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Cell Tower Approved In Conservation Area

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In short order on Thursday evening, April 12, the Jefferson County Planning Commission approved an application for placement of a cellular tower on conservation land at the corner of U.S. 98 and SR-59 in the southernmost part of the county.

The two-step approval process involved the granting of an initial variance to allow for placement of one of the guyed wires in a designated wetlands area.

A representative for the applicants — Highwood Towers, LLC, and the J. Crayton Pruitt Family Trust — explained that the 300-foot tall guyed tower would
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FL COUNTIES ASSOCIATION CHALLENGES MEDICAID LAW

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Don't be surprised if the Jefferson County Commission votes to join a suit that the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) plans to file against the state in challenge to the recently approved law that the organization says puts taxpayers "on the hook for millions in state Medicaid accounting errors."

FAC announced last week that it would pursue legal action against House Bill 5301 in the Second Judicial Court in Tallahassee. "From the outset, we've said

that local taxpayers shouldn't be forced to pay for Tallahassee's accounting errors," FAC Executive Director Chris Holley said on Thursday, April 12. "And to ensure that they are not, we will be pursuing legal action."

FAC's decision to pursue litigation comes on the heels of Gov. Rick Scott's signing into law of HB-5301 on March 29. As of late last week, four counties, including Leon, had joined the suit, with more expected to follow.

"We appreciate the Governor's promise to address these systemic Medicaid billing errors," Holley said. "However, HB-5301

has made this multimillion dollar accounting mess the law of the land — a reality we are forced to confront in the courtroom on behalf of Florida's communities and taxpayers."

Prior to the bill being signed into law, the Jefferson County Commission had joined FAC and other county government across the state in adopting a resolution urging the Governor to veto the measure.

The new law, among other things, prevents counties from reviewing or refusing to pay erroneous Medicaid bills, even if a bill
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JCM/HS Students Are Doing Fine At NFCC

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Jefferson County Middle/High School (JCM/HS) students attending North Florida Community College (NFCC) are doing as well as their counterparts from other areas in terms of four areas of performance.

Or so reported NFCC President John Grosskopf to the Jefferson County School Board on Monday evening, April 9.

Grosskopf said the four areas, as applied specifically
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ELECTRICAL FIRE AT ROSEMARY TREE CAFÉ



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, April 13, 2012.

An electrical fire at the Rosemary Tree Café caused its closing on Friday the 13th. Fire trucks and the electric company came to the rescue on Friday morning as the employees and owner Denise Vogelgesang waited and worried on the front sidewalk for a final word on the situation of the building. The café was open for business on Saturday morning.

COUNTY SETS ANOTHER WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS COORDINATOR'S ROLE

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Commissioners have scheduled another workshop this week to try and redefine the role of the county coordinator, should they decide definitively that the role warrants redefining.

The workshop is set for 4 p.m. Thursday, April 19, in the courthouse annex.

Commissioners have held two previous workshops on the issue, with minimal progress made. One of the major considera-

tions is whether the coordinator will have a role in economic development in future. Commissioners now generally appear amenable to the idea of the coordinator playing a bigger part in economic development; the question is how big.

Commission Chairman Hines Boyd is a strong advocate of having the coordinator play a dominant role in economic development, if not in fact becoming the point person for the effort. Others of the commissioners agree that the coordinator should possibly have more of a role in economic development,

but not to the degree that it overshadows the Economic Development Council or that it detracts from the coordinator's oversight of the county's departments and other managerial responsibilities.

Past discussions on the issue have been lengthy and lively but have moved the issue forward little, other than to further underscore the commissioners' positions.

Coordinator Roy Schleicher is scheduled to retire at the end of June. The county, in fact, has already started advertising for his replacement.



There Will Be Trophies!

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Staff Writer

When angered citizens come together changes come about and sometimes they come quickly, as in the case with saving Jefferson Correctional Institution.

But in this case this fight was not to save jobs, but rather trophies -- the trophies received by all children participating in the sports programs at the Jefferson County Recreation Park.

Every year, for as long as anyone can remember, all children participating in the spring sports program received trophies for their participation and the championship team got championship trophies.

But this year, there was to be a change; only the champion team would receive trophies.

Some very angry parents flooded the ECB Publishing Facebook pages with their discontent about that decision and also called our Monticello News office pertaining to
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PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZES APRIL AS WATER CONSERVATION MONTH

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If you don't already know it, April is water conservation month, as traditionally designated by the Governor and Cabinet, a fact the Jefferson County Commission cited earlier in the month when it approved a proclamation urging water conservation.

The proclamation, which the commission approved as part of the consent agenda on Thursday morning, April 5, recognizes that the maintenance of a clean, safe and sustainable

water supply is not only vital to the environment but also to Jefferson County residents and visitors alike.

The document further recognizes the fragile and finite nature of the state's ground and surface water resources, particularly in relation to the Aucilla and Wacissa rivers, and underscores the adverse impact of droughts, development and population growth on the area's water resources.

Finally, it affirms the county's support and promotion of the efficient use of water and recognizes the effi-

cacy of citizens to help in the conservation effort by adhering to water shortage advisories and year-round landscape irrigation rules and by conserving water in general both indoors and outdoors.

In the ornate and repetitive language of such declarations, the proclamation states in part: "Whereas water conservation will continue to play an important role in the future protection and preservation of rivers and springs...Now, therefore, the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim April 2012 as Water Conservation Month and does urge every citizen of Jefferson County to celebrate Water Conservation Month by taking an active role in conserving water and promoting its efficient use."

Both the North and South
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Miss and Teen Miss Watermelon Queen Pageant Slated For June 9 • 7:00 p.m.

Baby to Tween Pageant June 9 • 10:00 a.m.

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that the Watermelon Festival Pageants will be held on

June 9, at the old Jefferson County High School auditorium, located on South Water Street. This marks the second year the event is being

chaired by Emerald Greene. This year's pageants will include age divisions from birth through 24 years old.

The Baby to Tween

pageant will be held on June 9 at 10 a.m. The age divisions are: 0-11 months old (separate division)

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Local Weather

Wed 4/18 81B
Variable clouds with thunderstorms, especially in the morning. High 81F.

Thu 4/19 82B
Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.

Fri 4/20 84B
Slight chance of a thunderstorm.

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIME BEAT

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

FRAN HUNT
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Cory E. Gillyard, 22, of Monticello, was arrested April 9 and charged with disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$500 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Ellie Tinsley Melton, 61, of Thomasville, GA, was arrested April 11 and charged with trespass after warning. Bond was set at \$250 and she bonded out of jail the

same day.

Jimmy David Seals, 52, of Jefferson County, was arrested April 12 and charged with public intoxication. Bond was set at \$250 and he remained at the County Jail April 17.

Alonzo Dewey Ford, 34, of Jefferson County, was arrested April 12 and charged with resisting an officer without violence; violation of probation; violation of probation on the charge of retaliating against a

witness; violation of probation on the charge of burglary of a conveyance; writ of attachment for withholding child support; three counts of failure to appear on the charge of driving while license suspended or revoked; and failure to appear on the charge of improper tag. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail April 17.

Darrell Marquis Young, 22, of Monticello, was arrested

April 13 and charged with writ of attachment; violation of probation on the charge of obstruction; violation of probation on the charge of possession of cannabis; and violation of probation on the charge of driving while license suspended. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail April 17.

Humberto Gomez, 26, of Ft. Meyers, FL, was arrested April 14 and charged with driv-

ing while license suspended or revoked, knowingly. Bond was set at \$500 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Raphael Smith, 23, of Jefferson County, was arrested April 13 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of armed robbery with a deadly weapon. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail April 17.

John David Brumbly, 41, of Jefferson

County, was arrested April 13 and charged with driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Joseph Cleveland Brown, 22, of Cantonment, FL, was arrested April 13 and charged with battery (simple), corruption by threatening a public servant or family member and escape. Bond was set at \$2,500 and he bonded out of jail the following day.

Health Ministries: The Right Step To Staying Healthy

GENE HALL

Pass me some more of those pig's feet, fried chicken, hog chitlin's and a mess of those greens simmered in fat-back grease. Sound familiar? Back in the day, that is what we used to call down home good

ole fashioned cooking. Paradoxically, by today's healthy eating standards, most of that food has been deemed to be among the factors that contribute to chronic diseases causing millions of premature deaths. Some

might say, "well that's what grandpa and grandma ate and it didn't kill them." Oh really? In some cases, our grandparents and great grandparents for that matter may have lived long lives, but chronic diseases/conditions such as diabetes, heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure and cancer may have taken its toll on their quality of life. This can be particularly true within the minority communities. For additional information visit <http://www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth/>.

Did you know that April is National Minority Health Month? The United States Department of Health and Human Services Office of Minority Health (OMH) is busy making sure that a high quality of life is within reach of all Americans. This year's theme is 'Health Equity Can't Wait! Act Now in Your Community!' Essentially, April 2012 marks the first anniversary of the launch of the HHS Action Plan to Reduce Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities and the National Stakeholder Strategy for Achieving Health Equity. For more information simply call toll free: 1-800-444-6472 or, info@minorityhealth.hhs.gov. Accordingly, the OMH was created in 1986 and is one of the most significant outcomes of the 1985 Secretary's Task Force Report on Black and Minority Health.

Typically, one might ask, "Since April is National Minority Health month should I try to eat right, be physically active, practice

safe sex, talk with our kids about drugs, violence, alcohol and cigarettes during this 31 day period only?" God forbid. We must practice healthy lifestyle habits everyday of our lives. The National Cancer Institute recommends eating five to nine servings of fruits and vegetables a day because it's important to our health. Dr. Patricia Bath, a black female ophthalmologist and inventor puts it this way, "Some health problems are caused by your genes, but most of the top killers are behavior related." All of this sounds real good you might admit, coming from the national offices in Washington, D.C., but what is being done locally? Who do I contact?

Glad you asked. Many church leaders and community stakeholders in the local area have initiated a series of Days of Dialogue on Minority Health. Dr. Penny Ralston has been with the Day of Dialogue since the beginning and also serves as director of Florida State University's Center on Better Health and Life. She states that, "under the guidance of an Advisory Committee, the Day of Dialogue has been held annually since 2007. Leon and Gadsden counties have both hosted the event. This year, it was held in Wakulla County for the first time. The event was a rousing success and we broke new ground."

She mentions further that, "the energetic and hard working Wakulla County team,

led by Ms. Kenny Manning and Ms. Kathy Lewis, developed and implemented a broad concept that included educational sessions, a family drama, youth summit, and a very large health fair with over 30 exhibitors. The youth summit, the vision of Ms. Jocelyn Hayes, was a new feature that we may want to replicate in the future to capture a very important audience for health promotion. Over 160 people were in attendance, again setting a new record. On behalf of the Advisory Committee, we thank the Wakulla County leaders for a job well done. Next year, Jefferson County is slated to host the event and we look forward to working with pastors and church leaders as we plan for the 2013 Day of Dialogue on Minority Health."

