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23 Are Now Vying For Public Offices

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Elections Supervisor Marty Bishop and Bernice "Mac" McLeod are the latest to pre-qualify, bringing to 23 the total number of individuals now seeking public offices.

Bishop, a Democrat, is seeking a fourth term as elections supervisor. And McLeod, also a Democrat, is seeking the District 5 County Commission seat.

Two other candidates who seek the District 5 commission seat are incumbent Danny Monroe, eyeing a third term, and Stephen Walker, both Democrats.

Meanwhile, in the two other County Commission offices up for election, Republican incumbent Stephen Fulford is seeking a second term on the District 1 seat (he is the only one to pre-qualify for this office so far); and C.P. Miller and Vernie Key are eyeing a run at the District 3 seat. Miller and Key are both Democrats.

Others constitutional offices up for election and the individuals who have thus far pre-qualified for them are: Clerk of Court, incumbent Kirk Reams, seeking a second full term; County Judge, incumbent Bobby Plaines, seeking a fifth term; Property Appraiser, incumbent Angela Gray, seeking a second term; Sheriff, incumbent David Hobbs, seeking a third term; and Tax Collector, incumbent Lois Hunter, seeking a fourth term.

With the exception of the nonpartisan County Judge office, all the above named incumbents are Democrats.

Seven individuals now vie for the School Superintendent office, four of whom are Democrats, two Republicans, and one a No Party Affiliation (NPA).

The four Democrats are incumbent Bill Brumfield, seeking a second term; and newcomers Glover Jones; Jefferson Elementary School Principal Valarie Thompson; and Dr. Melvin Roberts, head of human resources for the Jefferson County School District.

The two Republicans are District 4 School Board Member Marianne Arbulu and Al Cooksey.

The NPA candidate is Nancy Whitty.

School Board races also are nonpartisan. Individuals who have thus far pre-qualified for School Board races are Phil Barker, a former two-term school superintendent here, and Colin Barton, both seeking the District 1 School Board seat; and Larry Halsey, former Jefferson County Extension Office director, and Carolyn Loggins-Wade, both seeking the District 2 seat.

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GOVERNOR APPROVES BILL SHIFTING MEDICAID COSTS

COST TO TAXPAYERS HERE SIGNIFICANT

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Notwithstanding the efforts of Jefferson County, the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) and other counties across the state to defeat a House Bill that critics said would in effect shift the cost of Medicaid to Florida taxpayers, Gov. Rick Scott signed the bill into law last week.

"To say that we're disappointed would be an understatement," FAC President Doug Smith said Thursday, March 29. "This bill represents the worst kind of a

body blow to Florida taxpayers. Rather than correcting Tallahassee's error-ridden Medicaid billing system, HB-5301 codifies it and leaves local taxpayers with the bill."

Smith said the FAC would consult with its 67 member counties in the coming weeks to decide the best course of action for Florida's communities and taxpayers.

Jefferson County Deputy Clerk Nick Flynt, who handles accounts payable, estimates HB-5301 will cost local taxpayers about \$173,000 annually for the next three years. That's the sum of the

\$86,000 a year that the county won't be receiving in revenue sharing monies, plus the \$87,000 that it will have to add to the budget to pay for Medicaid bills going forward.

The bottom line, Flynt said, is that as a result of HB-5301, Jefferson County will get less money from the state, it will pay more in Medicaid bills, and his job will become more difficult.

Flynt noted that per figures supplied by the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), Jefferson County will pay more in Medicaid bills, and his job will become more difficult.

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2nd Regional Garage Sale Set For Weekend Of April 13-15

SIGN UP TODAY! EVERYONE WELCOME!

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Here's an opportunity to engage in a little spring housecleaning and possibly convert it into a slightly profitable enterprise to boot. It's to say that you can empty your attic, garage and other storage space of clutter and unwanted items and sell these to treasure hunters, bargain seekers and collectibles aficionados.

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Daniel R. Brown

Road Rage Results In Felony Charges

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An apparent case of road rage resulted in a county man being arrested on felony charges.

On April 1st Deputy Martin Grogan was dispatched to Highway 59 and St. Augustine Road in reference to a physical dispute involving a truck running over a motorcycle.

When the deputy arrived at the scene, he met with the complainant. He said that a white Chevrolet Tahoe rammed up the back of his motorcycle while on the corner of Highway 59 and St. Augustine Road.

The complainant pointed down St. Augustine Road and Deputy Grogan could see a white Tahoe. He immediately got back in his patrol car and activated the lights and siren, but the driver of the Tahoe would not pull over.

After a mile or so the vehicle finally stopped at the corner of St. Augustine and Lott roads. The deputy got the driver, identified as Daniel R. Brown, 24, of Jefferson County, out of the vehicle and handcuffed him.

Brown said he saw the deputy's lights and heard the siren and just decided not to stop the vehicle before he turned into his home. At that point, the deputy in plain, see **ROAD RAGE** Page 3

Churches Maybe To Get Relief On Development Permit Fees

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Churches may get a break when it comes to paying the fees that come with the development permits that the county issues for additions and upgrades.

Commissioners, at least, have indicated a willingness to explore the idea.

The question of the fairness of churches having to pay the development permit fees arose as a citizen-initiated topic at a recent meeting of the Jefferson County Commission.

Contractor C.P. Miller objected that churches that wanted to build additions to their existing facilities had to pay a \$1,000 development permit.

"I think that's excessive," Miller said, adding that the \$1,000 didn't even include other permitting fees and costs associated with such improvements. The permitting also made for a lengthy process, he said. And if the project was in any way contested, it could extend the process into months, he said.

Miller argued that churches were religious institutions, not businesses.

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Gaye Hanna, of Progress Energy, presents a \$1,000 donation from the electric company to representatives of Southern Music Rising for the coming music festival. From left to right are Paul Michael, Hanna and Katrina Walton. The festival happens the weekend of April 20-22.



JOE JONES SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

JOY (Jefferson Outreach for Youth) is seeking applicants for its annual Joe Jones Scholarship. This scholarship is \$500 per semester for four semesters, as long as the student remains in good standing.

Prospective recipients may apply with the guidance counselors at their schools. Home schoolers may apply at the local public school guidance office. The applicants are then interviewed by a three-person panel that is independent of the JOY organization.

The application process closes on Friday, April 6, so don't delay!

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Local Weather

Wed 4/4 86/67
Partly to mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms i.

Thu 4/5 80/66
Partly cloudy with a stray thunderstorm. Potential for severe thunderstorms.

Fri 4/6 78/56
Scattered thunderstorms possible.

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Letters To The Editor

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

THE HIGH COST OF GOVERNMENT HOUSING

March 31, 2012
by Paul Henry

Last October, I wrote about my efforts to assist a member of our community. The woman was living in a terrible mobile home and had applied for a government home under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. My point of view at the time was that we as a community could help this woman in a far more efficient manner than any government program. As it turned out, I was persuaded to allow the government program to go through, as my actions would have endangered her receiving the government home. This was reflected in the October 6, 2011 meeting minutes: 17. **Citizen Paul Henry gave an update on community help provided to Mrs. Johnson-Bellamy's living situation and stated that communities could help each other without the need for federal assistance programs. Citizen Dick Bailar responded that Mrs. Johnson-Bellamy was in line to get a home and that any work done on her current home could disqualify her from receiving funds.**

It's now one day shy of April, or about 6 months later. Let's see how this has worked out.

As a part of the upcoming April 5 commission meeting, I saw a change order for her new home. I need to back up here. When the home was first authorized, the cost was to be about \$65,500.

Here is what I wrote about this last October (keep in mind she has been trying to get something done since June 2011):

"Meridian has submitted papers to the Board of County Commissioners for the October 6 morning meeting that on page 11 show the cost to rehabilitate or renovate the widow's property was estimated as \$65,500. This is in line with cost per square

foot estimates in the Tallahassee area for 2010 that I found of around \$75/foot for basic construction- an 875 square foot home would cost \$65,625."

As a refresher, Meridian is the go-between for the taxpayer money and the private contractor doing the work. See the October post for their rate schedule for anything beyond the contract amount, as well as information as to why there is a 40% overhead before the first nail is driven when the CDBG is used. With the lowest-paid employee making \$45/hour, it's great work if you can get it. A "change order" means something from the original plan has to be changed. This invariably means more money must be spent.

At the March 1, 2011 commission meeting, we learned that the cost for the foundation had gone up around \$4,000 and that local people (called local preference) could not be used on the project due to it being a federal grant. That brought the total to **\$69,006.**

There was another change order in there for another government home that showed over \$6,500 in added expenses, which pushed the total over \$70,000, so this is not a unique situation.

This latest addition of the well brings the total to **\$75,503.**

The net result in dollars: The original \$65,500 is now **\$75,503.** This is over a 15% increase. Of course, the home is not done yet. Will anything else need a change order, and if so, how much will it cost the taxpayer?

THE SOLUTION

When I first looked into this, I was told by a man that refurbishes mobile homes he could basically rebuild her trailer for \$5,000. Seemed on the low side, but even if we (the community) helped out, we could have her in livable quarters- maybe not a new home- for well under the original \$65,000. **It would not have taken almost a year to do so.** As an example, when I spoke to my son about this last year, he suggested the use of an existing home on the market. Even if the taxpayer had paid for her to buy an existing home, based on my research at the time, one could have been found for under \$50,000, and then her land could have been sold to offset the cost. Either way, she could have been living in that home in well under 3 months.

The housing of convicted prisoners, such as in the prison here, is a necessary function of government. The providing of government housing should not be. When we turn over our problems to the government, they inevitably create a bureaucracy, and this causes the cost to go up. This has been proven once again with the CDBG for the woman's home. The solution? We as the community (our churches, our family, our friends) must step up for the needs within our community. It can happen- last October I had over \$1,000 pledged to help this woman in just a few days. If we continue to turn these needs over to the government, we all pay the price.

