first inning. Both teams were unable to score during the second and Aucilla answered with a run of their own in

the third, while holding Brookwood scoreless, to tie the score at 1-1. There was no scoring during the fourth and fifth innings, but Brookwood exploded in the six inning to knock another six runs across the plate for the ACA defeat. ACA had three hits compared to Brookwood's five hits.

As a team at the plate, the Warriors had a .222 batting average, with 30 plate appearances, 27 at-bats, one run on six hits, one RBI, one double,

one sacrifice fly, two walks, three strikeouts, two run on errors, an on-base percentage of .267, a slugging average of .259 and eight runners left on base.

Individually, Russell Fraleigh went two for three, had a batting average of .667, with three plate appearances, three at-bats, two hits, both singles, one strikeout, an on base percentage and slugging average of .667 and two left on base.

Tres Copeland went one for three with a batting average of .333, with three plate appearances, three at-bats, one hit, an on base percentage and slugging average of .333 and one left on base.

Austin Bishop had a batting average of .250, with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one hit, a double, one strikeout, an on base percentage of .250 and a slugging

average of .500.

Tyler Jackson had four plate appearances, three at-bats, one run, one walk, one run on error, an on-base percentage of .250, a slugging average of .000, with one left on base.

Jared Jackson was one for two with a .500 batting average, three plate appearances, two at-bats, one hit, one walk, one strikeout, an on base percentage of .667, a slugging average of .500 and two left on base.

Trent Roberts had four plate appearances, three at-bats, with one RBI and one sacrifice fly.

Gus Smyrnios was one for three with a batting average of .333, with three plate appearances, three at-bats, one hit, one run on error, an on base percentage and slugging average of .333 and two left on base.

In the field, the War-

riors carried a .889 fielding percentage with 27 total chances, 15 putouts, nine assists, three errors and two double plays.

Individually, Fraleigh had a fielding percentage of 1.000, with one total chance and one putout.

Copeland had a fielding percentage of 1.000, with one total chance and one assist.

Bishop had a fielding percentage of 1.000, with two total chances and two assists.

Tyler Jackson had a fielding percentage of .333, with six total chances, three putouts, two assists, one error and one double play.

Roberts had a fielding percentage of .875, with eight total chances, six putouts, one assist, one error and one double play.

Sorensen had a fielding percentage of 1.000, with four total chances, three putouts and one assist.

Josh Wood had a fielding percentage of .667, with three total chances, two assists and one error.

Smyrnios had a fielding percentage of 1.000, with two total chances and two putouts.

On the mound the Aucilla pitchers had an earned run average of

5.00, with a batting average of .238, an on base percentage of .467, in seven innings pitched, 31 batters faced, 21 at-bats, seven runs on five hits, five of them earned, five hits, one double, one triple, one sacrifice hit/bunt, eight walks, six strikeouts, one hit by pitch and one wild pitch on 119 pitches.

Individually, Fraleigh had an earned run average of 3.94, with a .111 batting average, an on base percentage of .333, in 5.1 innings pitched, 25 batters faced, 18 at-bats, three runs, all of them earned, on two hits, one triple, one sacrifice hit/bunt, six walks, three strikeouts and one wild pitch on 83 pitches.

Tyler Jackson had a 1.000 batting average, three batters faced, one at-bat, three runs, two of them earned, one hit, one walk and one hit by pitch, on 12 pitches.

Roberts had one inning pitched with three strikeouts on 13 pitches.

Sorensen had a 1.000 batting average, an on base percentage of 1.000, with .1 of an inning pitched, three batters faced, two at-bats, one run, two hits, one double, and one walk on 11 pitches, with one putout.

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