For those interested in being on the Jefferson County Planning Committee, contact me at 850-321-6673 or Dr. Penny Ralston at pennyral@aol.com. It is our intention to get as many churches of all denominations to agree to establish and maintain an active and vibrant Health ministry. Rev. Dr. Melvin Tuggle III, pastor of the Beautiful Garden of Prayer Baptist Church in Baltimore, MD, confirms that, "you must start at the center of the community, which is the church in African American communities."

Finally, the next time you hear Grandpa Buck say, 'Boy, pass me some more of them good ole hog chitlin's,

pork loins, and fat backs," just politely tell him 'NO' and that he needs to get up and out of that rocking chair, exercise more, stop smoking and drinking so heavy and be sure to attend the next Day of Dialogue on Minority Health.

To learn more tips on how to get your church involved in creating its own Health Ministry, visit the link to Body and Soul at <http://rtips.cancer.gov/rtips/viewProduct>.

Church folks, let us be mindful that as the Apostle James said, "faith without works is dead". Therefore, there are four pillars (activities) that are required in order to bring the Body and Soul concept to your church. They are: *Pillar 1: A Pastor who is committed and involved. *Pillar 2: Church activities that promote healthy eating (e.g. baked chicken instead of fried.) *Pillar 3: A church environment that promotes healthy eating. *Pillar 4: Peer counseling that motivates church members to eat a healthy diet.

I challenge every church and every member to follow the Body and Soul model and let's clean up the temple (our bodies) and present it as a living sacrifice to our most holy divine creator. And remember, James 5:16 says, "pray for one another; that you may be healed."

Rev. Gene Hall is Youth Pastor at Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Ashville; to contact him go to gballboard@yahoo.com

"A Homegoing Tribute"

To
Willie (Ray) Lawrence
Pittsburg, California

Date of Birth
January 16, 1932

Lloyd, Florida

Deceased Parents

Deanna Green Lawrence
Rev. Henderson Lawrence

Date of Death Age 80

April 6, 2012, Medical Facility
Pittsburg, California

Residency

1959-2012 Contra Costa County

Occupation

1993 Retiree of the
U.S. Steel Corporation

Primary Church Membership

St. Phillip A.M.E. Church
Lloyd, Florida

(converted July 30, 1944

Rev. Joe Jackson, Pastor)

Secondary Church Membership

True Light M.B. Church
Pittsburg, California

Rev. Wardell Wright, Pastor

Special Talent

Accomplished Gospel Singer

Survivors

Daughters: Charise, Mernetha

Siblings: Sarah, Hoover, Henry,
Yari, Paul

Host of Grandchildren, Nieces

Nephews, Cousins

Compiler: Rosa Bassa,

First Cousin

Lloyd, Florida

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Letters To The Editor

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

Thank You, Jefferson County!

Thank you, thank you, thank you Jefferson County for turning out in such great numbers to the Jefferson County Humane Society Pet Pampering Day on Saturday. We had the good fortune of meeting 42 dogs and their owners that day!!! We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. We apologize for the lengthy delay you may have experienced and thank you for your patience. Hopefully we will have more volunteer "spa technicians" next month to move

things along a little faster. If you or someone you know is interested in helping out, please contact me at 997-4932.

Your support at events such as this is vital to keeping the animal shelter functioning and maintaining the quality of care that is necessary for the animals as they wait for their adoption into forever homes. We hope to see you and your dog at next month's Pet Pampering on May 19, the third Saturday of the month.

Sincerely,
Jeri Kimbrel
Treasurer
Jefferson County
Humane
Society, Inc.

P.S. Your donations at this event will enable us to purchase 22 fifty pound bags of excellent quality dog food from Monticello Milling Company. See Dixon at Monticello Milling for your animal needs.

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Water

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west Florida Water Management District and the Suwannee River Water Management District, which share jurisdiction over Jefferson County, have water shortage advisories in place because of the continuing drought.

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vision for boys and girls); 12-23 months old (separate division for boys and girls); 2-3 years old (separate division for boys and girls); 4-6 years old; 7-9 years old; and 10-12 years old. Each girl/boy will compete in the "formal wear" competition only.

The Teen Miss Watermelon and Miss Watermelon pageant will be held at 7 p.m. on June 9.

The Teen Miss Watermelon division is for girls ages 13-15 years old. Each young lady will compete in sportswear, and an evening gown competition.

The Miss Watermelon Queen division is for girls ages 16-24. The Miss con-

testants will be judged during a private interview, a sportswear competition and an evening gown competition.

Every contestant will receive a trophy and the queens in each division will receive a crown, trophy and sash.

There is a \$50 entry fee to enter the pageant. The deadline to enter the pageant is May 4. Applications may be picked up at the Monticello/ Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, Buggy's Bling and the Monticello News Office.

For more information please contact the pageant chairman, Emerald Greene, at 997-3568, or 973-4141, or 973-3497.

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is for an individual who is not a resident of the particular county or of Florida or whose bill has previously been paid. Counties may challenge the billings only after the latter have been paid, with reimbursement contingent on the particular county proving its case to the satisfaction of the state.

The new law, in fact, allows the state to automatically deduct Medicaid payments from counties' revenue sharing funds and to do it retroactively for unpaid 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," Clerk of Court Kirk Reams explained to the commission.

Deputy Clerk Nick Flynt, who handles accounts payable, estimates the new law 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 for the payment of unpaid past bills; plus the \$87,000 that it will have to add to the budget to pay for new Medicaid bills going forward.

Jefferson County, per the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), owes \$303,000 in backlogged Medicaid bills, going back 10 years. These are disputed bills the county rejected because of various discrepancies.

The new law requires that Jefferson County pay 85 percent of its backlog, which equates to about \$258,000, or \$86,000 annually for the next three years.

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

At the same time, the county will have to pay all bills going forward, absent the ability to question or challenge the billings.

FAC maintains that the problem originated with an 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". Rather than correcting the problem, however, the new law essentially "codifies a dysfunctional bureaucratic system into law and asks Floridians to pay for it," the FAC states.

NFCC

cally to JCM/HS students, were dual enrollment (DE), DE grade distribution, FTIC (first time in college) placements and financial aid.

Grosskopf said JCM/HS dual enrollment showed an upward trend during the last five years, going from eight students in the 2007/08 school year to 45 in year 2011/12, during which period the total hours had gone from 66 to 356.

He gave the value in saved tuitions as \$32,574.

"The criteria is pretty extensive," Grosskopf said. "It shows that you are producing students who are capable of performing."

Relative to the DE grade distribution of JCM/HS students, Grosskopf said the figures showed that 55 percent had earned A's and B's during the five-year period, which represented a respectable showing. A breakdown of the specific grades showed 23 percent of JCM/HS students earned A's, 32 percent earned B's, 36 percent earned C's, six percent earned D's,

and three percent received F's.

Grosskopf said the FTIC statistics indicated an area that could stand improving. The figures showed that nine percent of first time in college JCM/HS students were college ready, compared with 57 percent for the general area. Or conversely, 91 percent of JCM/HS FTIC students needed college preparation courses during the five-year period, compared with 43 percent for the area's average. Grosskopf said greater emphasis needed to be placed on the importance of going to college. FTIC students are those attending college for the first time ever in their families.

The last set of data Grosskopf presented showed the number of JCM/HS students at NFCC seeking financial aid between 2007/08 and 2011/12. All told, he said, the figures indicated that 251 JCM/HS students had received \$632,645 in financial aid during the five-year period.

A breakdown of the numbers showed 35 students received a total

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of \$58,354 in the 2006/07 school year; 49 received a total of \$122,667 in 2007/08; 49 received a total of \$107,554 in 2008/09; 60 received a total of \$175,920 in 2009/10; and 58 received a total of \$168,150 in 2010/11.

Grosskopf said students were often surprised to learn how much financial assistance they could receive, provided they qualified.

Grosskopf's presentation came at the request of Superintendent Bill Brumfield, whose request was apparently prompted by School Board Member Shirley Washington.

Washington said she had asked for the report to counter the talk circulating among some quarters of the community that JCM/HS students were not performing as well as other students at NFCC. She said she wanted to squash the erroneous notion, given that it went contrary to the established facts, which were that JCM/HS students attended FAMU, FSU and other institutions of higher learning and did fine.

Cell Tower

fulfill a need in the area, as the nearest other tower was 9.1 miles away. The representative said the tower would plug a large communications gap that existed in the area and that constituted a public safety concern, as it prevented

access to the appropriate agencies in an emergency.

For his part, Planning Official Bill Tellefsen recommended approval of the project. Tellefsen noted that although placement of the tower was on conservation land, the federal

government said towers couldn't be denied because of their importance in cellular communications.

"We figure it's a utility like any other utility," Tellefsen said.

The applicant said

multiple tenants were expected to use the tower. He said the Federal Communication Commission had yet to permit the project. The expectation was that the project would be completed between three and six months, he said.

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CHURCH NEWS NOTES

APRIL 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 19
Clergy Break Bread on Thursday 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.' There is no charge for this gathering 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.

APRIL 19
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 20
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 22
Mt. Zion AME Church in Lloyd will celebrate 'Family and Friends Day on Sunday at 11 a.m. Guest speaker will be Presiding Elder Rev. Dr. Carlton L. Taylor. Pastor Rev. Dr. Edward R. Scott, II, and the church family invite the community to come and worship with them on this special day. For more information and direction contact Thelma Campbell at 850-997-2929 or the church at 850-997-1501.

APRIL 21
New Bethel AME Church will host a Health Fair from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, at the church location on the Ashville Highway. The 'Going Green' Health Fair will offer a variety of information for community residents including: Epilepsy, prostate health, asthma, effects of smoking, high blood pressure, nutrition, diabetes, stress, stroke, healthy eating, AIDS/STDs, personal safety and identity theft. Rev. Jimmie F. Dickey, pastor.

APRIL 21
Sweetfield Missionary Baptist Church will host a 'Waiting to Exhale' Prayer Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. The community is invited to come out and join the church family and Pastor Ben Ransom Jr. for some great prayer and the uplifting of Jesus. If you need more information, contact Derry

Williams at 850-644-7998 or 850-345-4731.

APRIL 21
First Baptist Church Monticello will hold a Car Wash and Bake Sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, in the FBC parking lot to support its youth group ministry. For more information contact Michael Stewart, Minister of Youth and Outreach at 850-997-2349 or fbcmonticello.org.

APRIL 21
Memorial Missionary Baptist Church Senior Choir will host a 'Musical Extravaganza' at 7 p.m. on Saturday. Everyone is invited to attend. All church choirs, groups and soloists are encouraged to participate. The church is located at 780 Second Street. Rev. JB Duval, pastor/moderator.