STINGER'S ATTACK WAS NASTY, PERSONAL

Dear Editor;

Nearly everyone I've talked to thinks Commissioner Hines Boyd hit the nail on the head with his column about why we should improve and pave our own roads. He points out that not only can we do it ourselves, but we can do it for about half the cost of an outside contractor and do it with local skilled labor. Why should we send money out of the county to pay interest on a huge debt, big engineering fees, and profits for a road contractor? Why not keep that money and those jobs at home, he says.

Somebody, maybe somebody with a personal interest in the road debt proposal, didn't seem to like Hines Boyd's column. Rather than telling us why he might have a better idea, this cynic launched a nasty, personal, name-calling attack on Commissioner Boyd in a rambling anonymous "Stinger." He criticized Hines for frequently being the lone voice to challenge how we spend our tax dollars and address important issues and for "going to the public" with his ideas. Imagine that!

Hines Boyd is my Commissioner, and I talk to him frequently about his Commission work. I'm glad there's someone like him representing me, a man who genuinely cares about his county and its people and who tenaciously looks after the interests of us taxpayers. I'm glad there's someone who's willing to question the county department budgets. I'm glad there's someone who's willing to propose a workable idea about how to deal with local economic development.

The unnamed Stinger seemed confused about the real position Commissioner Boyd had taken on these and other issues. Anyone who's closely followed the Commission's work in the local newspaper knows them:

Landfill monitoring. Not long after he became a Commissioner, Hines Boyd zeroed in on a huge Solid Waste budget expense for monitoring our old closed landfill. Though it took months of steadfast perseverance, he finally convinced his fellow Com-

missioners to rebid the monitoring work and saved the county over \$150,000 per year.

Preservation of a landmark building. He persistently questioned a proposal to tear down the old Grants Building and build an expensive Solid Waste office in its place. Hines thought that a better office option was to save and inexpensively repair the historic structure for use. A lot of people I know agreed with him.

Use of surplus money. Hines questioned the accumulation of a \$1.5 million surplus in the Solid Waste fund. He suggested that, after fixing some service issues, we refund most of the surplus to the taxpayers by reducing solid waste fees for a few years. It was a novel idea that I and a lot of others hope will happen soon!

Economic Development. Hines Boyd recently suggested reorganizing the County Coordinator's office to include the coordination of our economic development efforts. He says the budget is already there to do it in an affordable way. Everyone agrees that we need to do something about economic development, but so far we've had little more than talk. Here is a good idea to address the problem, and it's an idea that makes sense!

When conditions call for it, Hines Boyd has also

proven he can be an excellent team player. Not long after he took office, he was the Commission leader in forging a compromise that virtually eliminated impact fees in the county.

More recently, Chairman Boyd led the Commission team that helped save JCI. He was deeply involved in assessing the situation, seeking professional lobbying help, writing early and important columns that framed the issues, and working closely with community leaders and groups to tell our story. Yet Hines never tried to take credit, consistently pointing out the team effort that led to the great success that saved those JCI jobs.

Being a leader is not always easy or safe. Suggesting a new idea or questioning group thinking is often risky and uncomfortable. I'm glad my Commissioner is willing to take those chances. I appreciate his tenacity.

Our county needs leaders who will challenge us with good ideas and who are not afraid to occasionally question the conventional wisdom. What we don't need are finger-pointing, name calling cynics who hide behind the anonymity of a "Stinger" to engage in the politics of personal destruction.

Nicki Little

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Thank you for providing the bundle of newspapers so we can make our sit-upons.
Thank you for your interest in our troop.
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Girl Scout Troop 49

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STINGERS

"Americans flock to Ron Paul not because he gives them a certain kind of hope but because his message is our only hope."

"I don't know who you are, but I liked your note to Anti-Joe last week. You go! Can I call you Pro-Joe? Yours Truly, Joe Citizen"

"If you get offended by something someone STINGS, don't get mad, get even and STING em' back!"

"Listen to what others have to say, and then speak your mind. Anything that promotes education and awareness on any subject is great in my book!"

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JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIME BEAT

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FRAN HUNT
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Ronard Lamar Florence, 25, of Tallahassee, was arrested March 27 and charged with driving while license suspended or revoked. Bond was set at \$500 and he bonded out of jail the same day.
Elizabeth Galvez-Rameriz, 23, of Conroe, TX, was arrested March 27 and charged with operating a vehicle without a license. Bond was set at \$100 and she bonded out of jail the same day.
Bobby A. Cox, Jr., 24, of Tallahassee, was arrested March 30 and charged with driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500 and he bonded out of jail the following day.
Coy Dwayne Crawford, 26, of Mon-

ticello, was arrested March 31 and charged with battery, domestic. Bond was set at \$500 and he bonded out of jail the following day.
Daniel R. Brown, 24, of Jefferson County, was arrested April 1 and charged with felony fleeing and eluding a law enforcement officer; aggravated battery with a deadly weapon; and battery. A total bond of \$13,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail April 3.
Cameron C. Pate, 30, of Jacksonville, FL, was arrested April 1 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of burglary and writ of attachment for nonpayment of child support. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail April 3.

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Medicaid Costs

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Jefferson County owes \$303,000 in backlogged Medicaid bills, going back 10 years. These are bills that the county rejected for one reason or another, including that the named individual wasn't a Florida resident or wasn't a Jefferson County resident or the bill had already been paid, among other discrepancies.

The new law requires that Jefferson County pay 85 percent of its backlog, which equates to about \$258,000, Flynt said. Annually, the amount comes out to \$86,000 for the next three years, he said.

"AHCA will automatically take the \$86,000 out of our revenue sharing fund annually for the next three years," Flynt explained. "We won't see this money at all."

Moreover, if the county disputes a new billing, it can do so only after paying the bill, and it must then provide evidence to prove its challenge. If AHCA accepts the proof, it will refund the particular amount after the fact. This applies to every billing the county disputes henceforth.

Meaning, Flynt said, that the county will have to add money to the budget to pay for the new Medicaid billings going forward.

"Last fiscal year, I paid \$161,000 in Medicaid billings," Flynt said. "In the coming fiscal year, I estimate I will be paying about \$248,000 or another \$87,000."

The \$87,000 more or less equates to the amount that the county has denied annually in the past.

"On the front end, it will

make my job easier," Flynt said, pointing out the new law simply requires that he cut a check to the state in the amount AHCA indicates.

"But in the backend, I will have to prove it every time we overpay the state," he said.

And that with no guarantee that he will be successful in the endeavor, he said.

The Jefferson County Commission last month adopted a resolution in opposition to HB-5301, calling it a flawed and unprecedented piece of legislation that would shift millions of dollars in Medicaid costs to taxpayers as a result of state accounting errors.

Resolution 2012-031512-02 — which the commission adopted March 15 — asked Gov. Scott to veto the bill as another of the state's unfunded mandates.

"This is a big concern to counties," Clerk of Court Kirk Reams said at the time. "It will take away our ability to monitor Medicaid billings."

Plus, the legislation would apply retroactively, he noted. Meaning that Jefferson and other counties would be held accountable for unresolved bills going back to 2001.

"They'll take our backlog and we'll have to pay one-third within 12 months and the other two-thirds within 48 months," Reams said.

FAC, in a three-page letter mailed to the Governor on the same day as the Jefferson County's resolution, cited "myriad redundancies, inefficiencies and systematic problems with HB-5301."

"It's just plain wrong to ask local taxpayers to pay for Tallahassee's accounting errors," the letter stated.

As FAC explained the situation, the problem stemmed from a new electronic billing system that AHCA installed in 2008 to administer the Medicaid billings for counties. From the start, according to FAC, the system proved flawed, "resulting in staggering levels of demonstrable billing inaccuracies". What's more, AHCA, according to FAC, acknowledged as much.

In fact, according to FAC, during the last year its staff and those of AHCA and the individual counties worked to identify and correct the problem.

But rather than allowing this collaborative effort to proceed to a mutually satisfactory resolution, HB-5301 was short-circuiting the process and essentially "codifying a dysfunctional bureaucratic system into law and asking Floridians to pay for it."

Worse, according to FAC, the bill not only sought to codify a broken system, but it also applied retroactively to all disputed bills going back 10 years.

"By eliminating the ability to review an invoice prior to payment, HB-5301 puts AHCA in the position of a state-level IRS," the FAC letter stated.

FAC calculated that HB-5301 would cost Florida taxpayers more than \$77 million above the estimated Medicaid billing for 2012-11 and more than \$155 million over what AHCA collected in 2010-11.

Public Offices

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4 School Board seat.

Pre-qualification allows candidates to set up campaign accounts, name campaign managers and begin soliciting donations. It is a first step in the elective process.

Qualification, when candidates formally and officially commit to running, is set for June 4-8. The primary will be held Aug. 14 and the general election on Nov. 4.

Churches

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Therefore, churches shouldn't be subject to such high fees, especially given that it wasn't a new construction but an addition, he said.

Commissioner John Nelson agreed the fee was excessive. He said the research he had done on the subject indicated that the community had 78 churches, some 58 of which were African-American. He didn't mean or want to turn the issue into a black/white thing, Nelson said. But the fact was that African-American churches overwhelmingly incurred the financial burden of the fee.

"We should have a fee but I don't think it should be \$1,000," Nelson said. "It's something we have to take a look at."

Commissioner Danny Monroe agreed, offering that he thought the issue should be referred to the Planning Commission for review and a recommendation.

Commissioner Hines Boyd posed the question of how the county was to fund the operations of building inspector and planning departments, if not by way of ad-valorem taxes or user fees?

"It's a policy issue of how we cover the cost," he said.

That might be, Nelson countered. But proportionately, it was African-Americans who were overly burdened with the fee, he said.

"I understand what it takes to run and fund an operation," Nelson said. "But I still don't think \$1,000 is right."

Commissioner Stephen Fulford agreed the fee likely needed reducing. But he also thought that it was incumbent on the commission to determine first the actual cost of the permitting process, before proceeding with any action.

The way it was left was a tad nebulous. It appeared, however, that it was left either to staff or the Planning Commission to take up the question, determine the actual cost of the permitting process, and offer a recommendation to the board.

Road Rage

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formed Brown that he was under arrest for felony fleeing and eluding a law enforcement officer and read him his Miranda rights and he chose to answer the deputy's questions.

Brown said that he pulled behind the motorcycle on the corner of Highway 59 and St. Augustine Road and the driver of the motorcycle got off his bike and confronted him. He said he got out of his vehicle and pushed the other driver. And they began to fight each other. He then said that a female stopped her vehicle and tried to pull the two apart.

Brown said the female was scratching at his eyes and hitting him on the head. The two males separated and Brown went to leave to go back home. At that time Deputy Grogan got behind Brown and he would not stop his vehicle.

The deputy asked Brown why he would not stop his vehicle and Brown replied, "Because I didn't want to go to jail."

Deputy Grogan transported Brown to the County Jail and EMS checked Brown for minor injuries due to the altercation. A sworn written statement was obtained from Brown.

The complainant statement included that he and Brown did get into a physical altercation but Brown did ram his vehicle into the back of the complainant's motorcycle.

Upon looking at the scene at Highway 59 and St. Augustine were there was no tire marks on the roadway to suggest that Brown had attempted to stop his vehicle from hitting the back of the motorcycle.

There was damage to the front end of Brown's Tahoe and damage to the complainant's backside of the motorcycle. He said he got off his motorcycle when he was hit by the Tahoe and before he knew it, Brown had exited his vehicle and was striking him.

Brown was charged with felony fleeing and eluding a law enforcement officer; aggravated battery with a deadly weapon; and battery. A total bond of \$13,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail April 3.

Garage Sale

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The reason is the 2nd now semiannual Flea Across Florida mega garage sale, scheduled for the weekend of April 13-15.

Billed as the state's longest yard sale, the three-day event will stretch 272 miles from Live Oak to Pensacola, with the Monticello/Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce sponsoring the local segment.

The expectation is that bargain shoppers and treasure hunters from around the area will drive along U.S. 90 from Live Oak to Pensacola — or to various points along the way — and take advantage of the offerings.

"This event is only on Highway 90," says Chamber Executive Director Melanie Mays. "Professional vendors or anyone with 'stuff' to

sell can register for a 12 by 12-foot space. The chamber has designated areas along Highway 90 where we will sell space to vendors. The cost is \$35 for the three days. Load-in is Thursday, April 12, after 5 p.m. You must check in with the chamber."

Meanwhile, individuals with properties that front US 90 may sell from their own front yards as well.

In order to be listed on the chamber's map as a designated Flea Across Florida seller, however, vendors must register with the chamber.

To view more information on the event, or to pay online or download the vendor terms and procedures and vendor application, visit the chamber's website at <http://monticellojeffersonfl.com/fleaacross>

florida.

Initiated last fall by the Live Oak Partnership and the Suwannee County Tourist Development Council — and intended originally as an annual occurrence — the sponsors have since decided to hold the event twice a year, in the fall and the spring.

The sales typically run from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each of the three days. Vendors may be professional sellers, businesses, civic and other organizations, or individuals who simply want to get rid of unwanted objects.

Indeed, expect participating vendors in the Flea Across Florida Yard Sale to sell everything from antiques to collectibles to old furniture and locally crafted items to the typical yard sale fare.

Long-distance highway yard sales apparently have been around

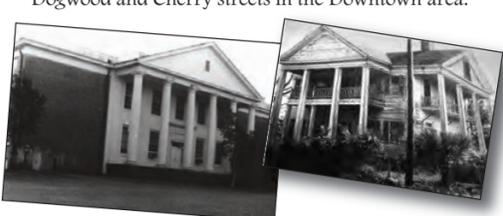
for a while, although they appear to be gaining in popularity. Georgia, for example, has the Peaches to the Beaches Yard Sale, which extends 220 miles along US Highway 341 from the peach growing counties in the middle of the state to the beaches of the Golden Isles area.

Others such events are the 502-mile long Antique Alley Yard Sale along U.S. Route 1, from Virginia to Mississippi; the Coast to Coast Yard Sale along U.S. 50, from Maryland to California; the 824-mile long Historic National Road Yard Sale, from Maryland to Missouri; and the 50-mile long Finger Lakes Garage Sale, which runs along a scenic byway in upstate New York.

Then there's the 127 Corridor Sale, billed as the world's longest yard sale. This one extends 675 miles from Alabama to Michigan.

Wanted!

Main Street of Monticello, Florida is looking for any and all Historic Monticello photos from the past which would show any buildings and past businesses in the surrounding areas of Dogwood and Cherry streets in the Downtown area.



These photos are to be used as historic documentation as well as before and after pictures of any renovation in the downtown Monticello area.

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

CAT CORRAL FIGHTING FERAL OVERPOPULATION

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Cat Corral is a recently new nonprofit organization within the county, which is fighting the overpopulation of the feral cats in the area and in the two years since it was founded by resident Pam Willis, positive results have been seen in the area with less feral cats running around.

What Cat Corral does is go to places where feral cats are reported and attempt to trap the animal. Once trapped, the animal is taken to Animal Medical Clinic, where it is altered and receives all vaccinations. The cat is also marked for identification by having a V-shape cut out of the tip of one of the animal's ears to keep it from looking like a rip or tear obtained in a fight. Once the cat is healed from surgery, it is taken back to where it was captured and the animal is released in the area it knows.

The feral females with kittens, if the young can be handled, homes are found for them.

In the past two years, about 130 cats have been

altered and about 20 young have been placed in homes.

So why just cats and why release them back in the environment from where they came. "Cats are best equipped to take care of themselves," said Willis. "They hunt and take care of themselves. Dogs couldn't do that, not like cats can."

"We've not seen as many feral kittens this year due to the program," said Willis.

County resident Judy Faircloth agrees. "We had about 35 feral cats around the area of the Country Club and I was always seeing dead cats on the road that had been hit by cars. Pam came out and started capturing, altering and returning them to where they came from. Originally, I had started capturing the cats as I could and paying to have them done one at a time when I could afford it. I would then foster and tame them and find them homes, but it was too much for one person to do alone. So then I asked Pam for any kind of help and Cat Corral began working on the problem in the area."

"The great thing

about Cat Corral is that it will cut down on the feral population, I have already seen it," Faircloth reported. They do make a difference. It is the solution to overpopulation."

Cat Corral works

strictly by donations and volunteers, which is how they can afford the traps, equipment and services.

It takes donations to keep the Cat Corral going and keep the feral cat population from growing. To

make donations drop them off at Animal Medical Clinic or Cat Corral's new business Vintage Treasures, in the Cherry Street Consignment Shop, located at 200 South Cherry Street.

The shop makes jewelry and has treasures for all kinds of tastes. All proceeds go directly to help fund Cat Corral. Donations can also be taken at the shop. All donations are tax deductible.

United Way Campaign Finale And Total



People who 'do something about it' were recognized and honored during the United Way of the Big Bend (UWBB) Campaign Finale at Goodwood Museum and Gardens.

More than 200 supporters filled the banquet hall in anticipation of hearing the final campaign total and were ready to celebrate what contributors have done to strengthen the fabric of communities across the Big Bend.

"At a time when so many people are facing financial challenges, this year's United Way campaign is a testament to the character of our community," said Heather Mitchell, UWBB president. "The Government Campaigns, which included the Federal and State Campaigns, raised \$1.3 million. The Local Campaign, including neighboring counties, held steady this year and raised \$4,515,853. These two numbers together bring our campaign total to \$5,820,303."

As applause rippled through the audience during the announcements of the campaign's numbers, Mitchell suddenly chimed in with an unexpected announcement.

"But, that is not all," she declared. "I am happy to share with you that UWBB was also the recipient of

\$150,000 in grant funds to support our strategic initiatives, Whole Child Leon and the BEST Project. This brings the total of dollars invested in our community to \$5,970,574.37!"

These difficult times that communities are facing together has made United Way's work more challenging and more important than ever, Mitchell added. Everyone here tonight is a part of meeting that challenge.

"This year has been another year of economic headwinds in the Big Bend," said Bill Colledge, 2011 UWBB Campaign chair. "Changes in the State employee benefits package and a lack of confidence in the economy prohibiting job growth and expansion have challenged the campaign for the fourth year. In spite of these challenges, our community continues to reach out to those that are in need with an incredible level of generosity. On behalf of the recipients of that kindness, thank you very much."

The campaign's most outstanding volunteers, coordinators and contributors were recognized throughout the evening. Mitchell and Colledge, along with everyone in attendance, expressed their gratitude on behalf of the countless individuals and families who will receive help thanks to the generous support of donors and volunteers.

The Jefferson County Campaign Team of Community Representatives/Co-Chairs Nan Baughman, Project LifeSaver and Dean Jerger, raised a total of \$41,036.

United Way of the Big Bend unites and inspires local citizens in caring for one another and building a more vibrant community.

Financial Focus...

EARLY IRA FUNDING CAN PAY OFF OVER TIME

Provided by Robert J. Davison

You've got until April 17 to contribute to your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) for the 2011 tax year. That's not a lot of time, but if you have some money available, and you haven't completely funded your IRA for 2011, consider doing so before the deadline. And once you've "maxed out" on your IRA for last year, why not get a jump on 2012?

Actually, you could have started contributing to your 2012 IRA as early as Jan. 2. In fact, if you can get into the habit of fully funding your IRA each January, you'll give your money 15 extra months of growth potential, as opposed to waiting until mid-April of the following year. If you factor in all the years you'll be contributing to your IRA before you retire, those extra months of growth opportunities, repeated over decades, could end up providing you with a fair amount of extra cash when you start tapping into your IRA at retirement.

Of course, you may not find it all that easy to come up with the full IRA contribution amount at one time. (In 2012, you can put up to \$5,000 into a Roth or traditional IRA, or \$6,000 if you're 50 or older.) But if you look at your entire financial picture, you may be able to think of some resources. Here are a few suggestions:

- Put your tax refund to work. In 2011, the average tax refund was about \$3,000, according to the IRS. If you received that amount in 2012, and you applied it toward your IRA, you would already have met half the contribution limit (if you are 50 or older) or more than half (if you're younger than 50).
- Take advantage of interest payments or dividends. If you own income-producing investments, you may find that they can help you fund your IRA early. For example, if you own dividend-paying stocks, and you don't typically reinvest the dividends, consider putting some of these funds into your IRA. (Keep in mind, though, that stocks can reduce or discontinue dividends at any time). And you can do the same thing with any interest payments you receive from bonds.
- Put other "windfalls" into your IRA. If you receive a windfall, such as a bonus from your employer or a gift of cash, think about putting it into your IRA.