APRIL 27, 28
Second Harvest Food Program, together with the churches of New Bethel AME, Elizabeth MB, Hickory Hill MB, Mt. Pleasant AME and Philadelphia MB, will provide food to anyone needing assistance including the needy, infants and the elderly. This is done monthly with distribution from 8 to 9 a.m. usually on the fourth Saturday at the New Bethel AME Church located at 6496 Ashville Highway. Volunteers are also welcome to come on Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. to help bag the food packages. Contact Nellie Randall at 850-997-5605 or 850-997-6929 to volunteer or for more information

Trophies

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the matter. Many of those on Facebook, and the phone, stated that the trophies were the reasons that the children played in the program. Some even threatened to pull their children out of the program and enter them in programs elsewhere, in the area. Though voiced in many different ways, it all boiled down to the same thing; bring the trophies back!

After becoming aware of the situation, Recreation Park Director Mike Holm stated Thursday afternoon, April 12, "Originally we were only going to provide trophies to the champions this year; however, a few of the parents became very upset about it. The Recreation Board discussed the matter. We have now decided that we will provide trophies to all participants this year."

ATTENTION
TO THOSE ATTENDING THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SPRINGTIME ROUND-UP AT HONEY LAKE!

You are welcomed and encouraged to arrive at 3:00 p.m. instead of 4:00 p.m. and browse the many lovely items for the Silent Auction and tour the gracious and beautiful Honey Lake Plantation Gathering Hall. The exquisite Chapel will also be open for you to visit. The response to this event has been extremely overwhelming and this will enable us to serve you better. For more information call 850-210-9239. Once again, thank you for your outstanding support for our library.

NOTICE:

To: All Registered Democrats:

The Jefferson County Democratic Party will hold a caucus to select delegates to the State Convention in Tampa, Florida, June 1 - 3, 2012, at the public library meeting room from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Delegate applications are available by contacting Gladys Roann at 850-997-5209.

To run/volunteer for the State Convention a form must be completed and filed with County Chairperson Gladys Roann; State Committee Woman Julie Conley or State Committeeman Ron Cichon, by April 27, 2012.

The form and other information is available online at the State Party website: (www.fladems.com) or by calling the State Party Headquarters at 850-222-341.

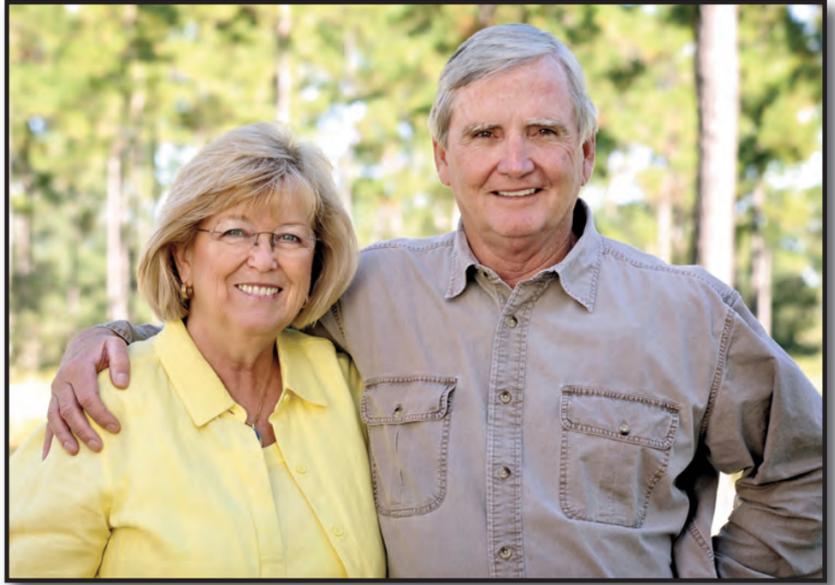
AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Bob Williamson: From Rags To Riches



At left, Bob Williamson, one of the most successful businessmen in the country, was once a man who laid homeless begging for food. Williamson credits his success to the main source, Jesus Christ, and through the words taught in the Bible.

At right, Bob Williamson and his wife, Teresa, are owners of Greenville's Honey Lake Plantation. The 35 million dollar plantation sits on 4700 acres and is an amazing place for tourists and local residents to visit.



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Homeless. Hungry. A drug-addict. A hater. How does a person with these characteristics become a multi-millionaire with a compassionate heart towards his family and friends? One answer: Jesus Christ. Just ask Bob Williamson, owner of the local Honey Lake Plantation and he will reply with the same answer.

Williamson's life did not begin with the traditional dinner around the table with mom and dad. He never got to experience "playing t-ball with dad" or the life of a normal child. What he did find himself in was as he described, "a dark childhood." At the age of 12, Williamson was into drinking heavily, and was

addicted to drugs by the time he was 15.

"I was very mean as a kid," Williamson stated. With his father serving in the military, he was bounced from place to place, attending 19 different schools. Trying to fill the void in his life, Williamson turned to intravenous methamphetamine and heroin, which led him to become a very violent person. Even while he was serving as a United States serviceman, he wound up in trouble and was forced out.

Williamson was later diagnosed as a sociopath. "They said I was incapable of loving. I had no conscience," he said. "They gave me no hope at all, and even said I was on my way to being a serial killer."

Getting kicked out of

the service was not enough to change his direction. Williamson continued in a downward spiral and was becoming even more uncontrollably violent. "I carried a .357 magnum and became a dangerous criminal. I was committing armed robberies left and right," Williamson explained. His evil madness resulted in him spending six months in one of the nation's worst prisons in New Orleans, Louisiana. One would perceive that Williamson had reached the bottom of his life, but instead, it continued downhill.

After his prison sentence he continued in mischief, which led him fleeing to Atlanta, Ga., to escape law enforcement. In Atlanta, he ended up in a head-on collision which nearly took his life. While in the Grady Memorial Hospital, he had a nurse named Lydia who had great faith in God. "This

nurse knew I can only sleep about three hours per night, and so she would send me books to read," he said. "I noticed that the Bible was the best-selling book, and I just wanted to read it to try to disprove it." However, God had other plans.

From his experiences in church and from what he had saw in church, by reading it for himself he realized the Bible was nothing like he thought it was. "I spent my whole life telling me that I would never amount to nothing. But I read in the Bible that 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.'" Williamson slammed the Bible down in disbelief, that there was no way a drug-addict who spent his life scraping the bottom of the barrel could have real value in this life. "I just knew there was no hope for me."

Persuaded he was at his rope's end, Williamson had reached the point that he felt like suicide was the only way to end his life of misery. Lydia helped him to see a different view. "I didn't believe that anything could ever change my wicked life, and in particular, ever get me off intravenous drugs. It was just 'impossible.'"

When Williamson expressed to her that his view of the Bible was just one big lie, Lydia replied with the statement that will forever be with him, and she said, "Jesus is God, and he can

do anything he wants. And he can change you."

Before he was dismissed from the hospital, Williamson was to have a serious operation, and before he signed all of the appropriate waivers, he accepted Christ as his personal savior and began living a new life.

In his efforts to disprove the Bible, he found that it was indeed true, and applied it to every aspect of his life. "My life completely turned around," he said. Williamson, who was homeless, a drug-addict and labeled a harm to society, became wealthy, not only physically, but spiritually.

A man who begged for his next meal would become a millionaire and one of the most successful businessmen in the country. Williamson established 11 successful businesses. The largest of the 11 was a food service technology company known as Horizon Software International. The company that revolutionized the institutionalized food service was purchased for 75 million dollars in cash in 2008.

According to Williamson's website, he achieved national acclaim for his business Acumen and was selected from among hundreds of contestants as the 2006 Gwinnett Business Person of the Year by the Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce (third largest chamber in the

country). He was also a finalist for the Ernst and Young 2007 Entrepreneur of the Year Award, which was previously won by distinguished entrepreneur Michael Dell of Dell Computers. He has been featured in AOL, Florida Trend, The Christian Post, Inc. Magazine, Business Week, MSN, Yahoo Business, Investor's Business Daily, Reader's Digest, and many other publications including numerous radio and television appearances.

Currently, Williamson serves as the CEO of the Williamson Group USA, a holding company with several subsidiaries, one being Greenville's own Honey Lake Plantation. Honey Lake is a 35 million dollar plantation built on 4700 acres, where Williamson resides with his wife, Teresa.

It's not just his success that is astonishing, but it's the journey he has taken to get there. In his recent book, *Miracle on Luckie Street*, Williamson shares his story of the low life on the streets to the life of a millionaire.

The very same thing that gave Williamson life, he wants to share with others. For the past 11 years, he has inspired many with his daily blogs. He begins each morning reading the word of God, and sharing his thoughts and words of inspiration and encouragement on www.wordsfortheeday.com





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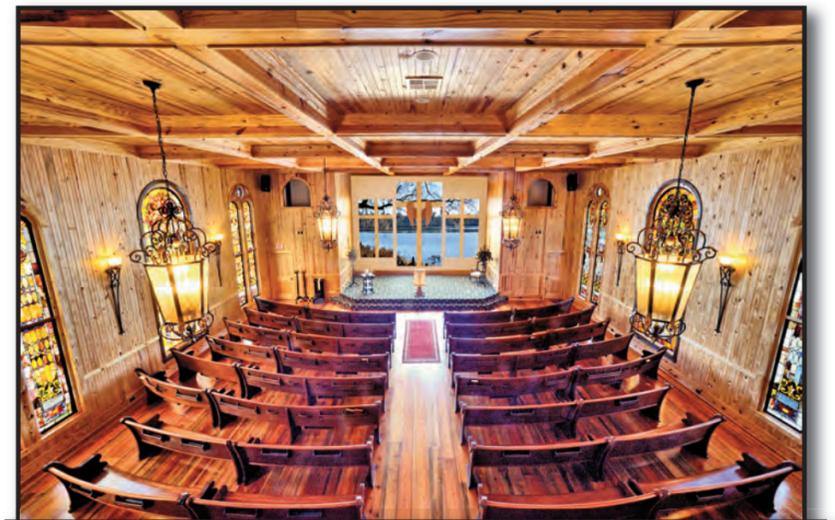
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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL 18
Home Ownership and Preservation program at the Library from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, sponsored by the Tallahassee Lenders Consortium, a non-profit dedicated to trying to make the dream of home ownership a reality. For more information contact

APRIL 18-28
Jefferson Arts will feature 'The Human Form', an exhibit of works of various artists through the month of April in the Gallery. The 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@jeffersonartsgallery.com or www.jeffersonartsgallery.com.

APRIL 18
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.