If none of these options present themselves, and you can't afford to write out a big check to fund your IRA very early in the year, do the best you can to reach the contribution limit as soon as possible. To make this happen, consider setting up a monthly automatic transfer from your checking or savings account into your IRA. Even if you were to divide these transfers into 15 equal payments totaling \$5,000 (or \$6,000 if you're 50 or older), you would still be funding your IRA more quickly than if you would have scrambled to contribute in the last few months before the tax filing deadline.

No matter when you do it, fully funding your IRA is a great way to help build resources for retirement. But the earlier, the better — so do whatever you can to beat that tax deadline each year.

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Local Agencies Fire Up The Grill To Benefit Special Olympics

FRAN HUNT
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It is that time once again for the annual statewide barbecue to benefit Special Olympics. The event will be held Thursday, April 5 from 10:30 a.m. until the food runs out. The barbecue 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 6th 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 go 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 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.

Lunch And Yard Sale Fundraiser At The JSCC

The Jefferson Senior Citizen's Center (JSCC) will be serving take-out grilled chicken lunches on Friday, April 6 to raise funds for the Center.

Johnston's Meat Market will provide the grilled chicken that will be served with green beans, corn, tossed salad and dessert from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Advanced tickets are available at the JSCC for just \$7. Call the center at 850-342-0242X223 for more information about this fundraising event and for services and programs provided.

There will also be a yard sale held on this day from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. If you have a charitable donation for the sale, try to have it dropped off at the Center by April 2, or call for pickup of any large items.

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL 5
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 Annette Wilson at 850-997-4104 for an appointment from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the first Thursday at Union Hill AME Church. 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.

APRIL 5
Lloyd Volunteer Fire Rescue meets monthly at 7 p.m. on Thursday at the firestation.

APRIL 5
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.

APRIL 6
Jefferson Senior Citizens Center is having a fundraiser luncheon for the center on Friday from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. BBQ chicken will be served. The cost is \$7. Drop by, have a wonderful lunch and support area seniors!

APRIL 6
New Hope Church of God will host a Blood Drive from 12 to 6 p.m. on Friday in the Winn Dixie parking area. Donors will receive a free lunch prepared by the church members. Contact the Southeastern Community Blood Center, a division of Florida Blood Services, at 850-877-7181 or sbcinfo.org for questions before the event.

APRIL 6
Monticello Jamboree dancing and music 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.

APRIL 6
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.

APRIL 6
Asheville 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.

APRIL 7, 21
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.

APRIL 8
Camellia Garden Circle meets on the second Sunday at 2 p.m. Participants are asked to bring goodies to share. For more information contact Chairman Jane Davis at 850-997-4320 or jkdeer-crossing@aol.com

APRIL 9
Big Bend Horseman's Club meets at 7 p.m. on the second Monday at Green Industries Institute for a brief program and meeting. This is an open horse club for all breeds. Everyone is wel-

come. Go to www.big-bendhorse.com for more information.

APRIL 9
Al-Anon meetings are held at 8 p.m. every Monday at the Anglican Church, 124 Jefferson Avenue in Thomasville, GA. For more information go to www.al-anon.alateen.org.

APRIL 9
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.

APRIL 10
AA classes are held every Tuesday at 8 p.m. for those seeking help. The classes are held at the

Harvest Christian Center, 1599 Springhollow Road. Contact Marvin Graham, pastor, at 850-212-7669 for more information.

APRIL 10
American Legion Post 49 meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month for a business meeting and program at the Otto Walker Post on South Water Street. Contact Adjutant Ron Slik at 850-997-8103 for more information.

April 11
Monticello Kiwanis Club meets every Wednesday at noon at the Jefferson Country Club on the Boston Highway for lunch, a program and a meeting. Contact President Rob Beshears at 850-997-5054 for more information.

THE HUMAN FORM

Jefferson Arts will host a reception in the Gallery for its latest exhibit, "The Human Form." The viewing will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday afternoon, April 7 and will feature works by various artists.

Jefferson Arts Gallery is located at 575 West Washington in downtown Monticello and is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays, or by appointment.

For more information about the Arts or to ask about free art classes, call 850-997-3311 or go to info@jeffersonarts-gallery.com or www.jeffersonartsgallery.com.

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CROSS LANDINGS H&RC TO HOST VOLUNTEER BANQUET

Cross Landings Health & Rehabilitation Center will hold its 17th Annual Volunteer Celebration at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 20 at the facility on North Jefferson.

This evening event is hosted by Social Services Director Mae Kyler, Administrator Paul Kovary and Activities Director Voncell Thomas. The meal will be prepared by the facility Dietary staff.

The event is proudly held to honor those who give so much of their time and efforts, asking nothing in return. "Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless," notes Sherry Anderson. "You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give," says Kahlil Gibran.

These dedicated volunteers will be recognized with a thank you and given a token certificate of appreciation for giving freely of their time in order to bring cheer, music, conversation and worship to the lives of the Cross Landings H&RC residents.

Reservations are requested by April 13 for a count, but are not necessary to attend. The community and friends are most welcome to attend this year's event. Call 850-997-2313 for questions, concerns, donations and reservations.

Community merchants and caring residents are being sought for donations of gifts for doorprizes to the participants during the banquet.

"Thanking you in advance for your support and willingness in helping to make a memorable event for our volunteers," the Cross Landings Staff.

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Annual Tour Of Homes Set For April 14

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Staff Writer

Just around the corner in Quitman, Ga. is an event that needs to be circled on the calendar: The Quitman-Brooks County Museum and Cultural Center will be hosting a Tour of Homes on Saturday, April 14, from 1-5 p.m. "We at the Museum are so excited about this year's Tour of Homes," stated Sheila Self, Curator for the Brooks-Quitman Museum. "Spring has come early and brought us a beautiful time of year to

visit six of the most interesting homes in Quitman and Brooks County."

The tour will feature several of the historic homes of Brooks County, as well as several recently built luxurious houses. Houses that will be toured include many interesting facts that create a unique history for Brooks County.

The Myra Jordan and Bob Gaines house at 703 North Court Street will be one of the stops on the tour. Duncan Malloy had built the house around 1913 and apparently lost it

during the depression. Mr. Garrett, who operated the Hancock Lumber Company in Quitman, said it would have to be an exceptional deal for him, a lumberman, to buy a brick house. He bought the house, carriage house, barn and one acre lot for \$6,500.

Another stop on the tour is the Tim Reisenwitz house, located at 508 W. Screven Street. The Walker house is an example of a vernacular house with Greek Revivalist influences. The house was built circa 1870. Originally,

the porch was U-shaped and did not have a roof over the middle section. Today, the open area in the "U" of the porch has been enclosed with a roof and floor and Victorian gingerbread has been added. Characteristics of the Greek Revival include the front facing gables that resemble small temples and the transom and sidelights around the front door. This is an opportunity to observe early construction methods, materials, structural elements and architectural features. This house had no halls. The dining room and kitchen were a separate structure off the back porch.

The next stop is at the residence of Baughn and Linda Holloway. The architecture of this house is Low Country Cottage, and is located in the "Clay Bank" community in southern Brooks County. The house is furnished and decorated to reflect the owners' interests and their travels to many parts of the world. Some of the items the Holloways have brought home are a framed piece of papyrus from Egypt with their names written on it, an onyx coffee table from Mexico, and from Africa, stunning taxidermy from their safari there. Also, a very personal collection of Royal Copenhagen will be on display. Linda's heritage is Danish and several pieces in this collection had belonged to her grandmother. The home was completed in 2006.

Featured on the tour also is the house of Charlie and Sallie Barnes. Charlie and Sallie Barnes found that their love of the outdoors was expressed in the book "The Louisiana Homes of A. Hays Town." With this inspiration, together with

architect Edward Williams and builder Francis Gibson, both of Thomasville, Ga., their house was built in 2009 on 100 acres of wooded land. The house, constructed of a combination of earth-toned brick and cypress, has a look of permanence, reflecting Town's designs of an older house with later additions. The floors are wood and tile; the ceilings are pecky cypress. Tall windows throughout the house bring the outdoors inside, especially those opening to the courtyard, which is an extension of the living space of the house. The courtyard features a pool and a pergola.

On the Old Madison Road is the Morton Plantation, which will be available for touring. The unique "L" shaped house was designed for James Oliver and Sarah Y. Morton by John Wind, who designed the Spain House and the Courthouse in Brooks County and "Greenwood" in Thomas County. The house, built from virgin longleaf pine cut from the 4,000 acres of land was begun circa 1850.

The two-storied house has fluted (Doric) columns supporting the front part of the roof, which extends over a wide veranda downstairs and over a balcony upstairs. In addition to the entrance hall which extends from the front to the back of the house and which has a floating spiral stairway leading to the second floor, the first floor consists of a parlor, dining and sitting room, master bedroom, a small child's room. Bedrooms are on the second floor along with a small hidden "room." There are no records that explain the purpose of this room, but it is logical to imagine that in 1850, before neither Brooks nor Quitman ex-

isted that it was built for protection of the family or for possessions.

Another fascinating stop on the tour is the Mill Rock Plantation, located at 8355 Old Madison Road. From the Morton House, turn left on Old Madison Road. Mill Rock is just a short distance on the right. Light refreshments will be served here. Mill Rock, originally the Guy M. Spain Plantation, is named for the two large mill rocks adorning its entrances and is owned by John and Betty Horton.

The house has two back porches one up and one down and they were enclosed in 1930. New tinted windows were installed to enclose the downstairs back porch. Perhaps the most outstanding feature of the house is the design of the floors on the porches. Both floors are patterned with individually laid tiny Italian marble tiles. Of the seven fireplaces and beautiful mahogany mantles, the most outstanding is the large turquoise marble fireplace in the living room. Six of the 12 rooms have the original solid brass light fixtures. The downstairs floors are Honduran mahogany while all the others are oak and pine. Of special interest is the main bathroom downstairs with its footed tub big enough for a man six feet tall. The Craftsman designed two story wood and brick home now has approximately 5000 square feet of living space and sits about 100 yards from the paved road. The first floor has a foyer, living and dining rooms, master bedroom, two full baths, den kitchen, butler's pantry, food pantry/laundry room and an office. Four bedrooms, one and 1/2 baths and a small balcony that opens from a sitting room complete the upstairs.

"This is a fund raiser for the Museum and Cultural Center," Self said, "so don't miss this chance to enjoy these wonderful homes."

Advance tickets and information are available at the Museum for \$20 and \$25 the day of event. All proceeds will go towards the museum. The museum is located at 121 North Culpepper Street in Quitman, Ga. A map, driving instructions and the history of each home will be provided with each ticket.

For more information, please call (229) 263-6000.

Housing information courtesy of Quitman-Brooks County Museum and Cultural Center.

Read, Reuse Recycle



The Jefferson County Recycling Program accepts the following items for recycling:

All glass bottles, jars etc. (clear, brown & green)

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Aluminum cans - soda cans, beer cans, etc.

Newspapers, Magazines, etc.

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

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

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Additional items accepted at the collection sites:

Household garbage

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

Batteries

***White Goods** (which consist of) - Refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, dryers, air conditioner units, etc. (not accepted at the Recycle Center)

Used Oil & Oil Filters

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

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

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

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

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

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

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CHURCH

Tenebrae Service At FUMC

First United Methodist Church will host a Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m. on Good Friday, April 6. This will be a service by 'Words and Music' and is open to the community.

The word 'tenebrae' is Latin for shadows. The purpose of the Tenebrae Service is to recreate the emotional aspects of the passion story, so this is not supposed to be a happy service, because the occasion is not happy. If your expectation of Christian worship is that it should always be happy and exhilarating, you won't appreciate this service until the second time you attend it.

The service was origi-

nally designed for Good Friday, but it can be used for Maundy Thursday as well. Both services have long scripture narratives, which for this service are divided into seven, eight, or nine parts, each one assigned to a different reader.

The service may include other parts, such as solemn hymns, a sermon and Communion, but the core of the Tenebrae Service works like this: It starts out with the church in candlelight. There are as many candles as there are readings, plus a white Christ candle. The readers go up one at a time, read their assigned selections and extinguish one of the

candles until only the Christ candle remains. Then someone reads the first part of Psalm 22, which Jesus quoted on the cross. Then, the Christ candle is put out, leaving the congregation in near total darkness... and near total devastation. At this point the service ends. There is no benediction and the people leave in silence. (The lights are turned up but remain dim so that people can see their way out.)

The purpose of the service is to recreate the betrayal, abandonment and agony of the events and it is left unfinished because the story isn't over until Easter Day.

PRAYER SUMMIT

Prophetess Katabia Henry Ministries will host a 'Prayer Summit' April 13 and 14 at 7 p.m. nightly at the Springfield AME Church located at 1732 Piney Woods Road; Rev. Stefon McBride, pastor.

The Summit will begin with Guest Speaker Prophetess Pamela Kelly from Thomasville, Georgia on Friday evening and will conclude with Guest Speaker Dr. Yaquanda McCall from Tallahassee, Florida on Saturday night.

The Summit Theme is 'Don't Stop Praying.' Scripture References are: Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three are gathered together in my name,

there am I in the midst of them;" Luke 18:1 "And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;" Luke 11:1 "And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."

Question to be answered will be: Do you want to establish a stronger prayer life? Do you understand the importance of intercessory prayer? Do you understand the importance of

corporate prayer? If you desire an increase in your prayer life and a desire to learn more about and participate in corporate prayer and intercession this summit is for you, this is the hour to experience the power of the most high God on a personal level through prayer.

Bring your pen and notebook and learn how to take your prayer life to its highest pinnacle. Should you have any questions or concerns before the Summit, contact Prophetess Katabia Henry at 850-241-6043.

CANDLELIGHT SOLO SERVICE

Refuge In Aucilla COOLJC will host its second annual Candlelight Solo Service at 6 p.m. on Saturday at 63 Tinnell Road. All soloists are invited to join in this special program; to be held at the church on Fennel Road in Monticello.

For more information, contact Minnie Greene at 850-997-3033. District Elder Tony Lane, pastor.

NEIGHBORHOOD EASTER EGG HUNT

A neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt has been planned for boys and girls of all ages at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 7. The event will be held at the Refuge In Aucilla COOLJC, located at 63 Tinnell Road.

The Refuge In Aucilla COOLJC family is hosting the Easter Egg Hunt and festivities. You won't want to miss this fun and free outing. For more information contact Minnie Greene at 850-997-3033.

District Elder Tony Lane, pastor.

Easter Sunrise Service At Culley's MeadowWood

Culley's Meadow-Wood Funeral Homes and Memorial Park will host an Easter Sunrise Service and celebration at 6:45 a.m. on Sunday, April 8, at MeadowWood Memorial Park, 700 Timberlane Road in Tallahassee.

The service will offer families a time for reflection and prayer and will include an Easter Sunrise Service and music. Dr. Randy Ray of the North Florida Baptist Church will officiate at the service.

Refreshments will be served following the serv-

ice. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call 850-893-4177.

Culley's Meadow-Wood Funeral Homes and Memorial Park is a proud Dignity Memorial provider. The Dignity Memorial network of more than 1,800 funeral, cremation and cemetery service providers is North America's most trusted resource for funeral and memorialization services.

Dignity Memorial providers offer an unmatched combination of products and locations serving families with care, integrity, respect and service excellence. For more information, visit www.MeadowWood-MemorialPark.com.



SUNRISE SERVICE
EASTER SUNDAY

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
(on the corner of Dogwood and Magnolia Streets)
7:00 A.M.
Free Breakfast to follow
www.cbcfloida.org 850.997.2165

Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church Easter Weekend Services

Saturday at 10 A.M.

Easter Celebration/Egg Hunt

Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday at 7 A.M.

Breakfast

Easter Prayer Service

Easter Worship Service

Sunday at 11 A.M.

3812 Tram Road • Monticello, FL
850-997-6774

Find us on Facebook and on the web: codyphc.org

Prayer Breakfast April 12

Business Community Prayer Breakfast will be held this month on Thursday, April 12 from 7 to 8 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church in downtown Monticello. Usually held on the first Thursday of every month, the Easter holidays including Holy Week Services will be taking place during this time.

The program will be presented by local building contractor Rick Anderson and will include music and prayer. 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. Come and bring a friend; and bring a non-perishable food item for the community food pantry. Serving begins at 6:45 a.m.



First United Methodist Church of Monticello

Tenebrae Service

April 6th
7:00 P.M.

Open to Public
All invited to attend

For more information Call 850-997-5545



ALL THINGS NEW

Easter: It Transformed Everything

Experience Life Transformation this Easter at TLC

"This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!"
2 Corinthians 5:17 NLT

Transforming Life Church
Easter Drama "All Things New"
Sunday, April 8th @ 10:30am

You can have new life right now!
Admit that you need forgiveness
Believe In Jesus for Salvation
Confess Jesus as Your Lord

TLC is easy to find:
1206 Springfield Road, Monticello, FL (Lloyd area)

From I-10: Take Exit 217 and go south on Hwy 59 (Gamble Rd) approximately 2 miles. Turn left on Springfield Rd at church sign.

From Apalachee Parkway: go north on Hwy 59 approximately 3 1/2 miles. Turn right on Springfield Rd at church sign.

(850) 997-TLC7 [8527]
TransformingLifeChurch.com
Transforming@live.com



BOSTON celebrates 175 YEARS

SPRING FLING & AUCTION

APRIL 6 and 7

Friday

6:00 p.m. Cookers check in and set up
Contact Terry Hurst 229-403-5764

7:30 p.m. Grey Brothers Band in Watt Park

Saturday

9:00 a.m. - Arts/crafts/flea market
Main Street
Contact Ashley Prevatt 229-200-7571

9:00 a.m. - Health Fair
Boston Community Center

10:00 a.m. - Easter Bonnet Contest
Watt Park
Contact Nancy Hoffman 229-498-1228

10:30 a.m. - Easter Parade
Contact Danny Grover 229-224-6201

11:00 a.m. - Auction, Watt Park
Contact Christie Thomas 229-403-7175

1:00 p.m. - Easter Egg Hunt
Commercial Bank

2:00 p.m. - Winners
Best BBQ Butt in Boston
Watt Park

Visit website:
www.bostonga.com
Boston Community Club Hosts this 22nd Festival

Sons Of Allen Make Presence Known

Sons of Allen (SOAM) of the Union Bethel Circuit (UBC) looks forward to this upcoming summer. Sons of Allen have been involved in several community projects and have successfully completed two clean-up initiatives that consisted of the Elliott Cemetery, Elizabeth AME and Union Bethel AME church grounds. These two initiatives will be repetitive quarterly. The members worked very diligently on the restoration and beautification of the Elliott Cemetery. This project was sentimental to the group because many of their ancestors are buried there. Both Elizabeth and Union Bethel churches were cleaned and beautified.

Additionally, several homes within the community have been identified and clean-ups efforts will be conducted. The hope is to provide this service throughout the year.

As life continues to be a challenge for many young African American males, the goal of SOAM is to continue to be positive role models to teens and to teach them to become positive and productive citizens in their community.

The SOAM will conduct seminars and workshops in hopes of changing the lives of young African males and teens. Seminars will focus on: Peer Pressure, Sexual Abuse, Drug Abuse, Career Opportunities and Job Placement.

The SOAM has also launched several food drives that have proven to be very successful. In addition, food baskets have been donated to a deserving family each month. The group will continue to provide community service to strengthen its base within its community.