APRIL 19
Florida parents are needed to participate in an online conference call and survey. The dates of participation will be Thursday, at 9:30 a.m. or Tuesday, May 1 at 2:30 p.m. A computer with Internet access is required for participation. Parents must be able to participate on a conference call over the phone for approximately

one-hour. The conference line is a toll-free number. This is a project offered by the Positive Behavior Support Team asking for parent input. If you are interested, contact Devon Minch at dminch@usf.edu.

APRIL 19
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 19
You may qualify for assistance through the Capital Area Community Action Agency Weatherization Assistance Program. The program reduces heating and cooling costs by improving the energy efficiency of the home. Contact Rev. George Smith at 850-997-6114 for an appointment from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Thursday at First Baptist Church of Lloyd. Homes in Jefferson County are needed for weatherization. Or, contact

Pat Hall or Melissa Watson at 850-997-8231 for additional information, and other services currently being offered. This is free to the client.

APRIL 20
Monticello Jamboree Band will perform music for dancing at 7 p.m. every Friday evening at 625 South Water Street, in the old JCHS gym. There are door-prizes, cold soft drinks and snacks. Everyone is welcome to come dance, listen to some of the finest music and just enjoy the fun and camaraderie with neighbors and friends. Band members/musicians include Bobby Connell, Don Corbitt, John Howell, Ashley Morgan, Sue and Wanzie Tucker, Arlene and Leon Roberts and Wendell Quick. This is a nonprofit charitable organization. For questions or concerns contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

APRIL 20

Cross Landings Health & Rehabilitation Center will hold its 17th Annual Volunteer Celebration at 6 p.m. on Friday at the facility on North Jefferson. The event is proudly held to honor those who give so much of their time and efforts and asking nothing in return. Reservations are requested for a count, but 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 door-prizes to the participants during the banquet.

APRIL 20
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 21
Southern Music Rising Festival, Saturday. Spend a wonderful day and a crash party evening at the 5th Annual Southern Music Rising Festival. Southern Music Rising is an all day music festival featuring over 40 bands on six stages with bluegrass, folk and Americana performers. In addition, there will be vendors, a children's stage sponsored by Tobacco Free Florida, a car show and the Cow Hunter's Corner with music, cowboy poetry and historical presentations from frontier Florida. The

festival will wind up with a blues and rock 'n' roll Crash Party into the wee hours of the night at the Monticello Opera House. Your all-day pass includes access to all events and is just \$15 per person, with children 12 and under free. Tickets can be purchased online or on the day of show at the Opera House or booths throughout downtown Monticello. For more information about the bands and the Southern Music Rising Festival, go to www.southernmusicrising.com/home.cfm.

Financial Focus...

EVEN WITH LOW RATES, YOU CAN INVEST FOR INCOME

Provided by Robert J. Davison

Not long ago, the Federal Reserve (Fed) announced that it plans to keep short-term interest rates near zero until late 2014. The Fed initially pushed rates to that level in 2008, in an effort to stimulate economic growth. Clearly, low interest rates have a wide-ranging impact — but what effect will they have on you, as an individual investor?

If you need income from your investments, then the continuation of ultra-low interest rates may be a matter of some concern, particularly if you own certain types of fixed-income investments, such as certificates of deposit. While CDs are insured, offer return of principal at maturity and provide regular interest payments, they are not risk-free. With low interest rates, you risk losing purchasing power.

Still, fixed-rate vehicles may well have a place in your portfolio. If you're even somewhat dependent on your investments for income, you may need to broaden your search. Here are a few ideas to consider:

- Build a bond ladder. Long-term bonds, by their nature, are more subject to interest rate risk than shorter-term vehicles. In other words, interest rates are more likely to rise during the life span of a longer-term bond — and when rates go up, the prices of existing bonds will fall. To help lower this risk, you may want to build a "ladder" of bonds of varying maturities. Then, if market interest rates are low, you'll still have your long-term bonds earning higher rates, but if rates rise, you can take advantage of them by reinvesting the proceeds of your maturing short-term bonds. But remember to work with your financial advisor to evaluate whether a bond ladder and the securities held within it are consistent with your investment objectives, risk tolerance and financial circumstances.
- Dividend-paying stocks. You can find companies that have paid dividends for many consecutive years — and in some cases, increased their dividend payout each year. In 2012, companies listed in the S&P 500 are on track to pay out more than \$252 billion in dividends, a record amount, according to data compiled from Standard & Poor's. (Keep in mind that the S&P 500 is an unmanaged index and is not available for direct investment.) Of course, stock prices will fluctuate in value, and you may receive more or less than your original investment when you sell. Historically, dividend-paying stocks have been less volatile than non-dividend-paying stocks. Be aware, though, that companies can lower or discontinue dividend payments at any time without notice. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.
- Refinance your mortgage. Today's low rates are good news for borrowers. With tougher standards in place, it may not be as easy to refinance a mortgage as it once was, but if you qualify, you may want to think about refinancing. You may be able to save quite a bit of money on your monthly payments — and lower payments can translate into a greater cash flow. Plus, if you don't need all the savings, you can put some of the money into an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or another retirement savings vehicles.

Ultimately, an extended period of low interest rates is just one more factor to consider in creating and adjusting your investment strategy. Work with your financial advisor to help ensure low rates won't affect your income needs.

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The membership plans to continue its efforts with this program as long as our fathers, mothers, sons and daughters are in harm's way. "It's the least we can do," explains LT. F. Kolb III, USN-Ret. and Post 49 Commander. All coupons are accepted, including those up to six-months beyond the expiration date. There are several collection boxes around the city, including a drop box at the Post 49, in the parking lot on South Water Street.

If you are out of the area, mail them to: American Legion Post 49, P.O. Box 761, Monticello, FL. 32345.

For more info about this 'Coupons for Vets' project, contact Debbie at 850-997-5456, or go to blondie32405@aim.com.

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Casey Shiver, age 5, daughter of Rebecca and JD Shiver.



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Emari Rushing, age 2, son of Opal Nicole Hall.



At left, Maddie, age 9, Zach, age 6, and Lilly, age 2, children of Kevin and Kim Sears.



Brody, age 1, son of Carie and Chris Houp.



Morgan, age 4, Mae, age 2, and Molly, 14 months, daughters of Tyler and Jenny McNeill.



Megan, age 4, and Noah, age 2, children of Ernest and Sarah Fulford.



Johnny, age 4, son of Buck and Kim Atkinson.



Cason Bryan, age 3, son of Price Bryan and Kat McKown.



Riley, age 7, and Bo, age 3, children of Billy Jo and Terri Rutledge.



Kaden, age 2, and Adalyn, age 1, children of John and Abbie Martin.



Ty'Shun Thurman, age 13, and Anthony Seaton Jr., age 10, sons of Anthony and Nicky Seaton.



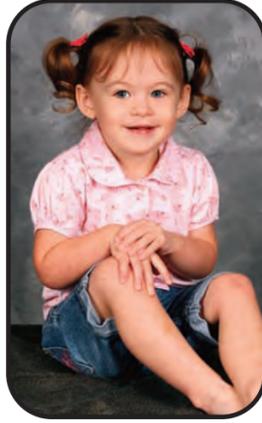
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Gracie Matthews, 15 months, daughter of Dustin and Brandi Matthews.



Ryan Williams, age 2, son of Daniel and Courtney Williams.



Christine Lastinger, age 2, daughter of Perry and Dana Lastinger.



Chloe Pitts, 17 months, daughter of Jack and Lyndsey Pitts.



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Gabriela, age 7, and Gavin, age 5, children of Michael and Jessica Sacco.



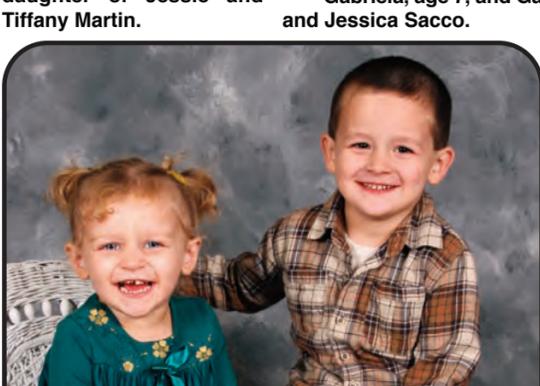
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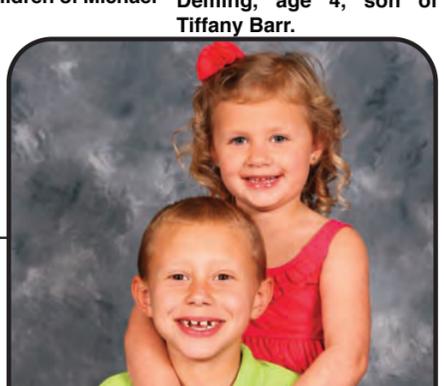


Desiree Plunkett, age 3, daughter of Vanness Wyche.



At left, Jakeb, age 3, and Rowen, age 2, children of Troy Bishop and Lora Rowe.

At right, Reed, age 7, and Keagan, age 5, children of Dennis and Ann Marie Curry.



AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH



ECB Publishing Photos By Debbie Snapp, April 12, 2012. Jefferson County Sheriff David Hobbs and Monticello Police Chief Fred Mosley join with Nan Baughman, Jefferson County Outreach Counselor for Refuge House, in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, by tying teal colored ribbons on law enforcement vehicles.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and this April communities across the country are proclaiming 'It's time... to talk about it!' Prevent sexual violence by talking about 'it'. Teal colored ribbons, for Sexual Assault Awareness, are being tied on all Jefferson County Sheriff's Office vehicles and on all Mon-

ticello Police Department vehicles in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. It's time... to talk about it! The ribbons were furnished by Gelling's Floral Design on East Dogwood Street in downtown Monticello. National statistics show that 12.8 percent of completed rapes, 35 percent of attempted rapes and 22.9 percent of threatened rapes happen during a date. Among college women, nine out of 10 victims of rape and sexual assault knew their offender. Rape, childhood sexual abuse and domestic abuse are among the most common causes of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in women. Rape is far more extensive than reported in official statistics. For more information about Refuge House and Domestic Violence/Rape Crisis, contact Nan Baughman, Jefferson County Outreach Counselor for Refuge House, at 850-342-3518. Or, call the 24-Hour Hotline at 850-681-2111 or, toll-free at 1-800-500-1119.

IT'S GOING TO BE A CINCO DE MAYO KIDSFEST THIS YEAR!

Kidsfest is a family-oriented day of fun. Children from all-over can participate in hands-on activities provided by businesses and organizations while parents learn about those businesses and organizations. On Saturday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the North Florida Fairgrounds, there are bounce houses, a giant water slide, pony rides, face painting by Fairy Dust Faces, lots of arts and craft activities and games, a 3-hole putt-putt golf course and so much more. There will be live entertainment set up on an outdoor stage. The cost for this Kidsfest is \$3 per person, which

includes all the activities and entertainment. Refreshments will be sold. It's a good old-fashioned family event that's sure to put a smile on the children's faces. Kids Incorporated is still looking for exhibitors, entertainers and sponsors for this 11th annual Kidsfest. Volunteers will also be needed to assist with the event. Last year, more than 2,800 people participated in Kidsfest. It's a great way for businesses to promote their services and/or products, while benefiting a community-based program providing quality, comprehensive early childhood services to area families. Proceeds from this event will benefit Kids Incorporated services.