The UBC SOAM meets monthly on the second Tuesday of each month from 7 to 8 p.m., rotating between the Elizabeth and Union Bethel AME churches. It encourages young men and older males to come be part of the meetings. If you have any questions, contact UBC SOAM President Leman Ulee at 850-274-6268.

WACISSA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

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

CAPITAL HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

7150 Apalachee Pkwy • Tallahassee
www.chbaptistchurch.org

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

Sunday School.....10:00 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Children's Chapel.....11:00 AM
Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 PM
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
Classes for Students

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

US 19 N 1590 N. Jefferson Street (US 19)
850-997-3906
monticellonaz@gmail.com
Rev. Timothy Hildreth

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

ELIZABETH BAPTIST CHURCH

4124 Bassett Dairy Rd • Monticello • 997-8444
Email: ebmonticello@centurylink.net

Dr Dean Spivey, Pastor
Student Pastor, Don Self

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

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

425 North Cherry Street • Monticello • 997-4116
www.ChristChurchMonticello.com
Rev. Buzz Yarborough

Communicating the Good News of Jesus Christ since 1840
Sunday 9:00 AM.....Adult and Children Sunday School
10:00 AMHoly Eucharist
Nursery provided for children under 5

MEMORIAL M.B. CHURCH

780 Second Street • Monticello • 997-4947
Moderator J.B. Duval, Pastor

Worship Services 2nd and 4th Sundays
Sunday School (every Sunday)....9:30 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Children's Worship.....11:00 AM
Wednesday
Fellowship Meal.....6:30 PM
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

ST. MARGARET CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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

CHURCH

CLERGY BREAK BREAD

On Thursday, April 19, area clergy are invited to break bread with Big Bend Hospice chaplains for a time of fellowship and education.

A complimentary lunch will be served at noon followed by a special

presentation on 'The Faces of Hope.' During the luncheon there will be table fellowship time for the sharing of ideas and programs that have been helpful in other congregations.

There is no charge for this gath-

ering and congregational leaders may send a representative that might benefit from this conversation.

To register or receive more information, contact Rev. Candace McKibben at 850-878-5310 or candace@bigbendhospice.org.

The Pulpit

DOC'S OPINION

Romans 13 chapter

My hometown, to me it's like being in the courtyard of our Lord. Those who have been here for a little while feel the spirit of love and kindness.

They offer transportation to those standing at the entrance of a store waiting for a ride that has not arrived on time. They open doors for ladies and smile at total strangers. Now, I want to pass on to you a special event that makes my hometown special...

It was Saturday morn-

ing, February 5th, about 9 a.m., when this elderly man with his wife by his side, entered one of our banks at the main south exit of the city. The spirit in this bank is so prevalent that you love not only the people you love the building. The elderly man and his wife leave the bank with a rush to start a five-hour drive south. They wave to the Chief of Police parked out front. They're buckled up and headed south. Before the elderly man reaches I-10, his cell phone rings... "Mr. Doc,

this is the bank. We have your wallet. You dropped it in the parking lot. Our Police Chief just brought it



Ira 'Doc' Hollis

in. No one has been through it." Sure enough no one had removed anything from the wallet.

How blessed are we to have a Police Chief of this caliber; and our Sheriff's Department is second to none when it comes to protecting the citizens of our town. They are COPS, Citizens Of Peace Servants of God.

That is why my 'opinion' about one day in my hometown, is worth a thousand days elsewhere.

(P.S. The wallet had \$500 in it!)

CHURCH CALENDAR

APRIL 4, 18

First Presbyterian Church will host EaglesWings, a ministry of outreach, serving the community on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome to distribute food items and to donate non-perishable food items. Call and leave a message for JoAnne Arnold at 850-997-2252 or go to eaglewingsmonticello@yahoo.com or www.firstpresbyterian-monticeool.org.

APRIL 4-6

First Presbyterian Church will host Holy Week Services with speakers and special music offered each day at noon, with a luncheon meal following services, except on Friday. Sponsored by the Jefferson County Ministerial

Association, a donation of canned goods will be collected each day for the local food pantry.

APRIL 5

Bible Study is held at 7 p.m. every Thursday 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.

APRIL 6

First United Methodist Church will host a Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m. on Good Friday. This will be a service by Words and Music and is open to the community.

APRIL 6

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.

APRIL 8

Young Reaper Missionary Baptist Church in Greenville will hold its Easter Program at 11:30 a.m. Sunday with Pastor Alford Bennett. Come enjoy speeches, fellowship and a biblical message pertaining to the 'Death and Resurrection of Jesus'. An Easter Egg Hunt will follow the church service.

APRIL 8

Mt. Zion AME Church in Lloyd and Pastor Rev. Dr. Edward R. Scott will host Sunrise Service at 6 a.m. on Easter Sunday. The event is an annual joint service with the Mt. Ararat AME Church in Waukeenah and Pastor Rev. Margaret Brown and St. Phillip AME Church and Pastor Rev. JW Tis-

dale. Join in the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. For more information call 850-997-2929.

APRIL 8

Transforming Life Church will hold its Easter Drama 'All Things New' at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday at 1206 Springfield Road, in the Lloyd area. You can have new life right now. This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun. Admit that you need forgiveness. Believe in Jesus for salvation. Confess Jesus as your Lord. For more information call 850-997-TLC7 or go to TransformingLifeChurch.com or Transforming@live.com.

REFUGE IN AUCILLA

Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Inc
63 Tinnell Road Monticello, FL 32344
850-997-0399

District Elder Tony Lane, Pastor Services:

Sunday
Bible School.....9:45 AM
Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
1st Sunday Holy Communion Service

Monday
Wings of Prayer.....5:00 PM
Wednesday
Noonday Prayer.....12:00 PM
(Mid-Week Church Fasting Day)

1st Wednesday
Praise and Worship.....7:30 PM
Prayer.....7:00 PM
Bible Class.....7:30 PM
1st, 4th, 5th Saturday
Prayer.....9:00 AM
Everyday
Morning Universal Prayer.....6:00 AM

MT. ZION AME CHURCH

2009 Barrington Road
Lloyd, FL • 850-997-5356

Pastor Rev. Dr Edward Scott II

Sunday School Every Sunday.....10:00 AM
Worship Service 2nd and 4th Sunday.....11:00 AM
Bible Study First Sunday..... 11:00 AM
Youth Day 3rd Sunday.....11:00 A.M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LLOYD

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

Pastor George L. Smith

Sunday
Sunday School.....9:15 AM
Praise & Worship.....10:30 AM
AWANA (ages 3yr-6th grade).....5:00 PM
Impact 4Jesus (Grades 6th-College)5:30 PM
Praise & Worship.....6:00 PM
Adult Choir.....7:00 PM
Wednesday
Family Supper.....5:45 PM
Worship.....7:00 PM
Joyful Sounds Children's Choir...7:00 PM
5th quarter Youth.....7:00 PM
1st & 3rd Monday
Mighty Monday-Ladies Bible Study...6:30 PM
2nd Thursday
Lloyd Silver Saints.....11:00 AM
3rd Thursday
W.W. Diners(Widows/Widowers outing)...5:30 PM
3rd Saturday
Brotherhood.....8:00 AM

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

DONNIE AND NANCY THOMAS: A TEAM WORKING TOWARDS THE VISION

BRYANT THIGPEN
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The old saying is "Patience is a virtue." That is a cliché that Pastor Donnie Thomas knows very well, and even has a scripture to back it. Thomas believes that "without a vision, the people perish," and that "Though the vision tarries, wait for it." Whether it's waiting for God to speak or pressing with his hand to the plow, it's the desire of Thomas to always be in the will of God.

Thomas was born on January 20, 1965 in the big city of Jacksonville. At an early age, Thomas moved to Alabama until the age 16 when he returned to Jacksonville where he attended Forrest High School.

At the ripe age of 18, Thomas began his work in the ministry. "I knew I was called to preach at age 11," Thomas said. At the Riverside Assembly of God in Jacksonville, he accepted his first position as youth pastor. He remained at Riverside for the next two years before launching a ministry in evangelism. After three years of evangelizing, his father accepted the position as senior pastor at Riverside Assembly, so Thomas returned to the church as well to work along side of his dad full-time.

Even though he was serving full-time at the church, Thomas still managed to do a little singing and evangelizing outside of his home church. It was at the age of 24 that the day Thomas had always waited for finally arrived. Thomas was scheduled to perform as a soloist at the North Jacksonville Church of God. Also on the program was an all-female trio known as Sweet Anointing Trio. As God



had been dealing with Thomas to "wait" and that He would send the right girl into his life, this night marked the end of his waiting.

Thomas met the love of his life, Nancy, and was later married. The couple then united in marriage and in the ministry. "We're a ministry team," Thomas said. "I don't want people to look at me and think it's all me, because I couldn't do what I do without her. We're in this thing together- we are a team."

The team tarried at Riverside Assembly for three years following their marriage before taking their first church as pastor at Paxon Assembly of God. After some time, the Thomas' later accepted the position as pastor at the Cross City Pentecostal Holiness Church in Cross City, where they remained for four years.

Growing up in the city, this was the first time they were exposed to the

country life. "I remember one day looking out the window, and seeing a mama pig and her babies walking down the road," she laughed. "I knew then we were in the country."

After leaving Cross City, the road of ministry lead them to Richmond, Va., where they planted a church that was called Rehobeth Outreach Ministries. Two years into their ministry there, Thomas' dad passed away, and they felt like it was time to come home. Thomas accepted the senior pastor position at Bible Heritage in Waycross, Ga., where they would witness a life-changing experience.

They were never able to have children on their own, but it was God's plan for them to have a child of their own. The Thomas' became foster parents through the state of Georgia, and on December 13, 2005, they received eight-month-old Cameron. Exactly one year later, the court awarded Cameron to

the Thomas' and he became their miracle child.

"They say that it's different when you have a child of your own, but I don't think it's possible for us to love anyone more than we love our son," she said. Thomas deemed it as a miracle day. "It was a day we'll never forget for the rest of our lives."

As life would have it, more changes were on the way for the Thomas family. After an extensive time at Cross City, Thomas accepted the position as senior pastor at Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church in Wacissa.

"Cody is one of the most loving churches there are," Thomas stated. "The people are great and just make you feel so welcome."

Every location that Thomas has served in leadership, it doesn't take long before people see his shining character. Thomas has gained the reputation of being the "praying pastor," because of his eagerness to help and his love for people. "You know, I can only do so much," Thomas said. "But I can point them to the Man who can do everything."

With the respect as the community pastor, it's no wonder that Cody Pentecostal Holiness Church is very active in the community. On top of their regular church ministries, Cody established a Watermelon Festival Outreach in which the church gives away free water during the event. They also partnered with WCTV during the Christmas holidays to provide gifts for needy families. The church provided food for needy families in a combined effort with the Marianna Food Bank, and participated in the Bread of Life outreach, in which they went

out into the community and passed out loaves of bread and shared the message of Christ with people.

On Sunday mornings, the church has a children's church for the young ones, a mix of contemporary and hymns during the morning worship service for all ages, Flame 4:12 youth ministries and a nursing home ministry.

"We just want to minister to people in this community," Thomas stated. "I strive to be a pastor for the community and the church, and I want to see the lost come to know Christ."

Quoting Isaiah 54:17, Thomas stated, "I know

that no weapon formed against us can prosper. I also believe that Philippians 4:13 is true when it says 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.' And I know in the ministry that there will be challenges and tough times ahead. We all go through these things. But I'm encouraged when I read Habakkuk 2, 'And the lord answered me: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end-it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come it will not delay.'"

Men's Breakfast

BECOMING THE
MEN OF GOD
WE WERE CREATED TO BE,
DESPITE WHATEVER PRESSURES
WE FACE IN THIS WORLD.

Saturday, April 7th @ 8:00AM

at First Baptist Church Monticello
325 West Washington St. (850) 997-2349

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

Tenebrae Service, Friday, April 6 at 7:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

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

ST. PHILLIP A.M.E. 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
Get Moving Womens Fitness & Fellowship, Monday...6:30 PM
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

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

www.waukeelahcemetery.com

Union Bethel Circuit To Visit White House

The Union Bethel Circuit, that consist of Elizabeth AME and Union Bethel AME, will travel to Washington, DC on June 20 through June 24. This will be the second church trip for the group.

The Circuit went to Atlanta, GA in June 2010. During that trip they visited the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Museum and the Georgia Aquarium. The members had so much fun during this trip that it was de-

cidated to coordinate a trip every two years. The trips are not only educational, but are recreational and relaxing as well.

During this 2012 trip to Washington, DC the Circuit will visit a selection of sites including the White House, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr National Memorial, Smithsonian Institution, Arlington National Cemetery, the National Mall and a few more attractions if time allows. The members are

very excited about this upcoming trip. This trip will be the first for many of the members.

Rev. Clarence Little Jr. is the pastor of both churches. He has been very supportive and is also excited about the upcoming trip and is especially amazed at how two small churches can bond

together so well to plan these trips.

The group will travel with ASTRO Charter Bus Lines and there are a few seats still available. Anyone interested in joining the Circuit on this trip are most welcome and should contact coordinator Leman Ulee at 850-274-6268.

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

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

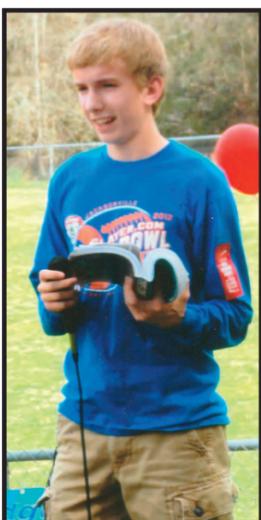
290 East Dogwood Street • Monticello • 850-997-2252

Interim Pastors

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

SCHOOL & EDUCATION

ACA CELEBRATES DRUG AWARENESS WEEK



FCA student Ricky Finlayson tells ACA elementary students that to do the things God wants us to do, we must be healthy... by being drug free.

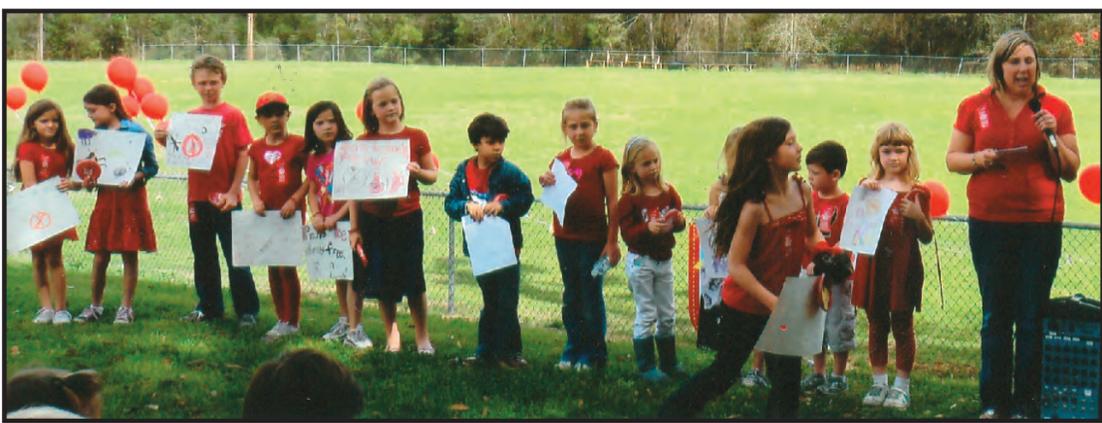
Drug Awareness Week was celebrated by the Aucilla Christian Academy (ACA) elementary school students March 5-9. Sev-



FCA student Cole Schwab speaks with ACA elementary students about keeping their bodies free from drugs because God created them.

eral activities, hosted by the PTO, helped to make this an educational and fun week for all who participated.

Students began the



ACA PTO President Michelle Green presents awards to the top three poster winners in each grade level during the Drug Awareness Rally.

week by creating posters in Art class that portrayed a message about being drug free for life. On Tuesday the students came to school in their pajamas to promote the theme, 'Follow Your Dreams, Not Drugs.' On Wednesday the students came to school dressed to depict their favorite sports team, the theme being 'Team Up Against Drugs.' On Thursday, 'camo' was the dress



ACA elementary school students release red helium balloons that contained the message, 'I pledge to be drug free for life,' during the Drug Awareness Rally.



ACA elementary school students enjoy a Drug Awareness Rally. On Friday afternoon the students dressed in red from head to toe depicting the theme, 'Head To Toe, Be Drug Free.'

of the day, to highlight the theme, 'Be All You Can Be, Drug Free.' On Friday the students dressed in red from head to toe depicting the theme, 'Head To Toe, Be Drug Free.'

A Drug Awareness Rally was held on Friday afternoon at the football field. Principal Finlayson began by praising the students for their involvement during the week and urging them to keep their commitment to remain free of drugs for life. (The students had previously

signed a banner making that pledge.)

Two Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) students, Cole Schwab and Ricky Finlayson spoke with the elementary students about keeping their bodies free from drugs because God created them. The FCA students also emphasized that to do the things God wants us to do, we must be healthy... by being drug free.

PTO President Michelle Green presented awards for the top three

posters in each grade level. Finally, students released helium balloons that contained the message, 'I pledge to be drug free for life.'

The elementary staff thanks all the members of the Aucilla PTO for making such a wonderful week for the students. The PTO thanks Winn Dixie and the Jefferson County Health Department for donating water, drawstring bags and other prizes for the students during this 'Drug Awareness Week.'

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JCSB Recognizes Nicky Seaton

Superintendent Bill Brumfield and the Jefferson County School Board recognize Nicky Seaton as Parent Volunteer for the month of March 2012.

In addition to being the loving mother of three children that all attend the County School System, she gives back consistently not only as a District School Bus Driver, but also as a familiar face on the school campus.

She has worked in the school cafeteria, as a substitute teacher and serves as a member of the District Parent Involvement Committee.

"If we all get on the same accord, we

can make a difference in the life of our children and in our school system," proclaims Seaton. "I am the first face the children on my bus see and often the last at the end of the day, as it relates to school. I have to greet them with a smile just to let them know that I believe in them and expect them to do well."

Seaton has mounted a list of students who are excelling academically to remind them and her of "why I get up at 4:30 a.m."

Jefferson County students and their families are blessed to have committed parents like Nicky Seaton on their team.



SAC MEETING AT JCMHS

Parents and community partners are encouraged to attend the Jefferson County Middle High School SAC Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday evening April 5 in the JCMHS Media Center.

The JCMHS Title 1

Academic Awareness Parent Night will follow the SAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the JCMHS Cafeteria.

Spend an evening with your school staff... and be prepared for a fun time! Refreshments will be served after the pro-

gram. "Parents, teachers, community leaders and interested residents... your support is needed," invites PTSO President Sheree A. Williams and SAC President Barbara Gamble.

SPORTS

LADY TIGERS INCHED BY JOHN PAUL

FRAN HUNT
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The Jefferson Lady Tigers hit the diamond against John Paul II March 15 and in a game led by Jefferson most of the way through in the neck and neck contest,

John Paul rallied in the seventh inning to take a 9-8 win. The loss set the Lady Tigers at a 3-11 record.

The Lady Tigers drew first blood bringing in two runs in the first inning while holding the Lady Panthers to zero.

John Paul came back in the second to score two while holding Jefferson scoreless, to tie the score.

The Lady Tigers outscored the Lady Panthers 2-1 in the third and Jefferson brought in another two runs in the fourth while holding

John Paul to zero, setting the score at 6-3 in favor of the Lady Tigers.

John Paul brought in one run in the fifth and Jefferson was unable to score. During the sixth inning, John Paul outscored Jefferson 3-2, setting the score at 8-7 in

favor of the Lady Tigers. In the seventh inning John Paul fought back, bringing in two runs and holding the Lady Tigers scoreless, to tinch the win.

At the plate the Lady Tigers had a batting average of .235 with 36 plate appearances, 34 at-bats, eight runs on eight hits, three RBI's three doubles, two triples, two walks, 17 stolen bases and 17 strikeouts.