Sponsorship, exhibitor, entertainment and volunteer applications are available online. For more information contact: Sponsorships: Judie Miller at jmillier@kidsincorporated.org or call 850-414-9800x104; Exhibitors: Melissa Morgan at mmorgan@kidsincorporated.org or call 850-997-4736; Entertainers: Linda Jones at ljones@kidsincorporated.org or 850-948-1921; Volunteers: Matt Vossler at mvossler@kidsincorporated.org or 850-414-9800x112.

Friends of the Library Fundraiser Sold Out!

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The Friends of the Jefferson County Bailer Public Library say, "Thank you for your outstanding support... we have sold the 320 tickets designated for the 'Springtime Round-Up' fundraiser on Sunday evening, April 29, at the beautiful Honey Lake Plantation."

The ticket purchasers will be served a three-course dinner; wine and beer will be available for a donation. There will be a silent auction and the Purvis Brother's Band will provide the entertainment. The grand prize drawing for this event will be a one-night stay at Honey Lake's beautiful cottage. Honey Lake Plantation is located at 1290 Honey Lake Road in Greenville, on Highway 90 just 10 miles east of Monticello.

Funds collected from this fundraising event will be used for the Library, as it is a vital part of Jefferson County. The Library had over 80,000 visits last year. Services provided by the Library include computer classes, photography classes and a variety of other classes; with 31,000 sessions on the computers by area citizens. Many local groups and organizations utilize the Library facilities. The Jefferson County Bailer Public Library is an outstanding small rural library. It is a vital link to education and knowledge. The measure of a community and its moral progress can be judged by the manner in which its library is preserved. The mission of the Friends of the Jefferson County Bailer Public Library is to enhance services to the library.

CHURCH

Charles Smith: Growing Great With God

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He's not just a man in a suit and tie. It's not about just a sermon for Sunday church services. It's all about reaching the lost and making an impact on people along the way. That is the mission that Charles Smith strives to live by, to lead everyone who will hear to Christ.

Smith was born on September 5, 1958, in the historic city of St. Augustine to Charlie and Marion Smith. Growing up in a house of three brothers and seven sisters, Smith knows what it's like to come from a big family. Smith attended school there and eventually graduated from St. Augustine High School in 1976. "It's different than you would

think living in a town where everyone loves to tour," he said. "People where there to see the old jail and to see all these different places, but you don't think nothing about it. But now that I'm gone and grown, I spend money to go back there and visit those places."

"It's a nice place to go and visit," Smith continued. Right out of high school, Smith packed his bags and moved to Tallahassee to attend Florida A&M University. "I graduated from St. Augustine on a Thursday night, and I came to FAMU that Saturday morning."

In November of 1977, his college career came to a screeching halt when Smith was injured in a tragic accident. Smith was thrown out of a

pickup truck on State Road 210 in Jacksonville, in which the truck landed on his lower body and crushed his legs. The accident resulted in a 13-month stay in the hospital and he was placed in a wheel chair for three-and-a-half years of his life.

The car that was riding in front of the truck stopped to assist at the scene. "The truck was on fire, and they helped me to get away from the truck," he explained. "But as I was laying there, the lady asked me if I was saved. I replied, 'Yes ma'am, I go to church, but I'm not sure I'm saved.' And right there beside the road she led me in a sinner's prayer. At that moment the rescue unit came and eventually life-flighted me and took me on to St. Augustine."

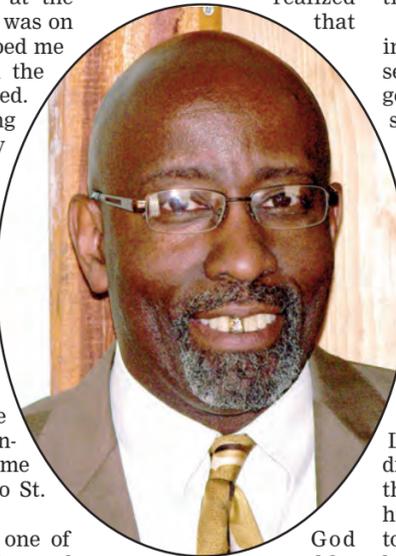
While it was one of the most trying times of his life, Smith had a peace about the situation. "I knew I was going to be ok because the Lord spoke to me and said I was not going to die. He didn't say anything about walking," he chuckled, "But he said I wasn't going to die."

"I had no feeling in my legs," he explained. Along with therapy, Smith turned to doctors across the country from California to Texas for help. Although the doctors offered glimmering hope that he would one day walk again, it wasn't until he attended a tent revival meeting that he found true healing. At age 13, Smith wheeled to that revival meeting, but left pushing his wheel chair home. "From that night to this very day, I've walked."

"When I went to that tent meeting, it was no surprise what God did for me. I knew if I was going to be healed, it was going to be God. "I knew all of my life that there was something different about

me, but I couldn't put my hand on exactly what it was," Smith stated.

It was when Smith could begin to walk that he began to live again. His relationship with God began to strengthen even more when he recognized that God was more than he could see and beyond what he could think or feel. He realized that



God cared for him so much, in spite of his faults and failures.

Sometimes God uses things or circumstances to strengthen His people. He also uses things to show that He wants priority in each life. "Right before the accident I had gotten a brand new car and I thought I was riding high. And my mom told me, 'Son, seems like now that you've gotten your little car, you're doing alright. But, you've forgotten God.' And she said, 'If you don't change, one day you're going to leave this house, and they're going to have to bring you back.' That came full circle. When I came back to my mother's house, they brought me back in a rescue unit. The only thing that was on my mind on the way back to my mothers house was 'wow,' she knew what she was talking about."

When Smith gave his life to Christ, he then began the motions of serving Him. "When I was about six years old, I knew

the calling was there," he said. "My parents would always say I was too young for this, or too young for that, but there was a deacon in our church named Melvin who saw something in me. So it was then at age 13 I began to sit next to him in Sunday school, and he began to teach me all that he knew at that time."

Smith came to a point in his life he noticed that serving God was not just going to church. What he saw happening in the scriptures was not what he saw being performed in the lives of the people. "I had seen a lot of people hurt, broken, confused and so I began to search the scriptures to see what it was that was missing in the lives of these people."

While living in Ft. Lauderdale, Smith was driving to work and heard the voice of God speak to him and say, "If you died today, can you say that you have fulfilled your destiny in me?" He began to reason with God, and found himself on the short end of the stick. Being obedient to the voice of God, Smith sold everything he had. In about three days, Smith had over 20 contracts on offers to buy the house. The Lord opened the door for Smith and his wife to move to Tallahassee. Shortly after moving to the big city, Smith began his pastoral ministry at Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church in Tallahassee.

Since Smith has been in the ministry, he recognizes the need for ministry outside the four walls of the church. "Even though I'm of the Baptist faith, it's not about denominations. God is bigger than that," he exclaimed. "We get caught up in places and situations that God has nothing to do with. We're trying to build religion and God is trying to build relationships. He didn't ask what building did we go to, but what did

we do to the least of these?"

That has become the focal point of Smith's ministry. The church has many different types of ministries that are geared towards people of all kinds and ages. From the youth program to singles or married ministry, to men or women's ministry, there's something for everyone. The church gets the gospel outside the four walls of the building by different avenues, one including their monthly visit to Cross Landings Nursing Facility the first Sunday of each month. Every Tuesday night, they team up with Mt. Morilla Baptist for Bible Study in which they rotate churches. Also, every fourth Sunday, Mt. Pleasant holds services at 8 a.m., so members can go and fellowship with other local congregations.

The church for many years was known as Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, but when they went to incorporate the church, that name was currently used. So the name of the church was changed to Mt. Pleasant Ministries of Capps.

Although Smith stays busy in the ministry, he hasn't forgotten the importance of family. Smith married the love of his life, Linda, on May 28, 1998, and they have four children: Erica, Audrae, Charles, Jr., and Brandon.

Even though he struggled to complete his education after the accident, he did finish his degree at FAMU with a Bachelors in Business Administration. Smith is currently working on his Masters degree with Smith Bible College in Tallahassee.

When it would have been so easy to give up, Smith kept pressing on. As stated in his favorite scripture, "And David went on, and grew great, and the Lord God of hosts was with him," the church is moving on and growing great because God is in it (2 Sam. 5:10).

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
Rev. 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

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 A.M.E. 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

Jimmy Brookins: Lovin' This Livin' For The Lord

BRYANT THIGPEN
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Staff Writer

Jimmy Brookins was welcomed into the world on March 1, 1943, in the town of Barwick, Ga. He joined a big family of four brothers and two sisters, and at the age of five, they packed up and moved to Monticello.

Brookins attended Howard Academy in Monticello, and eventually graduated in 1961. During the school year, Brookins worked part-time at Bassett's Dairy in Monticello. "At the age of 9, I was paid \$1.50 per day to carry water to the men in the field," he laughs. Immediately after high school, Brookins joined the company as a full-time staff member.

While most people spend their early teenage

and adult years searching for the answers to life that leads them nowhere, Brookins discovered at a young age what true living is all about. At the age of 12, Brookins realized that he was a sinner and he could not save himself. And in July of 1955, he met the only man that could forgive his sins and give him eternal life, and that man is Jesus Christ. On July 21, 1963, Brookins married the love of his life, Miner Anderson, and in 1964, they welcomed their first baby, Sandra, and their first son, Jimmy Brookins, Jr. in 1966.

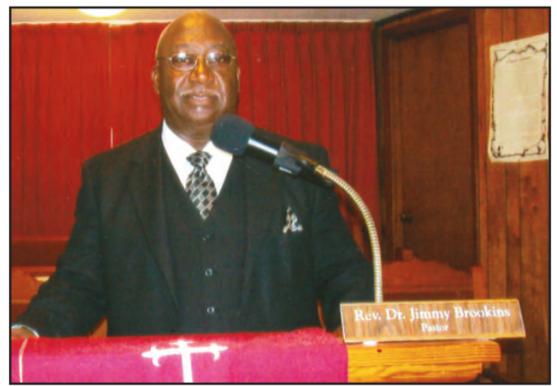
In 1966, Brookins left Bassett Dairy and took a job in New York working at a hospital. By 1967, he realized it was time to come back home, and came back to work for the dairy company. He spent

eight years working for Sunnyland Packaging in Thomasville, Ga., before landing a job with Hudig Irrigation, where he would work for the next 10 years.