Ladayshia Williams had a batting average of .750 with five plate appearances, four a-bats, three runs on three hits, one RBI, one walk, eight stolen bases, an on base percentage of .800 and a slugging average of .750.

Taylor Clemens had a batting average of .000 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, three strikeouts and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

Audrianna Noel had a batting average of .000 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, four strikeouts and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

Tovya Vargas had a batting average of .000 with four plate appearances, three at-bats, one run, one walk, one strikeout, three stolen bases, an on base percentage of .250 and a slugging average of .000.

Justice Barrington had a batting average of .250 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one hit, one RBI, one double, two strikeouts, one stolen base, an on base percentage of .250 and a slugging average of .500.

Mikayla Norton had a batting average of .000 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, two strikeouts and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

Megan McClellan had a batting average of .250 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one run, one hit, one triple, three strikeouts, an on base percentage of .250 and a slugging average of .750.

Jana Barber had a batting average of .750 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one run, three hits, one RBI, two doubles, one triple, one strikeout, an on base percentage of .750 and a slugging average of 1.750.

Carlie Barber had a batting average of .000 with three plate appearances, three at-bats, two runs, one strikeout, five stolen bases and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

In the field the Lady Tigers carried a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 10 total chances and 10 putouts.

Williams had six total chances and six putouts.

Clemens had one total chance and one putout.

Babb had one total chance and one putout.

Norton had one total chance and one putout.

Jana Barber had one total chance and one putout.

On the mound, Vargas had an on base percentage of 1.000 with seven innings pitched, nine walks and six strikeouts.

JEFFERSON SQUEAKS MELODY IN OT

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The Jefferson Lady Tigers met up on the diamond against Melody Christian March 16 and in the neck and neck contest, led for a portion by Melody, the Lady Tigers rallied in the sixth and seventh innings to send the game into overtime and the Lady Tigers squeaked Melody for a 21-20 hard-fought victory. The Lady Tigers now stand 4-11 on the season.

The Lady Tigers blasted Melody in the first inning 7-1 and Melody came back in the third inning to outscore Jefferson 3-1, putting the score at 8-4 in Jefferson's favor. Melody outscored Jefferson 8-2 in the fourth inning to set the score at 12-10 in Melody's favor. In the fifth inning Melody Christian scored another four runs while holding the Lady Tigers to zero, giving Melody the 16-10 edge. Jefferson came back and rallied in the sixth scoring five and holding Melody to one run, setting the score at 17-15 in Melody's favor. The Lady Tigers outscored Melody 4-3 in the seventh inning, setting the score at a neck and neck 20-19, still Melody's favor, to send the game into an overtime eighth inning. The Lady Tigers continued the fight, scoring two runs while holding Melody scoreless, to take the victory.

At the plate as a team the Lady Tigers carried a batting average of .540 with 61 plate appearances, 50 at-bats, 21 runs on 27 hits, five RBI's, three doubles, two triples, seven sacrifice hits/bunts, four walks, seven strikeouts, 30 stolen bases, an on base percentage of .574 and a slug-

ging average of .680.

Ladayshia Williams had a batting average if .833 with seven plate appearances, six at-bats, four runs, five hits, one sacrifice hit/bunt, one strikeout, four stolen bases and an on base percentage and slugging average of .833.

Taylor Clemens had a batting average of .500 with seven plate appearances, six at-bats, one run, three hits, one triple, one sacrifice hit/bunt, one strikeout, five stolen bases, an on base percentage of .500 and a slugging average of .800.

Tovya Vargas had a batting average of .400 with seven plate appearances, five at-bats, one run, two hits, one RBI, one double, one sacrifice hit/bunt, one walk, one strikeout, four stolen bases, an on base percentage of .500 and a slugging average of .600.

Justice Barrington had a batting average of .500 with eight plate appearances, six at-bats, one run, three hits, one triple, one sacrifice hit/bunt, one walk, an on base percentage of .571 and a slugging average of .833.

Kayleigh Babb had a batting average of 1.000 with two plate appearances, two at-bats, one run, two hits, one RBI, two stolen bases and an on base percentage and slugging average of 1.000.

Merdina Myles had a batting average of .333 with three plate appearances, three at-bats, one run, one hit and an on base percentage and slugging average of .333.

Mikayla Norton had a batting average of .600 with six plate appearances, five at-bats, three runs on three hits, one double, one sacri-

fice hit/bunt, four stolen bases, an on base percentage of .600 and a slugging average of .800.

Megan McClellan had a batting average of .500 with six plate appearances, six at-bats, three runs on three hits, two RBI's, four stolen bases and an on base percentage and slugging average of .500.

Jana Barber had a batting average of .500 with eight plate appearances, six at-bats, two runs, three hits, one double, one sacrifice hit/bunt, one walk, one strikeout, four stolen bases, an on base percentage of .571 and a slugging average of .667.

Carlie Barber had a batting average of .400 with seven plate appearances, five at-bats, one run, two hits, one RBI, one sacrifice hit/bunt, one walk, one strikeout, three stolen bases, an on base percentage of .500 and a slugging average of .400.

In the field, the Lady Tigers carried a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 15 total chances, four putouts and 11 assists.

Clemens had one total chance and one putout.

Babb had nine total chances, one putout and eight assists.

McClellan had one total chance and one putout.

Jana Barber had four total chances, one putout and three assists.

On the mound the Jefferson pitchers had an on base percentage of 1.000 with 13 walks, eight strikeouts and six hit by pitch.

Clemens had four walks, one strikeout and four hit by pitch.

Vargas had nine walks, eight strikeouts and two hit by pitch.

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The Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners is seeking applicants interested in the position of the Jefferson County Coordinator. The application packet and necessary information can be obtained at:
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*At the Clerk of Court's website, Jefferson County, FL www.jeffersonclerk.com or Jefferson County website www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov
*At the County Coordinator's office, 450 W. Walnut Street, Monticello, Florida 32344

The application packet should be read carefully. Required materials must be submitted to the Clerk of Court before noon, April 24, 2012 to be considered. No exceptions will be permitted.
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4/4/2012, c.

NOTICE

Capital Area Community Action Agency, Inc. Special Meeting with Board Members Monday, April 2, 2012 11:30 am Capital Area Community Action Agency 309 Office Plaza Drive Tallahassee, FL 32301 CACAA is a private, non-profit agency serving Leon, Gadsden, Jefferson, Gulf, Calhoun, Liberty, and Franklin counties. The meeting is open to the public. For more information, please call 850-222-2043

3/30/12, c.

NOTICE

The JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD announces a Regular Board Meeting to which the public is invited. The meeting will be held at the old administration building located at 1490 W. Washington St., on Monday, April 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Agendas may be picked up at the District Office at 575 S. Water St., Monticello, FL Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. A copy of the school board packet is available for review at the District Office. The school board agenda and support materials can be found on their website at www.edline.net/pages/jcsb.

4/4/2012, c.

SRWMD GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS

On Tuesday, April 10, 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. A workshop will be held immediately following the meeting.

On Monday, April 23, 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.

4/4/12, c.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that John E. Hawkins 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:

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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 3rd day of May, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 19th day of March, 2012

Kirk B. Reams
Clerk of the Court
Jefferson County, Florida

3/28, 4/4, 11, 18/12, c.

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

CASE NO. 11-165-CA

JOSEPH ALOI,
Plaintiff,
vs.

BEULAH FARMER
and UNKNOWN TENANTS,
Defendants.

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KIRK REAMS
Clerk of Circuit Court

By: Sherry Sears
Deputy Clerk

3/28,4/4/12, c.

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

CASE NO.: 12-16-CA
DIVISION:

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee, Successor Trustee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, As Trustee, By Its Servicer Associates Housing Finance, LLC f/k/a Associates Housing Finance Services, Inc. f/k/a Ford Consumer Finance Company, Inc., By its Duly Authorized Attorney-in-Fact, Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., Under the Power of Attorney Dated and Executed December 8, 2011 Plaintiff,

v.
SUSIE M. SCURRY, IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S);
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: SUSIE M. SCURRY, IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S):

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Jefferson County, Florida:

A TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF THAT PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 367, PAGE 42 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 8 A DISTANCE OF 1343.71 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 8, THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 57 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 8 A DISTANCE OF 209.88 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID POINT BEING ON THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 90, THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY CONTINUE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 57 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 8 A DISTANCE OF 449.46 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST 426.70 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE RUN NORTH 13 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 49 SECONDS WEST 617.36 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 90, THENCE RUN SOUTH 76 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SAID U.S. HIGHWAY 90 A DISTANCE OF 363.85 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVE TO THE RIGHT, THENCE RUN SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY AND CURVE WITH A RADIUS OF 2,796.79 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 04 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 25 SECONDS, FOR AN ARC LENGTH OF 228.13 FEET (CHORD OF SAID ARC BEING SOUTH 73 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST 288.07 FEET) TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SUBJECT TO A 30 FOOT WIDE INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

A 30 FOOT WIDE STRIP OF LAND LYING 30 FEET EAST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LINE:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER AT SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 8 A DISTANCE OF 1343.71 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 8, THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 57 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 8 A DISTANCE OF 659.34 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST 326.70 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE RUN ALONG THE WEST SIDE INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT AS FOLLOWS: NORTH 05 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST 268.14 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 07 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 319.76 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 90 AND THE TERMINATION POINT OF EASEMENT. EXTENDING AND SHORTENING THE RIGHT OF WAY LINES OF SAID EASEMENT SO AS TO BEGIN AT THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL AND TO END AT THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 90.

To include: A 2001 HBOS Manufacturing LP Manufactured Home, Model Number 1029000, Serial Numbers HOGA20K02655A and HOGA20K02655B.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your answer or written defenses, if any, to it on Murphy & Anderson, P.A., the plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 50 North Laura Street, Suite 1675, Jacksonville, Florida 32202, telephone (904) 598-9282, facsimile (904) 598-9283, within thirty (30) days of the first publication of this Notice, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

DATED on this 29th day of March, 2012.

Kirk Reams As Clerk of Court By Sherry Sears As Deputy Clerk

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