"You know, whenever I would read the word of God, there was this feeling I had," Brookins explained. "I knew there was more for me to do than just attend services." It was then he began to feel the calling of God on his life to preach, but he didn't surrender right away. As the feelings inside grew stronger over a long period of time, he knew it was time to make a move, and he accepted the position as senior pastor in May of 1982 at St. Stephens Missionary Baptist Church in Tallahassee. Because the church held services only twice a month on

Sundays (the church eventually started holding services every week in 2005), Brookins was able to maintain a full-time job, and in 1989, he resigned from Hudig and joined the Jefferson County School Board.

Brookins decided it was time to go back to school to further his education, and so he began taking classes at North Florida Community College in Madison. "I actually won Outstanding Student of the Year," he exclaimed. Brookins then turned his focus toward the ministry and enrolled at Bethany Divinity College and Seminary in Dothan, Ala., in 1992. Brookins joked, "I've got the burning, why not get a little learning?" As a result of many years "in the books," he graduated in



2001 with a Doctorate of Theological Studies.

This May will be 30 years Brookins has served as pastor of St. Stephens. "When you've been there 30 years, it's not pastor to member anymore. We're family." Since Brookins began leading the congregation, they've begun many different types of ministries to reach people of all ages.

Sister to Sister is a program designated for the women of the church. The men meet monthly as the Mighty Men of Valor. The church also has a ministry for people who are single. Other ministries include: Deacon and deaconess ministries, usher's ministry, youth program, hospitality and benevolence, trustee min-

istry, as well as ministerial ministry.

Though there have been many times of trials, Brookins knows he is right where God wants him, and he is loving his life serving the Lord. "When the times are tough, I always remember that scripture, that we walk by faith and not by sight. We don't always see what's ahead of us, but we know that God will never leave us or forsake us," he said.

Throughout the 30 years of ministry at St. Stephens, it has always been his desire to follow the great commission and make disciples. With his whole heart he said, "I'm not focused on growing numbers, I'm focused on growing disciples."

Deacon Ernest Sneed Recognized By Philadelphia MBC At VFW Banquet

CORRECTION

Rev. Ernest Bruton, pastor of the Philadelphia Missionary Baptist Church, located at 555 Fulford Road in Monticello, along with his congregation, graciously recognized their members, Deacon Ernest Sneed, as an honoree at the VFW 251 Awards Banquet on Saturday evening, March 24.

The church family is very proud of him for all his untiring service he so faithfully delivered for his country with diligence and endurance.

"We do earnestly thank him and respect him for his accomplishments and dedication. May God richly and continuously bless him."



The Philadelphia Missionary Baptist Church family recognized member Deacon Ernest Sneed during the VFW 251 Awards Banquet on March 24, 2012. Pictured from left to right are: Barbara Bruton (wife of pastor), Alma Sneed (wife of Deacon Sneed), Deacon Sneed and Rev. Ernest Bruton (pastor.)

WOMEN ON THE BATTLEFIELD

Women on the Battlefield' will be held at Sweet Field Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, May 20 at 3 p.m. The Topic of discussion will be James 5:20. The Sub-Topic will be 'Divas in Jesus.'

This awesome event

will feature guest speaker Pastor Renita Allen, Dixon and the Apostle, from 90.5 along with 'Favor' as guest choir.

A glorious time will be had in the name of the lord, so plan to come out and support this first

'Conference of Women on the Battlefield,' you will truly be blessed.

There will also be a 'hat' vendor available to

help you step right into the 'Divas in Jesus' concept in your life.

Rev. Ben Ransom Jr., pastor.

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

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 Waukeenah 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

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-7:00 PM
(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 • Waukeenah • 997-2171
www.waukeenah-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.waukeenahcemetery.com

SPORTS

Lady Tigers Stats To Date

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The Jefferson County Lady Tigers softball team has 17 games under their belts and as of March 26, they stood 5-12-0 on the season and 2-3-0 in league play. Statistics for the four games they played afterward were not available. The stats for the season to March 26 are, however available. The stats provided are the stats as they are on record.

As a team the Lady Tigers had 17 games played, a batting average of .333 with 541 plate appearances, 468 at-bats, 126 runs, 156 hits, 47 RBI's, 26 doubles, 10 triples, five homeruns, 17 sacrifice hits/bunts, 43 walks, 101 strikeouts, 13 hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .405, a slugging average of .464, with 141 stolen bases on nine attempts and 11 left on base.

Individually, Brianna Nolan played in one game, had a batting average of .000 with five plate appearances, three at-bats, one run, one walk, one hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .400 and a slugging average of .000.

Marta Vargas played in three games, had a batting average of .333 with four plate appearances, three at-bats, one hit, one walk, an on base percentage of .500 and a slugging average of .333.

Ladayshia Williams played in 17 games, had a batting average of .386 with 47 plate appearances,

44 at-bats, 15 runs, 17 hits, one RBI, one sacrifice hit/bunt, two walks, 13 strikeouts, an on base percentage of .413, a slugging average of .386 and 21 stolen bases.

Taylor Clemens played in 17 games, had a batting average of .415 with 60 plate appearances, 53 at-bats, 14 runs, 22 hits, seven RBI's, four doubles, three triples, one homerun, one sacrifice hit/bunt, two walks, 12 strikeouts, four hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .475, a slugging average of .660, 21 stolen bases on two attempts and one left on base.

Alyssa Lewis played in nine games, had a batting average of .278, with 19 plate appearances, 18 at-bats, two runs, five hits, three RBI's, one double, one triple, one sacrifice hit/bunt, two strikeouts, an on base percentage of .278, a slugging average of .444 with one stolen base and three left on base.

Audrianna Noel played in five games, had a batting average of .333 with 13 plate appearances, 12 at-bats, four runs, four hits, one walk, six strikeouts, an on base percentage of .385, a slugging average of .333 and six stolen bases.

Autumn Lamb played in five games, had a batting average of .286 with eight plate appearances, seven at-bats, one run, two hits, one RBI, one walk, one strikeout, an on base percentage of .375 and a slugging average of .286.

Tovya Vargas played in 17 games, had a batting average of .250, with 58 plate appearances, 48 at-bats, nine runs, 12 hits, two RBI's, two doubles, four sacrifice hits/bunts, six walks, seven strikeouts, an on base percentage of .333, a slugging average of .292 with 19 stolen bases on two attempts and one left on base.

Justice Barrington played in 14 games, had a batting average of .340 with 58 plate appearances, 47 at-bats, 17 runs, 16 hits, nine RBI's, five doubles, one triple, one homerun, two sacrifice hits/bunts, eight walks, seven strikeouts, one hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .446, a slugging average of .553 with nine stolen bases and one left on base.

Kayleigh Babb played in 12 games, had a batting average of .312 with 18 plate appearances, 16 at-bats, one run, five hits, one RBI, one walk, five strikeouts, one hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .389, a slugging average of .313 and four stolen bases.

Merdina Myles played in six games, had a batting average of .273 with 12 plate appearances, 11 at-bats, three runs, three hits, one walk, three strikeouts, an on base percentage of .333, a slugging average of .273 and two stolen bases.

Mikayla Norton played in 15 games, had a batting average of .304 with 50 plate appearances,

46 at-bats, nine runs, 14 hits, two RBI's, three doubles, three sacrifice hits/bunts, one walk, 13 strikeouts, an on base percentage of .319, a slugging average of .370 with nine stolen bases on two attempts.

Megan McClellan played in 17 games, had a batting average of .362 with 68 plate appearances, 58 at-bats, 20 runs, 21 hits, four RBI's, three doubles, three triples, three walks, 10 strikeouts, seven hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .456, a slugging average of .517, 18 stolen bases on two attempts and one left on base.

Jana Barber played in 16 games, had a batting average of .392, with 60 plate appearances, 51 at-bats, 17 runs, 20 hits, 13 RBI's seven doubles, two triples, two homeruns, one sacrifice hit/bunt, eight walks, 12 strikeouts, an on base percentage of .475, a slugging average of .725 with 12 stolen bases and one left on base.

Charlie Barber played in 17 games, had a batting average of .275 with 63 plate appearances, 51 at-bats, 13 runs, 14 hits, three RBI's one double, one homerun, four sacrifice hits/bunts, seven walks, 10 strikeouts, one hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .373, a slugging average of .353 with 18 stolen bases on one attempt and three left on base.

As a team in the field, the Lady Tigers carried a

fielding percentage of .974 with 193 total chances, 114 putouts, 74 assists, five errors and three double plays.

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

Williams had a fielding percentage of .952 with 21 total chances, 17 putouts, three assists and one error.

Clemens had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 26 total chances and 26 putouts.

Lewis had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with three total chances and three putouts.

Lamb had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with three total chances and three putouts.

Vargas had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with eight total chances, three putouts and five assists.

Barrington had a fielding percentage of .950 with 20 total chances, four putouts, 15 assists and one error.

Babb had a fielding percentage of .929 with 14 total chances, four putouts, nine assists and one error.

Myles had a fielding percentage of .667 with three total chances, two putouts and one error.

Norton had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 10 total chances, four putouts and six assists.

McClellan had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 21 total chances, 13 putouts, eight assists and

one double play. Brannan had a fielding percentage of .000 with one total chance and one error.

Jana Barber had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 49 total chances, 22 putouts, 27 assists and two double plays.

Charlie Barber had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 13 total chances, 12 putouts and one assist.

As a team on the mound the Lady Tigers had an earned run average of 1.09 and on base percentage of 1.266, in 77 innings pitched, 13 batters faced, 41 runs, 12 of which were earned, 38 hits, 40 doubles, four triples, two homeruns, 120 walks, 49 strikeouts, 22 hit by pitch and two wild pitches.

Individually, Williams had a on base percentage of 1.600 in 11 innings pitched, nine hits, four doubles, one triple, one homerun, 14 walks, five strikeouts and one hit by pitch.

Clemens had an earned run average of 2.47, an on base percentage of 1.141 in 34 innings pitched, 13 batters faced, 31 runs, 12 of which were earned, 11 hits, 11 doubles, two triples, one homerun, 63 walks, 24 strikeouts, 15 hit by pitch and two wild pitches.

Vargas had an on base percentage of 1.367 with 32 innings pitched, 10 runs, 18 hits, 25 doubles, one triple, 43 walks, 20 strikeouts and six hit by pitch.

Lady Tigers Squeaked By Taylor

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The Jefferson Lady Tigers hit the diamond against Taylor County on March 30 and Taylor squeaked the Lady Tigers for a 10-9 Jefferson defeat. The Lady Tigers now stand 5-14 on the season.

The Lady Tigers scored two runs in the third inning, three in the fifth inning and four in the seventh, but came up shy of a win. Meanwhile, Taylor scored seven in the first inning, one in the fifth and two in the seventh inning for the win.

The Lady Tigers carried a batting average of .444 with 39 plate appear-

ances, 36 at-bats, nine runs on 16 hits, three RBI's, five doubles, one triple, five strikeouts, an on base percentage of .444, a slugging average of .639 and eight stolen bases.

Individually, Ladayshia Williams had a batting average of .750 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, two runs, three hits, an on base percentage and slugging average of .750 and four stolen bases.

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

.500. Alyssa Lewis had a batting average of .250 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one run, one hit, one triple, two strikeouts, an on base percentage of .250 and a slugging average of .750.

Justice Barrington had a batting average of .750 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one run, three hits, one double, one strikeout, an on base percentage of .750 and a slugging average of 1.000.

Kayleigh Babb had a batting average of .500 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one run, two hits, two doubles, one strikeout, an on base percentage of .500 and a slugging average of 1.000.

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

Megan McClellan had a batting average of .500 with four plate appear-

ances, four at-bats, two runs, two hits, one RBI, one double, an on base percentage of .500, a slugging average of .750 and two stolen bases.

Audrianna Noel had a batting average of 1.000 with one plate appearance, one at-bat, one hit and one stolen base.

Jana Barber had a batting average of .250 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one hit, one RBI and an on base percentage and slugging average of .250.

Charlie Barber had a batting average of .250 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one hit and an on base percentage and slugging average of .250.

On the field the Lady Tigers had a fielding percentage of .913 with 23 total chances, 15 putouts, six assists and two errors.

Williams had a fielding percentage of .000 with one total chance and one error.

Clemens had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with three total chances

and three putouts. Lewis had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with one total chance and one putout.

Barrington had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with three total chances, one putout and two assists.

Babb had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with three total chances and three putouts.

Myles had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with one total chance and one putout.

McClellan had a fielding percentage of .857 with seven total chances, six putouts and one error.

Jana Barber had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with four total chances and four assists.

On the mound Clemens had an earned run average of 7.00 with an on base percentage of 5.250, seven innings pitched, 10 runs, seven of which were earned, 17 hits, one double, one homerun, four walks, three strikeouts and one wild pitch.

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WARRIORS BLOWOUT JOHN PAUL II

FRAN HUNT
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy Warriors blew John Paul II out of the water 10-0 in five innings in the game called due to the mercy rule April 4 to now stand 11-6-0 on the season and 4-1-0 in District play.

Aucilla scored one run on the second, three in the third, five in the fourth and added one run in the sixth inning for the win.

Coach Drew Sherrod provided a game synopsis.

"Aucilla Christian scored five runs in the fourth on an error, an RBI double by Trent Roberts, an RBI single by Gus Smyrniotis and Russell Fraleigh went a per-

fect three for three at the dish for Aucilla Christian. Fraleigh singled in the third, fourth and fifth innings.

"Aucilla Christian's Hans Sorenson kept John Paul II off the scoreboard for all five innings he toed the rubber. He pitched a shutout, allowing no runs on three hits while striking out three," concluded Sherrod.

As a team at the plate the Warriors carried a .440 batting average with 31 plate appearances, 25 at-bats, 10 runs on 11 hits, seven RBI's, one double, one sacrifice fly, four walks, three strikeouts, one hit by pitch, two run on errors, an on base percentage of .516, a slugging average of .480 with two

stolen bases on two attempts and four left on base.

Individually, Tyler Jackson had a batting average of .500 with four plate appearances, two at-bats, two runs, one hit, one RBI, one walk, one hit by pitch, an on base percentage of .750, a slugging average of .500 with one left on base.

Jared Jackson had a batting average of .250 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, two runs, one hit, one run on error, an on base percentage and slugging average of .250 and one stolen base on one attempt.

Trent Roberts had a batting average of .750 with four plate appearances, four at-bats, one run, three hits, two

RBI's, one double, an on base percentage of .750 a slugging average of 1.000 and one left on base.

Josh Wood had a batting average of .500 with four plate appearances, two at-bats, one run, one hit, one RBI, one sacrifice fly, one walk and an on base percentage and slugging average of .500.

Russell Fraleigh had a batting average of 1.000 with three plate appearances, three at-bats, two runs, three hits, one RBI, and an on base percentage and slugging average of 1.000.

Hunter Horne had two plate appearances, two at-bats, one strikeout and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

Tres Copeland had three plate appearances, two at-bats, one run, one walk, an on base percentage of .333 and a slugging average of 1.000.

Austin Bishop had a batting average of .500

with three plate appearances, two at-bats, one run, one hit, one walk, one strikeout, one run on error, an on base percentage of .667, a slugging average of .500, one stolen base on one attempt and one left on base.

Gus Smyrniotis had a batting average of .333 with three plate appearances, three at-bats, one hit, two RBI's, one strikeout, an on base percentage and slugging average of .333 with one left on base.

On the field as a team the Warriors carried a fielding percentage of .905 with 21 total chances, 11 putouts, eight assists and two errors.

Individually, Tyler Jackson had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with three total chances and three assists.

Jared Jackson had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with one total chance and one putout.

Roberts had a fielding percentage of .857 with seven total chances, six putouts and one error.

Hans Sorenson had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with three total chances, one putout and two assists.

Wood had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with two total chances, one putout and one assist.

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

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

On the mound, Sorenson had a batting average of .133 with an on base percentage of .235, five innings pitched, 17 batters faced, 15 at-bats, two hits, one walk, three strikeouts, one hit by pitch, one wild pitch in 61 pitches and he got the win.

AUCILLA DEFEATS FRANKLIN

FRAN HUNT
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy Warriors hit the diamond against Franklin County April 3 and Aucilla defeated Franklin 6-1 to now stand 10-6 on the season.

The Warriors scored two runs in the first inning, two runs in the third innings and added two runs in the sixth innings to cap the win.

Coach Drew Sherrod provided a synopsis of the game.

"Trent Roberts went three for three at the plate.

"Three ACA runs were scored thanks to timely hitting by Roberts. He singled in the first, third, and sixth innings," he said.

"Franklin County wasn't able to score a run off of Austin Bishop during his six innings on the rubber. Bishop struck out one and allowed two walks and two hits.

"ACA didn't relinquish the lead after scoring two runs in the first inning when they scored on an RBI single by Roberts and a wild pitch," Sherrod added.

"The second inning saw Franklin County score its only run on the day when Logan McClood drew a bases loaded walk.

"The Warriors piled on two more runs in the top of the third. An error by Franklin County allowed Tyler Jackson to start the scoring in the inning. That was followed up by Roberts' single, plating Josh Wood," he said.

"Aucilla increased its lead with two runs in the sixth. A single by Roberts scored Jared Jackson to get Aucilla Christian Academy on the board in the inning. That was followed up by Bishop's single, scoring Roberts," Sherrod concluded.

As a team at the mound the Warriors carried a .321 batting average, had 31 plate appearances, 28 at-bats, six runs, nine hits, four RBI's, two sacrifice hit/bunts, one walk, two strikeouts, two run on errors, two fielder's choice, an on base percentage of .345, a slugging average of .321 with six stolen bases on six attempts and six left on base.

Individually, Tyler Jackson had a batting average of .667 with three plate appearances, three at-bats, two runs, two

hits, one run on error, an on base percentage and slugging average of .667 with two stolen bases on two attempts and one left on base.

Jared Jackson had a batting average of .500 with three plate appearances, two at-bats, one run, one hit, one sacrifice hit/bunt, an on base percentage and slugging average of .500 and one stolen base on one attempt.

Trent Roberts had a batting average of 1.000 with three plate appearances, three at-bats, one run, three hits, three RBI's, an on base percentage and slugging average of 1.000 with two left on base.

Josh Wood had a batting average of .500 with three plate appearances, two at-bats, two runs, one hit, one sacrifice hit/bunt, one run on error, one fielder's choice and on base percentage and slugging average of .500 with one stolen base on one attempt.

Bradley Holm had one plate appearance, one at-bat, one strikeout and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

Russell Fraleigh had three plate attempts, three at-bats, one strikeout and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

Casey Demott had one plate appearance, one at-bat, one fielder's choice and an on base percentage and slugging average of .000.

Kaleb Wyche had a batting average of 1.000 with one plate appearance, one at-bat, one hit, and an on base percentage and slugging average of 1.000.

Hunter Horne had three plate appearances, two at-bats, one walk, an on base percentage of .333, a slugging average of .000 and one stolen base on one attempt.

Austin Bishop had three plate appearances, three at-bats, one RBI, one stolen base on one attempt and one left on base.

Gus Smyrniotis had a batting average of .333 with three plate appear-

ances, three at-bats, one hit, an on base percentage and slugging average of .333 and one left on base.

On the field the Warriors carried a fielding percentage of .946 with 37 total chances, 18 putouts, 17 assists and two errors.

Tyler Jackson had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with six total chances, four putouts and two assists.

Jared Jackson had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with two total chances, one putout and one assist.

Roberts had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with 10 total chances and 10 putouts.

Wood had a fielding percentage of 1.000 with six total chances, two putouts and four assists.

Fraleigh had a fielding percentage of .500 with two total chances, one assist and one error.

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

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

Smyrniotis had a fielding percentage of .875 with eight total chances, seven assists and one error.

On the mound as a team the Warriors had an earned run average of 1.00 with a batting average of .143, an on base percentage of .308 in seven innings pitched, 27 batters faced, 21 at-bats, one run, which was earned, three hits, one sacrifice hit/bunt, five walks and one strikeout in 93 pitches.

Fraleigh had an earned run average of 7.000, a batting average of .333, an on base percentage of .667 in one inning pitched with seven batters faced, three at-bats, one run, which was earned, one hit, one sacrifice hit/bunt and three walks on 31 pitches.

Bishop had a batting average of .111, an on base percentage of .200 in six innings pitched, 20 batters faced, 18 at-bats, two hits, two walks, one strikeout in 622 pitches and earned the win.

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4/18,20/2012, c.

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

CASE NO.:12-21-CP
PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: The Estate of
SARENE FAY COLLINS,
Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ENTITLED ESTATE AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the administration of the estate of SARENE FAY COLLINS, deceased, is pending in the Circuit Court in and for Jefferson County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Jefferson County Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344. The name and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

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NOTICE

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Copies of the proposed policies are available for review at the District Office at 575 S. Water Street, FL. The documents are also available on the district website at www.edline.net/pages/jcsb. Any questions/concerns may be directed to the District Office between the hours of 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

4/18/2012, c.

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

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
Plaintiff, **CASE NO.: 33-2010-CA-000218**
vs. **DIVISION:**
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Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated April 10, 2012 and entered in Case No. 33-2010-CA-000218 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for JEFFERSON County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is the Plaintiff and ALTIERI ALEXIS; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALTIERI ALEXIS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at NORTH DOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE LOBBY IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, MONTICELLO, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 24th day of May 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

PARCEL 5C
A PORTION OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT A REBAR MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 43 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4 A DISTANCE OF 697.59 FEET TO A REBAR MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER AND POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCEL: THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 56 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 1023.65 FEET TO A REBAR; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 43 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 638.49 FEET TO A REBAR ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 56 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID WEST LINE A DISTANCE OF 319.16 FEET TO A REBAR; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 43 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 616.49 FEET TO A REBAR; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 56 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 704.49 FEET TO A REBAR ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 43 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO EXISTING COUNTY ROAD RIGHTS-OF-WAY TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO A 60 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS, BEING A PORTION OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT A REBAR MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 43 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTH WEST 1/4 A DISTANCE OF 677.58 FEET TO A REBAR MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER AND POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED EASEMENT: THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 56 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 1023.65 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 43 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 60.01 FEET, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 56 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 1023.65 FEET TO A REBAR ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 43 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 60.01 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID LANDS SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA

A/K/A 5C GRANDS LANE, MONTICELLO, FL 32344
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Sherry Sears, 2012.

Kirk B. Reams
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Sherry Sears
Deputy Clerk
Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
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**See Americans with Disabilities Act
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Kirk Reams, clerk of Court, 1 courthouse circle Monticello, FL 32344
850-342-0218

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SCHOOL & EDUCATION

Jefferson Elementary School A & AB Honor Roll Students For 3rd 9-Weeks

A Honor Roll Students

1st Grade: Shunius Bellamy, Caylee Boland, Ny'Asja Bundrage, Mason Craig, Haven Francis, Jenna Grantham, Janaysia Jennings, Kirah Mays, Paradise Mills, Emma Moore, Jonathan Moore, Joshua Moore, Sharneisa Mosley, Maria Rosas, Sahara Silas, Devin Singleton, E'Zhari Troutman, Errion Wade, Jaden Williams

2nd Grade: Jakayla Bellamy, Hunter Boland, Katherine Brown, Trayrion Brown, Jordan Byrd, Wilber Gabriel, Isabella Gray, Rommel Ingram, Logan Lamb, Jakiyah Robinson, Rileigh

Spinosa, Ryan Walker

3rd Grade: Elijah Bellamy, Caroline Flynt, Khloe Jennings

4th Grade: Damarius Alexander, NyQeria Alexander, Ayianna Bradley, Elizabeth Crego, James Flynt, Laniya Footman, Marquelius Hawkins, Cindy Le, Aaliyah Martin, Alex Salmons, Anthony Seaton, Zavian Wiggins

5th Grade: Kamesha Adams, Yunijha Cooper, Terrence Mosley, Collier Spinosa, Alic Troutman

AB Honor Roll Students

1st Grade: Fredrick Alexander, Jeramonie Atchison, Eduardo Aviles,

Marlon Barrington,

Demetrius Bellamy, Tenisa Bracey, Shannon Branch, Jiyah Ghee, JaCouri Gilley, Tyuan Hamilton, Shamar Harris, Shamyra Harris, Andrew Howe, Rubin Jaimes, Artisa Jones, Jalexia Jones, James Jones, Sandy Le, Lucas Lee, Emily Loveless, Alicia Meeks, Jaila Mitchell, Arleja Nealy, Anthony Newbon, Alejandra Nogal, Daniel Rosas, Wade Sego, Henry Sharpe, Kemya Thomas, Tykora Thompson, Haley Walker, Justice Walker, Willeshia Walker, Rico Watkins, Aliria Williams, Alijah Wright

2nd Grade:

Altavia Anderson, Elijah Brannan, Sean Barrett, Edjrion Bellamy, Trinity Blackmon, Toby Blanton, William Boland, Dominic Butler, Jesus Contreras, Tyren Dasher, Amiya Francis, Ny'Jae Freeman, Brooke Flowers, Kiyerra Henry, Yovana Jimenez, Jalisa Jones, Javoris Jones, Bryce Key, Kumeriyanna Livingston, Alaina Massey, Alexiua Miller, Tranecia Moore, Kai Morris, Jamie Murray, Jeremiah Prevatt, Maiya Randall, Taelyn Ransom, Tris Replogle, Keshawn Thomas, Jasmine Tovar, Taniah Whitfield, A'azaria Williams, Samaria Zeigler

3rd Grade:

Quaneisha Beverly, Mackenzie Boatwright, Jayden Burns, Cornellius Campbell, Jaquan Coasey, Jaquaz Frazier, Ryan Long, Angelica Norton, Carlissa Shuler, Matthew Steen, Aries Taylor, Megan Wainwright

4th Grade:

Brian Campbell, Tristan Craig, Tereyona Dunlap, Ariyanna Ellison, Wanda Gabriel, Kentavis Hawkins, Montrell Lee, Valandria Polite, Allen Washington

5th Grade:

Lily Akers, Tre Brown, Kayla Burns, Tahja Chavis, Dakota

Colvin, Mickayla Courson, Phillip Harris, Caleb Hawkins, Kahree Hill, Zion Imani, Lynelle Loveless, Taylor Mitchell, Tazarria Nelson, Mark Prevatt, Christopher Roseberry, Asyria Shuler, Ricky West, Jakell Williams, Aysia Womack

Jefferson Elementary School Perfect Attendance for 3rd 9-weeks

Kindergarten: Brooklyn Bosch, Gavin Byrd, Jeremiah Crumity, Samantha Gabler, Brezon Gillyard, Anaisia Johnson, Julie Jones, Travis Keaton, Alexis Miller, Jason Mosley, Keoni Nelson, Leonardo Olivares, Molly Powell, Christian Sloan, Christina Walker, Ariel Williams

1st Grade: Fredrick Alexander, Emma Allen, A'zaria Bellamy, Demetrius Bellamy, Mauricha Butler, Delvin Chambers, Johnny Crawford, Zamahni Dawson, Bre'zarie Gillyard, Shamar Harris, Janaysia Jennings, Sandra Jimenez, Jalexia Jones, James Jones, Jakayla Lawrence, Sandy Le, Sharneisa Mosley, Maria Rosas, Justice Walker, Rico Watkins

2nd Grade:

Toby Blanton, William Boland, Jordan Byrd, Manuel

Carrichi, Kerrick Crumitie, Trinity Highgate, Rommel-Ivan, Ingram, Kumeriyonna Livingston, Rico Murray, Jenny Nogal, Juvon Pettway, Abigail Vargo, Dameshia Williams

3rd Grade:

Frankesha Berry, Richard Blanton, Dylan Crawford, Brian Crumity, Brianna Crumity, Caroline Flynt, Lance Footman, Jartayvious Howard, Anthony Huggins, Kelani King, Ryan Long, Eric Perez, Anthony Ransom, Amilya Reddick, Lonnie Williams, Tyler Wilson

4th Grade:

Jacqueline Beat, Jessica Boland, Amiah Byrd, Tedriauna Dennis, James Flynt, Wanda Gabriel, Katelynn Jimenez, Mariah Jones, Amiya Keaton, Kalaree King, Cindy Le, Andrew Marks, Detravian Nealy, Taylor Peebles, Jaden Scott, Gekobe Smith, Jamichael Steen, Jamiya Steen

5th Grade:

Stevie Allen, Jamari Broxie, Danzell Crumitie, Jajuan Dean, Kerrick Henry, Kahree Hill, Imani Zion, Arianna Jones, Meadria Jones, Taylor Mitchell, Terrence Mosley, Jose Romero, Asyria Shuler, Jonathan Tinnell, Mya Trammell, Lazarus Tucker

Read, Reuse Recycle

RECYCLING

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

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

All plastic bottles - soda bottles (any size), milk jugs, water bottles, laundry detergent bottles, etc.

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

Newspapers, Magazines, etc.

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

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

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

Additional items accepted at the collection sites:

Household garbage

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

Batteries

***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.

JES Student Ayianna Bradley Recognized

The Jefferson County School Board along with the Jefferson Elementary School, recognizes 4th grade student Ayianna Bradley.

Ayianna is a 4th grade student of Nancy Whitty at Jefferson Elementary School. Her favorite subject is Reading. She made all A's for the third nine weeks of school and has been nominated for Florida's Young Scholars. Mrs. Whitty states that Ayainna is a shining



star in all that she does.

She sets high expectations for herself and exceeds all classroom goals. Not only is she an excellent academic student, she is a wonderful friend to all her peers. Mrs. Whitty is so proud to have her in her class!

Ayianna is the daughter of Karen Alexander of Monticello.

We are honored to have the future graduate, Ayainna Bradley of Jefferson Elementary School, as part of our family.

Male Only Lock-In A Success

The Safe and Nurturing Environment Action Team reports the Boyz-2-Men-Lock-In was a huge success. The purpose of this annual event is to provide accurate, wholesome, fun-filled information and activities that will enrich the lives of our young men as well as enable them to grow up to be educated, respectable and productive citizens.

17-male youth from Jefferson County attended the Boyz-2-Men-Lock-In held in March at the Taylor County High School Gym. Vendor exhibits from various counties, state and private organizations included: Jefferson County, Tonya Bell; North Florida Workforce, Brenda Taylor; Florida Kid Care; Court Administration; Capital City Bank, Kerry Armstrong; Leon County Health Department 2B Prevention Team, Deveda Bellamy; and Court

Administrator Antonio Johnson.

The youth sessions on Friday night centered around three motivational speakers: 'Sexual Orientation', Pastor Merrick; 'Spiritual', Rev. Butler and Rev. Tookes; and 'Male Talk,' Charles Reaves and Sgt. Johnson. The speakers did a phenomenal job engaging the youth. The young men sat posed listening to the presentations, they asked questions when given the opportunity and gave feedback to drive the discussions.

This event not only gave the boys a mental workout, but a physical one as well. The young men had an opportunity to show off their basketball skills by participating in the 3-on-3-basketball tournament. Teams were chosen during registration. Medallions and cash prizes were awarded to first, second and third place

teams. Winners from the three-points shot out also received prizes.

Saturday morning featured the three-point shootout. The program ended with awards and evaluations. Each youth received a certificate of participation. The program hopes to make an impact on the decision-making process of the youth, help improve conflict resolution skills, consider changing behavior and ultimately making better choices.

Special thanks to the planning committee: Men's Ministry of Taylor County, Walter Bishop, Moncrief Ervin, Randolph Copeland, Eddie Williams, Kenneth Flanders, David Lee, Floyd Mango, James Lockett, Roderick Williams, Theodis Miller, Jefferson County Whole Child Safe & Nurturing Environment Team, John Lilly, Deveda Bellamy, Kristin Jackson, Antonio Johnson, Tonya Bell, Cumi Allen, Willie Ann Dickey, Edna Hendy, Hattie Jordan, Theresa Copeland, Taylor County Board Commissioners D.T.I.S. Vera Newberry and the New Brooklyn Missionary Baptist Church.

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